# Coyote Corner

GT Norman Elementary School



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#### H.A.P.P.Y. Have A Positive Productive Year!

It has been a great start to the school year. It is so wonderful to have the students back in school. Our staff is working hard to set up their classroom routines and instill a sense of community not only in their classrooms but throughout the school. We are HAPPY to have them back and are looking forward to guiding them in growing and thriving emotionally and academically!

# Drop Off and Pick Up

Some friendly reminders:

- Please only park on the south side of Lincoln. The north side is for Valet ONLY, to lighten up on traffic the line must keep moving.
- If you are dropping off and picking up your student please make sure you are consistent as to where that is, i.e. If you drop off at loop please also pick up from loop.
- Students should not be crossing Lincoln to go to cars without an adult.
- There should be no parking in the lot at the loop, you need to drive through. This is a safety issue, with too many students crossing in front and behind cars.

## **Upcoming Events**

September 3 & 6 No School

Enjoy your Labor Day weekend!



#### September 7 - PTO Meeting

Dear GTN Families,

The GTN PTO needs your help this school year! We would love to see as many new and familiar faces as possible to ensure students a great school experience! Our PTO meetings will be held at a new time of 7 p.m. this year. Our meetings will be on the first Monday of the month (September's meeting will be on September 7th because of the holiday). See the dates of the meetings below;

September 7, 2021, October 4, 2021, November 1, 2021 December 6, 2021, January 3, 2022, February 7, 2022 March 7, 2022, April 4, 2022, May 2, 2022

The PTO meetings will be held in the GTN library and via Zoom this year. Each month our meeting link will be provided through the school app, school newsletter, and the PTO's Facebook page. The meetings will be open no earlier than 6:45 p.m. Please see the meeting link for the September meeting on 9/7/21 below!



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#### September 7 - 17 - NWEA Testing

At GT Norman Elementary School, we know we can best meet students' needs when we have concrete data about where they are in their academic readiness. We use many measures including classroom performance, informal and formative assessments in the classroom, and standardized assessments.

Beginning on Monday, September 16th, our students will be taking the Measure of Academic Progress (MAP) tests from the Northwest Evaluation Association (NWEA). When taking a MAP test, the difficulty of each question is based on how well a student answers all the previous questions. As the student answers correctly, the questions become more difficult. If the student answers incorrectly, the questions become easier. The final score is an estimate of the student's achievement level. You will receive a formal report with assessment results a few weeks after testing is completed.

Having concrete data about students is critical to making effective instructional decisions in the classroom and we are optimistic that these assessments will help guide our ability to meet the needs of all students. We will test students again in the spring to measure their growth. Please look here for more information about the MAP test: <a href="https://www.nwea.org/blog/2016/answers-to-the-top-6-">https://www.nwea.org/blog/2016/answers-to-the-top-6-</a> questions-parents-ask-about-the-map-test/

Please note that no advance studying or preparation will be necessary for students. Please remind your child to be sure to get a good night's sleep and to come to school on time to eat a healthy breakfast.

Please join us for a drive-through family night on Wednesday, September 22, from 5:00 - 6:30.

## September 30, NED Show 2:15 - 3:00

Our school is hosting NED's Mindset Mission, live streaming all-school event. A world-class performer takes our students on an interactive educational journey filled with storytelling, illusions, yo-yo tricks, and humor. NED's message and memorable friends inspire students, promote academic achievement, and support our school goals.

Never give up Encourage others Do your best



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# Calendar

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