

# Lowery Lariat

March 2021

*A letter from our Principal, April Wright:*

Springtime is quickly approaching and with it comes a sense of freshness and growth, longer days and more sunshine. This is refreshing and exciting considering a few days ago we were popsicles! It's also an exciting time with academic development as this is the time of year, we see huge development. Children start assimilating ideas and begin generalizing concepts.

Springtime also puts a pep in our step, washes away the grey winter and encourages us to play outside. Mark Twain said, "It's spring fever. This is what the name of it is." We fight the urge to run outside and enjoy the sunshine. 😊

As our students blossom this spring, let's continue our partnership for children's success. Let's provide those opportunities to enjoy the outdoors while continuing to focus on growing skills, supporting the whole child and feeding the hunger for learning.

Thank you for sharing your children with us!

  
**Happy  
St. Patrick's Day!**

**Spring Creek BBQ  
Spirit Night  
Tuesday, March 23  
5:00 – 9:00**

**SPRING CREEK  
BARBEQUE**

  
**Remote  
Learning**

**Remote  
Learning Day  
Friday, March 12**

**Spring Break  
March 15 - 19  
Have a safe  
Spring break!  
Student Holidays**

**SPRING  
BREAK**  


## Mark Your Calendar

March 1 - 5 – Read Across America Week  
March 1 Wear Pajamas  
March 2 Wear Dr. Seuss shirt or Red/White  
March 3 Wear your clothes backwards, inside out or mismatched  
March 4 Wear a hat  
March 5 Wear favorite socks and Lowery Spirit attire  
March 5 Progress Reports on HAC  
March 12 Remote Learning Day (students work at home)  
March 15-19 Spring Break – Student/Staff Holidays  
March 23 5:00-9:00pm Spring Creek BBQ Spirit Night

## Looking Ahead...

April 2 Good Friday – Student/Staff Holiday  
April 5 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Writing STAAR  
April 9 End of 3<sup>rd</sup> Marking Period  
April 12 Remote Learning Day (students work at home)  
April 12 Willie's Spirit Day – phone-in/dine-in (Mention Lowery)  
April 19 Report Cards available on HAC  
April 23 – 5<sup>th</sup> Gr Talent Show Permission Slip Due  
April 30 – 5<sup>th</sup> Gr Talent Show Auditions during Large Group



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# Cypress-Fairbanks Independent School District



Mark Henry, Ed. D.  
Superintendent

Tracy McDaniel, Ed. D.  
Director of Testing

State Assessment Year 2020-2021

Dear Parents or Guardians,

In order to maintain an optimum testing environment for students, the Texas Education Agency (TEA) has determined that students are not permitted to have cell phones or personal electronic devices that allow internet access or have photographic capabilities during testing as the devices can disrupt the testing environment and be used to compromise the security and confidentiality of the test.

Electronic devices must be turned off and not be visible; therefore, students are not allowed to place or receive a cell phone call or text message during a test administration.

The district policy regarding cell phone use during the school day can be found in the Cypress-Fairbanks ISD Student Code of Conduct handbook.

During the instructional school day, students are generally prohibited from using all telecommunication devices.... Such devices must not be visible and must remain turned off... Placing the cell phone into silent/vibrate mode and text messaging is not considered "turned off" and is prohibited.

If a student violates this CFISD policy, then his/her device will be confiscated and will be returned after an administrative fee is collected. District personnel will not assume responsibility for damaged, lost or stolen items.

Violation of this policy during any state assessment is considered cheating and will require the appropriate disciplinary action as described in the CFISD Student Code of Conduct handbook.

Violation of this policy during any state assessment such as, but not limited to, EOC, STAAR, or locally designed assessment, etc. prohibits an optimum testing environment and, therefore, may result in an invalid assessment. Use of a cell phone or any other unapproved electronic device during the administration of these tests will be regarded as cheating, and the student's test will be invalidated (test will not be scored) with appropriate disciplinary action to follow.

Additionally, secondary students will be asked to sign an honor statement before taking any version of the EOC or TELPAS tests. The statement, shown below, will be printed on each student's answer sheet, and students will be asked to sign it before testing begins.

By signing my name, I agree that I will not give or receive unauthorized assistance during the test. I understand that giving or receiving unauthorized assistance during the test is cheating and may result in the invalidation of my test results.

Please discuss the importance of adhering to this policy with your child. If you have any questions or concerns, your campus counselor is available to assist you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tracy McDaniel".

