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Greetings Parents and Guardian(s)

Welcome back to in-person school instruction at Pinnacle School #35. Our District's and school's theme this year is to Refocus, Renew and Reimagine. It is our desire to connect with every student and parent to strengthen the learning base and forge ahead. We recognize that some may feel like there is some unfinished learning, however please know that we are committed to closing any gaps, reaching your child's highest capacity.

As a reminder, last school year our hours changed. **School is now in session from 7:30 AM and ends at 2:00 PM.** Please discuss this with your child and make every effort possible to have your child present in school every day and on time. Learning is more important now than ever and being in school each and every day is the first step to success.

Up to date immunizations are critical. Please be sure that you have brought your child to their pediatrician for an annual physical and that their immunizations are up to date. Our school nurse can be of assistance if needed. Please call the school for support in this area.

It is the expectation that students bring their chrome books to school with them daily. Parents can help by setting up a routine at home to ensure the chrome books are placed in their backpacks every night before they go to sleep. Please be on the lookout for communication from teachers on how we will maintain a strong, productive home school connection.

Back to School Orientation

Thursday, August 26th: In an effort to maintain safety guidelines we are offering two separate times for primary and intermediate grade levels. We ask that **only parents and students attend this event.** Students and families will have the opportunity to meet their teachers, tour the building and receive any pertinent information for the start of the school year.

Masking is required by parents and students. Temperatures should be taken at home prior to visiting our school campus. Hand sanitizer will be available at entry points.

- **Kindergarten through grades 3: 10:00AM-12:00 PM**
- **Students in grades 4-6: 12:00-2:00 PM**

In addition, it is crucial that we have up to date contact information for all students. As usual, we will be sending forms home the first week of school, please be sure that we have the latest phone numbers, addresses and appropriate contacts on record.

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Pinnacle School is a **uniform school**. Please have your students dress in the school colors. Wearing uniforms helps our students to stay focused on school academics and increases togetherness. Visit our School Website for information on school uniform, supplies, and any other Pinnacle School and upcoming events. www.rcsdk12.org/35

Consider joining our Parent groups: Let's work together in supporting our students' school-wide initiatives. Please contact Ms. Jessmarie Sanchez, our Parent Liaison, for any additional information on any of these parent groups or if you have any other questions. She can be reached at 585-271-4583 beginning Tuesday, August 17th.

- Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)-Meets monthly, 2nd Thursday of the month
- School-Based Planning Team (SBPT)-Meets monthly, Second Wednesday of the month.
- Bilingual Council (District Team)-Meets monthly- Council picks site

Parents, as the students' first teacher, we are asking for your assistance in making this a phenomenal time of learning for our school community. We are requesting that you partner with us in the daily requirements in keeping our children safe in school, ready to learn. Please start the school day with taking the children(s) temperature and make sure they are sent to school with a mask each and every day. Additional information will be available in the Parent Handbook, available on our school website in the coming weeks. Remember we are partners in your child's education and we can't wait to work with you!

Thank you,

Brenda Torres-Santana

Principal

