



# Williams Elementary School

Fresno Unified School District

Guadalupe Ponce, Principal

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to the 2025–2026 school year at Williams Elementary — home of the Wizards! As we prepare to begin together on Monday, August 18, 2025, our dedicated staff looks forward to partnering with you and your child. At Williams, we believe that a strong partnership between home and school, fueled by Wizard Pride, is the key to every student's success.

## Important Dates to Remember:

- **Tuesday, August 12, 2025:**  
Extended office hours for registration until 7:00 PM.
- **Wednesday, August 13, 2025:**  
Backpack Giveaway Night — preparing our Wizards for an amazing year ahead.
- **Thursday, August 14, 2025:**
  - Class lists posted on cafeteria windows: No room changes will be made prior to Tuesday, September 9, 2025
  - Back to School Night from 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM — come meet our staff and get important information to fuel your Wizard's Success
- Open House April 23, 2026 – Great opportunity to showcase our year's work and improvement

## Daily School Schedule:

Grade Level	Arrival Time	Dismissal Time
Transitional Kindergarten	8:00 AM	1:05 PM
Kindergarten	8:00 AM	1:05 PM
Grades 1st – 6th	8:00 AM	2:05 PM

## Early Release Days:

To support teamwork and planning among our Wizard staff, most Tuesdays will be minimum days to give teachers extra collaboration time. These will generally occur during full weeks, but **not** on holiday weeks or Teacher In Service Days.

Grade Level	Arrival Time	Dismissal Time
Transitional Kindergarten	8:00 AM	12:05 PM
Kindergarten	8:00 AM	12:05 PM
Grades 1st – 6th	8:00 AM	1:05 PM

## Parent Conference Week:

During October 20–24, 2025, our Wizards and their families will connect during Parent Conference Week. Dismissal will be **60 minutes earlier** to make time for these important meetings.

- Kindergarten dismissal: 12:05 PM
- Grades 1–6 dismissal: 1:05 PM

**Daily Arrival & Cafeteria:**

- Breakfast is served starting at 7:30 AM —
- All students enter through cafeteria doors daily
- Our after-school program is available every day until 6:00 PM

**Stay Connected:**

School communication will be sent through ParentSquare, and many teachers also use ClassDojo to stay in touch with families throughout the year. Parents are encouraged to regularly log in to ATLAS to monitor their child's academic progress, grades, assessments, and attendance. If you need help accessing any of these platforms, please don't hesitate to contact the school office for support.

At Williams Elementary, our commitment is to nurture every Wizard's potential and prepare them to be career-ready graduates who take pride in themselves and their school. Together, with true Wizard Pride, we look forward to a fantastic year ahead!

Sincerely,

Guadalupe Ponce  
Principal

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# August

# 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12 Late Registration Office Closes @7:00 PM	13 Backpack Giveaway 5:30–6:30 PM	14 Back to School Night 5:30–6:30 PM	15	16
17	18 First Day of School ☺	19 Early Release TK & K @ 12:05 PM 1st–6th @ 1:05 PM	20	21	22	23
24	25	26 Early Release TK & K @ 12:05 PM 1st–6th @ 1:05 PM	27	28	29	30
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