

Greetings, Collins families!

We are excited for the first day of school on Tuesday, August 30th. We can hardly wait to welcome our new students and returning Collins Coyotes back to school!

Based on parent input from years past, in lieu of a Meet and Greet, we are having a Back to School Night on September 15th from 5:00-6:30. We are running ours a little earlier for families who also have students at Ford Middle School. See our *Howler* for more information.

Class lists are posted in the windows next to our front doors. You can also log into family access to find out your child's teacher. Here is a [link](#) here and it's also on the Collins website. Bus information also is on a banner on the Collins Website.

If you are dropping off your student on the first day of school, please drive through the front loop and wait until 9:20 before releasing your student. If you want to take a photo, please do so quickly because we tend to have a traffic jam at arrival. Make sure to pull up to the curb for drop off/pickup. For safety, the outside lane is for cars only and students aren't allowed to load/unload from that lane. Please do not leave your vehicle unattended in the parent drop-off area. There is a video on our website that reviews this information.

On the first day only, students will walk to the back of the school to line up with their classes. There will be lots of people to direct students to their teachers. That way classes can walk to their classrooms together on the first day. After that, students will go directly to class after picking up breakfast upon arrival. Breakfast and lunch are free again this year.

Dismissal is at 4:05. We have a very important favor to ask! Prior to the first day of school, please email your child's teacher with information about how your child will be getting home from school on the first day and on regular days. Please include the bus number for riders or indicate parent-pickup. Students who are parent pick-up will wait by the signs that are organized alphabetically by last name. Please be patient and cautious as family members pull in and out of the spaces. Even though it is intense for a few minutes, it goes quickly once all the students are dismissed.

We have lots of exciting plans for students and families this year. Please reach out if we can be of assistance. Have a great weekend and see you soon!

Sincerely,

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