Tracy McDaniel, Ed. D.  
Director of Testing

# Distrito Escolar Independiente Cypress-Fairbanks



Dr. Mark Henry,  
Superintendente

Dra. Tracy McDaniel  
Directora de Evaluaciones

Evaluaciones Estatales del año 2020-2021

Estimados padres o tutores legales:

Con el propósito de mantener un ambiente óptimo durante la administración de exámenes, la Agencia de Educación de Texas (TEA) ha determinado que no se permitirá que durante las pruebas los estudiantes usen teléfonos celulares o aparatos electrónicos personales que permitan el acceso a la Internet o que tengan capacidades fotográficas, ya que estos aparatos pueden interrumpir el entorno evaluativo y ser usados para comprometer la seguridad y confidencialidad de la prueba.

Los aparatos electrónicos deben estar apagados y fuera de la vista; por lo tanto, no se permitirá que los estudiantes hagan o reciban llamadas telefónicas o mensajes de texto durante la administración de una prueba.

El reglamento del distrito respecto al uso del teléfono celular durante los días de clase puede encontrarse en del Código de Conducta del Estudiante de Cypress-Fairbanks ISD.

Durante el día escolar de instrucción, está prohibido que los estudiantes usen aparatos de comunicaciones... Tales aparatos no podrán estar visibles y deberán permanecer apagados... Cambiar el modo del teléfono celular a silencioso o vibrador o enviar mensajes de texto no se considera como "apagado" y está prohibido.

Si un estudiante no obedece este reglamento de CFISD, el aparato será confiscado y podrá ser devuelto después del pago por gastos administrativos. El personal del distrito no asume ninguna responsabilidad por el daño, la pérdida o el robo de esos objetos.

No obedecer este reglamento durante cualquiera de las evaluaciones estatales se considera hacer trampa y el estudiante recibirá la acción disciplinaria apropiada, según lo descrito en el Código de Conducta del Estudiante de CFISD.

El incumplimiento de esta regla durante la administración de evaluaciones tal como EOC, STAAR y evaluaciones diseñadas localmente, impide la presencia de un ambiente óptimo para el rendimiento de las pruebas y podría tener como resultado la invalidez de dichas pruebas. El uso de un teléfono celular u otro aparato electrónico no aprobado durante la administración de las pruebas mencionadas anteriormente será considerado como hacer trampa o copiar y la prueba del estudiante será invalidada (la prueba no será calificada) y se tomarán medidas disciplinarias respectivas.

Además, antes de rendir cualquiera de las versiones de las pruebas EOC o TELPAS, se pedirá a los estudiantes de secundaria que firmen un compromiso de honor. El compromiso, que aparece abajo, estará impreso en las hojas de respuestas de las pruebas y se pedirá a los estudiantes que lo firmen antes de que empiece la prueba.

Al firmar con mi nombre, declaro que estoy de acuerdo en que no daré ni recibiré ayuda no autorizada durante la prueba. Entiendo que dar o recibir ayuda no autorizada durante la prueba es hacer trampa y tendrá como resultado la invalidación de los resultados de mi prueba.

Sírvanse hablar con sus hijos sobre la importancia de seguir este reglamento. Si tienen alguna pregunta o preocupación, el consejero de su escuela está disponible para ayudarlos.

Atentamente,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tracy McDaniel".

