



# TIPPS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



TITLE I SCHOOL

FELICIA THOMAS, PRINCIPAL

MARCH 2025

## Important Dates

- 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 – See attached forms
- March 7 End of 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 8-10 STAAR Reading - 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> grades
- April 16 STAAR Science – 5<sup>th</sup> grade
- April 18 Good Friday Holiday for all Staff and Students
- April 21 Teacher Workday/Student Holiday
- April 22 Pre-Kindergarten Roundup – 5:30pm
- April 28-30 STAAR Math – 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> grades
- May 1 Field Trip – 5<sup>th</sup> grade to the Downtown Aquarium

## 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 Elementary Families,

As we move into the second half of the school year, I want to take a moment to emphasize the importance of **daily attendance** and thank you for your ongoing partnership in your child's education. Every school day matters, and when students are present, they have more opportunities to learn, grow, and succeed.

**Why does attendance matter?** Research shows that students who attend school regularly are more likely to perform well academically and develop strong social and emotional skills. When students miss school, they miss valuable instruction that can be difficult to make up, which can impact their overall progress. Whether it's learning a new math concept, engaging in a hands-on science experiment, or participating in classroom discussions, every day in school is a step toward success.

We understand that illnesses and emergencies happen, but we encourage you to prioritize attendance whenever possible. Ensuring that your child arrives on time and is ready to learn each day sets them up for achievement and helps them build strong habits for the future.

We also want to **thank you** for your support and commitment to your child's education. Your encouragement at home and your collaboration with our teachers make a tremendous difference. We truly appreciate all that you do to help our students thrive!

And speaking of exciting opportunities, **we can't wait to see you at our upcoming Field Days on March 6 and 7!** These days are always a highlight

of the year, full of fun, teamwork, and school spirit. We look forward to celebrating with our students and families as we cheer them on in a variety of activities. Be sure to mark your calendars and come ready to enjoy the day with us!

Thank you for being an essential part of our Tipps Elementary family. We look forward to seeing your child at school each day and celebrating together soon!

**With gratitude,**  
*Felicia Thomas*  
Principal, Tipps Elementary

### ***Spirit Shirt Wrap Up***

We have a few sizes left for purchase. If you have questions, you can email: [tippers@cfisd.net](mailto:tippers@cfisd.net)  
***Thank you for showing your school spirit!***

### ***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](http://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 - @tipps elementarycfisd***



***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/go/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](mailto:donotreply@raptortech.com) (Could take 5 business days).  
<https://www.cfisd.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.

## ***Spring Fundraiser***

Thank you to all our students/families for your participation in our spring fundraiser. (Participation is optional.) The school goal is to be able to purchase a mural for the library, provide items for end of year events and PBIS incentives.

All money (online or payments sent to the school) are due by Thursday, March 6th.



## ***Spring Forward***

Daylight Savings Time begins on March 9<sup>th</sup>. Don't forget to set your clocks one hour ahead! Springtime is just around the corner.



## ***Field Day on March 6<sup>th</sup> & March 7<sup>th</sup>***

Pre-Registration Forms have been sent home with all students. If you plan to attend Field Day, please return your form as soon as possible so that visitor stickers can be prepared for you.

**March 6<sup>th</sup>** – 4<sup>th</sup> grade at 8:30 am, 5<sup>th</sup> grade at 10:30 am and 1<sup>st</sup> grade at 12:30 pm

**March 7<sup>th</sup>** – 8:30 am – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, 10:30 am – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and 12:30 pm – Kindergarten