

Danish Elementary School | 2016-17

PLEASE KEEP THIS INFORMATION FOR REFERENCE ALL YEAR

Important Info

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Houston, Texas 77065

Phone: 281-955-4981

Fax: 281-955-4994

Website: www.cfisd.net

School Hours

8:45 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Pre-K/PPCD Hours

AM – 8:45 – 11:50 a.m.

PM – 12:50 – 4:00 p.m.



School Mascot:

Dolphin

School Colors:

Royal Blue & White

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Please keep address and phone numbers up to date in the school office at all times. You may notify us of a change in information by sending a note with your child or calling the front office. In case of emergency, it is vital that we are able to contact you.

ATTENDANCE: Attendance is taken at 10:00 a.m. Please send a note if your child is absent from school. For further information, please see the CFISD Student Code of Conduct.

TARDIES: School begins at 8:50 a.m. Tardy slips will be issued from the office starting at 8:55 a.m., and a parent or guardian must walk into the building to sign the student in at the front desk.

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURES

ARRIVAL: Students who eat breakfast may go to the cafeteria at 8:20am. All other students may enter the building at 8:30 am.

EARLY DEPARTURE: If you need to pick your child up prior to dismissal time, please send a note that morning stating the time and reason the child needs to leave. If you forget to send a note, please fax it to us as soon as possible. The note must be signed by the parent or guardian. We will make every effort to have the child in the office at the designated time. The person picking the child up from school must show their identification and be listed on the child's Emergency Card. **NO** changes will be made by phone or email. **NO changes in your child's after school transportation will be made after 3:15 p.m.**

BUS RIDERS: Riding the bus to and from school is the safest and most convenient mode of transportation. A student may not ride a bus other than the assigned bus except in emergency situations. A request to ride a different bus must be made in writing by the parent, brought to the office, and approved by the Principal. Reasons for bus change DO NOT INCLUDE scouts, sports activities, visiting a friend, or anything for which it is the parents' responsibility to provide transportation. It is the practice of CFISD that no Pre-K student will be dropped off at a bus stop unless a responsible caretaker is there to receive that student. When there is not a caretaker available, the child will be brought back to the school and the parent will be called to pick up the child from school.

PARENT DROP-OFF: Parents should stay in their car and go through the designated area by the front door. Please stay in line and do not go around other vehicles. If a parent needs to come into the building, they are expected to park in a designated parking place and check in at the front office

PARENT PICK-UP: Parents should stay in the car and go through the designated area by the front door. Please stay in line and do not go around other vehicles. Parents will be given a sign to place in the car window for identification purposes. Parents without a sign must enter the building with their identification to check out their child.

WALKERS & BIKE RIDERS: Busing is provided for all Danish students. For your child's safety, we recommend all students ride the bus. Due to 100% busing availability, crossing guards are not provided. Walkers will enter on sidewalks on each side of the building. Walkers must stay on the sidewalks until they arrive at the front door. Walkers are not to cross through the parking lots or the parent drop-off area. Bike riders must walk their bikes on the school sidewalks to the bike rack on the south end of the building.

BEFORE & AFTER-SCHOOL CARE: Club Rewind. For more information go to www.cfisd.net/campuses/clubrewind/

Who Can Help You?

Homeroom Teacher – First Contact

Counselor – Tracy Favorite

Behavior Interventionist – Kristi Moss

Instructional Specialist – Jennifer Rosenquist

Instructional Specialist – Shanya Gensior

Instructional Specialist – Julia Zuniga

Nurse – Jennifer Richmond

Librarian – Kelley Book

Attendance Secretary – Michelle Robison

Secretary – Stephanie Rodriguez

Asst. Principal (PK, 1, 4, 5) – Rocio Braley

Asst. Principal (LS, K, 2, 3) – Jo Beth Martinez

Principal – Kelly Dalton

SCHOOL VISITATIONS

We welcome your visits to Danish. For the safety and security of our children, you must check in at the front office. Your driver's license or ID will be scanned and you will be given a personalized nametag for your visit.

Cafeteria Visits: To eat lunch with your child, you will follow the procedure above; and you must be on the student's *Emergency Information Card* as the parent or guardian or have written permission from the parent to eat lunch with a child. You and your child may sit at the guest table. We ask that you refrain from inviting other students to eat with you, as this may lead to hurt feelings. Please say good-bye to your child in the cafeteria before they return to their classrooms. Parents should not attend recess due to the safety of our children.

Classroom Visits: Please make appointments with the teacher and limit visits to 20-30 minutes. Parents or legal guardians may observe. The principal must approve any other persons observing.

