

Lowery Lariat

November 2023

A note from our principal, April Wright....

I admit, I did not always take voting seriously. I have wasted opportunities in letting others vote and make decisions that impact my family, our school, my children and me. I have a better understanding of how my voice matters. I may be one vote, but if I encourage others and we all vote then OUR voices are heard. Friday is the last day for early voting but Tuesday the polls are open to hear your voice. It is not a huge time commitment, and it does make a difference. This session not only are several propositions to vote on statewide, and locally we have 4 School Board positions on the ballot. The School Board is the decision makers of our district. Please get informed and vote.

It's hard for me to believe that it is already November!! As we begin to close this year out, I'm committed to and challenging others to focus on gratitude and joy. With a grateful mindset, connection is made. When we intentionally seek joy, we find happiness. Yesterday, I had the pleasure of taking my granddaughter to her softball practice. It was cold. I was tired after field day, yet I was overwhelmed with gratitude of the gift of time and investment in her life. It's something I took for granted when raising my children. Learn from me... don't take time for granted.

The holiday season is upon us. Join me as we enter this busy time, I'm committing to focusing on gratitude and joy. Let's connect, share joy and bring happiness to one another's hearts by sharing kindness and smiles. Let's celebrate time together and opportunities no matter the size.

At Lowery, we commit to sharing a heart of gratitude and joy with your children each day. Thank you for sharing your children with us.

If you are interested in joining the Parent Advisory Committee, please email april.wright@cfisd.net. Thank you!

Congratulations to 284 Lowery 2nd – 5th Grade students who achieved Honor Roll for the 1st 9 week marking period! Lowery Proud!



Kendra Scott Give Back Event for Lowery PTO

November 25 ~ 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

9945 Barker Cypress #127 @ Towne Lake

Unable to attend you may shop online Nov 24 – Nov 25

Kendrascott.com and use Code: GIVEBACK-EFJAI

Mark Your Calendar

- Nov 3** Report Cards go home and available on HAC
- Nov 6 & 7** Student Holidays
- Nov 7** Election Day *VOTE*
- Nov 9** 6:00-7:00 Sped Parent Night
- Nov 13-17** Book Fair Week
- Nov 14** 4:30-6:00 Book Fair Family Night
- Nov 14** 6:00-6:30 Light The Night Walk @ Lowery
- Nov 15** National Career Day – Dress as your future career
- Nov 16** Kindergarten Feast (No Lunch Visitors for Kindergarten)
- Nov 20-24** Thanksgiving Holidays/No Classes
- Nov 24-25** PTO PTO Kendra Scott ONLINE Spirit Days
(Promo Code: **GIVEBACK-EFJAI**)
- Nov 25** 11-1 PTO Kendra Scott Spirit Day (Town Lake location)
- Nov 28** Class Group Pictures/ Individual Retakes
- Nov 30** 3rd/5th Nature Trails -Baxter/Culver/Gorena/Jordan/Redd/Sylvester

Looking Ahead...

- Dec 1** 3rd/5th Nature Trails -Kalen/Ray/Manuel/Rodd/Hatfield/Turner/Silva
- Dec 6** 6:00pm 3rd Grade Choir Program
- Dec 8** Progress Reports go Home & on HAC
- Dec 21** 10:00 Holiday Party – Preregister – **ADULTS ONLY**
- Dec 22-Jan 8** Christmas Holidays

Show Your Lowery Pride – wear a Lowery shirt every Friday



***Download Box Tops App and scan for Box Tops!**

GOOD ATTENDANCE FOR SUCCESS
Every Minute in School Counts



Book Fair Week

Nov 13-17

Family Night Nov 14

4:30-6:00

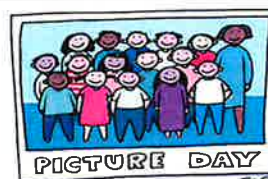


Light the Night

Family Walk

Tuesday, Nov 14

6:00-6:30



Retake & Class Group

Picture Day

Tuesday,

November 28



SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

The Lowery Elementary Library is excited to bring the Scholastic Book Fair to our campus. Your student will have the opportunity to browse a wide variety of books and other items available for purchase with proceeds benefiting our campus library. Participation is optional. Please discuss your expectations for purchases with your student before their visit to the fair. Scholastic will be sending materials recommended for students in Pre-K through 5th grade.

If your student purchases a book that does not meet your discussed expectations, please email Ms. Villarreal, before November 17th to exchange the item. If you have any questions about the book fair, please contact our campus librarian, and thank you for supporting our library.

