Welcome to the 2020-21 School Year!

Dearest Valley View,

If there had been a summer Olympics for parents and educators we would all be getting gold medals in gymnastics. We have all bent over backwards, done multiple flips and demonstrated superhuman flexibility in adapting to the challenges thrown our way. Our community has mourned the loss of normalcy on so many levels, cried out over racism and injustices, sheltered to protect the health and well-being of our community and learned to adapt to face coverings as part of our daily attire. It has been a summer of hard work and dedication to the greater good. I am proud of our resiliency, determination, kindness and compassion and I am truly excited to begin a new year by your side.

To our new families and staff members, we warmly welcome you to the nest. To familiar faces and long-time friends, we have missed you and look forward to the day we can embrace and celebrate our accomplishments.

As you are well aware, the school year is beginning in a unique way. You can expect to receive newsletters and updates from me every Thursday and I'll do my best to be thorough and forward thinking in preparing you for changes that occur at the state, district and campus level. The following pages are full of important dates and information to help you prepare. I also invite you to visit our campus website and scroll to the bottom of the home page to see EVENTS and other helpful information. We are in the process of updating our VVE FULL CALENDAR on our website with all VVE 2020-21 school events (including holidays, early release days, special activities and more) so please check back next week once we have the calendar updated.

I will close with a message of hopefulness and joyful anticipation that some time during this school year we will come together to celebrate all that we have endured, all we have learned, and all we hope the future to be for our children. We will be healthier, stronger and wiser than ever before. We will be united and motivated in ways that would not have been possible before the experiences and lessons 2020 taught us. I look forward to the first day of school and all the school days to come. Thank you for joining me on this adventure.

Lovingly,

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Back to School Events

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>
Aug. 14, 2020	2:00-4:00 pm	Kindergarten families pick up student supplies & iPads from VVE.
Aug. 17, 2020	10:00 am	K-5 grade class placements will be released on Family Access/Skyward followed by a parent orientation video to watch from your teacher.
Aug. 17, 2020	11:30 am - 1:30 pm	First grade families pick up student supplies at VVE. New first grade students will receive their iPad as well.
Aug. 17, 2020	2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Second grade families pick up student supplies at VVE. New second grade students will receive their iPad as well.
Aug. 17, 2020	4:30 pm - 6:30 pm	Third grade families pick up student supplies at VVE. New third grade students will receive their iPad as well.
Aug. 18, 2020	8:30 am - 10:30 am	Fourth grade families pick up student supplies at VVE. New fourth grade students will receive their iPad as well.
Aug. 18, 2020	11:00 am - 1:00 pm	Fifth grade families pick up student supplies at VVE. New fifth grade students will receive their iPad as well.
		K-5 grades: charge those iPads tonight to be ready for tomorrow!
Aug. 19, 2020	8:00 am - 4:00 pm	First Day of School (Remote Learning)

PARENT SUPPORT - TECHNOLOGY WORKSHOPS

To further support families through remote learning, Eanes ISD has created technology workshops to provide supports and resources about digital tools that students use as part of their learning. Each technology session is designed to provide an overview of the functions and features of the digital tools and how families can best support students while using the resources as part of their instructional day. Please see the link to the technology workshops: www.eanesisd.net/family-pd

If you have questions about the technology workshops, contact Dr. Kristy Sailors, Director of Educational Technology at ksailors@eanesisd.net.



Click here for infographic

Partnerships & Communication

We have 8 days until the first day of school! Connect with us on social media! We'd love to hear from you.

Send your First Day of School photos to Mrs. Smoland to be posted on social media!



You can always find us...



@VVEcardinals







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Hey Parents,

Did you know our VVE
Booster Club is made up
of hard-working parents
just like you who pool
their talents to provide
practical support for our
school?



Connect with our Booster Club!

https://valleyviewbooster.member shiptoolkit.com/

Booster Club Back-to-School Info

School Supplies

School supply shopping soon? The Booster Club has a <u>few</u> extra packets available for purchase, first come, first serve. Please email <u>maileykw@gmail.com</u> if interested. You can also find the lists here.



Order your spirit wear here!

Hey, VVE Family, Friends, & Neighbors-

Keep an eye out for two different signs in the neighborhood! These signs represent our newest cardinals this year; Kindergarteners and New-to-Eanes families. Please give them a welcoming wave as you go on your evening walks.



