

Pine Forest Elementary:

Safe and Smart Restart

2020-2021

Safe and Smart Restart: PFE Priorities

- Safety of students and staff
- Communication and partnerships with our families
- Providing instructional options to promote student success and learning

Safe and Smart Restart: Instructional Settings

- Parents of elementary aged students have a choice between two instructional settings:
 - On Campus (face to face) instruction
 - Online Instruction
- As of 7/21/20, the following data has been collected regarding instructional settings for PFE students:
 - 76% of students have selected face to face instruction
 - 24% of students have selected online learning
- Parents can change the instructional setting to meet the needs of their student as early as July 27, 2020 (form available in Humble News and Announcements weekly mailout)

Safe and Smart Restart: Online Instruction

- Online instruction will look different this fall than it did in the spring.
- There are new requirements for students and teachers.
- We will continue to focus on rigorous instruction and social-emotional learning.
- All specialized services will be provided online.

Safe and Smart Restart: Online Instruction

- Students will be required to be engaged in online learning a minimum of 3 hours daily. This engagement will be documented for TEA purposes.
- Live teacher-led instruction, small group instruction & recorded sessions
- Learning Management Systems: K - 2 SeeSaw and 3- 5 Google Classroom
- Online assignments will be graded just like the assignments given in class during face-to-face.

Safe and Smart Restart: Online Instruction

- According to TEA, students must attend school 90% of the school year - Compulsory attendance must be applied based on daily logins (180 min/daily)
- Assignments will have specific due dates as set by the teacher, just like assignments given to those students attending in person
- Competencies will be given in K-2nd
- Grades will be given in 3rd-5th; will be based on actual work submitted
- TEA Remote Learning Terms to Know:
 - **Synchronous**
 - **Asynchronous (Humble will be using asynchronous learning for online instruction)**

Safe and Smart Restart: On Campus Instruction

- PFE is taking as many safety precautions as possible.
- There will be no sharing of school supplies. Each student will have their own personal supply box/pouch.
- Lunch will be in various settings to keep from having large groups in the cafeteria at one time. The district is providing campuses with some additional picnic tables and some benches for outside.
- Sanitizing stations will be located at entrances and available in classrooms.

Safe and Smart Restart: On Campus Instruction

- We will follow the governor's mandate regarding masks. We will have masks for those students who aren't able to acquire their own masks. Staff members will be provided masks/and or face shields.
- Campus administrators are working with district personnel to ensure we have PPE (safety equipment) available on campus.

Safe and Smart Restart: Campus Wide

- Following Governor's order for Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
 - Face coverings are required for all persons 10 years of age and older
 - Highly recommended for all
- Visitors are limited to essential school business and scheduled appointments.
- School-sponsored field trips are not allowed until further notice
- Large group gatherings are restricted during the school day, including assemblies, clubs, etc.
- Designated isolation area has been identified for symptomatic individuals
- COVID-19 Safety Signage will be provided throughout campus
- Daily cleaning procedures for all classrooms (desks/tables) and playground equipment

Safe and Smart Restart: Campus Wide

- Frequently touched objects and surfaces cleaned
- Use of fogging machines after hours to further clean the campus
- Extra hand sanitizer available
- All staff responsible to educate students about the importance of frequent hand washing; covering a cough or sneeze; not touching one's eyes, nose, and mouth; and other health and safety measures.

Safe and Smart Restart: Arrival and Dismissal

- Campus opens at 7:30 am.
- Temperature checks will not be required for students upon entry into the building. However, it is imperative that students with any symptoms do not attend school...
- Students will enter classrooms upon arrival.
- Students eating breakfast will be seated apart; siblings may sit together
- Students must leave campus immediately after dismissal
- Dismissal will be staggered by the type of transportation the student uses to get home:
 - Bikers/Walkers
 - Bus Riders/Daycare
 - Car Riders

Safe and Smart Restart: Minimizing Student Contact

- Scheduled restroom breaks will be minimized and individual student visits as needed will be encouraged with all students required to use hand sanitizer upon their return to the classroom.
- Classes will stay together as a group
- Increased space between classes during lunch
- Recess zones

Safe and Smart Restart: On Campus Instruction

- Visitors will be limited to only essential visitors.
- We will not have visitors for breakfast or lunch.
- As much as we appreciate our volunteers, we will not be utilizing them at the beginning of this year.
- Meet-the-Teacher will be via Zoom streamed from the classroom so that parents can meet the teacher and see the classroom learning environment.
- The use of flexible seating options to increase spacing in the classroom to the extent possible.
- Increased usage of outdoor learning spaces
- Frequent reminders about hygiene and safety in the classroom
- Use of Morning Meetings to reinforce importance of health and safety measures

Safe and Smart Restart: Reminders

- Keep in mind that all plans are subject to change based on guidance from local and state officials.
- Humble ISD will announce any significant change to back to school plans no later than August 1, 2020
- School supplies that were purchased via EPI will be delivered to PFE. We will disperse supply packages to classrooms if attending school on campus and offer a drive thru pick up if attending online (date and time to be determined).

Safe and Smart Restart: Thank You!

- Thank you Panther Family for your patience and understanding as we work diligently to create the safest possible school environment for our students and staff. We look forward to “seeing” you on August 11!