



D. C. Cannon Elementary

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A Message from the Principal

Welcome to a brand new school year at D. C. Cannon! This school year will be an exciting time filled with many discoveries and learning opportunities for your child. By working together we can provide the best atmosphere for your child's success. As you may already know D. C. Cannon is once again a RECOGNIZED campus! It would not have been possible without a dedicated, hardworking group of teachers, staff, and students. This year we will continue to build upon the recognized rating and reach even higher levels of success.

I want to introduce a new member that has joined the Cannon team. Miss Jackie Hammett, new to the second grade team, previously taught second grade in Clarksville ISD. She is going to make a wonderful addition to our school.

We believe our families are an integral

part to the success of our students. As the school year gets underway, I encourage you to take advantage of the opportunities to be a part of D. C. Cannon. Read your child's classroom folder regularly for messages from your child's teacher. Monitor your child's grades by reviewing classroom work and signing up for the parent portal that allows you to view grades online as soon as they are posted by the teacher. Join PTO. Volunteer. Attend performances by the fine arts program. Conference with your child's teacher as needed. Make sure your child attends school daily. Your role is vital in your child's academic growth. Join us.

I am looking forward to a wonderful year. As you can see to the right, we are moving full steam ahead. Our hope is that you will come on board and join us on the road to success!

Lunch with a Grandparent

The students and staff at D. C. Cannon would like to honor our grandparents by inviting them to have lunch with their grandchild. This year Grandparents' Day is celebrated on September 12, but D. C. Cannon is going to celebrate it a bit early! We are inviting Grandparents to lunch September 7-10.

Grandparents may eat lunch from the cafeteria or salad bar. The cost is \$3.00. In addition, grandparents may choose to bring lunch for themselves and their grandchild. We ask that if you are planning to attend please return the attached form. Remember that all visitors must show ID at the office before being permitted in the

building. All guests should be on the emergency contact list.

In order to help make it more pleasant for those who come and join us and reduce the amount of overcrowding, we ask that the following schedule be followed.

We look forward to you joining us in this celebration of our grandparents.

Tuesday, September 7

The cafeteria will serve chicken fried steak.

10:55-11:25	Hoff, Shockley
11:15-11:45	Tadlock
11:30-12:00	Barnes, Hammett
12:05-12:35	Clements, Goggans

Dates to Remember

SEPTEMBER

6	Holiday: Labor Day
7-10	Lunch with a grandparent
7	Boy Scout recruitment night (6:00 in DCC Cafeteria)
8	Progress reports go home
10	Volunteer brunch (9:00)
13	TPRI testing begins
12	The EDGE begins

OCTOBER

8	AR parades; report cards go home
12	Third grade parent TAKS night
20	Homecoming community bonfire and pep rally (8:30 @ FHS)
22	Homecoming pregame activities (6:45 @ TMS) Homecoming (7:30 @ TMS)
23	Homecoming parade and BBQ cook-off (11:00 @ DCC) Fall Festival (4:00 @ FHS)
25-29	Red Ribbon Week
27	Progress reports go home
28-29	School walk for diabetes kickoff event in PE classes

Wednesday, September 8

The cafeteria will serve cheeseburgers.

11:00-11:30	A. Whitehead, J. Whitehead
11:35-12:05	Maynor, Spradlin
12:10-12:40	McMinn, A. Taylor

Thursday, September 9

The cafeteria will serve chicken nuggets.

11:05-11:35	Brown, Jackson
11:45-12:15	Burk, Dech
12:15-12:45	S. Taylor, Fite

Friday, September 10

The cafeteria will serve chili dogs.

11:10-11:40	Kirkman, Petty
11:50-12:20	Elliott, Kenner
12:20-12:50	Grugel, Hoffman

Notes from the Nurse

--Irene Hearn, RN, BSN

One of the best ways to stay healthy this season is by practicing good health habits. This includes proper hand washing, exercising and getting plenty of rest. It also involves drinking plenty of water and eating healthy, well-balanced meals and snacks.

When you are eating healthy foods, your body is better able to fight off infection. Many "tummy-aches" can be avoided by simply eating breakfast. Increased energy and overall well-being can occur from small changes

and substitutions to your eating and snacking preferences.

