

Tully GATE Magnet

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Welcome back Tully Families,

I am very excited to welcome everyone back to campus for a year of in-person learning. The staff has been working hard to create inviting classrooms settings and engaging activities for all. Just a few reminders:

Arrival

Students can be dropped off on campus starting at 7:45.

Breakfast will be served from 8:00 to 8:30

The first bell will ring at 8:30 and the tardy bell will ring at 8:35.

Dismissal- 2:45 (1:45 on Wednesday):

Parents can pick up students in front of the school in the parent pick up line. We ask that you stay with your vehicle. To help speed up the line, we ask that you write your child's name and grade level on a sheet of paper and place it in the passenger side of the dashboard.

If you wish to park and walk up to receive your child, we ask that you please park in the parking lot or in the dirt lot across the street and use the crosswalk. PLEASE DO NOT PARK ON EL RIO DRIVE, NORTH OF THE SCHOOL. This is for busses and day care vans only.

As you approach the loading area, please pull as far forward as possible to help move the line as efficiently as possible. This means you might have to drive past your child in some cases, but if we have large gaps in front of cars, it makes the line move slower for all. That one little courtesy can shave 5 minutes off the drop of routine.

COVID-19 Update: Per TUSD School Board policy, we will be requiring all staff, students, visitors, and volunteers to wear a mask when on campus. I know mask mandates are a hot-button item right now, but I hope our Tully community can simply work together to keep our students safe.

We ended our 2020-21 school year with around two-thirds of our students (200 kids!) on campus, and we were fully staffed. I am proud to say that we had no student infections with our on-campus population. We were one of the few schools in our area to achieve this feat. This was in large part, due to the partnership between the families and the school. You sent your children to our campus everyday with masks, and they wore them diligently. Our staff did what we could to provide a clean and healthy environment, and helped students stay safe by encouraging them to wash their hands and maintaining safe distances whenever possible. As a result, we had an amazing 4th quarter. We were able to have our 5th grade celebrations, and even a field day! I applaud our families for working with us, by picking up students when they had any sign of COVID as a precautionary measure and keeping them home when they were sick. I know it was inconvenient at times, but we truly appreciate these efforts. It says a lot about our community.

Let's do it again! Please work with us by sending your child to school with a mask every day, and wear a mask when on campus, even if you are vaccinated. We want to do everything we

can to prevent the spread of covid. I believe if we work together as we have over the past 18 months or so, our students will have an amazing experience.

I look forward to seeing everyone back on campus!

Principal Wilken

Sean Wilken

Principal

Tully Magnet Elementary

Gifted and Talented Program