

Ledesma Lynx

Principal's Newsletter

September 2019

Principal's Message

Our Back To School Night will be held on Tuesday, September 3, 2019 from 6:00 PM-7:30 PM. We will have two rounds of classroom visits. The first round of classroom visits begins at 6:00 PM and the second round begins at 6:30 PM. All classroom visits will end at 7:00 PM. There will be a Principals message that begins at 7:00 PM in the school cafeteria. I will begin the principal message once all staff members are present. Sixth grade parents will receive Science Camp information from 5:30 PM-6:00 PM.

Uncage the Lynx Fundraiser begins on Tuesday, September 3, 2019. Our goal is to raise an average of \$125 for each student. I encourage families to have their employers match personal donations. All money raised goes directly back into our student's education and classrooms. This is our only fundraiser for the year. Information regarding the fundraiser is in the white envelope and can also be located on the Ledesma HSC Facebook page as well as on our school website, ledesma@ogsd.net.

Our students pledge to Be Respectful, Responsible and Safe at Ledesma. Our staff encourages you to have them practice these three behavioral expectations also at home. When they are refusing or forgetting to do homework, ask them if they are being responsible students. If they are feuding with a sibling, ask them if they are being respectful. If they are playing an unsafe game, remind them to be safe. To encourage students to practice the pledges we pass out green slips, announce names of students who received a green slip during morning announcements, and students earn rewards for displaying one or all of the behavioral expectations.

A flyer is being sent home regarding how to get your child's name on the marquee for their birthday. All September Birthday request must be received by Thursday, September 5, 2019. All other birthday requests, October on, must be received no later than the 2nd Friday of each month. For example, all October birthday request must be submitted no later than September 13, 2019. You can access Birthday Request on our school website, ledesma@ogsd.net or by contacting the front office for a hard copy of the Marquee Birthday request form.

Important School Dates

9/02: No School

9/03: Uncage The Lynx Fundraiser Begins

9/03: Back To School Night 6:00 PM-7:30 PM

9/09: Home and School Club Mtg. @ 6:00 PM

**9/16-9/27: Parent/Teacher Goal Setting
2:05 PM Dismissal**

9/19: Run, Hide, Defend Drill @ 9:30 AM

9/26: Family Fun Night @ Sweet Tomatoes 3 PM-9PM

9/30-10/04: Fall Break/No School

Important Information

- Parent/Teacher goal settings begins on **September 16th and ends on September 27, 2019.** This is a great time to meet with your child's teacher to look at your child's individual academic plan. Teachers will review the I Ready Assessment results with you. Together you will create an academic plan that will ensure your child reaches their highest potential both socially and academically. Students in first through sixth grade will be dismissed from school at 2:05 PM beginning **September 16th through September 27th.** **Regular dismissal begins on Monday, October 7th.**
- **Fall Break is quickly approaching. Please remember that there is no school September 30, 2019 through October 4, 2019. School resumes on Monday, October 7, 2019.**
- Safety continues to be the number one focus of Ledesma and Oak Grove School District. We ask that those picking up students watch their speed and not park in the middle of the parking lot or the street. **The back parking lot is only to be used by Champions Daycare and OGSD employees.** Please make sure that when using the front parking lot you watch for directions given by Safety Patrol Members. When dropping off or picking up students we ask that you not park in the handicap spots unless you have the appropriate signage. Please contact SJPD Traffic Enforcement at www.SJPD.org to report any traffic concerns you see or have. We appreciate your support in providing a safe environment for our students and community.
- The 2019-2020 Student Behavior and Parent Information Handbook as well as signature pages are digital this year. Families can access the signature pages and handbook through our district and school websites, use the QR code that is on back side of this newsletter. Families can also stop by the school for information regarding the handbook and signature pages.
- Students are not to be on the playground before 8:30 AM. All guest and visitors must sign in at the front office. For safety purposes, we ask that all parents remain on the black top and out of hallways during dismissal time.
- Beginning in October all Principal Newsletters will be sent to families digitally. I will remind families to look for the Principals Newsletter on our school website, ledesma@ogsd.net. We will continue to post a hard copy up in our front office.

Oak Grove School District has five incredible board members that work extremely hard to represent all students in OGSD. Our Board members and the area they represent are as follows: Mary Noel (Area 1), Tami Moore (Area 2), Jorge Pacheco Jr. (Area 3), John Mackey (Area 4), and Brian LoBue (Area 5).