Dra. Tracy McDaniel  
Directora de Evaluaciones

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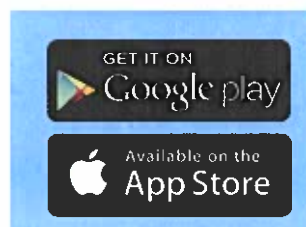
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**OPTE HOY MISMO  
RECIBIR  
NOTIFICACIONES  
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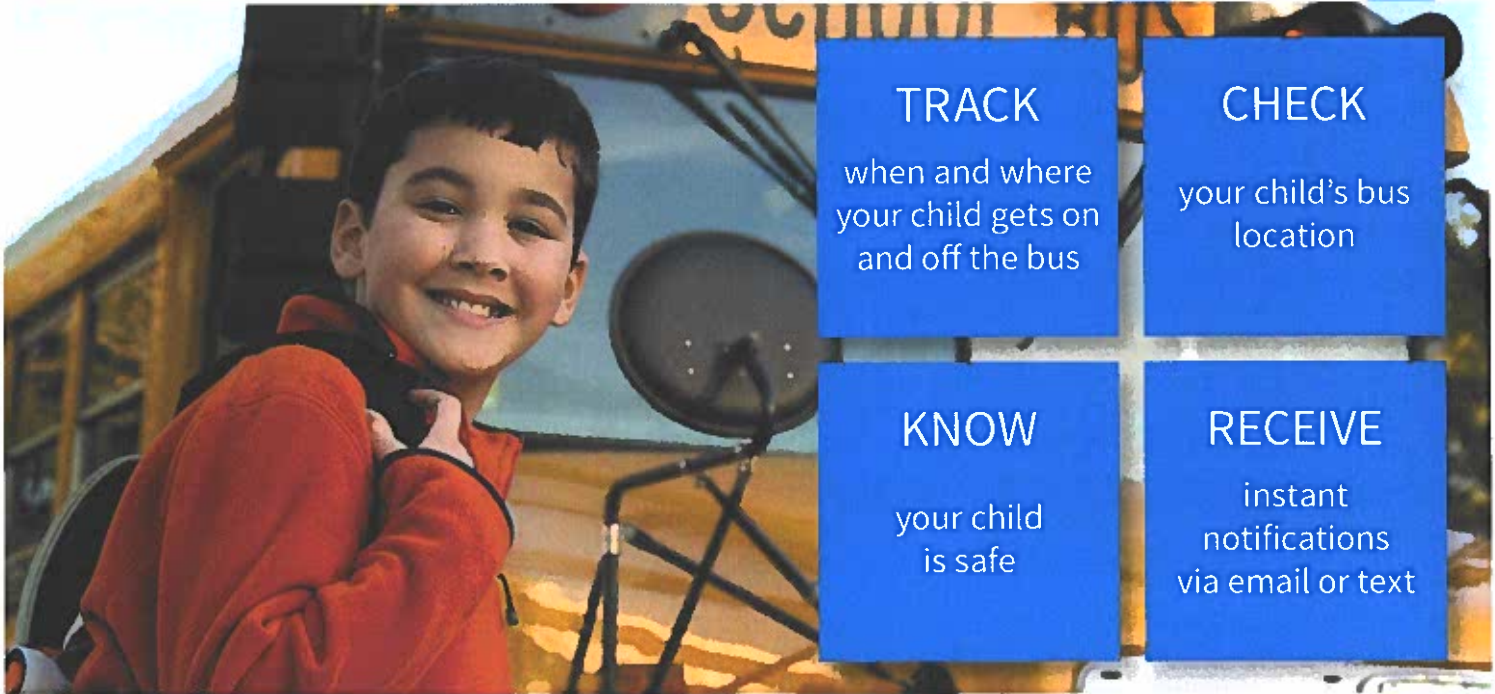
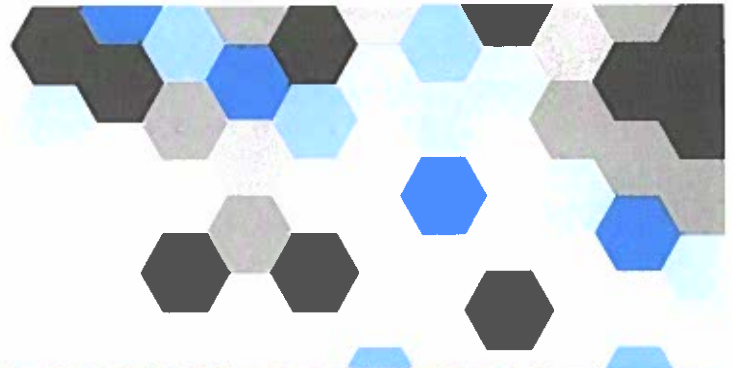
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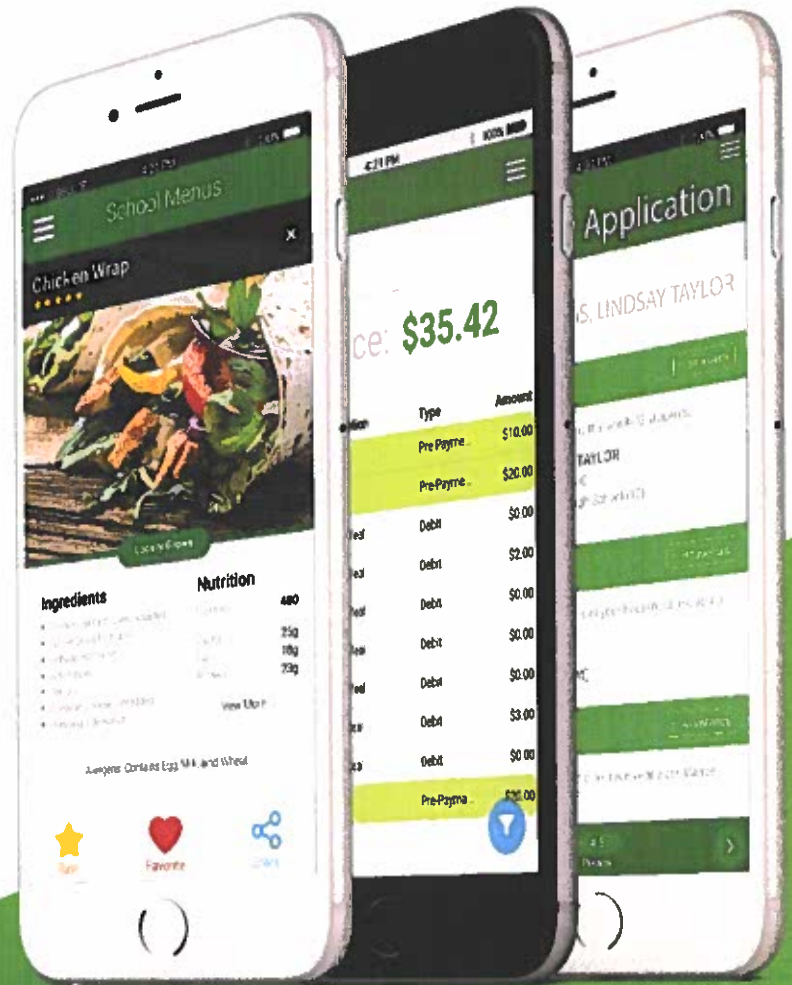
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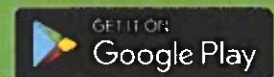
### MANAGE BALANCES

