

School Colors
Orange & Blue



LOWERY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Houston, Texas 77095
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<http://schools.cfisd.net/lowery>



School Hours
8:15 – 3:40

*Doors Open at 7:50 a.m.

2022-2023

April Wright, Principal
Kerrie Turner, Assistant Principal
Katie Nelson, Assistant Principal
Teresa Rychlik, Counselor
Joyclyn Sheppard, Counselor
Jill Manning – M/S Instructional Specialist
Susan Mueller R/LA Instructional Specialist
Kathy Tubbs- Testing Coordinator
Jill Jensen – School Nurse
Gelin Cancino , Cafe Manager

Terri Kmiecik, Principal's Secretary
Karen Owens, Admin. Secretary
Amy Tyrrell, Registrar
Lori Marshall, Behavior Interventionist
Gracie Villarreal, Librarian
Melissa Tysdal, Diagnostician
Efrat Estrov, SLP
Sami Cilento, SLP
Betsy Muckelroy, SPED Secretary
Mary Sicola, Receptionist

Arrival

Our staff is on duty, ready to supervise students when the doors open at 7:50 AM for all students. Announcements begin at 8:10AM and instruction begins at 8:15 AM. All hikers and bikers will enter using the front entrance.

Late Arrival: Morning meetings begin at 8:15 AM. Students arriving after 8:15 AM will be counted tardy.

Safety is Our Priority

Early Leave: Occasionally it may be necessary for your child to leave earlier than regular dismissal time. Please send a note with your child so they will be ready when you arrive. The note should state the release time and who will be picking up your child. Proof of identity will be required to pick up students. **Students are only released to a guardian unless a note is sent by the guardian stating who will pick up the child.**

Transportation Changes

Please send a signed note with your child indicating a change in transportation. Transportation changes made by phone must be followed up with a fax, 281-463-5516. **Email transportation changes are not accepted.** We cannot accommodate transportation changes made after 2:45 PM, due to limited time & personnel to carry out changes. Thank you for understanding.

STAY CONNECTED! Please follow us on FB, Twitter and Instagram @CFISDLowery. In addition, our Lowery newsletter is posted on our campus website at <http://cfisd.net/lowery>

School Closing Announcements: School cancellation due to weather will be announced on: **School Messenger (to opt in visit <https://www.cfisd.net/domain/842>), local TV Channels and Radio Channels.** It can also be found on the district website WWW.CFISD.NET

Lunch Money

By going to www.SchoolCafe.com, you can add money to your child's account, view balances and schedule automatic payments and apply for free and reduced meals. Contact the cafeteria manager if you want the account to only purchase meals and no extras (desserts, etc.).

Cafeteria Meal Prices can be found at <https://www.cfisd.net/Page/1908>.

Attendance

Attendance is key in student success and will be taken daily. In the event of an absence, please send a note upon return. The note may be delivered, faxed, mailed or scanned, with the parent's original signature. (See Student Handbook) Parents may contact the teacher for make-up work. Make-up work will not be provided in advance.

School Visitation Procedures

Visitors are welcome at Lowery! ☺

- We love our students! Please sign in and out at the front desk and visibly wear a visitor nametag. You will be asked to show valid ID each time you come to campus. This procedure helps ensure the safety of our students.
- Lunch visitors are welcome starting Sept. 12. For your child's safety, only individuals listed as **guardians** will be allowed to eat lunch with your child. For family members to enjoy lunch with your child, please send a note providing written permission. Please be patient as all information will be checked each time you visit. At lunch, visitors may sit with their children at the visitor's table. You are welcome to bring lunch for your child only.
- To protect instructional time, please contact the assistant principal to schedule a classroom visit. This enables visits around schedule changes and instructional/testing. Visits are limited to 20 minutes.
- Visitation forms for special events, like Field Days, will be sent home prior to the event to preregister for Visitor nametag.

Grades and Report Cards will be posted on the HAC (Home Access Center). It allows you to access your child's grades on a secure online site for grades 2-5 and attendance for grades PK-1.

Honor Roll is earned each nine weeks by earning more A's than B's on an all A/B report card and all S in conduct and work habits.

Transportation

Bus Transportation is offered to all students. You can check bus site information by going to the district website. <https://www.cfisd.net/domain/790>

A student may not ride a bus different than the one they are assigned.

Hikers & Bikers Transportation

- Hikers and bikers riders should not arrive on campus before 7:50 am.
- On rainy days, walkers and bike riders will be dismissed as usual.
- All PK and Kinder students will be released to an adult or older sibling.
- On severe weather days, staff will put safety first. Students will be kept inside until weather permits or until a parent comes by car.
- All hikers and bikers should cross at the crossing guard or street corners for their safety.

Car Rider Transportation

- Car riders are dropped off and picked up in the front circular drive following traffic directions. Students may not be dropped off on Ridge Park or at the church across the street.
- Guardians should not park or wait in cars for hikers and bikers in the front parking lot or in front of the school grounds.

school records including report cards, attendance, 504 and IEP and school progress.

Clinic Procedures

Medication must be brought in by the parent in the original container properly labeled with the child's name and directions for the time and dosage. A written request to administer drugs must be on file. **Students may not transport medications to or from school.**

Change of Address and Telephone Number

* Please always keep address and phone numbers up to date in the school office.

* Notify us of any change by sending a note with your child and letting the office know.

* In case of an emergency, it is vital that we can contact you.

Celebrating Birthdays

Birthdays are special and students are celebrated by being invited to say the announcements. You may contact the cafeteria manager to purchase cookies or ice cream to share with the whole class. Outside food may not be brought to share with the class. Likewise, we ask that you don't bring balloons, etc. Party invitations can be distributed IF an invitation is provided for the entire class.

Lowery PTO

Lowery has an outstanding PTO! Volunteer opportunities are found through Membership Toolkit at www.LoweryPTO.com

All families are part of our PTO and your support impacts our school in huge ways. We are all on your child's success team.

At Lowery, we focus on the whole child. It is the right of all students to have the opportunity to learn in a safe environment.

Staff will be teaching social skills and appropriate behavior choices daily. Our staff has been trained in –PBIS- Positive Behavior Interventions & Supports and Restorative Practices. Many of our staff have also been trained through Flip Flippen's Capturing Kids' Hearts. Lowery Longhorns will focus on the key principles of being Lowery Longhorn **PROUD** – positive, respectful, ownership of choices, use time wisely and dependable.

Students will also review:

- The District Code of Conduct
- Classroom behaviors like "how to listen, get the teacher's attention, accept "no" for an answer, resist peer pressure, disagree appropriately, ... "
- Monthly values such as respect, responsibility, creativity, service, gratitude, generosity, patience, kindness, commitment, peace, honesty, persistence/effort ...

School Tipline

To assist in promoting a safe and secure environment on all CFISD campuses, as well as a tool for communication, the district has implemented SchoolTipline <https://www.cfisd.net/domain/789>



Thank you for sharing your children with us.

We are Lowery!

School Records

Legal guardians have access to

Rounding Up Appropriate Behavior