When: November 13-17th, 2023

Where: Lowery Library

Times: 8:30 to 2:30 every day, **Friday we close at noon**

Family Night:

Tuesday, November 14th from 4:30 to 6:00



Get your Glow Sticks for Light the Night! For sale at Family Night - Cash only \$3- sponsored by PBIS. Funds will go to school store.



Say goodbye to cash and hello to eWallet—your child’s digital payment account. Before the Fair, set up eWallet for worry-free, cash-free purchases. Anyone can contribute! Share each child’s eWallet so friends and family can add funds and give your kids more books to enjoy. Follow this link to set up your child’s eWallet: <https://account.scholastic.com/my-scholastic/profile/create-ewallet.html?fairID=5424496>

Make sure it says eWallet and it is not a Scholastic Gift Certificate.

Parents also please remember that you will have an opportunity to contribute to your child’s classroom! There will be books in each teacher’s bin that you can purchase and donate to your student’s classroom, or you can purchase a gift certificate for any cash amount and donate to the teacher so that the teacher may buy books for the classroom 😊

Happy Book Fair! Thank you for supporting the Lowery Book Fair!



SUCCESS STARTS WITH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

**OUR SCHOOL WILL BE CELEBRATING
NATIONAL CAREER DEVELOPMENT DAY
ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15TH.
WE INVITE ALL STUDENTS TO DRESS AS
THEIR FUTURE CAREERS.**





*the More the
Merrier*

YOU'RE INVITED

Join us for an event with Kendra Scott

DATE & TIME

In-store 11/25 from 11a-1pm

Online 11/24-11/25 with
code GIVEBACK-EFJAI

DETAILS

Support Lowery
Elementary at Kendra
Scott Cypress!
20% of the proceeds
will go back to the
school!



IT'S REAL: TEENS AND MENTAL HEALTH



Thursday, November 16, 2023



6:00 PM - 7:00 PM



Cypress Springs High School
Auditorium
7909 Fry Road
Cypress, TX 77433



Spanish translation is available.

PRESENTATION TOPICS:

- "What Is Mental Health?"
- "Recognize Warning Signs Of Someone Needing Help"
- "Strategies On How To Have Caring Conversations"
- "Best Practices For Self-Care"
- "Identifying Reputable Resources"

TARGET AUDIENCE:

- Parents, Guardians and Teens between the ages of 12 & 18



American
Foundation
for Suicide
Prevention

Join us for a great year!



Lowery's PTO is 100% run by volunteers and there is a place for every parent, grandparent and family member to make a difference. We work together to coordinate fundraising, events and volunteers throughout the entire school year to support Lowery's students, teachers, staff & the community.

Here's how to get involved:

1. Visit LOWERYPTO.COM & set up an account



- Order t-shirts, yearbooks and more
 - Sign up to volunteer
- Receive weekly news and updates
- Get access to an online directory

[Already have an account?](#)

Visit your profile and be sure to update your information for the current school year!

2. Follow us on FACEBOOK



Look for our page... [Lowery Elementary PTO](#)

...like our page and visit often!

3. Sign up (or add our group) in Remind



Join our group [@LoweryPTO](#)



YOUR SUPPORT MATTERS!

Your generous financial support allows us to support Lowery in ways not covered by the general budget and benefits our students in countless ways. Here's how you can be a part of making a difference this school year:

- **Lowery Fast Pass** (NEW) – ALL YEAR (donate \$60 and skip the fundraisers. Fast Pass holders receive 1 Lowery spirit t-shirt and 1 homeroom party fund). NOTE: Fast Pass is per student, not per family.
- **World's Finest Chocolate Sales** – September 2023
- **Silent Auction** – October 2023
- **Raise Craze** (NEW) – Spring 2024
- **Spirit Nights** at Local Restaurants and Businesses – stay tuned to email and Facebook to find out when & where
- **Lowery Spirit Gear** – a great way to show your spirit and support the school! Visit the Longhorn Market online at lowerypto.com for access to t-shirt sales and more.
- **Birthday Marquee** – celebrate your student's birthday in a big way AND give back! Sign up at lowerypto.com.
- **5th Grade Sidewalk Longhorns** – celebrate your 5th grader and give back. Sign up at lowerypto.com.
- **Kroger Community Contributions** – donate every time you buy groceries (in the Kroger app, go to Rewards > Community Rewards > add Lowery).

THANK YOU for what you do!

Hey Lowery Longhorns, did you know that every Friday is spirit day?

We encourage our Longhorns to sport their spirit gear to show their pride in their school every Friday.

