



Worsham Elementary

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Dear Parents,

Thank you for a great year! Please enjoy the summer with your family! Try to take time to read and practice math with your child during these days at home. As we end the 2016-2017 school year, I want to provide you with some highlights and important information for the upcoming school year.

Summer Reading Challenge

The research is clear that **children who don't read during the summer can lose up to three months of reading progress** and that loss has a cumulative, long-term effect. I can't stress enough how important it is for our students to read this summer. At the beginning of May, Worsham students began participating in the Scholastic Summer Reading Challenge – Read for the World Record. This summer's reading program encourages students to read and log in their minutes into the Scholastic website or write it down on a reading log to give to their teacher at the beginning of the school year. We certainly want to keep our students reading. The Worsham library will open for Worsham families to check out books every **Tuesday, June 6-June 13, June 20 and June 27 from 9 AM - 2 PM.** Please bring your identification. Also, don't forget families can also check out books from the Houston Public Library located next to MacArthur High School.

2017-2018 School Calendar & School Hours

Please be aware.....

Worsham's doors open at 7:00 AM (No adult supervision before this time.)

Breakfast Served from 7:00-7:40 AM

Instruction Begins at 7:50 AM – tardy bell rings

School Day Ends at 3:15 PM

Dismissal from 3:15-3:35 PM (Buses dismissed at approximately 3:30 PM)

2017-2018 School Calendar (Change dates)

Monday, August 21	First Day of School
Monday, Sept. 4	Labor Day Holiday
Friday, October 6	Teacher Staff Development Day – No School
Monday, October 9	Columbus Day Holiday
November 20-24	Thanksgiving Holiday
December 21-Jan. 3	Mid-Winter Break
January 4 & 5	Teacher Staff Development Days – No School
Monday, January 15	MLK Holiday
Friday, February 16	Teacher Staff Development Day – No School
Monday, February 19	Presidents' Day Holiday – No School
March 12-16	Spring Break
Friday, March 30	Good Friday Holiday
Monday, May 28	Memorial Day Holiday
Thursday, May 31	Last day of School



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Standardized Dress

Beginning in 2017-18 all elementary, intermediate and middle school campuses will have a district standardized dress code. (See attachment)

Other important information

STAAR Scores will be sent to the district in mid-June and results will be mailed to the parents of third and fourth grade students this summer.

Just as this school year, all students in Aldine will continue to receive free breakfast. Parents will fill out a lunch application to determine if your family will qualify for free, reduced or full pay. More information will be provided at the beginning of the 2017-2018 school year.

Clear or mesh backpacks

It is Aldine's policy that all students must have a clear or mesh backpack.

Important Dates

August 1-31 8:00-4:00 **School supply packets on sale in front office – bring correct change please.**
The school is closed on Fridays during the summer.

Grade level	Costs
Kinder packet	\$50
1 st Grade packet	\$50
2 nd grade packet	\$50
3 rd grade packet	\$50
4 th grade packet	\$50

July 10- 7:30-4:30 Registration for students new to Worsham
August 19 (No registration on Fridays)

August 21 7:50 a.m. First Day of School (Doors open at 7 a.m.)
School Hours – 7:50 AM -3:15 PM

We look forward to welcoming your child back to Worsham on Monday, August 21. If there is anything I can do for you in the meantime, please contact me at 281-985-6520.

Sincerely,

Denise Meister
Principal