



TIPPS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



TITLE I SCHOOL

FELICIA THOMAS, PRINCIPAL

November 2023

Important Dates

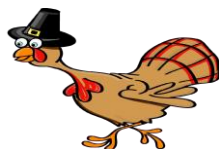
- Nov. 2 **Chick-Fil-A Spirit Night** – Please support our campus as we raise funds for our PBIS Program – 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm
- Nov. 3 **Report Cards go Home**
- Nov. 6 & 7 **Staff/Student Holidays**
- Nov. 7 **Election Day**
- Nov. 10 **Veteran’s Day Ceremony – 3:15 pm**
- Nov. 17 **Turkey Trot Fun Run**
- Nov. 20-24 **Thanksgiving Holiday Break**
- Nov. 30 **Deadline for GT Testing/Referrals**
- Dec. 1-8 **Fall Book Fair**
- Dec. 5 **Schoolwide Curriculum Night**
- Dec. 6 **Lifetouch Picture Retake Day**

Title I Notice to Parents

As a parent at a campus receiving Title I funds, federal law allows you to ask for information about the certification, college major, and advanced degrees of your child’s teacher(s). You also have the right to request information about the qualifications of a teacher aide or paraprofessional providing direct services to your child. If you would like to receive this information, you may contact the Cypress-Fairbanks I.S.D. Human Resources Department at 281-897-4099.

Turkey Trot Fun Run

Save the Date for Friday, November 17, 2023. The attached flyers contain information on event times and Turkey Trot gear that is available for purchase in School Cash. (Fun Run is weather permitting - Event will not be rescheduled.)



Principal’s Corner

Dear Parents,

We hope this message finds you and your family in good health and high spirits. At Tipps Elementary, we greatly appreciate our partnership with our students' families. Together, we can provide the best possible learning experiences for our students.

In our continued effort to foster a nurturing and enriching learning environment, we would like to encourage and guide you in supporting your child's education, particularly in reading, writing, and math. Your involvement at home plays a vital role in your child's academic growth, and we are here to assist you every step of the way.

Reading:

1. **Set aside daily reading time:** Encourage your child to read for at least 20-30 minutes daily. Whether it's a book, magazine, or online article, this practice helps develop strong comprehension and vocabulary skills.
2. **Engage in discussions:** After your child finishes reading, engage them in discussions about the story, characters, and their opinions. This not only boosts comprehension but also fosters critical thinking.

Writing:

1. **Create a writing space:** Designate a quiet, comfortable writing space for your child, free from distractions. Ensure they can access writing materials such as notebooks, pencils, and a dictionary.
2. **Promote writing for pleasure:** Encourage your child to keep a journal, write stories, or express their thoughts through writing. This helps enhance their creativity and writing skills.

Math:

1. **Practice math skills regularly:** Include math in your daily routines. For instance, involve your child in measuring ingredients during cooking or calculating expenses during shopping trips.
2. **Online resources:** Utilize online math resources and educational apps to make learning math engaging and interactive.

Remember, your support and encouragement are invaluable. Should you have any questions or need additional resources, our teachers are here to help. Please feel free to reach out through email or scheduled meetings.

Together, we can significantly impact your child's educational journey. A strong partnership between school and home is the key to our student's success, and we are grateful for your dedication to their growth. Thank you for being an essential part of our school community. We look forward to your continued support as we work together to provide the best educational experience for your child.

Warm regards,
Mrs. Thomas, Principal

New School Hours

Please make note that our school hours have changed for the 2023-2024 school year.

New start time is: 8:15 am and dismissal time is now 3:40 pm. Doors open to admit students at 7:55 am.

Birthday Ads on Marquee

Celebrate your student's birthday on our Digital Marquee. Cost per ad is \$10.00 and can be purchased in School Cash. Ads will run for one week - a few days before/after the birthday.



Updated Lunch Visit Schedule

Please make note of a few changes the week of November 13, 2023. We will not have lunch visitation on Monday or Friday of the week before Thanksgiving break. Last day for visits prior to Thanksgiving is **Friday, November 10th**.

The last day for December 2023 parent lunch visits is Friday, December 15, 2023.

GT Testing and Referrals

Gifted and Talented Screening referrals are due by November 30, 2023. This opportunity applies only to students who have not participated in screening this school year.

There are some changes to the process this year. All parents may request screening by accessing the online acknowledgement in the Gifted and Talented link located in the parent portal of the Home Access Center at <https://www.cfishd.net/domain/10>

The major difference is that parents will need to use the HAC to nominate their child for GT Testing (grades 1-5), and HAC to "Opt-Out" (Kinder).

Testing will take place in January and GT placement will go into effect next school year.

There is no paperwork that will go home. If you have questions, you may send an email to our Counselor, Ms. Herndon at: Ursula.herndon@cfisd.net

Tipps School Website

Check out our school website by visiting: www.cfishd.net/Tipps

There is a lot of information about our school including calendar information and newsletters.

Follow us on Social Media



Facebook - @tippselementarycfisd



Twitter - @TippsElementary

PBIS At Home

PBIS at Home Guide with Expectations and Examples:

1. **Expectations** – Create a list of 3-5 **POSITIVELY** worded expectations for the whole house. Keep it simple!
 - Be respectful
 - Be understanding
 - Be helpful
2. **Examples** – Create a few examples of what each of these expectations looks like for your house. Ask your children to contribute!

Respectful

- ✓ I can be respectful by staying quiet when adults are working.
- ✓ I can be respectful by waiting for my turn to use the computer/device.

Understanding

- ✓ I can be understanding by recognizing our new reality and the challenges it presents.

Helpful

- ✓ I can be helpful by cleaning up the messes I make or cleaning up a mess that I see.

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R is for Responsible

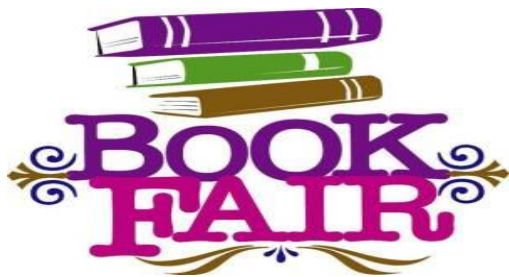
O is for Ownership

A is for Always Safe

R is for Respectful

News from the Library

The Fall Book Fair is coming! Mark your calendars for December 1 – 8, 2023. There will be a special evening shopping opportunity on Tuesday, December 5th.



Veteran's Day Ceremony

Tipps Elementary will hold a Veteran's Day Ceremony on Friday, November 10, 2023 at 3:15 pm.

All Veterans and active duty military personnel are invited to attend the program.

The attached letter provides information for those who plan to attend as well as for those who are unable to join us for the ceremony.

Thank you for your service!



Spirit Shop Reopens 10/28 - 11/6

Spirit Shop will open starting October 28th. Follow link to make purchases:

<https://login.commonsku.com/shop/a04d5342-ff09-4182-8572-71744cfa5e0>

Please be sure about the size that you order as there are no product returns. Orders will be delivered to the campus the week of December 8th. We will deliver the items to your student to bring home.