Instead of french fries, try a baked potato or even baked chips. Pepperoni pizza is nice, but a vegetable pizza on whole wheat crust is wonderful. How about eating raisins in place of candy? Don't forget to substitute soda with sugar-free lemonade and carrot sticks instead of cheese puffs. Another good snack to try is apple slices sprinkled with cinnamon or dipped in peanut butter

(if there is not a peanut allergy).

Choose vegetables and fruits, whole-grains and baked foods, rather than processed (refined), high-sugared, high fat and fried foods. Choose foods and snacks that will help you and your family maintain a healthy weight. Resist the urge to "super-size". Remember portions and serving sizes really are smaller than you think. Limit your intake of the unhealthy items and increase the healthy. Try it. You will feel the difference and be all the healthier for it!

Plan for a Smooth Arrival & Dismissal

We want the arrival and dismissal process to run quickly and safely for our students and parents. Below are ways that you can help make sure that both time periods run smoothly.

MORNING ARRIVALS

- Have your child prepared to exit as soon as you pull up to the drop-off awning. Backpacks and goodbyes should be taken care of before your child gets out of the vehicle.
- It is not necessary to wait on an adult to open the door. At the awning, pull forward and your child may exit the vehicle.
- If walking your child to the sidewalk, use the crosswalk and wait for the signal of the teacher on duty.

- Arrive early. The building opens at 7:20. The line to drop off students is considerably shorter at this time.

AFTERNOON DISMISSALS

- Display your child's name until he/she is loaded. This helps the person calling names and the people loading the car.
- Use the sign throughout the year. The same people may not be calling names or loading the cars every day.
- Watch for people walking down the center lane.

With your help, arrival and dismissal can be a very efficient process. Thank you for your cooperation!

Procedures for Campus Visitors

As a reminder, please be prepared to provide a photo ID and a cell phone number prior to being admitted into the main building when visiting our campus:

This process must be followed during every campus visit.

Thank you for your patience and understanding. These procedures are implemented for the safety of our students and staff.



Student Birthdays

We strive to make the most of the instructional day. Therefore, birthday parties are not held during the school day. However, you may drop off cupcakes or some other light refreshment at the front office for the class to be served at an appropriate time designated by the teacher. This will help ensure that the classroom schedule is not interrupted. Invitations to birthday parties will only be distributed at school if there are invitations for each child in the classroom. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding!

Title I News

--Jennifer Hogan, Title I Teacher

D. C. Cannon is committed to providing a quality education for every child. We want to establish partnerships with the parents of our students. Everyone gains if schools and parents work together. On the last page of this newsletter you will find the D. C. Cannon Parent/Teacher/Student Agreement. Please take a moment to review this page and complete the checklist. This will provide valuable feedback and

insight regarding your children. Then simply return this page to your child's teacher. Thank you for your commitment to our partnership in education.



Calling all Parent Volunteers!

Can you cut with scissors? Can you tear paper on a perforated line? Do you enjoy using the copier or the die cut machine? Can you listen to a child read? Can you email? Can you put things in alphabetical order? Then we may have a job for you!

We want to make a concerted effort to utilize and recognize the contributions of our volunteers. Ms. Hummel will serve as our volunteer contact this year. Simply sign up to be a

volunteer, attend the orientation to learn how to use the equipment, and Ms. Hummel will contact you with volunteer information as opportunities become available.

To find out more information about our volunteer program, attend the volunteer brunch on September 10 at 9:00. We cannot wait to see you here!



Attending school regularly is important for a student's success. Remember that a student shall not be given credit for a class unless the student is in attendance 90 percent of the days the class is offered. Following an absence, an excuse should be turned in to the child's teacher within three days.

Sign up for the Parent Portal

If you have not already done so, please consider signing up for txConnect. txConnect is a parent portal that allows you to monitor your child's grades and attendance via the internet. With txConnect you will have immediate access to your child's information as grades and attendance are reported almost immediately and updated throughout the day. As new

information is entered into the system by the teacher, parents will be able to view the updated assignments or attendance. Access to the new portal is granted after first obtaining a personal identification number from Mrs. Elliott in the office. Bring your ID to the office to receive your personal identification number then you will complete the sign up process online.

Once again we will participate in Box Tops for Education. Box Tops can be found on many food items you already regularly purchase at the grocery store.

Look for the symbols similar to the one pictured, cut them out, and send them to school. It is that easy!



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