

# East Sunflower Elementary Newsletter

August 2017

**"Equitable Education for Every Student"**

## Principal's Message

Greetings! It is an honor to welcome you to East Sunflower Elementary School to begin the 2016-2017 school year. I am blessed to serve as the principal of this fine institution for teaching and learning. I am eager to begin this journey with the ESE faculty, staff, student body, parents, and community. It is our vision that all students grow to be proficient readers, writers, mathematicians, problem solvers, critical thinkers, and productive citizens and graduate college and career ready. Remember that when all of us work together to ensure the success of our students, the impossible becomes possible. Stay informed about academic and testing events so that students can receive adequate support. It is our mission to provide all students with an equitable education in a safe and positive environment.

## Upcoming Events at ESE

- ◆ 8/24 Kindness Program 8:30 A.M. to 9:30 A.M.
- ◆ 8/28 Parent Teacher Organization/Homecoming Meeting 5:30 P.M.
- ◆ 9/1 Student of the Month/Birthday Celebration 2:45 P.M.
- ◆ 9/6 Open House /Title I Meeting 5:30 P.M. – 6:30 P.M.



## Open House/Title I Meeting

The official date for the ESE's Open House/Title I Meeting is **Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 6:30 P.M.** Parents will receive information about school expectations, curriculum, attendance, testing, discipline, grading scale, homework, technology, and school events. All ESE faculty and staff will be available to conference with parents. Refreshments will be served and door prizes will be given away. We look forward to your visit to our campus!



## East Sunflower Elementary Networking Service

To receive school announcements via text from Principal Washington, text **@1sunflower to 81010**.

This is a safe and confidential communication system. No telephone numbers will be revealed during this process. We are working to improve home and school communications one text at a time.

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## 2017 - 2018 SCHOOL YEAR

Welcome back to school! There have been many changes while you have been away this summer. Meet the new faculty and staff and learn about the new school additions at East Sunflower Elementary.

**Ms. Michaelynne Whitsitt**, a former first grade teacher, is returning as our Academic Coach. **Ms. Nancy Adams** is new to fourth and fifth grade science. **Mrs. Megan Freeman** is geared to tackle third grade ELA and social studies. **Ms. Karita Bush** is returning as a second grade teacher. **Ms. Erica Coates** is returning as a first grade teacher. **Ms. Khara Sims** is enthusiastically working with fourth and fifth graders to educate them in the area of ELA. **Ms. Laura Sifuentes** is bringing creativity and new energy to the first grade ELA/Social Studies class. **Ms. Theresa Logan** is returning as our Kindergarten teacher along with **Mrs. Mary Scott** who is committed to assisting our kindergarten students. **Ms. Sarah Bell** is diligently working to assist in the school's remodeled library and to aid the students in the computer lab.

Along with the original faculty and staff these newcomers make up a highly qualified group of professionals who will provide valuable teaching and learning opportunities in a safe and positive environment that is beneficial to the growth and development of the students at East Sunflower.



## School Hours 7:00 A.M. to 3:20 P.M.

Arrival time for students is between 7:00 A.M. and 7:30 A.M. Students are tardy after 7:45 A.M. An adult must come into the office to sign for the tardy student. During dismissal parents are asked to pick up students in the rear of the school. Parents should not exit vehicles, but wait patiently for students to be delivered by a school official to each vehicle. School dismisses at 3:20 P.M. after announcements.



**Birthday Wishes** to everyone celebrating a birthday in the month of August!