Parties: Only the parent or guardian may attend class parties unless accompanied by a parent or legal guardian or have written permission from the parent or guardian.

STUDENT DRESS CODE

Appropriate student dress and grooming are important factors in the safe and orderly operation of the schools. Each student's appearance should reflect a positive image of the school and contribute to a distraction-free learning environment. Please refer to the District Student Handbook for complete information regarding dress code.

General guidelines for our Danish students include:

- Shorts must be mid-thigh length or longer.
- Tennis shoes or closed toed shoes must be worn in P.E. and recess.
- Hats, scarves, and other head coverings are prohibited.
- Students may not wear garments with visual or written messages that may cause a disruption to the school environment.
- Examples of unacceptable clothing include, but are not limited to midriff tops, tank tops, tops with spaghetti straps, spandex shorts and oversized or baggy clothes.

MEDICATION POLICY

Medications will be given to students when necessary only upon receiving a written request with specific instructions from the parent or guardian.

All medicine, must be brought to the clinic in the original container clearly labeled as to content, the student's name, and directions for time and dosage.

All medication must be brought to the clinic by the parent, guardian, or responsible adult. When the period for administering the medication has expired, the parent or other adult must retrieve the medication from school.

PERSONAL ITEMS

To prevent distractions in our educational setting, we ask that students refrain from bringing personal items to school without specific permission from the teacher. Personal items can be defined as, but not limited to: toys, radios, electronic games, trading cards, sports equipment, etc. Students are permitted to have a cell phone in their backpack, but it must be turned off and remain in the backpack.

BUYING & SELLING ITEMS

Students are not permitted to buy or sell any items without the Principal's permission.

BIRTHDAYS

- ☺ Student's birthdays are acknowledged at school with a treat from Danish.
- ☺ Due to the Privacy Act, homeroom lists may not be provided to individuals.
- ☺ Students will not be allowed to distribute invitations to personal parties at school. We also do not allow the delivery of gifts such as flowers, balloons, etc.
- ☺ Join the Danish Birthday Book Club by donating a book to the Resource Center in your child's name. Contact Kelly Book, Media Specialist for more information.

TEXTBOOKS & LIBRARY BOOKS

Students must pay for lost or damaged textbooks and library books.

HOMEWORK

Homework is assigned on a nightly basis, Monday through Thursday. Enrichment activities such as research papers and science projects also fall within the realm of homework. It is checked upon its return and reflected in subject grades and/or work habits noted on report cards.

CODE OF CONDUCT

You are asked to become thoroughly familiar with this very important document and to keep it for reference as questions arise. Please make special note of policies regarding Attendance, Bus Transportation, School Visitation, Make-up Work, Medication Policies, Textbooks and Dress Code. We want all parents to review a copy of the Code of Conduct. It is available at www.cfisd.net. Go to School/Danish Elementary/School Information or you may view a copy in the front office at school.

CAFETERIA

Meal Prices: Student: Breakfast \$1.00 / Lunch \$2.00
Adult: Breakfast \$1.50 / Lunch \$3.00
Cafeteria Manager - Ana Rodriguez - 281-955-4926
Parents cannot share a meal with their student.

Food & Nutrition Guidelines: To encourage good health, the Texas Department of Agriculture prohibits foods of minimal nutritional value (FMNV) served during the school day. However, a parent may provide food or beverages for his/her own child's consumption. The exception to this policy is the three designated party days: Winter Party, End of Year Party & 5th Grade Day. On party days, store bought food or beverages will be permitted.

AWARDS

- ✓ Distinguished Honor Roll – All A's and all S's
- ✓ Honor Roll – All A's & 2 B's and all S's
- ✓ President's Education Award (5th Grade) - 90 average for 4th - 5th grade, high performing standard on STAAR, and satisfactory citizenship for past two years.
- ✓ Citizenship Award – All S's on report card, appropriate cafeteria/playground behavior and no bus misconduct.
- ✓ Bringing Up Grade Roll (B.U.G. Roll) – Student must improve one letter grade in at least one subject, maintain S's in conduct, and not drop a letter grade in any subject for the grading period.
- ✓ Royal Dolphin Award – Leadership and good citizenship award presented by homeroom teacher.

EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSINGS

Listen to TV Channels 2, 11, 13 or 26
FM Radio Stations 97.9, 95.7, 100.3, 93.0,
102.9, 99.1, 107.9
AM Radio Stations 1010, 740, 940

VOLUNTEERS

Please join the Danish PTO. You may volunteer in many ways to assure the success of our children.

