

Kendale Tigers,

I hope everyone has been enjoying the summer break! We miss the students and are excited to meet our new Tigers!

On Thursday, August 17, 2023, we will begin the 2023-2024 school year. The beginning of the school year is a very exciting time. Kendale Elementary takes pride in providing a caring, safe, nourishing and academically enriching environment. We look forward to welcoming back those that are returning and welcoming all of those that are new to our Kendale Family!

On the first day of school, you will be able to park in the field area and walk your child to class. Field parking will open at 7:55 a.m. This will be the only day that you will be able to escort your child. This is a great opportunity to familiarize yourself with the location of the classroom and to assist your child with their school supplies and wish list items. The school day will begin at 8:35 a.m.

Beginning on day 2 all students must be dropped off at their assigned morning arrival location. Please be reminded that we are a closed campus. Closed campus means that the only adults who can enter the building are school personnel and official school volunteers. The school will continue to only have one point of entry throughout the school day at the main office. All others that visit the school will enter through the main entrance, security desk and be processed on the security system.

Regular morning arrival and afternoon dismissal is as follows:

Morning Arrival

PK: Drop off- 8:30 a.m. - 8:40 a.m. 800 bldg back doors (may park in parking lot with parking pass.

K-1: Drop off- 7:55 a.m.- 8:35 a.m. 93rd street in front of cafeteria.

2nd-5th: Drop off- 7:55 a.m. - 8:35 a.m. 800 bldg driveway.

Walkers: Drop off- 7:55 a.m. - 8:35 a.m. 800 bldg sidewalk pathway

Afternoon Dismissal

PK: Pick up- 2:15 p.m. - 2:20 p.m. 800 bldg back doors
(may park in parking lot with parking pass after all other dismissals are done).

K-1: Pick up- 2:05 p.m. 800 bldg driveway

2nd-3rd: Pick up- 3:05 p.m. (Wednesday 2:05 p.m.) 93rd street in front of cafeteria.

4th-5th: Pick up- 3:05 p.m. (Wednesday 2:05 p.m.) 800 bldg driveway.

Walkers: Drop off- 2:15 p.m. 800 bldg sidewalk pathway >>>>NEW

School begins daily at 8:35 a.m. and ends at 2:05 p.m. (PK-1, Wednesday all students) and at 3:05 p.m. (2nd-5th). The school opens at 7:55 a.m. daily. Breakfast is served at 7:55 am for all students free of charge daily. Please keep in mind that there is no supervision prior to 7:55 am unless your child is in before school care. Should you require before school care, it is available from 7:00 am and we also offer after care until 6:00 pm. Registration opens next week so please contact Ms. Vargas in the main office for pricing and registration requirements. Slots are limited.

Student schedules should now be available on the student portal. Please note that we are still in the process of making some changes. However, you can check out their schedules and find out who their teacher(s) will be. Please note, that request for teacher changes will not be made. If you are not able to log into the Student Portal, please contact the main office for assistance. If you are in need of your parent pin, please pass by the main office.

On Tuesday, August 8th at 12:00 p.m. I will be hosting an orientation and Popsicle with the Principal for **ONLY kindergarten students and parents and any new student in 1-5.**

On Wednesday, August 16th the teachers in grades K-5 will be hosting a **virtual**, "Welcome to My Class" Presentation. Teachers will be in contact to provide the zoom information and time. The teacher and scheduled time will be posted on Instagram @KendaleElementary. On this same day, **ONLY PK** will have a Meet and Greet at 12:00 p.m. in person at the school.

Please visit our website at www.kendaletigers.org to find the supply list and the summer reading list. If you aren't already following us on Instagram, I encourage you to do so, we post activities, events, and important information daily. Please follow us on Instagram @KendaleElementary.

If you have any questions, please be sure to reach out to me personally at pr2641@dadeschools.net or contact the school at 305-274-2735.

Looking forward to a great year as we Celebrate 55 years of Rockstar Innovation and Tune into Learning!

Ms. Alvarez

Principal