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WAGGONER CREEK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Welcome to Waggoner Creek Elementary School!

We are thrilled to welcome you to the 2026-2027 school year! As a **Leader in Me Lighthouse School**, the 8 Habits of Leadership are woven into our daily routines and learning experiences, helping our students grow as confident, capable leaders.

We are especially proud to be the **only public school in Texas as part of the Teton Science Schools' Place Network**, offering students rich, hands-on learning opportunities through community collaboration and meaningful connections beyond the classroom walls.

We know that student success is a team effort, and it wouldn't be possible without support from our families.

Together, we can make this an exceptional year of growth, exploration, and achievement.

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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 Waggoner Creek Elementary School.

SCHOOL DAY TIMES:

Doors Open: 7:15 a.m.
First Period Attendance Recorded: 7:50 a.m.
Students Dismissed: 3:30 p.m.

ARRIVAL IN THE MORNINGS:

Doors open at 7:15 a.m. and students will be directed toward the appropriate entrance.

DROP OFF LOCATIONS:

Traffic enters from the northeast entrance (campus entrance closest to Pleasant Grove Road) into the parking lot. Parents must drop students off along the curb in front of the Cafeteria.

Do not drop off students before the school doors open at 7:15 a.m. There will be no supervision of students prior to that time.

BE HERE, BE READY!

Students are expected to be in class by 7:50 a.m. Students need to arrive no later than 7:45 a.m. in order to be in class by 7:50 a.m. Students that arrive after 7:50 a.m. are considered absent for first period attendance.

ABSENCES:

When your child is absent, please call the school with an explanation and write a note when he/she returns to school.

The State of Texas has very strict laws for absences, even if the absence is only for one period. Students may not be promoted to the next grade level if they have more than 17 absences in a year. (Additional information can be found in the Student Handbook.)

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. **If your child has an appointment, they will need to be signed out through the office.**

DISMISSAL IN THE AFTERNOON:

3:30 P.M.
School is dismissed at 3:30 p.m. Students will not be allowed to leave before 3:30 p.m. unless it is for a medical appointment or a family emergency. You must sign your child out in the office.

Kindergarten through Fifth Grade students are dismissed from the cafeteria. Traffic enters from the northeast entrance (campus entrance closest to Pleasant Grove Road) into the parking lot. In order to maintain dismissal efficiency, parents are expected to receive their student(s) through the car rider line, and a staff member will load students into their vehicle.

REMEMBER . . .

There is no supervision for students after 4:00 p.m. The pick-up of students on time is a standard that must be met at Waggoner Creek Elementary School.

BUS SERVICE:

TISD provides bus service for eligible Waggoner Creek 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 pikmykid.com or call the office. Must be notified prior to 2:45 p.m. in order to notify all concerned. Keep in mind that a consistent routine is important for your child.

PARKING:

Visitors should only park in legal parking spaces in front of the school. Do not block the front driveway.

There are designated parking spots in the parking lot for our "Zoom Zone" Silent Auction winners. These parking spots must be available from 3:15 - 3:45 p.m. in order for "Zoom Zone" parents to receive their children for dismissal.

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.**
- **Visitors are to use the Main Entrance at the front of the building.**
- **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. Parent Conferences will be scheduled after the first six weeks grading period.

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.

Your child's grades can be viewed at the TISD Parent Access Center (PAC) by completing an online application at www.txkisd.net.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES:

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

PARENT INFORMATION:

Parents will receive a school newsletter periodically during the school year.

Stay connected to school news and events via:

Facebook – facebook.com/TexarkanaISD
Facebook – facebook.com/TISDWaggonerCreek
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 903.255.3301 to schedule a time.

Teacher Conference Periods:

Kindergarten	8:00 - 9:10 a.m.
First Grade	8:00. - 9:10 a.m.
Second Grade	9:10 - 10:20 a.m.
Third Grade	12:20 - 1:30 p.m.
Fourth Grade	10:40 - 11:50 a.m.
Fifth Grade	2:20 - 3:30 p..m.

MEAL INFORMATION:

All families are encouraged to complete an application for free or reduced meals. Applications will be sent home the first day of school and should be returned as quickly as possible. Please call the office if you need an application.

Regular price:	Breakfast $2.45	Lunch $2.95
Reduced price:	Breakfast Free	Lunch Free
Adult price:	Breakfast $3.50	Lunch $5.50

You may pay daily, weekly, monthly, etc.

Current student and adult meal prices reflect last year's rates and are subject to change pending updated guidance from the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) and USDA. TDA has signaled price adjustments may be necessary, but final rates have not yet been released. Prices will be updated accordingly once official guidance is provided.

No food deliveries for students will be accepted.

BREAKFAST:

Breakfast will be served in the cafeteria from 7:20 a.m. to 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.

LUNCH TIMES:

Tiger Learning Center	10:50 - 11:20 a.m.
Kindergarten	10:50 - 11:20 a.m.
First Grade	10:50 - 11:20 a.m.
Second Grade	11:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Third Grade	11:50 a.m. - 12:20 p.m.
Fourth Grade	11:50 a.m. - 12:20 p.m.
Fifth Grade	11:20 - 11:50 a.m.

WATER:

Students are encouraged to bring a water bottle to school with their name clearly labeled.