If you do not have any Longhorn spirit gear you can place an order online via our school store, it's that easy!

If you are unfamiliar with our school store, input this address

<https://lowerypto.membershiptoolkit.com>

click on store (it's in the grey header), pick out some gear for yourself and your child and help support your school!

Let's all be Lowery proud!

- All items that are purchased will be delivered to your child classroom, so when placing the order please do not leave out your child's name, grade level and classroom, as this information is important, this will ensure that you and your child will receive your items in a quick and timely manner.

Order your yearbook today at

Encarga hoy tu anuario en

ybpay.com

Scan to order
today!
¡Echa un vistazo para
encargar hoy!



Order Deadline: March 23, 2024

Fecha Tope Para el Pedido

Yearbook ID Code: 13263324

Código ID del anuario

School Name: Lowery Elementary School

Nombre de escuela

Yearbook

\$25

- Hardcover stands the test of time with high-gloss lamination
- All-color pages that vibrantly capture your memories throughout the school year
- Durable Smyth-sewn binding that keeps the yearbook intact through wear and tear.

Anuario

- *Las cubiertas duras pasan la prueba del tiempo con laminado de alto brillo.*
- *Páginas a todo color que captan de manera vibrante tus recuerdos del año escolar.*
- *Encuadernación cosida con sistema Smyth duradera, que mantiene el anuario intacto contra el uso y desgaste.*

Prices include sales tax where applicable. When you pay by check, you authorize us to process the payment as a check transaction, or to use information from your check to make a one-time electronic fund transfer from your checking account. A service fee may be charged on returned checks. Post dated checks are not accepted. By completing and submitting this order form, you are agreeing to all of Lifetouch's terms and conditions located at www.lifetouch.com/terms-conditions and to our privacy policy located at www.lifetouch.com/privacy.

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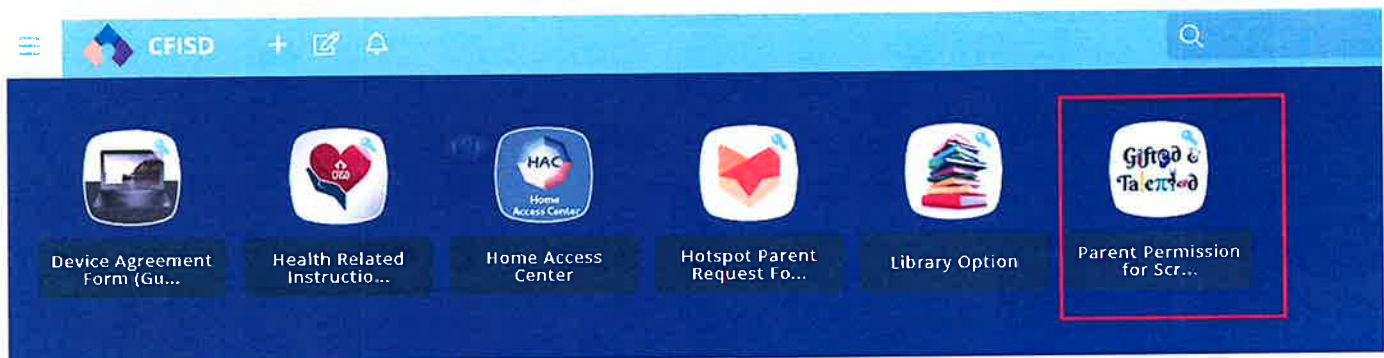
Gifted and Talented Program Identification Notice to Parents of Current Students in Cypress-Fairbanks ISD

Cypress-Fairbanks ISD provides Mid-year screening for students in grades 1 – 11 to receive gifted and talented services through the HORIZONS program if they are enrolled at a CFISD campus. Students whose referral is received by the last school day in November may be included in the Mid-year testing process and students may be referred at any time. Students must meet the following criteria:

- The student has NOT participated in an identification assessment during the same school year
- The student has NOT been previously identified at an out-of-state or Texas public or charter school

Note: *New students who have been previously identified as gifted and talented from out-of-state and Texas public or charter schools are eligible to receive services in CFISD once previous GT placement can be verified and parent permission is provided. Parents must provide a copy of the student's notification of qualification and placement within the gifted and talented program from the former school district AND a copy of all test results used for screening. Testing will not be administered if the student has been previously identified.*

Parents/guardians interested in requesting screening for their student to receive gifted and talented services should complete the online acknowledgement to include the characteristics of a gifted child, permission to test, and permission for services located in the Gifted and Talented link in the parent portal of the Home Access Center by the due date. (The link may be accessed here: <https://www.cfisd.net/domain/10>).



