

Double Branch Elementary

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RANCHER TIMES



Principal's Message

Hello Ranchers!

Welcome to the 2023-2024 school year! We are diving into our curriculum and instructional routines with positivity and enthusiasm as always here on the Ranch! Everyone at DBES is looking forward to another productive school year filled with lots of growth and learning! Our ultimate goal is to empower learners and provide them with a world class education! Thank you families for your continued support as we embark on this important work! We are excited to have an additional admin on campus for the 2023-2024 school year! We welcome Rodney McKinney to the Ranch! Dr. Tidd, Mr McKinney, and I look forward to working in partnership with you as we strive to make this a great year of learning for your child! Feel free to reach out via phone or email with any questions.

Dr. Wiggins

Important Upcoming Dates

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| Sept 10 | Book Fair Begins (information sent home via the Thursday Folder) |
| Sept 12 | Picture Day |
| Sept 14 | Open House 5:30-6:00 pm- Primary 6:00-6:30 pm -PTA Meeting 6:30-7:00 pm-Intermediate 6:00-8:00 pm Book Fair |
| Sept 15 | Progress Reports |
| Sept 25 | School Advisory Council Meeting-Media Center 8:15 am |
| Sept 29 | PTA Ceiling Tile Event |

Arrival/Dismissal

Student safety is a priority here on the Ranch. When it comes to arrival/dismissal time, the procedures we have put into place are designed to minimize car traffic in areas where students are walking or riding their bikes to school.

We have heard from families whose students walk or ride bikes to school, how much safer it has been for students with the elimination of cars trying to bypass the car line by driving up and dropping off students in turn lanes, or non-crosswalk/drop off areas. The car line, while long, is moving faster and faster as routines are getting solidified. Thank you, families for your cooperation and support with this! 😊

Remember, the grassy area across from our campus is a non-drop off area as well. And, students who are getting dropped off/picked up by car, should be in the car line.

Retirement

Roger Looker, our **Crossing Guard**, has decided to retire. We wish him well with his new endeavor and will miss him greatly! We are planning to honor him in the near future. If you would like to drop off cards or notes of well wishes, we will make sure he receives them. Please drop them off in the Front Office by Monday, September 11th.



PTA Junction

General Assembly Meeting

The DBES PTA would like to invite all parents to our Fall General Assembly meeting on September 14, 2023 from 6:00-6:30 pm (during Open House).

Learn about what PTA has planned for the year and how you can be part of it. 😊

Family Paint Night

We are pleased to announce that our second annual Family Paint Night will be held on September 29th from 6:30-8:30 pm in the Cafeteria. This is a limited seating event so please purchase tickets early so that you don't miss out on your chance to leave your mark on the Ranch. 😊



Jackets, Sweaters, and Sweatshirts Oh My!

Families, every year, we have literally hundreds of jackets and other clothing items as well as water bottles that end up in our Lost and Found. We have tried many ways to return these jackets to their rightful owners with no success. In preparation for jacket season, please help us out by putting your child's name inside his/her jacket and on water bottles. **Please note that all unclaimed items will be donated to charity at the end of the school year.**