## Dear Parents,

My name is Delbert Saavedra and I am the principal of Tony Serna Jr. Elementary. We the staff of Tony Serna Jr. Elementary would like to welcome your children and our parents to our school for the 2023/2024 school year. We are looking forward to working with your children to meet their academic needs and to help them create a strong academic foundation towards building a successful academic career. Along the way, we want to make their experience at Tony Serna Jr. Elementary a successful and positive one in which we work with parents as partners.

With that, our first day of school will be August 10, 2023 and parents will be able to drop off students at 7:30 a.m. For the first week of school, parents will be allowed to accompany their children to the gym so that they can meet their child's teacher. Please park in the parking spaces and not in the drop off lane. At 7:50 a.m., teachers will begin taking their students to their classrooms to serve them breakfast. Parents may accompany their child to the classroom but all parents will be asked to leave the building at 8:00 a.m. so that teachers may begin the academic day. Dismissal time is at 2:55 p.m. and students are not signed out from the office past 2:30 p.m. Parents will need to pick up their child at the Parent Pick up after 2:30 p.m.

Parent Drop off in the morning and Parent Pick up in the afternoon will be in the front of the building on New Mexico Avenue. There will be staff on duty to help out. Buses will be dropping off students and pick up students in the back of the building so please do not park in the back during the morning or afternoon.

If you need to pick up your child before 2:30 p.m., parents can sign them out at the front door and we will bring your child to you. Please ring the doorbell or call the secretary. After the first week of school, parents will not be allowed in the building during academic hours due to school safety procedures. You may call the secretary at 505-426-2621 or the principal at 505-426-2623 if have any questions.

Thank you, and we look forward to seeing you on the first day of school.

Delbert Saavedra, Principal, Tony Serna Jr. Elementary