

School Colors
Orange & Blue



LOWERY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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2020-2021

Kindness Counts!



School Hours
8:00 – 3:30

*Doors Open at 7:45 a.m.
7:40 Café breakfast eaters

Lowery's Office Staff

April Wright, Principal
Kerrie Turner, Assailant Principal
Katie Nelson, Assistant Principal
Teresa Rychlik, Counselor
Habiba Salim, Counselor
Kathy Tubbs – M/SC Instructional Specialist
Susan Mueller R/LA Instructional Specialist
Jill Jensen – School Nurse
Gelin Cancino, Cafe Manager

Toni Jasek, Principal's Secretary
Karen Owens, Admin. Secretary
Amy Tyrrell, Registrar
Lori Marshall, Behavior Interventionist
Amy Hodges, Librarian
Melissa Tysdal, Diagnostician
Efrat Estrov, SLP
Deon Brown, SLP
Mary Sicola, Receptionist

Arrival

Our staff is on duty, ready to supervise students at 7:45 am. Doors open at 7:40 am for breakfast eaters and 7:45 am for all students. Announcements begin at 7:55, and instruction begins at 8:00. All hikers and bikers will enter using the front entrance.

Late Arrival: Morning meetings begin at 8:00. Students arriving after 8:00 a.m. will be counted tardy.

Safety is Our Priority

All students and staff will screen before entering the building. When students arrive at Lowery, parents are saying they are not sick and have not been exposed to COVID-19.

Masks are required for all students, PK-5, in common areas, hallways, buses, transition areas, restrooms and classrooms when feasible.

Social distancing will be enforced in all areas.

Early Leave: Occasionally it may be necessary for your child to leave earlier than regular dismissal time. Please send a note with your child so they will be ready when you arrive. The note should state the release time and who will be picking up your child. Proof of identity will be required to pick up students. Students are only released to a guardian unless a note is sent by the guardian stating who will pick up the child.

Transportation Changes

Please send a signed note with your child indicating a change in transportation. Transportation changes made by phone must be followed up with a fax, 281-463-5516. **Email transportation changes are not accepted.** We cannot accommodate transportation changes made after 2:45 pm, due to limited time & personnel to carry out changes.

STAY CONNECTED! Please follow us on FB, Twitter and Instagram! In addition, our Lowery newsletter is posted on our campus page at <https://lowery.cfid.net/en/>

Lunch Money

By going to www.SchoolCafe.com, you can add money to your child's account, view balances and schedule automatic payments. Contact the cafeteria manager if you want the account to only purchase meals and no extras (desserts, etc.). This year, change will not be given, but instead added to your child's account.

Cafeteria Meal Prices as of June 2020

Student: Breakfast \$ 1.00 Lunch \$2.25
Adult: Breakfast \$2.00 Lunch \$3.50

The Federal Lunch Program is available through an on-line application.

Attendance

Attendance is key in student success and will be taken daily in both face to face and CFISD Connect classrooms. In the event of an absence, please send a note upon return. The note may be delivered, faxed, mailed or scanned, with the parent's original signature. (See Student Handbook)

Parents may make arrangements with the teacher for make-up work. Make-up work will not be provided in advance.

School Visitation Procedures

Due to COVID-19, in person visits will be limited, and must be scheduled. We are happy to partner with you via phone or video conference.

Unfortunately, we will not be open for lunch visitors this year. Likewise, we will not accept lunch drop offs or deliveries.

School Closing Announcements: School cancellation due to weather will be announced on: **School Messenger**, local **TV Channels** and **Radio Channels**. It can also be found on the district website WWW.CFISD.NET

To assist in promoting a safe and secure environment on all CFISD campuses, as well as a tool for communication, the district has implemented SchoolTipline. www.schooltipline.com

Grades will be posted on the HAC (Home Access Center) weekly. It allows you to access your child's grades on a secure online site for grades 2-5 and attendance for grades PK-1.

Honor Roll is earned each nine weeks by earning more A's than B's on an all A/B report card and all S in conduct and work habits.

Transportation

Bus Transportation is offered to all students in the CFISD.

You can check bus site information by going to the district website. Cfisd.net

A student may not ride a bus different than the one they are assigned

Hikers & Bikers Transportation

- Walkers and bike riders should not arrive on campus before 7:45 am.
- On rainy days, walkers and bike riders will be dismissed as usual; bring raincoats/umbrellas.
- On severe weather days, walkers and bike riders will need alternate plans
- All hikers and bikers should cross at the crossing guard or street corners for their safety.

Car Rider Transportation

- Car riders are dropped off and picked up in the front circular drive following traffic directions.
- Guardians should not park or wait in cars for hikers and bikers in the front parking lot or in front of the school grounds.

Clinic Procedures

Medication must be brought in by the parent in the original container properly labeled with the child's name and directions for the time and dosage. A written request to administer drugs must be on file. **Students may not transport medications to or from school.**

Change of Address and Telephone Number

- * Please keep address and phone numbers up to date in the school office at all times. * Notify us of any change by sending a note with your child and letting the office know.
- * In case of an emergency, it is vital that we are able to contact you.

Lowery PTO



www.LoweryPTO.com

Lowery has an outstanding PTO. You may volunteer in many ways. Register with the Membership Toolkit. **Please join PTO** ... your membership provides for cultural programs, celebrations and instructional support for your child. ☺

Rounding Up Appropriate Behavior

At Lowery, we focus on the whole child. It is the right of all students to have the opportunity to learn in a safe environment.

Staff will be teaching social skills and appropriate behavior choices daily. Our staff has been trained in -PBIS- Positive Behavior Interventions & Supports and Restorative Practices. Many of our staff have also been trained through Flip Flippen's Capturing Kids' Hearts. Lowery Longhorns will focus on the key principles of being Lowery Longhorn **PROUD** - positive, respectful, ownership of choices, use time wisely and dependable.

Students will also review

- The District Code of Conduct
- Classroom behaviors like "how to listen, get the teacher's attention, accept "no" for an answer, resist peer pressure, disagree appropriately, ..."
- Monthly values such as respect, responsibility, creativity, service, gratitude, generosity, patience, kindness, commitment, peace, honesty, persistence/effort ...

Thank you for sharing your children with us.

We are Lowery!