Make payments, view purchase history, and receive low balance alerts. For convenience, setup automatic payments to replenish their cafeteria funds.



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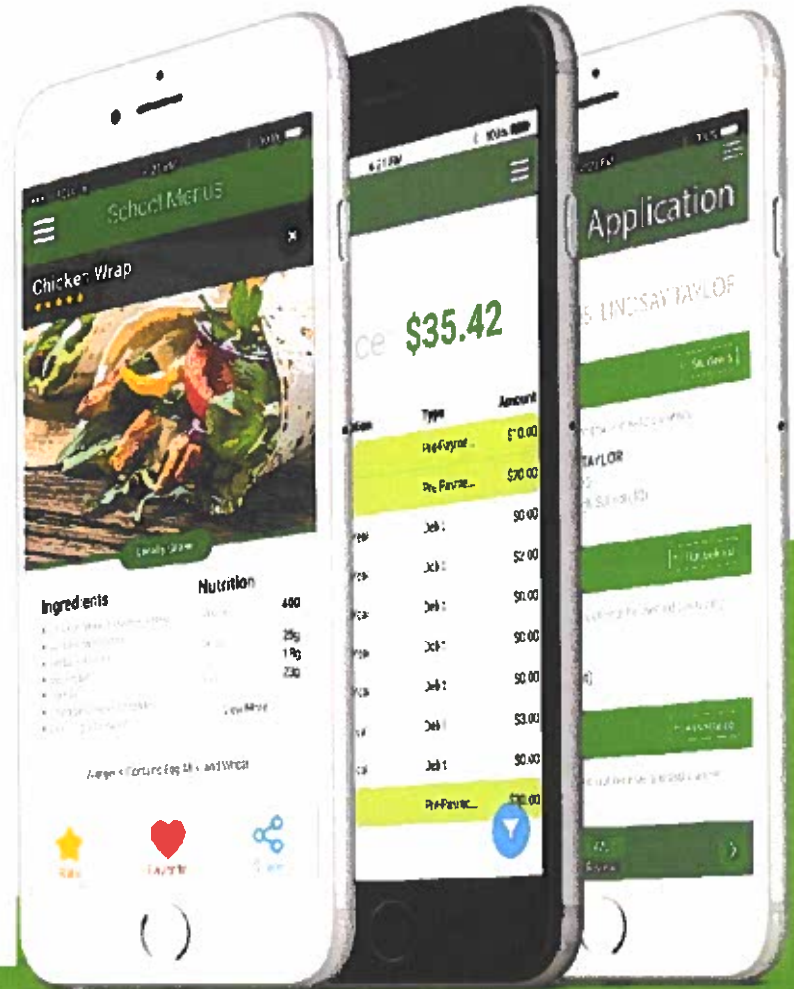
Solicitar el beneficio de comidas gratuitas o de precio reducido es muy fácil. Solicite, envíe y haga seguimiento del estado de su solicitud desde el comienzo hasta el final.

## VEA LA INFORMACIÓN NUTRICIONAL

Revise menús y vea información nutricional y alérgenos alimentarios. Los estudiantes también pueden calificar y marcar sus comidas favoritas en el menú ¡todo desde su teléfono!

## ADMINISTRE SUS SALDOS

Haga pagos, vea su historial de compras y reciba alertas de saldos bajos. Para su conveniencia, configure pagos automáticos para reponer fondos en su cuenta de la cafetería.



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