Testing and Screening for the Gifted and Talented Program

- Testing will occur in the Spring during the district testing window at a date to be determined by the campus.
- *Student Score Reports* and notification of qualification/placement will be available for view in the parent portal of the Home Access Center.
- Students whose scores qualify for identification will begin receiving services the following school year upon confirmation of placement.
- Students whose scores do not qualify may not be referred again for testing until the next school year. (Students may test only once per year.)
- Students who do not qualify for services may appeal the placement decision to the campus Selection Committee. Information regarding the appeals process is available from the **elementary Counselor** or **secondary Director of Instruction**.

Note: *Appeals for entry should be based on significant advanced abilities consistently demonstrated in the classroom and supported by academic and performance data not evidenced by HORIZONS screening scores.*

Additional criteria for an appeal include:

- *illness immediately before or during testing with documentation of the illness*
- *emotional duress due to a family crisis during testing with documentation*
- *accommodations not provided during testing for students with special needs*

ALL PARENT REFERRALS MUST BE SUBMITTED ONLINE BY NOVEMBER 30

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SCHOOLMESSENGER

SISTEMA DE NOTIFICACIÓN DE EMERGENCIA DE CFISD

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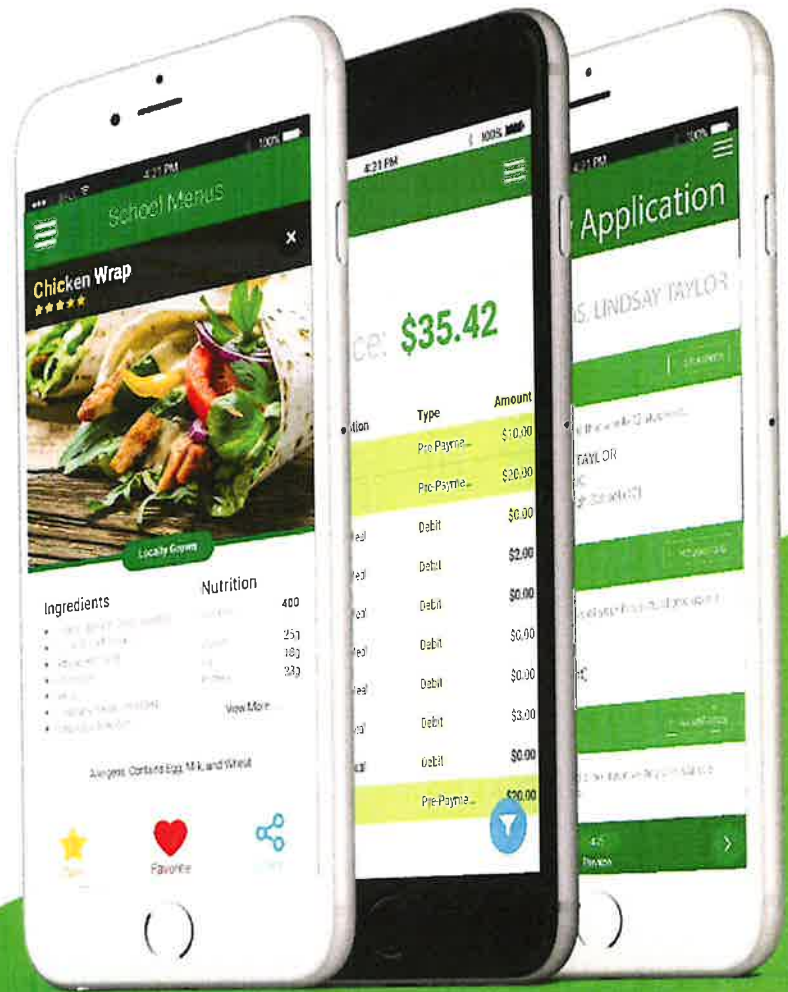
Applying for free and reduced meal benefits has never been easier. Apply, submit, and track your application status from start to finish.

SEE NUTRITIONAL INFO

Check menus, see nutritional information and allergens. Students can rate and favorite menu items all from their phone.

MANAGE BALANCES

Make payments, view purchase history, and receive low balance alerts. For convenience, setup automatic payments to replenish their cafeteria funds.



