



THE RUSTY REPORT

Rustic Oak
Elementary

SADDLING UP FOR A GREAT YEAR!

Week of August 12th

SCHOOL HOURS

Grades PK-4.....7:55 AM – 3:15 PM
 Front Doors Open.....7:15 AM
 Breakfast Served.....7:15 am – 7:50 AM
 Students Enter Class.....7:45 AM
 Class Begins.....7:55 AM

***Students must be inside the building by 7:55 AM. Students entering the building after this time will be tardy. If a student is tardy, parents are required to park and come into the lobby to sign them in.**

Welcome to Rustic Oak Elementary and the 2024-2025 school year! We are excited to have you and your child(ren) as a part of our Buffalo family. By working together, we will ensure that every student has a safe and successful year at Rustic. Please contact us with any questions you may have.

Front Office Staff

Principal:	Beth West
Asst Principal:	Kara Cook
Counselor:	Landry Angel
Nurse:	Ashley Bates
Admin Asst.:	Maria Guerrettaz
Registrar:	Edna Darby
Telephone:	281-482-5400
Fax:	281-996-3658
Transportation:	281-485-3562
Mascot: Buffalo	Colors: Blue & White

Parents may walk students to class the first 3 days. Plan to leave the classroom before 7:50, so we can begin our morning routine.



Rustic Oak Student Pledge



Today, I will do more than I have to do, I will treat others as I want to be treated, and I will try to become a better person.

ARRIVAL & DISMISSAL INFORMATION

CAR RIDERS – Parents will receive 2 Rustic Oak car signs on the first day of school. These signs are used to call your child’s name as you arrive in line. They will be directed to a star in order of your arrival. If your family needs more than 2, you can stop by the front office for additional cards at any time. Car riders are defined as children whose parents remain in the car throughout the drop off and pick-up procedures. Please do not park or drop off from the street. Car traffic is heavy and unpredictable at dismissal time, making it very unsafe.

- **Car Rider Arrival** - Car riders can be dropped off in the front driveway beginning at 7:15 a.m. Please do not drop off students earlier than 7:15 a.m., because there will be no supervision for your child before this time. We have a lot of car riders at Rustic. To avoid long lines, we recommend arriving prior to 7:40. To help alleviate our heaviest traffic times, parents arriving between 7:40 and 7:55 may drop their child(ren) off at either the front drive or the bus drive.
- **Car Rider Dismissal** - Car rider dismissal will be in the front of the school. Please use the stacking lane off of Rustic Lane. A car rider sign must be shown to the staff member calling names. Please do not arrive before 2:45. The Stacking Line starts alongside of the staff parking lot. The long driveway will remain clear until we start dismissal. Please make sure you turn RIGHT into the stacking lane. Left turns are not allowed.

BUS TRANSPORTATION – The opportunity to ride a Pearland ISD school bus is a privilege and certain expectations for appropriate conduct have been established to ensure the safety of all the students. Parents will be notified of any student who does not follow the bus rules. Students are allowed to ride their regular bus only. They may not ride home with a friend. Students in PreK and Kindergarten will only be released from the bus to an approved adult using their child’s unique PIN# provided by the parents at the time of registration.

[Click here to view our car stacking lane for student drop off/pick up.](#)

CHANGE IN TRANSPORTATION

It is extremely important to our staff that all students are dismissed safely every day. Frequently changing modes of dismissal transportation can cause confusion for children. Emergency situations do arise which may require a change in how students go home. If there is a change in how your child will go home, please notify the teacher in writing. If advance notice is not possible, phone calls advising the office of transportation changes must be called in no later than 2:00 pm. Students’ dismissal transportation will not be changed after 2:00pm unless approved by an administrator.

EARLY PICK-UP

To ensure a smooth and organized dismissal, parents who need to pick up their child up early for an after-school doctor’s appointment, etc., should do so by 2:30 p.m. Thank you for your cooperation!

PICKING UP STUDENTS

If someone other than the parent will be picking up your child, the person’s name must be listed in Skyward as family member or emergency contact. The person designated to pick up your child must be prepared to show appropriate identification to school officials.

TEAM
PTA

Help support
our students
and staff by
joining our
Rustic Oak PTA.

JOIN NOW

SCHOOL-WIDE EXPECTATIONS

Be Safe

Be Respectful

Be Responsible

At Rustic Oak, we use PBIS (Positive Behavior Interventions and Support) to teach and encourage students to be SAFE, RESPECTFUL, & RESPONSIBLE in all areas of the school. At the beginning of the school year, teachers and students discuss what this looks like in each area of the school.

