



TIPPS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



TITLE I SCHOOL

FELICIA THOMAS, PRINCIPAL

FEBRUARY 2025

Important Dates

Jan. 31	Class Picture Day
Feb. 7	Progress Reports go home for the 3 rd nine weeks grading period
Feb. 14	Student Holiday
Feb. 17	Student Holiday
Feb. 18	Spring Fundraiser Kickoff
Feb. 25	Black History Program – 5:30 pm
Feb. 27-March 5	Spring Book Fair
March 4	Science Night – 5:30 – 7:00 pm
March 4	Book Fair Family Night
March 6-7	Field Day – Schedule to follow
March 7	End of 3 rd nine weeks
March 10-14	Spring Break for all students & staff
March 21	Report Cards go home with students
April 3	Spring Picture Day
April 18	Good Friday Holiday for all Staff and Students
April 21	Teacher Workday/Student Holiday

Tipps' Tiger Behavior Strategies

TIGERS R. O. A. R.

R is for Responsible

O is for Ownership

A is for Always Safe

R is for Respectful

Principal's Corner

Dear Tipps' Parents/Guardians,

Happy New Year! We hope you had a wonderful holiday season and are ready for a successful second half of the school year. As always, we appreciate your partnership in your child's education and are excited to share some important updates and reminders with you.

The Importance of Attendance

At Tipps Elementary, we believe that consistent attendance is key to student success. Our daily attendance goal is 95%, and we need your support to achieve it! Every day of learning is critical to building a strong foundation for your child's future. While we completely understand that students may need to stay home when they are sick, we ask that you make every effort to ensure your child is present on all other school days. Together, we can help your child reach their full potential!

Why Attendance Matters:

- Students who attend school regularly are more likely to succeed academically.
- Daily attendance helps students stay on track with their learning.
- Being present builds responsibility and good habits for the future.

Thank you for making attendance a priority in your family!

STAAR Test Preparation

We are in full swing preparing our students for the upcoming STAAR test, and your support at home is invaluable. Here are a few ways you can help your child excel:

1. **Practice Math Facts:** Encourage your child to log in to ST Math at home to strengthen their math skills.
2. **Read Daily:** Have your child spend time reading a good book each day. Ask them to write about what they read or share their thoughts with you verbally. Engaging in conversations about what they're reading helps deepen comprehension.
3. **Encourage Writing:** Writing is a critical skill for success on the STAAR test. Encourage your child to write about topics they enjoy, stories they've read, or even their day-to-day experiences.

Thank you for partnering with us to help your child feel confident and prepared!

Upcoming Event: Science Fair

We're thrilled to announce that the Tipps Elementary Science Fair is just around the corner! This is a wonderful opportunity for our students to showcase their creativity, curiosity, and hard work. Stay tuned for more information about dates, project guidelines, and how you can support your child's participation. We can't wait to see the amazing projects our students create!

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to your child's education. If you have any questions or need assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us. Together, we can ensure that every student at Tipps Elementary has a successful and fulfilling school year.

Warm regards,
Mrs. Thomas, Principal

Spirit Shirt Purchase Information

Spirit Shirt sales for this school year are wrapping up. Online sales are now closed. We have 3 student XL shirts available for purchase (Send form with cash payment to the front office). There are some adult sizes still available for purchase. Inquiries can be sent to: tipps@cfisd.net

Thank you for showing your school spirit!

Front Office Reminders

Please review the following policies regarding lunch deliveries, student check-out and transportation changes:

1. **No Student Lunch drop-offs accepted.**
2. **Same Day Transportation Changes - 2:30 pm** is the latest time to request a transportation change on **the same day**. The school always requires a handwritten note or fax. **We do not make changes by phone or email.**
3. **Early Pick-up of Student - 2:45 pm** Is the Latest Sign-out/Early dismissal of students without notice. After 2:45 pm; students must follow their regular transportation. Please note, that being listed as an "Emergency Contact" does not authorize that person to have access to the campus or student without a separate written permission or handwritten note from a parent/guardian giving permission for the emergency contact to pick up the student(s).

Tipps School Website

Take a moment to visit our School Website! Important information is posted along with newsletters and other helpful contacts and links.

To access the website, follow these instructions:

1. Go to www.cfisd.net
2. Select – Schools
3. Select Tipps Elementary
4. School Webpage will open

Be sure to check the website for the most up to date information on the 2024-2025 school year.

Follow us on Social Media



Facebook - @tipselementarycfisd



Twitter - @TippsElementary

Bus/Lunch Tag Update

All students are issued 2 plastic tags, plastic sleeve, lanyard and plastic loop for the Bus Tag and the School Tag that is used in the Cafeteria and Library.

Replacement cost for each tag is \$5.00 and payable in School Cash or cash payment to the front desk.

All students who ride the bus must have a bus tag to board the bus. **Emergency replacement bus tags are \$1.00 each.**

Volunteering at Tipps

If you would like to volunteer at Tipps, we currently have the following opportunities:

Library– Follow the link to view upcoming opportunities to help in our library.

<https://signup.com/wkaseZg>



PBIS Store – Volunteer to help sort our student prizes and deliver prizes to the classrooms.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0445A5A62CA5FD0-51750794-pbis>



If you are interested in volunteering but have not completed the volunteer orientation, go ahead and sign up to volunteer and we will provide an orientation when you come to the school. Once you complete the orientation, you will be added to our What's App group where we communicate with our school volunteers.

Parents and Grandparents: If you are the parent or legal guardian of a student enrolled in the CFISD school where you wish to volunteer, you must create a volunteer portal account with CFISD.

1. Create a Volunteer Portal Account and receive your account information and password from donotreply@raptortech.com (Could take 5 business days).
<https://www.cfishd.net/departments/community-engagement/volunteer> - Click to get more information on how to create portal account.
2. Present your driver's license at the school's front desk each time you volunteer and ask the receptionist to sign you in as a volunteer.

Birthday Ads on Marquee

Celebrate your child's birthday on our digital marquee. Ads are \$10.00 each and are available for purchase in School Cash. Please allow at least one-week lead time for your ad request to be processed. All proceeds will benefit our PBIS program.

Lunch Visit Information

This school year, parents will sign up for a lunch visit on our **Sign-Up Genius** page. **There is a limit of 12 parents per grade level lunch.** Students will be allowed 1 adult parent visitor. Once the slots are filled for that day, you will have to select another day for your visit. Scan the QR code below to sign up for a lunch visit. (Lunch Visits on Fridays only)



Title I Notice to Parents

As a parent at a campus receiving Title I funds, federal law allows you to ask for information about the certification, college major, and advanced degrees of your child's teacher(s). You also have the right to request information about the qualifications of a teacher aide or paraprofessional providing direct services to your child. If you would like to receive this information, you may contact the Cypress-Fairbanks I.S.D. Human Resources Department at 281-897-4099.

Federal School Report Card

Federal Report Cards for the state, the district, and each of the district's campuses are now available on the district's website at this link:

<https://www.cfishd.net/our-district/school-ratings/school-ratings-district>

The attachment outlines how to view these report cards. If you are unable to access the information from the website, hard copies of the reports are available at the district or campus office. If you have any questions about this information, please contact our front office at 281-345-3350.