



# MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT



March 27, 2019

Dear CFISD community,

Following events like the Deer Park chemical fire last week, I often field questions from the community about the procedures we have in Cypress-Fairbanks ISD to decide potential actions to take as a district.

CFISD works closely with organizations such as the Harris County Office of Emergency Management and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality as well as fellow superintendents from every school district in the county to make important decisions on opening or closing schools and procedures we may implement during the school day. In the case of ongoing events such as the fire, Hurricane Harvey flooding and the ice days we had in 2018, I joined at least one conference call a day with various Harris County organizations and other school districts to hear the latest on the key factors impacting our schools – be it weather, water levels, road conditions or air quality.

We take this obligation very seriously in CFISD. We want to keep our students, staff and parents sufficiently informed and our schools safe and secure. I am grateful for the preparation and collaboration of our county agencies and school districts during major events to try to make the best decision for hundreds of thousands of students and families across the county.

Sincerely,

Mark Henry, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of schools