



R. D. White Elementary School

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Dear Parents,

Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year! Preparations for this year look very different. As you know, our school year is starting via Distance Learning. Our staff has been hard at work setting up their virtual classrooms and participating in professional development to continue providing our students with the best education while ensuring that each student meets their learning goals across all subjects. As we embark on this new journey together, I am confident that our faculty and staff will continue to engage our students in meaningful work and provide them with the skills they need to become productive, inquisitive, and independent learners.

Our theme this year is *"Dream. Explore. Discover."* I will share this theme with our students throughout the year to encourage creativity, curiosity, and a belief that possibilities are endless.

With the first day of school approaching, consider establishing regular routines and sleep schedules for your child. With Distance Learning, your child will need access to a computer and a quiet, designated place where your child can engage in school work throughout the day. The district office will provide a hot spot and a device for those in need. More information will be shared soon.

The Distance Learning Schedule will be soon shared as well. However, you can expect your child to be engaged in daily synchronous (live) and asynchronous (recorded lessons or independent activities) instruction. Your child will be required to login on time and attend their synchronous lesson each day. Attendance will be taken on a daily basis. Additionally, we expect students to dress appropriately, minimize distracting backgrounds, and demonstrate proper behavior as they would in any academic environment.

We want our students to be prepared for Distance Learning. Therefore, we will distribute instructional materials, workbooks, and student supplies for each child. More information will follow once this schedule is finalized.

Mark your calendars with the following information:

- Kindergarten Orientation via Zoom on August 12th at 10:00am or 6:00pm. All incoming kindergarten students and families, including FLAG students, will receive basic information about R. D. White's kindergarten program. Both times are provided to accommodate working parents. However, attendance at only one is necessary. Zoom invite will be sent the day before.
- New Family Orientation for 1st-5th Grade Families via Zoom on August 13th at 10:00am or 6:00pm. All families new to R. D. White will become familiar with the schools' educational programs, and general guidelines.
- First Day of School: August 19th

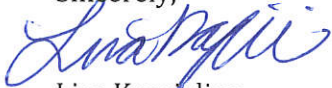
Additional Information:

Parent Connection is now open for the Annual Student Information Update and the signing of district forms for the 2020-2021 school year. All parents are required to complete the re-enrollment process, including all new families, through the Parent Connect Portal. Visit parent.gusd.net, login with your PIN and password, and click on "Annual Student Information Update" in the upper right hand side of the screen. If you do not have your PIN or password, click on "Need Login Information." An email with your temporary PIN and password will be generated. You can also access the Parent Connect through the GUSD App. Download GlendaleUSD for the app.

We are in this together, and I look forward to partnering with you throughout our Distance Learning journey. Although physically apart, we remain united.

Enjoy the remaining days of summer!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Lisa Kaprielian".

Lisa Kaprielian
Principal