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Welcome Back, TROJAN FAMILIES!

Dear Coldspring-Oakhurst CISD Parents, Families, and Community Members,

With tremendous excitement, I welcome everyone back to Trojan Nation for the 2026-2027 academic year! I hope your summer was filled with rest and quality time together, and that you're ready for the year ahead.

Thank you for your continued partnership and support of our school community. Your trust in our educators makes all the difference.

Celebrating Our Students' Success

The 2025-2026 school year brought historic results:

- Based on preliminary TEA accountability data, 2025-2026 represents COCISD's strongest overall academic performance since the A-F accountability system began in 2018.
- The district is projected to earn its highest overall academic accountability rating to date.
- COCISD is on track for zero F-rated campuses for the first time since 2018.
- Coldspring-Oakhurst High School is projected to earn COCISD's first-ever B rating.
- College, Career, and Military Readiness (CCMR) improved to 94%, earning an A rating for the third consecutive year.

Official TEA A-F accountability ratings are scheduled for release next week. These results reflect the hard work and talent of your children and our dedicated faculty & staff, and we couldn't be prouder.

Our Commitment This Year

We're building on this momentum with a district-wide focus on strengthening both Math and Reading instruction at every grade level, with special attention to the 5th-to-6th-grade transition so every student stays on track as they move between campuses. We're also committed to sustaining our strong CCMR performance, ensuring every graduate leaves COCISD ready for college, a career, or military service.

Every campus in our district will continue receiving the support, resources, and attention needed to build on this year's success — because progress in Trojan Nation doesn't stop at one grade level or one campus. And as always, we're committed to keeping you informed and involved every step of the way. Your partnership remains one of the most important ingredients in our students' success.

Important Back-to-School Dates

First Day of Instruction: Tuesday, August 11

- **Aug. 3** — 9th Grade GEAR UP Bridge Camp, 9 AM–3 PM, COHS
- **Aug. 4** — 7th & 8th Grade Orientation, 6–7:30 PM, LJH
- **Aug. 4** — 10th & 11th Grade GEAR UP Bridge Camp, 9 AM–3 PM, COHS
- **Aug. 5** — 6th Grade Orientation, 6–7:30 PM, LJH | 8th Grade GEAR UP Bridge Camp, 9 AM–3 PM, COHS
- **Aug. 6** — 10th & 11th Grade Orientation, 5:30–6:30 PM | 9th Grade/Freshman Orientation, 6:30–7:30 PM
- **Aug. 7** — JSE & CIS Meet the Teacher, 5–6:30 PM | 12th Grade/Senior Orientation, 6–7 PM | Meet the Trojans & Legacy Walk, 7:30 PM, Berlin Bradford Stadium
- **Aug. 8** — Third Annual Back to School Bash, 10 AM–2 PM, COHS Gym

Thank You, Trojan Families!

Together, we've built something special in Coldspring-Oakhurst CISD, and with your continued support, 2026-2027 will be our best year yet. Our theme for the year ahead is ***Progress Doesn't Pause***, and with a community as committed as ours, that's exactly what we intend to prove.

With gratitude and excitement for the year ahead,

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