

# Griggs Gazette

W. C. GRIGGS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

“Home of the Shining Stars”

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August 2017

*Welcome Back Shining Stars!!!!*

## **Important Dates:**

8/25----Kona ice

9/4-----Labor Day Holiday—No school.

9/7-----Progress Reports go home.

9/15-----Fall Pictures—IN school uniform.

9/26-----Make up day for pictures.

10/9-----Teacher work day—No school.

10/16----Report Cards go home.

10/16----Texas Roadhouse Spirit Fundraiser Night.

10/19----Fall Festival (more info to come home at a later date)

## **Morning/ Afternoon School Procedures:**

Bus/Vans Unload 7:40

Cars Unload 7:45-8:05

Breakfast 7:45-8:05

Bell 8:05

Dismissal 3:05- 3:15

Students should not be dropped off before 7:45. All students should be picked up by 3:20. No early dismissals are allowed after 2:30. Students who leave school before 11:30 a.m. will not be counted present for that school day.

**\*\* All parents must come through the morning carpool line and follow car procedures.\*\***

**Parents please refrain from using a cell phone or smoking during carpool.**

**Griggs would like to introduce & welcome our new staff members:**

**Mrs. Laura Hittson—Principal, Mrs. Deanna Stevens—Assistant Principal, Ms. Joy Hayes—Registrar, Mrs. Lori Williams—3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher, Mrs. Lisa Ferro Davis—1<sup>st</sup> grade teacher, Ms. Diania Jackson—Special Ed, Ms. Frenecia Balams—Cafeteria, Ms. Kimberly Cox—Cafeteria, Mrs. Shawn Daughtry—Cafeteria, Ms. Tara Dinkins—Cafeteria.**

**OUR 1<sup>ST</sup> PERFECT ATTENDANCE T-SHIRT WILL BE WEDNESDAY, 8/30. STUDENTS WITH PERFECT ATTENDANCE (NO TARDIES-NO EARLY DISMISSALS) FROM WED. 8/23-TUES. 8/29 MAY WEAR THEIR FAVORITE T-SHIRT ON 8/31.**

**OFFICE REMINDERS:** If you have any change of information such as, Phone numbers, address, emergency contacts, or transportation—You **MUST** come to the office. Changes must be in writing in the office. We cannot take this information over the phone. Anytime your student is absent you have three days to send a parent or doctors note to your child's teacher.

**\*\*\* ALL VISITORS MUST STOP AND SIGN IN— IN THE OFFICE TO RECEIVE A VISITORS PASS\*\*\***

**Tardy Students:** Students arriving after 8:05 **MUST** be signed in the office by a parent/guardian. For the safety of your child, **DO NOT DROP OFF ANY CHILD AND LEAVE THEM UNATTENDED.** Parents of tardy students must park in the parking lot and enter the office with their child to sign the student in. Please do not park in the front fire lane. Students under 7 years of age with excessive tardies or absences during a single semester will be withdrawn from school.

**Early Dismissal Procedure:** A parent picking up a child early **must show photo ID in the office** to sign out and pick up the student from the office. Parents may not pick up the student from the classroom. **No EARLY DISMISSALS after 2:30.**

**Learning to BE A PROACTIVE (You're in Charge) Family:** Students are learning to be Proactive & more responsible. Please help by making sure your student is prepared for school by sending everything with them in the morning. If they happen to forget an item such as forms, lunch, money, etc., they will be ok. You can turn the forms/money in the next day, and they will be able to eat a school lunch that day.

**Bookkeeper Business:** Just a reminder to pay your school/literacy fees: **K-\$15.00, 1<sup>st</sup>-15.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>-\$15.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$10.00, 4<sup>th</sup>-\$10.00, & 5<sup>th</sup>-\$10.00. Please send to your child's teacher.**

**NURSE NEWS:** All medication must be brought in by a parent/legal guardian and signed/dropped off with the nurse. Please do not send with students. If your student requires a Chronic Aliment Letter, a new letter must be provided each semester. If your student is absent due to their chronic illness, you must send a note stating absent due to chronic illness.

**Transportation Information:** If you are experiencing any transportation issues such as a late bus, early bus, or bus not showing up, you must call the MCPSS Transportation department @ 221-5260. Griggs handles student bus issues. **Get your Parent Bulletin by e-mail – email [mcazalas@mcpss.com](mailto:mcazalas@mcpss.com) to add your name to the e-mail group.**

*“Together We Lead... Together We Shine”*

**PTA INFO:** Membership \$10.00 per family. Spirit Shirts are \$15.00, add \$3.00 for 2x or 3x sizes.

Sweatshirt & Fall fundraiser information will come home at a later date. PTA Officers-Christiann Taylor, President; Marcia French, Vice President, Johnnie Davis, Treasurer; Lisa Hadaway, Secretary; Georgianna Ozaeta, Hospitality; Nicci Todd, Fundraising  
**2017-2018 Griggs PTA Discounts**

<b>Sally Piece A Cake</b> 5638 Three Notch Road (251) 219-6379 Buy 1 cupcake, Get 1 FREE	<b>All A Bloom</b> 6677 Three Notch Road (251) 666-0509 10% off total purchase	<b>Merle Norman Cosmetics</b> 3990-B Government Blvd. (251) 660-0390 10% off one item	<b>Hooter's (Tillman's Corner)</b> (251) 661-9117 15 % off total (Excludes alcohol and tax)	<b>Teacher Stop</b> 2090 Schillinger Road (251) 639-1110 10% off total
<b>Kid's Zone</b> 4612 Bush Lane (251) 661-3280 Free Registration for new students	<b>Zaxby's</b> 4385 Rangeline Road (251) 660-6755 10% off total	<b>Dance Depot</b> 3681 McFarland Road (251) 635-1313 10% off total purchase (not to combine with other discounts; some exclusions apply)	<b>RX Express</b> 5638 Three Notch Road (251) 662-2525 ½ price Dippin Dots	<b>Leroy's Florist</b> 581 Andrews Road Suite A (251) 661-2432 10% off total

Look for more discounts to be added soon! If you own a business or know a business that would like to participate please contact Griggs PTA at [griggspta@mcps.com](mailto:griggspta@mcps.com).

