

BIRTHDAYS

- Birthdays are acknowledged in the classroom during the school day. Summer birthdays will be acknowledged in May.
- Out of respect for limited instructional time, in-class birthday parties will not be permitted on campus.
- Due to imposed health regulations, cupcakes, cakes, cookies, favors, etc, for birthdays or special occasions, are not allowed, including during lunch time.
- We do not allow the delivery of gifts such as flowers, balloons, etc to classrooms.

Forgotten Items: If you are dropping off forgotten items, you may leave them at the front desk. We will ensure they are delivered to your child.

Personal Items: To prevent distractions in our educational setting, we ask that students refrain from bringing personal items to school. Personal items can be defined as, but not limited to: toys, radios, trading cards, sports equipment, iPods, cameras, make up, stuffed animals.

Cell phones must be turned off for the duration of the school day.

Hand Sanitizer: Students should not bring personal hand sanitizer to school; students have access to hand sanitizer throughout the building.

Buying & Selling Items: Students are not permitted to buy or sell any items at school except for school-sponsored activities and events.

Food & Nutrition Guidelines

To encourage good health, the Texas Department of Agriculture prohibits foods of minimal nutritional value (FMNV) to be served during the school day. However, a parent may provide food or beverages for his/her own child's consumption only. The exceptions to this policy are three designated party days determined by the principal.

Conduct Folder

Conduct folders are sent home weekly with student work and communication from your child's teacher along with notices from the school office. Be sure to read information and return folder.

STUDENT DRESS CODE

Appropriate student dress and grooming are important factors in the safe and orderly operation of schools. Each student's appearance should reflect a positive image for the school and contribute to a distraction-free learning environment. The uniform for Wainwright is:

Top: solid navy, green, or white-collar shirt; College/University shirts on Monday; Wainwright spirit shirt Fridays only.

Bottom: khaki pants, shorts, or skirts. Blue denim jeans are allowed on Mondays and Fridays with college/spirit shirt.

In addition, consider the following dress code guidelines when preparing for the school day:

- Shorts, skirts, and dresses must be mid-thigh length or longer. Bike shorts or tights should be worn underneath skirts. Any tights or leggings worn underneath must be of a solid color.
- Students should wear shoes that allow for safe play during recess and PE class. Cleats or shoes with wheels are not permitted. Students should wear shoes with a closed toe.
- Hats, scarves, and other head coverings are prohibited unless for religious reasons.
- Noisy, distracting, or excessive jewelry are not allowed. Also, makeup is not appropriate for elementary school.
- Jackets meant to be worn indoors (ie: sweaters, light jackets) should be solid navy, green, or white.

HOMEWORK

Meaningful homework is a way for children to practice what they learned in school. The amount and type of assignments will vary based on the subject and/or grade level. Enrichment activities such as research papers and science projects can also fall within the realm of homework. Please partner with the school to ensure that your child completes his/her homework.

Code of Conduct

The HISD Student Handbook/Code of Conduct will be available online through the district website (www.houstonisd.org). You will be required to sign the acknowledgement form once a year. You are asked to become thoroughly familiar with this important document and use it as a reference as questions arise. Please make special note of policies detailed under "Student Responsibilities."

Medication Policy

- HISD Board of Education Policy does not permit any school personnel to administer medication of any kind (including aspirin). The nurse, however, can dispense medication under certain conditions.
- All medicine, including cough drops and medicated lip balm, must be brought to the clinic in the original container by the parent/guardian. Except in the case of diabetes and asthma, students cannot carry medication.
- Non-prescription medication will be given to students when necessary only upon receiving a written request with specific instructions from the parent/guardian.
- Prescription medication must be in the original container, properly labeled with the child's name, name of medication, and directions for time and dosage. Medication must be prescribed by a medical professional licensed to practice in the state of Texas.
- When the period for administering the medication has expired, the parent or other adult must retrieve the medication from school as **students may not transport medicine to or from school.**

CONTINUED ENROLLMENT IN MAGNET PROGRAM

All students enrolled in the magnet program will automatically be enrolled for the next year assuming satisfactory progress and achievement; students DO NOT need to reapply for each school year. As outlined in the Entrance Agreement, each student must also maintain satisfactory grades, regular attendance, and adhere to the HISD Code of Student Conduct.

Let's Work Together!

- Read notices and newsletters from school.
- Limit TV and encourage reading.
- Read with your child 15 minutes a day.
- Help your child with homework.
- Set a regular bedtime.

