Why Nash Elementary?

LEADERSHIP

"I have determined that leadership is: Communicating to people their worth and potential so clearly that they come to see it in themselves. It is the influence we have with others to help them discover their own voice, to find their own purpose, to make their unique contribution, and to release their potential, that truly defines leadership."

~ Stephen R. Covey

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Welcome to Nash Elementary School!

We are excited about the 2026-2027 school year, and the many learning opportunities for our students. We recognize that our students would not be successful without lots of parent support, and we are most appreciative of all you do.

Our goals for this year are:

1. To recognize and celebrate the cultural and socioeconomic diversity of our students
2. To maximize the potential of each student
3. To develop community trust and support
4. To support our school with competent, committed and caring staff

These goals are essential in providing a quality education for all of our children. We ask for your help as we strive to meet these goals.

Want to join our Nash family?

- Join your child for lunch.
- Join Volunteers in Public Schools (VIPS).
- Meet regularly with teachers to monitor your child's progress.
- Schedule a classroom visit with the principal and teacher.
- Participate in all activities throughout the year.

Thank you for choosing to send your child to Nash Elementary School. We want you to feel welcome at our school, and we want to involve you in the educational opportunities for your child. We look forward to working together to make it another "OUTSTANDING" year!

Liliana Luna, Principal
Nash Elementary School

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SCHOOL PRACTICES & PROCEDURES...

Students will receive information about the student handbook and code of conduct. The handbook contains detailed information about policies at elementary schools in TISD. It is also available on the TISD website – **www.txkisd.net**. In addition, here are a few important things you will want to know about Nash Elementary School.

SCHOOL DAY TIMES:

Classes Begin: 7:50 a.m.
Students Dismissed: 3:30 p.m.

ARRIVAL IN THE MORNING:

7:20 - 7:45 a.m.

Car riders arrive in the east side (gym side) circle drive or the south (front office side) entrance beginning at 7:20 a.m.

Pre-Kindergarten - Second Grade students should be dropped off at the south side of the building.

Third - Fifth Grade students should be dropped off at the east side entrance.

Bus & Day Care van riders should arrive at the west side of the building.

Staff is on duty to assist students from cars and direct to the front entrance.

Students needing to eat breakfast will enter and proceed to the cafeteria and then dismiss to appropriate holding areas below. Those choosing not to eat breakfast will be supervised from 7:20-7:45 a.m. according to grade level in the following areas:

Pre-K & Kindergarten: Fine Arts Room
First Grade: Library
Second - Fifth Grades: Gym

Do not drop off students before 7:20 a.m. There is no supervision for car riders or walkers.

DON'T BE LATE!

Children enter the classrooms at 7:45 a.m. and teachers begin morning activities immediately. It is very important that your child arrive on time. Children who enter class late are not prepared to begin work on time and often fall behind. Students are marked absent from first period if they enter the classroom later than 7:55 a.m.

ABSENCES:

When your child is absent, please call the school with an explanation and write a note when he/she returns to school. There are no tardies. If your child enters the classroom after 7:55 a.m., he/she is counted absent for first period. The State of Texas has very strict laws for absences, even if the absence is only for one period. Parents will be summoned to court and possibly fined after 10 absences. Students may not be promoted to the next grade level if they have more than 18 absences in a year. (Additional information can be found in the student handbook.)

DISMISSAL IN THE AFTERNOON:

3:30 P.M.

School is dismissed at 3:30 p.m. Students will not be released from the office after 3:10 p.m. You must sign your child out in the office. Parents cannot go directly to their children's classrooms and take the child out of school.

Car riders in PK, K, 1st & 2nd Grades are dismissed from the South entrance and are escorted to their vehicles. Traffic enters from Kings Highway, onto Burton Street, then wraps around onto Frieberger Street and into the circle drive. Vehicles are expected to exit back onto King's Highway.

Students in Grades 3-5 are dismissed from the circle drive on the East side of the campus near the gym and are escorted to their vehicles. Traffic enters from Highway 82 East onto Greenwood then flows into the circle drive. All vehicles must exit back through the neighborhood on Greenwood.

If you have children in both the lower grades and the upper grades, please use circle drive on the East side of the campus near the gym. We will send younger siblings to wait with older siblings each afternoon so that you may use a single pick-up location.

For the safety of our campus, all parents are to remain in their vehicle while waiting for students to be escorted to the car.

