



Carillon Elementary

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Dear Comet Families,

We are less than two weeks away from the First Day of School! The start of the school year is so exciting, whether you have chosen to send your child back to Face to Face Instruction, are utilizing Seminole Connect for your child, or working with Seminole County Virtual School in a hybrid or full-time capacity.

There are challenges associated with starting any school year, but those challenges are increased with all that "Reopening" entails. This mountain peak of a safe and successful school year seems dauntingly high. I can ensure you all that teachers and staff are all working hard and actively prepping to get ready for these unusual circumstances. To get up even the tallest mountain, one must put one foot in front of the other and we are doing just that.

The first step we are taking is having teachers contact their students to begin to develop the all-important, teacher-student relationships. Teachers will be reaching out via phone in coming days. If you have not heard from your child's teacher prior August 12, please reach out to me or our school and we will get you in touch. There may be some hiccups in the contact information or scheduling. Please ensure your child's information and your contact information is up to date in Skyward. In addition to introducing themselves, teachers will also be providing more information about events happening prior to the August 17, 2020 start date, which include:

Remote Meet the Teacher- August 12th

This is an opportunity to meet the teacher, fill out questionnaires, and take an online tour of the classroom.

- **Returning 1st – 5th Grade Face to Face Students.**
- **Kindergarten – 5th Grade Seminole Connect Students**

*Times will be set by teachers/grade levels and shared soon.

Grade Level Drive Thru- August 13th

This is an opportunity for students and families to drive through, wave to teachers, and drop off/pick up materials.

- Face to Face teachers will use the Car Ramp to drop off supplies.
- Seminole Connect teachers will use the Bus Ramp to distribute materials.
 - 9:30-10:30 First Grade
 - 10:30-11:30 Second Grade
 - 12:30-1:30 Third Grade
 - 1:30-2:30 Fourth Grade
 - 2:30-3:30 Fifth Grade

*Kindergarten Connect students will be able to pick up materials on the 14th from 1:00-2:00.

Supply List- <https://www.scps.k12.fl.us/core/fileparse.php/1451/urlt/es-school-supply-list.pdf>



Kindergarten, VPK and New Carillon Students Meet the Teacher Appointments- August 14th

This is an opportunity to meet the teacher and see the school at scheduled appointment times.

- Supplies can be dropped off at this time.
- Kindergarten Connect students will be able to pick up materials from 1:00-2:00.

Many emails have been sent to me with questions about the upcoming face covering recommendation and SCPS School Board Session on Tuesday, August 11th. Although things may change at that session, the Superintendent's recommendation is consistent with our Carillon communication on this topic.

- Students will wear face coverings for arrival, transitions, dismissal, and bus transportation.
- At PE, recess, and lunch, students will remove their face coverings.
- In the classroom, if social distancing is feasible, students can take off their face coverings under the direction of their teacher.

If this changes after Tuesday's meeting, I will distribute some more communication about the changes.

There is a lot still left to plan. This is a tall mountain, but we are getting the supplies ready for the trek. Students are being placed in classes with teachers based on their choices and program needs. This was a monumental task and many staff members are working long hours to make it happen. Teachers are getting their classrooms (Face to Face and Seminole Connect) ready. Social distancing markers and signs are being placed around campus. Technological devices are being assigned to Face to Face students at two students to every one device ratio. In kindergarten, those devices are iPads. Fifth grade students will have one device for every Face to Face student. We will have more information on loaning devices to Seminole Connect students in need and the Bring Your Own Device policy for our Face to Face students soon.

You have more questions, I know. I would like to answer them. We will hold another Reopening Edition of the Carillon News Network on Friday, August 7th at 9:00. Email questions ahead of time to Daniel.Windish@scps.k12.fl.us or tune in and ask a question in the comment box and we'll get to as many as possible.

Let's KEEP CLIMBING!

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Carillon News Network-LIVE on Friday, August 7th at 9:00 AM

Sincerely,
Daniel H. Windish, Ed.D.
Principal



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