Cascade Elementary *Home of the Tigers*

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We are in our Relocation Site at 1654 S. Alvarado Terrace









Thank-you Parents for a Smooth Transition

I want to take this time to thank each parent for getting school started on the right track. We were so nervous about starting school in our relocation site with all the new logistics. You listened to the plans during our open house meeting and supported the plan immensely. Because of you, operations are running very smoothly in our relocation site. We would like to also thank you for keeping scholars engaged in instruction over the summer. Whether it was just reading to scholars or having them complete instructional packets, we can tell that you supported them over the summer based on an improvement in Beginning of the Year proficiency rates on the Reading and Math MAP.

September at a Glance

Now that school is in session and the BOY MAP Growth has been administered, the road to student growth begins at Cascade. We will host our annual beginning of the year Curriculum Night on Wednesday September 4, 2024 at 5:00 PM in the media center. This event is scheduled the week before progress reports are being sent home. Parents will have an opportunity to learn about the new curriculum resources that we adopted for Literacy this year, meet with the grade level teams, sign scholars up for Wednesday tutorial, and learn about the Clubs we will host for 1st-5th grade students. We know that it may be a hardship for some parents with schedule conflicts. Therefore, we will have a food truck on site with moderate menu prices so that dinner will be the last thing you have to worry about on this evening. We encourage families to arrive as early as 4:00 PM to purchase items from the food truck that you will be sure to enjoy.

Grandparents Day is right around the corner!!

Cascade Elementary School tries to honor our grandparents each year because they are the glue that holds the family together. This year, we invite grandparents in on Friday, September 6th at 8:00 AM to read with their scholars. For many of us, grandparents are our first teachers. We want our scholars to have the opportunity to have their grandparents involved in their reading development. Notices about grandparent reading to scholars should be shared with you this week.

Go Team Updates

The Cascade Elementary School Go Team met on August 21st for an organizational meeting. We filled the community seat with Mrs. Toni Ingram who is a former grandparent of a Cascade scholar and an avid community member within Cascade Heights. If you want to stay informed about the operations of the school, I encourage you to sit in for a Go Team Meeting. Please check out our school's website for this year's Go Team Meeting Calendar.

It was shared with the Go Team that the enrollment for our school is over what was projected by Atlanta Public Schools. As a result, we will have funding to add to our instructional team. We are looking to hire 1-2 more teachers for this school year. Having additional teachers will decrease the student teacher ratio for 1 or more grade levels. We are excited about this possibility because we know that it will give students a better chance of being successful in school. If your student is impacted in any way, you will be notified by the administrative team.

New to the Team

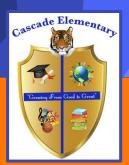
We have a new Parent Liaison at Cascade Elementary School. Ms. Debra Tavaras is coming to us from Atlanta Public Schools Adult Learning Department. Ms. Tavaras is eager to work with families by providing workshops and information that families can use to better engage in their children's learning. You will have an opportunity to meet Ms. Tavaras during Curriculum Night as well as the Grandparents Reading Day.

In Conclusion

September will be a busy month of teaching and learning. Our teachers are ready to take instruction to the next level. We encourage you to remain engaged in your child's education. Your partnership is everything to us. It is my hope that you will be in attendance during our Curriculum Night Event. Staying on top of your students' grades will ensure that student expectations are being achieved with Greatness.

You are truly the BEST!

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Important Reminders

Sept. 2 Labor Day (No School) Sept. 4 Curriculum Night Sept. 6 Grandparents Day Sept. 11 Tutorial Begins Sept. 20 Earn2Give Forms Due

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