

## Friday Update, July 23, 2021

Good evening Sulphur Springs Union School District Families. This is Dr. Catherine Kawaguchi, your Superintendent with a Friday Update, July 23, 2021.

### Back-to-School Night – August 11, 2021



We look forward to welcoming all families to our **virtual** back to school night on Wednesday, August 11th. You will have the opportunity to meet your child's teacher, hear about the engaging curriculum and supplemental programs we have available for your child, classroom routines and expectations for the year, and much more. We hope you will attend and learn what your child's staff has to offer during the upcoming year. More information, including Zoom links will be shared by your child's school in the coming weeks.

### School Calendar for 2021-2022 School Year



We wanted to make families aware that the District has revised the school calendar for the upcoming 2021-2022 school year. The main change to note is the movement of the early release day (where students are released one hour early) from Tuesdays to Wednesdays to provide teachers professional development and time for planning. The updated school calendar is attached to this message or can be found on our District website at [www.sssd.k12.ca.us](http://www.sssd.k12.ca.us)

### Parent Portal is Now Open!



In order to prepare for returning to school this fall, we want to inform all parents that the Parent Portal is now open. In this Portal, families can login to update their contact information and complete necessary forms for the 2021-2022 school year. All families who complete their data confirmation forms will be able to see their **child's teacher for the 2021-2022 school year starting, August 9, 2021.**

Directions to access the Parent Portal are provided in English and Spanish and are attached to this email for your convenience. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to us at 661-252-5131.

### Health and Safety Protocols



Thank you families and staff for all that they have done to continue to follow the health and safety protocols that have been put in place by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health. For the 2021-22 school year, our District will continue to ensure that all schools are complying with all safety protocols as required by the local health department. At this time, students and staff are not required to wear face coverings when OUTDOORS. However, the local health department has required that all students and staff continue to wear face coverings INDOORS. As we begin to prepare for the new school year, I will continue to provide families any changes to the health and safety protocols when the local health department issues them to school districts.

### **Supporting the Whole Child- Mental Wellness**



Even though many students are out of school, we still want to assure that families are receiving the assistance they might need. Please remember that the District's Family Resource Center has access to food, toiletries, school supplies, and other community resources. Our Family Resource Center can be reached by calling (661) 250-5305. **The Family Resource Center will reopen August 9, 2021.**

Also, if you feel you or your child may need mental health support services, you can contact any of the following mental health providers:

**Child and Family Center**

661-286-2562

<https://www.childfamilycenter.org/>

**Childrens Bureau - Valencia**

661-272-9996

<https://www.all4kids.org/>

**National Suicide Prevention Lifeline**

(800) 273-TALK / (800) 273-8255

[www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org](http://www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org)

Finally, our District Social Worker, Ashley Swanson, is available to assist families during the school year. Please reach out to your child's principal if your family needs support.

**Wishing you and your family a wonderful weekend. Thank you!**