Nurse Notes

Nurse Bates is excited to begin her 1st year at Rustic! She wants to encourage you to visit the district Health Services information by [clicking here](#).

If you have any questions for her, please email her at batesar@pearlandisd.org. Students at Rustic are not allowed to carry any medications with them (including cough drops). All medications must be brought to the clinic by an adult with a medication form signed by a physician and parent.

All student immunizations must be current. If your child receives any immunizations during the school year, please send a copy of any updates to the clinic.

Please remember to pack a set of clothes (shirt and pants), underwear, and socks in your child's backpack if a change of clothes is needed at school.

Student Birthdays

Your child may bring in store bought birthday treats for the class to celebrate their birthday. Birthday treats will be shared with your child's class either at recess or at the end of the school day. Your child's teacher will communicate when they prefer to celebrate birthdays. Teachers appreciate it when parents send in treats that are single servings (cupcakes, cookies, donuts, etc...) because they are easier to distribute. Birthday invitations may be sent home from school if every student in the class (or every boy/girl) is receiving an invitation.

COUNSELOR CORNER

Hi! My name is Landry Angel and I'm the school counselor for Rustic Oak. I'm so excited for this school year! As the school counselor, I provide academic, social, and emotional support for all students. I teach monthly guidance lessons to all classes, meet with small counseling groups and provide individual counseling/check ins. If you or your family is ever in need of any resources (food, clothing, community resources, etc.), I'm here to help. Please don't hesitate to reach out. Our goal is for all students to feel safe and grow in their learning each and every day. Yeehaw!

Email: angell@pearlandisd.org



[Click here](#) for more information on CharacterStrong!

Character Strong is our district-wide character education program. Each month we focus on a different character trait. We teach these traits through our morning announcements, morning meetings, and monthly guidance lessons.

BE KIND

Social skills and conflict-resolution



RESPECT

EMPATHY

COOPERATION

BE STRONG

Executive functioning: focusing, organizing, goal-setting



Responsibility

PERSEVERANCE

COURAGE

BE WELL

Wellness strategies: emotion regulation



GRATITUDE

HONESTY

Creativity

Each month we will share information about the trait of the month, conversation starters and questions to use at home, and activities you can do as a family. We encourage your family to partner with us in the implementation of this program throughout the year!

CAFETERIA INFORMATION AND PROCEDURES

Breakfast \$1.45 (\$0.00 Reduced)

Lunch \$2.50 (\$0.40 Reduced)

- Money can be easily added to your child's account for additional items they wish to purchase at www.schoolcafe.com.
- We welcome lunch visitors at Rustic Oak beginning Tuesday, September 3rd. (We are closed to lunch visitors the first few weeks of school. This time is used for teaching routines, procedures, and expectations for the cafeteria.)
- All visitors will check in at the front reception desk with a photo ID.
- We suggest that you arrive early to ensure that you are ready at your child's lunch time.
- Visitors are welcome to bring in lunch for themselves and their child; however, students can still purchase a meal from the cafeteria when they have guests. If a cafeteria lunch is needed, the student will get their lunch from the cafeteria line and meet their lunch guest in Room 404.
- We ask that lunch visitors refrain from taking additional students to room 404.
- Please say your goodbyes in room 404 at the end of your child's lunch time. Visitors should not walk back to the classroom with the class but should report directly to the front office to check out.
- Closed Campus Days: There will be a limited number of days when we will be closed to lunch visitors due to testing, etc. These days will be communicated well in advance through Skyward messages.
- If you are dropping off a lunch for your child, please make sure you have it here early so that we have time to get the lunch to your child. All lunches should be dropped off by 10:30 A.M.

ATTENDANCE

School attendance is critical for the quality of your child's education. A child who misses a day of school misses a day of learning opportunities. Should it be necessary for your child to miss a day of school, you must submit your child's absence online or send a written and signed note stating the reason for the child's absence within 3 days of the absence with the information listed below.

- Student's first and last legal name
- Grade Level
- Student ID #
- Specific dates of the absence
- Specific reason for the absence
- Parent signature

If a doctor's note is submitted, please make sure that it covers ALL days of the absence. If not, please send an accompanying parent note with the above-listed information. Emails will no longer be accepted.

Students are required to attend class 90% of the time it is offered to be able to receive credit and be promoted to the next grade level. All absences, regardless of excused or unexcused, including leaving early and coming in late, count towards the 90% rule.

Please help make your child's education a top priority by building a habit of daily attendance.