Bus and Day Care van riders are dismissed from the West exit.

Walkers are dismissed from the front of the building with an adult walking them east on Frieberger Street.

REMEMBER . . .

There is no supervision for students after 3:55 p.m. TISD has very strict guidelines about students who are not picked up on time and Child Protective Services will be called. (See guidelines in student handbook.)

Parents should wait at the designated pick-up area outside the building until students are released.

PLEASE OBSERVE TRAFFIC PATTERNS:

Please follow the practices and procedures that have been set. Student safety is our utmost concern. Following the practices and procedures allows us to keep all our students safe.

BUS SERVICE:

TISD provides bus service for eligible Nash Elementary students. You must complete a bus service request form in the office.

Reminder: Riding the bus is a privilege. If students do not follow the bus rules, they will lose their bus riding privileges.

CHANGES IN PICK-UP ROUTINE:

For the protection of your child, any changes in a child's pick-up routine must be submitted through the PikMyKid application or the office must be notified by phone in time to notify all concerned. Keep in mind that a consistent routine is important for your child.

LEAVING DURING THE SCHOOL DAY:

Because our instructional time is so valuable, we request that you not pick up students early except for medical appointments or family emergencies.

VISITING ON CAMPUS:

Visitors are welcome in our school. For the safety and protection of our students and staff:

- ***All visitors must sign in at the front office presenting a valid driver's license or other official picture ID. A visitor's badge will be issued and must be worn at all times while on campus.***
- ***Please use the front entrance since all outside doors remain locked during the school day.***
- ***Visits to individual classrooms during instructional time shall be permitted only with the principal's and teacher's approval. These visits will not be permitted if their duration or frequency interferes with the delivery of instruction or disrupts the normal school environment.***
- ***Visits will not be permitted during student assessments to ensure the privacy of students.***
- ***Campus playground areas are restricted and visitors are not permitted.***

To protect and maximize learning time, we request that parents not engage the teachers in conversation during class time. We love to talk with parents, but parents should make appointments with teachers during their conference periods or speak with teachers after school.

REPORT CARDS:

Report cards will be issued each six weeks. Progress reports will be sent home every three weeks. An early dismissal parent conference day will be scheduled in October.

TUESDAY FOLDERS:

Each Tuesday your child will bring home his/her weekly work in a folder which will need to be signed and returned the next day. This is just one of the ways we keep you informed of your child's progress. Communication between home and school is extremely important in the success of all of our students.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES:

School supply lists can be found in the office or on the TISD website - www.txkisd.net.

PARENT INFORMATION:

Stay connected to school news and events via:

Facebook – facebook.com/TexarkanaISD
Instagram – instagram.com/texarkanaisd
Website – www.txkisd.net

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES:

If you would like a conference with a teacher, please send a note to your child's teacher, or call the school office at 903.838.4321 to schedule a time.

Teacher conference periods:

Pre-K	12:45-1:35 p.m.
Kindergarten	1:20 – 2:25 p.m.
First grade	12:15 – 1:20 p.m.
Second grade	8:30 – 9:35 a.m.
Third grade	10:40 – 11:45 a.m.
Fourth grade	2:25 – 3:30 p.m.
Fifth grade	9:35 – 10:40 a.m.

MEAL INFORMATION:

As part of the Community Eligibility Program (CEP) for the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) and School Breakfast Program (SBP), Nash Elementary provides FREE Breakfast and Lunch for all students on their campus. **However, we do ask that you complete the Household Income Form in your student's First Day Packet and return to the campus for continuation in this program.**

For adults who wish to have lunch with their student, Breakfast is $3.50 and Lunch is $5.50.

Current adult meal prices reflect last year's rates and may change once updated guidance is received from the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) and USDA. TDA has indicated a price increase is required but has not yet released final rates. Prices will be updated accordingly once official guidance is provided.

No food deliveries for students will be accepted.

BREAKFAST:

Breakfast time: 7:20–7:45 a.m.

Students needing to go through the breakfast line must be on time so they have ample time to go through the breakfast line, eat and avoid being counted absent during first period. Students must be finished eating when the allotted time is over.

LUNCH TIMES:

Pre-K	10:30 – 11:00 a.m.
Kindergarten	11:00 – 11:30 a.m.
First	11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Second	12:05 – 12:35 p.m.
Third	11:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
Fourth	11:15 – 11:45 a.m.
Fifth	12:20 – 12:50 p.m.