

Gila Crossing Community School



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Dear Parents and Guardians:

I would like to welcome you to the 2019-20 school year. In the next couple days, we start another year. Please note the first day of school is **Thursday, August 1, 2019**. School will begin with the first bell at 7:55AM and the late bell at 8:00AM. Dismissal is at 3:00 PM; however, every Friday will be early release at 12:30PM.

We are very excited to welcome your student(s) and the entire community to our new campus, which is located at 4665 W. Pecos Rd. We believe that it will allow us an even greater capacity to foster student success. Along with the new campus, you will see many new faces and new programs that will also help us create exciting new learning opportunities.

We strongly encourage you to attend **"Meet the Teacher—Meet the Principal Night"** on **Thursday, July 25, 2019**, from 4:00-6:00PM. The principal will talk to parents at 4PM and again at 5PM in the Cafeteria area. This will be the first opportunity for you to see the new school, meet the administration, your child's teacher, and visit their classroom(s). Rosters (with assigned teachers) will be available that evening.

The Student/Parent Handbook regarding school policies/procedures and expectations we are hoping to have available at Meet Your Teacher Night, but if it is not, will be sent home with each student during the first week of school. The handbook will also be accessible on our school website which is www.gccseagles.org; while other communications will be periodically sent home. ***There are several changes this year, especially in the area of our attendance and discipline policies.***

By way of reminder, please review the uniform policy:

- ✓ Maroon- or white-collared shirts or GCCS school shirt only. All other shirts are prohibited.
- ✓ Solid black, blue, or khaki colored slacks or shorts and/or skirts only. All other colors are prohibited.
- ✓ Undershirts must be black or white and must be tucked in under uniform shirt.
- ✓ Students are encouraged to wear covered shoes. Flip-flops, slippers, or bare feet are unacceptable.
- ✓ **No Denim please, which means no jeans, jean shorts or jean skirts**

Please note that this year we will provide 3 free shirts for each student per semester

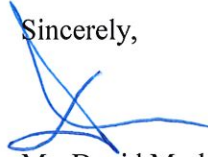
To better assist and protect your child, please update your contact information, so we can contact you immediately should the need arise. There is paperwork included with this letter. If you have not filled out this update of information, please do so and return to the school as soon as possible.

Breakfast with the Principal will continue this year, and be held on the 3rd Thursday of every month from 9am to 10am, except December and May. So please write down these dates: August 15, September 19, October 17, November 21, January 16, February 20, March 19, April 16.

Parents/Guardians who wish to drop off / pick up their students from school, please use the designated area in the administrative parking area at the front of the school. Please try and avoid dropping them across the street on Pecos or next door at the Health Center. We ask for your patience and understanding the first few days as everyone gets used to the new expectations and traffic patterns of the new school. Officer Rodriguez will also be assisting with the traffic before and after school as well. If possible, we ask parents to NOT check students out early as it interrupts classroom teaching and learning.

We do encourage parent involvement. Throughout the year there are several opportunities for parent participation. If you wish to visit the school, for the safety of our staff and students, all visitors are required to sign in at the front office and wear a visitor's badge. Please understand that we also want to minimize disruptions to learning for students, so may restrict classroom access under certain circumstances. If you have questions or comments, please feel free to contact the school at (520) 550-4834.

Sincerely,



Mr. David Marks
Principal

This mailing should include the following additional information:

- 1) School Calendar**
- 2) Site Map**
- 3) Updated student information sheet (if you have not already submitted any changes)**
- 4) Open House and Ribbon Cutting Flyers (Front and Back)**