**Car Riders** enter the campus from Carol Plantation Road at the back entrance closest to the Tillman's Corner Community Center. **Cars form two lanes** and proceed up the drive. The right lane is for those that turn right when exiting the campus onto Three Notch Road **and for Special Needs Preschool**. If you are turning left when exiting the campus to Three Notch Road, use the left lane. Cars should stop at the back corner of the Kindergarten building and wait for instructions from the duty teachers. **Preschool car riders only may pull over to the right and form a 3rd lane in front of the kindergarten handicap walkway. Please do NOT drive on the grass. Stay in two lanes until you arrive at the paved area for the 3rd lane.** Please wait for directions from the teachers. The duty teachers will instruct Preschool when to unload and K-5 when to pull to the front to unload. Please do not pull past the kindergarten building until instructed to do so. Duty teachers will instruct you when to pull to the front of the building to unload K-5 car riders. **The gate from Carol Plantation Road closest to the Kindergarten Building is EXIT ONLY for SPE Preschool students. CARPOOL SHOULD NEVER ENTER AT THIS GATE.**

**Cafeteria Reminders:** *Parents please remember to bring correct change if you are going to have breakfast or lunch with your child. The cafeteria **does not** have a debit machine. New prices for lunch visitors—Adult \$4.00—Child \$3.00. New prices for Breakfast visitors—Adult \$2.00—Child \$1.50. Holiday Meals visitors—Adult \$5.25—Child \$3.75.*

**SCHOOL SNACK/ICE CREAM:** *Snack is sold on each hallway from 7:45-8:05. Snacks consist of cookies, chips, or brownies & bottled water. Each snack item costs 50 cents. Ice cream is sold on Friday during P.E. classes. Cost is \$1.00.*

**August Menu**

	8 <i>Pizza Green Beans Carrots Romaine Garden Salad Fruit: Canned or Frozen or Dried Juice</i>	9 <i>Chicken Sandwich on Bun Broccoli Sweet Potatoes Chips Fresh Fruit Fruit: Canned or Frozen or Dried</i>	10 <i>Taco Meat Tortilla Chips (10)Brown Rice Cheese/Sour Cream/Taco Sauce Chopped Romaine (1/2 cup) Diced Tomatoes (1/4 cup) Whole Kernel Corn Juice Fruit: Canned or Frozen or Dried</i>	11 <i>Chili Cheese Dog on Bun Baked Beans Cole Slaw Mini Rice Krispy Treat Fresh Fruit Fruit: Canned or Frozen or Dried</i>
14 <i>Chicken Nuggets (5) w/Sauce Lima Beans Sweet Potatoes Mini Biscuit Graham Cracker Snack Fresh Fruit Fruit: Canned or Frozen or Dried</i>	15 <i>Chili Crispito Cheese/Sour Cream/Taco Sauce Whole Kernel Corn Pinto or Black Beans Juice Fruit: Canned or Frozen or Dried</i>	16 <i>Salisbury Steak Brown Gravy Creamed Potatoes Collard OR Turnip Greens roll Fresh Fruit Fruit: Canned or Frozen or Dried</i>	17 <i>Deli Sandwich on Bun (Romaine Leaf, Sliced Tomato) Carrots Oven Potatoes Chips Fruit: Canned or Frozen or Dried Juice</i>	18 <i>Meat Sauce &amp; Pasta Green Beans Caesar Salad Breadstick Fresh Fruit Fruit: Canned or Frozen or Dried</i>
21 <i>Pizza Green Beans Carrots Romaine Garden Salad Fresh Fruit Fruit: Canned or Frozen or Dried</i>	22 <i>Chili Cheese Dog Cole Slaw Baked Beans Juice Fruit: Canned or Frozen or Dried</i>	23 <i>Soup: Potato Broccoli Mozzarella Cheese Sticks Fresh Fruit Juice</i>	24 <i>Baked Chicken Lima Beans Sweet Potatoes Roll/Animal Crackers Juice Fruit: Canned or Frozen or Dried</i>	25 <i>Cheeseburger (Romaine Leaf, Sliced Tomato, Pickles) Oven Potatoes Peas and Carrots Fresh Fruit Fruit: Canned or Frozen or Dried</i>
28 <i>Corndog Sweet Potatoes Sweet Peas Fresh Fruit Fruit: Canned or Frozen or Dried</i>	29 <i>Lasagna Rolls (2) Green Beans Caesar Salad Juice Fruit: Canned or Frozen or Dried</i>	30 <i>Chicken and Brown Rice with Gravy Broccoli Carrots Roll Fresh Fruit Fruit: Canned or Frozen or Dried</i>	31 <i>Chili Crispito Cheese/Sour Cream/Taco Sauce Whole Kernel Corn Pinto or Black Beans Juice Fruit: Canned or Frozen or Dried</i>	