VISITORS & SAFETY

ALL visitors must check in with a current Driver's License each time you come to campus and receive a Visitor Tag at the Front Office before going to any other areas of the building. The Visitor Tag must always be worn the entire time you are on campus. Teacher conferences will need to be scheduled during the teacher's conference time. We appreciate your time and understanding when you visit Rustic Oak and are required to show identification. The process takes only a few seconds and is well worth the safety of all our children.

Important Links

[Absence Notes](#)

[School Cafe](#)

[Rustic Oak Student Handbook](#)

[Pearland ISD Calendar](#)

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRI DAY
<p>Offered at Breakfast Daily: Variety of Whole Grain Cereals Fruit and 100% Juices Choice of Milk</p> <p>Offered at Lunch Daily: Choice of Juice and Milk</p>			<p>Proudly serving Texas Watermelon</p> <p>We purchase Texas grown and produced food for our students when possible.</p>	<p>BREAKFAST Students: \$1.45 Students, Reduced Price: Free Adults: \$2.85</p> <p>LUNCH Students: \$2.50 Students, Reduced Price: \$.40 Adults: \$5.00</p>
12	13	14	15	16
<p>Egg & Cheese Biscuit Yogurt & Trix Cereal Bar ***</p> <p>Hummus & Pita Chips Pack 100% Beef Hot Dog on Bun Breaded Chicken Drumstick with a Breadstick Seasoned Sweet Corn Hydroponic Lettuce Salad Frozen Fruit Cup</p>	<p>Donut Holes Cluster ***</p> <p>100% Beef Hamburger Cheeseburger Cheese Stuffed Breadsticks with Marinara Dunk Cup Oven Roasted Potato Wedges Baby Carrots Fresh Apple Slices</p>	<p>Egg & Cheese Breakfast Taco ***</p> <p>Orange Chicken over Rice Grilled Cheese Sandwich Uncrustable PB&J with Cheese Stick</p> <p>Teriyaki Green Beans Cucumbers & Tajin Fresh TX Watermelon</p>	<p>French Toast Sticks ***</p> <p>Pepperoni (Turkey+Beef) Pizza Cheese Pizza Pulled Pork BBQ Sandwich Ham(chicken) & Cheese Croissant BBQ Baked Beans Cole Slaw Applesauce</p>	<p>Turkey Sausage Breakfast Pizza ***</p> <p>Hummus & Pita Chips Pack Mac & Cheese & Wheat Roll Steak Fingers & Wheat Roll</p> <p>Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Baby Carrots Diced Peaches</p>
19	20	21	22	23
<p>Turkey Sausage Biscuit Yogurt & Cocoa Puffs Bar ***</p> <p>Hummus & Pita Chips Turkey Chili Nachos Cheese Nachos Corndog (chicken) Ranchero Beans (vegetarian) Pico de Gallo Lettuce Salad Frozen Fruit Cup</p>	<p>Whole Grain Glazed Donut ***</p> <p>Chicken Smackers Entrée Salad Mini Pancakes & Turkey Sausage Cheese Stuffed Breadsticks with Marinara Dunk Cup Oven Roasted Potato Wedges Baby Carrots Fresh Apple Slices</p>	<p>Beef Chorizo & Cheese Taco Stick ***</p> <p>Teriyaki Chicken over Rice Beef Rib Sandwich Uncrustable PB&J with Cheese Stick</p> <p>Broccoli Jicama Sticks with Tajin Fresh Cantaloupe Chunks</p>	<p>Mini Cinnamon French Toast ***</p> <p>Pepperoni (Turkey+Beef) Pizza Cheese Pizza Breaded Chicken Filet Sandwich Ham (Chicken) & Cheese Croissant Roasted Sweet Potatoes Cucumber Slices Applesauce</p>	<p>Turkey Sausage & Pancake Sticks ***</p> <p>Hummus & Pita Chips Chicken Smackers & Breadstick Fish Filet & Cheese Sandwich</p> <p>Potato Smiles Baby Carrots Diced Pears</p>
26	27	28	29	30
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	<p>1% White Milk and Fat-Free Chocolate Milk are available at every meal!</p> <p>Pre-K Lunch: No juice, White Milk only</p>		<p>To complete a "MEAL" at both breakfast and lunch students must choose <u>at least 1 serving</u> of a fruit/juice or vegetable</p>	

Menus are subject to change due to supply issues or product changes.

To restrict your student's account, visit www.schoolcafe.com. For questions, please contact the Food Service Department at 281-412-1244.