- Visit www.schoolcafe.com or the SchoolCafe app to apply.
- Call 281-897-4550 or visit the Food Production Center at 11355 Perry Road with questions and for assistance.
- Paper applications are available upon request.

www.schoolcafe.com





Una aplicación para toda su cafetería

SOLICITE COMIDAS GRATUITAS Y REDUCIDAS

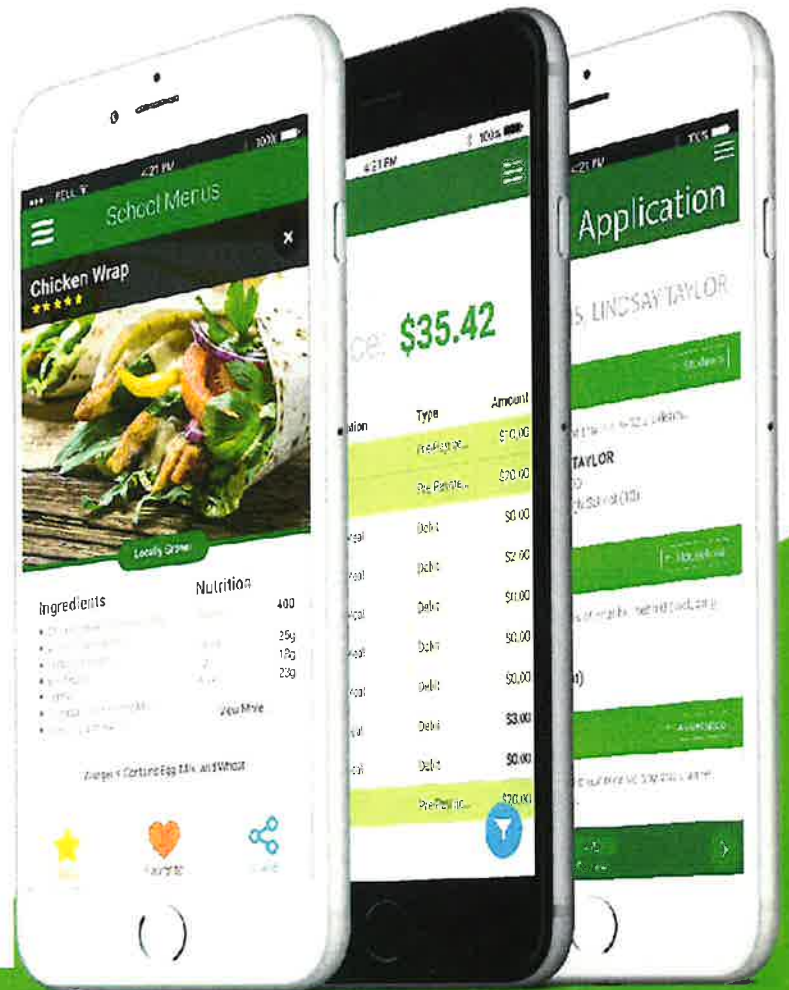
Solicitar el beneficio de comidas gratuitas o de precio reducido es muy fácil. Solicite, envíe y haga seguimiento del estado de su solicitud desde el comienzo hasta el final.

VEA LA INFORMACIÓN NUTRICIONAL

Revise menús y vea información nutricional y alérgenos alimentarios. Los estudiantes también pueden calificar y marcar sus comidas favoritas en el menú ¡todo desde su teléfono!

ADMINISTRE SUS SALDOS

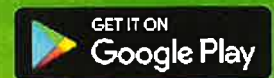
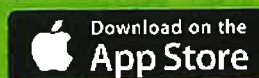
Haga pagos, vea su historial de compras y reciba alertas de saldos bajos. Para su conveniencia, configure pagos automáticos para reponer fondos en su cuenta de la cafetería.



- Visite www.schoolcafe.com o la aplicación SchoolCafe para solicitar el beneficio.
- Llame al 281-897-4550 o visite el Centro de Producción de Alimentos, 11355 Perry Road, si tiene preguntas o si necesita ayuda.
- Los formularios impresos están disponibles a pedido.



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CFISD BUS UPDATES 2023-2024

- All students are required to wear seatbelts.
- Student ID badges are a requirement in order to ride the bus. No badge, no bus!
- Students are expected to follow the CFISD SAFE bus expectations. Code of conduct will be enforced for those not following the expectations.
- Download the Traversa Ride 360 app for CFISD bus information. To learn more go to www.cfisd.net or contact transportation services.



WE'RE HIRING & TRAINING BUS DRIVERS

\$18.00 PER HOUR

STARTING PAY

*6.5 hours per day average

PAID TRAINING YEAR-ROUND

- Work at one of CFISD's five transportation centers across the district
- Work in a positive environment with a culture filled with people who care and are committed to your success

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO APPLY,
VISIT WWW.CFISD.NET