

# Emerson Elementary School

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Dear Emerson Families,

What a smooth start we have to the new year. It has been a great transition for our newest Tigers. In speaking with one of our new 6<sup>th</sup> graders, she shared, "I'm at the school where I'm supposed to be!" I hope all of our students share this sentiment.

We look forward to seeing you at our first parent night, Oct. 2 at 6:30 p.m. You will hear from your child's teacher and learn about growth mindset. It is powerful when we recognize the effort given in completing a challenging task. It really helps build resilient, optimistic people. We hope the activities you will do and reminders you create will help in remembering these important ideas.

I have heard many positive comments with our changes in how we start and end the day at Emerson. I see happy students able to chat with their friends or play games before school starts. When the rain falls, students have been encouraged to wait in the covered area and to line up there to meet their teachers.

After school we are asking bus riders to wait in the gym until those who walk or get picked up leave campus. This is making for a much calmer end to our day.

Thank you to all who pick up and drop off their child at the curb instead of using the driveway. The buses really appreciate it!

We look forward to seeing you later this month at conferences.

Sincerely,

Craig Church

## Safety Issues

- Please drop off and pick up students at the curb or one of the corners where patrols are located. Using the driveway when buses are dropping off and picking up make for a dangerous start and end to the day.
- All visitors to the building are to sign in at the office upon arriving in the building and before proceeding to any classroom. Visitors will be given a badge. This is done for the security and safety of our students. Any visitor wishing to deliver a forgotten lunch, treats or items to a student are encouraged to leave the item at the office.

## **Attendance Reporting**

Please call the office each morning your child will be absent. 360-563-7156



## Fall Conferences

Fall Conferences will take place the week of October 22-25. Notifications about your scheduled conference time will be coming home with your child on Oct. 11. Please e-mail or phone your child's teacher to reschedule. Students attend school all day Monday and Tuesday, Oct. 22-23, and half day (dismissal at 11:45am) on Wednesday, Oct. 24. There is no school on Thursday and Friday, Oct. 25-26. We hope to meet with a parent or guardian of every student at Emerson!