August 19, 2024

To Parents & Students of Osborne USD392:

Welcome to the 2024-25 school year. We are ready and excited to get this school year started. Thanks to all of you I have met. I feel extremely welcome and ready for us to work together to achieve great things for our students. There are a few procedural issues I want to address and make sure everyone knows.

We have over 75 staff members with over 1,170 years of experience working in education. All of them have specific responsibilities and are extremely talented at their jobs. Our teachers' responsibility is to teach each of our students from the starting bell until the final bell. This means they should **not** be called or texted by parents on their phones. You are welcome to email them, but know they may not respond or even read it until after the school day is completed. If you need to get a message to a teacher or a student, you must **contact the office**. We have two phenomenal ladies who will make sure all messages are delivered in a timely manner; Mrs. Goheen at OES and Mrs. Mans in our 6-12 building. Teachers have been instructed to not take phone calls or respond to text messages from parents during the school day.

Safety is our top priority. This includes arrival and departure. On 3rd street, the west side of campus, you are not allowed to double park. We will only have one line of cars picking up our kiddos heading in the north direction. Students will not be allowed to walk between or go past cars to get to their ride. You will be asked to circle the block and get in line. For our students transported by "foot power" (walk, bike, skateboard, scooter, etc.), we will be doing what is called a "walking bus." You can get more information here: https://saferoutes.ksdot.gov/. The first couple of school days, we will have students meet at the four corners after school to give them instructions about this program. Additionally, the city will provide crossing guards at Washington and 1st street in the mornings and afternoons. So please have all students crossing 1st Street to do so at Washington. After 3:30, any student in the playground area or outside on campus will be responsible for themselves; the school does not provide supervision in this area after school hours.

We are looking forward to a great year. If you have any questions or comments, please reach out to us. Communication is extremely important. We have updated our "Lines of Communication," and you can find it on our website homepage at the bottom. Here is a direct link. Please refer to this document to help you find the correct person to contact. Go Bulldogs!

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