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Dear Briscoe Families and Students,

On behalf of the Edward J. Briscoe Elementary staff, I am happy to welcome you to another great school year! We look forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure all children achieve their highest potential. We recognize that all children need support from both the home and school to be successful in school. We know a strong partnership with you will significantly impact your child's education. As partners, we share the responsibility for our children's success and want you to know that we will do our very best to carry out our responsibilities.

We are excited to welcome to our Briscoe family the following new staff members: **Erica Giddings- Administrative Assistant, Chastity Lopez- Data Analyst, Veronica Benton- Diagnostician and Teresa Spencer- Custodian.** They are ready and eager to serve our students. Please feel free to contact them and welcome them into our Briscoe family.

This is a reminder that classes will begin **Monday, August 14, 2023**, at **7:50 AM** and end at **2:30 PM** for **Pre-K** and **3:20 PM** for grades **K- 5**. Online registration is now open, all new and returning students **must** register at <https://www.fwisd.org/registration>. Students may be dropped off at the cafeteria side of the school no earlier than **7:30 AM**. We are excited to welcome visitors into the building, guardians may walk their children to class by **7:50 AM**.

Beginning on the second day of school and thereafter, please plan to drop your students off in the drop-off area in front of the gym and cafeteria no earlier than 7:30 AM. The drop-off lane will close at 7:50 AM, allowing classroom instruction to begin. We ask that you drop your student off at the front of the building after 7:50 AM.

School is dismissed at **3:20 PM**. Walkers will be checked out by a staff member and released at **3:15 PM**. Car riders will be released at **3:20 PM** on the cafeteria and gym side of the building. Please note that blue cards will be distributed with your child's name on them for a single-car rider, and yellow cards will be provided to families with multiple children. Make sure the designated pick-up person has that card readily available. For your students' safety, they **will not** be released without the blue or yellow card present.

We ask that **Guardians and Students** commit to the following:

1. Ensure students attend school daily and arrive on time (7:50 AM).
2. Encourage students to follow the rules and regulations set forth by the school and the District.
3. Guardians attend and/or ask for conferences with teachers, administrators, and/or other District Personnel.
4. Guardians are involved with students learning by communicating regularly with staff.
5. Maintain and foster your student's positive attitude towards self, school, and others.
6. Students accept responsibility for their actions

**Staff** will commit to the following:

1. Respect and value the uniqueness of every child.
2. Provide an environment that is conducive to learning
3. Maintain open lines of communication with students and guardians.
4. Demonstrate professional behaviors and a positive attitude.
5. Maintain high expectations for students and themselves.
6. Help students resolve conflicts in positive, nonviolent ways.

Below is the link to review a copy of the District's Student Code of Conduct, Dress Code and Campus Student handbook so that you and your child can review them together. If you have any questions about the rules and expectations, please feel free to contact me or discuss them with your child's teacher. You and your child must be ready to follow all campus and District expectations regarding the standards related to appropriate behavior for a safe and productive school year.

**Student Code of Conduct:** <https://www.fwisd.org/Page/27502>

**Families Page:** <https://www.fwisd.org/site/Default.aspx?PageID=1598>

**Campus Student Handbook:**

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1-Evlg-bQc8znYi2nml5cZe8QcEKd2y9t/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=103477167928837338071&rtpof=true&sd=true>

Our wonderful staff and I feel privileged to have you as part of our school family. We thank you for your support and look forward to another great school year! We can't wait to meet everyone. We ask that you plan to join us for our **Meet the Teacher Night Thursday, August 10, 2023**, from **4 PM – 6 PM** to meet our excellent staff! The event will begin promptly at 4 PM and end at 6 PM. Please do your best to come on time so that you may hear important information, meet your students teachers and learn more about the great things happening at Briscoe. We will also be hosting a **Back to School Festival on Sunday, August 13th** from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM where students will receive a free backpack filled with school supplies they can keep at home and a haircut they can show off their first day of school! We look forward to you all joining us at the Wonderful World of Briscoe, where we are Helping All to Succeed (HATS)!

Sincerely,

*Devona Burgess*