Harrah Public Schools

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Welcome Back Harrah Family!

Welcome to the 2021-2022 school year! I am so excited to have all of our staff and students back on our campuses and for our students and families to see that we are back to business as usual. After making it through all of the trials and tribulations of the 2020-2021 COVID year, I still firmly believe that our Harrah Family is truly living and breathing our motto, "A district of Champions!".

Throughout the pandemic last year, we have seen the resiliency of our staff, students and community. We appreciate the support we received from our parents in navigating through such trying times. We're so proud of our students that continued to learn despite multiple quarantines, masks, social distancing, and other obstacles along the way.

Moving forward with our school year, our goal is to bring back more of the typical structure and routine for our students similar to what they experienced prior to last year. ALL teachers/students will be teaching/learning in-person. In accordance with SB658, we are not requiring our staff and/or students to wear masks; however, we will continue to strongly encourage the use of personal protection equipment for all, but will not make this mandatory in our district. This is subject to change with the guidance of local and state government officials as it relates to our community.

We want to make sure that all of our families know that the United States Department Agriculture (USDA) has extended the free school lunch program until the end of this school year! This is great news for our community, as many rely on us as their sole source for providing a healthy, well-balanced meal for their family. It is still essential that we ask each family to fill out the necessary federal forms to ensure that our district receives the appropriate funds necessary to continue our most essential programs. If you have any questions about this program, please contact your child's school.

I thank all of you for your care, support, understanding, grit, determination and patience through all of this. Very soon, we will hear the sounds of our students playing on our playgrounds, filling our hallways, and we can once again celebrate our students' achievements. This community has withstood the test of time and we have come out on top. I am proud to be your superintendent. It takes a village to raise a child and I am proud to be a part of this village.

See you on Thursday, August 12th!!!!

Sincerely,

Paul Blessington Superintendent

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