



*Dear NO EXCUSES at STANTON Families:*

I hope this Back to School letter finds you safe and healthy. The office and teachers are back to work and have been collaborating all summer to bring you an outstanding school year. We are working hard to get back to the normalcy of school, getting our classrooms ready, while creating engaging and safe learning opportunities for your student (s). NEU at Stanton is an amazing school and I know our new families and incoming Kindergarten and TK students will love being a part of our college focused community.

*Our pledge to you continues to be: All staff members believe that every student has the ability to achieve academic standards in reading, writing, and math. We create student and class goals as a means of maintaining high academic and/or behavior expectations for all students. We are committed and courageous in preparing your child for the 21<sup>st</sup> century and we will work collaboratively to promote the efforts of college readiness for all.*

We ask that you support our NEU endeavor by supporting the following pledge: *As parents/families of Stanton Elementary we are committed to our children's education. We will ensure our children are present, on time, and prepared for school daily. We will be active participants in our children's education both inside and outside of school. The support we provide our children will serve as the foundation that will enable them to SOAR their way to College!*

Prior to the first day of school, you must update your parent portal in Aeries. [Click here](#) for the link to the parent portal. This must be done for all students TK-5, new and returning. **Class assignments** will be posted in the Aeries portal on **Tuesday August 24th at 5:00 p.m.** Making class lists is very challenging each year (especially this year) and the staff works hard to divide classes up in a balanced manner – gender, academic levels, and behaviors, so please understand that changes are not done after class lists are posted. [PARENT PORTAL LETTER](#)  
[New student Parent Portal](#)

The first day of school is **Wednesday August 25th**. Although school may look a little different, it is the expectation that we will continue to partner to ensure student success. School begins at 8:15 am. Students may arrive at school anytime between 8:00-8:13am. They must be in line at 8:15am. Please do not drop students off any earlier because we do not have staff to supervise students before this time. For everyone's safety this year **No visitors will be allowed on campus during drop off.** This is where independence building begins. Parents will drop off in the car lane; if walking to school at the front sidewalk, and if dropping at Mauna Loa, outside the Mauna Loa gate. Kindergarten and TK will enter straight to the kinder playground.

School will dismiss at **2:12** for grades 1, 2, and 3 and **2:40** for grades 4 and 5. Kinder and TK students start with their staggered dismissal at 11:35 and move towards full day to 1:30pm. **Please note these new dismissal times as we have extended our days by a few minutes so that we are able to have Early Out dismissal at 12:31 (Grades 1-5) each and every Thursday beginning on Sept. 2**

If you are planning on driving your child to school, please remember that parking is only available on the street. All spots in the parking lot are reserved for staff members. Also be sure to follow our designated grade level area pick up procedures. Kinder and TK will get picked up in the front by the Kinder gates. Grade 1 and 2 will get picked up in the front while grade 3 will get picked up right before the marquee. Grades 4 and 5 will also be picked up in the front. Students walking home may also leave through the Mauna Loa gate. Parents and students are not able to linger on campus from 2:12 until the 4-5 dismissal at 2:40 as this is too disruptive. Gates will be locked during the school day for student and staff safety.

Three things that NEU at Stanton focuses on as we implement our standards and are part of our mission statement are: Be Safe, Be Responsible, and Be Respectful. Stanton has a rich history of academic success and we strive each day to make learning meaningful and engaging, as well as rigorous.

At this time CADPH and LADPH requires that all students and staff continue to wear masks while inside. Please send your child to school with a mask and a spare in their backpack. While outside at recess and outside for learning opportunities students do not need to wear masks. Thus we will be moving our lunch eating area outside temporarily so that students do not have to mask during lunch and recess. All meals (breakfast and lunch) will be complimentary through June 30, 2022. Free & Reduced applications are no longer needed. Breakfast will be sent home each day with your student for the following morning. We will not be serving breakfast on campus.

On the first day of school your child will be bringing home some very important papers so please look through the papers and return forms promptly. Check your child's backpack daily to keep up with important information as well as checking our website often for important dates and announcements. Sign up for [PARENTSQUARE](#) and download the app! This will be our form of communication to you this year. Get ready for our PTA membership drive and our first fundraiser. We have a very active PTA that counts on your help each year to keep all the exciting activities going for our students. Our PTA supports our school in so many ways, such as: field trip funds, facility improvements, great family events, technology, and other needs of the school. Please sign up to help with a committee and help support your school. Check your child's AERIES parent portal to keep up with important information as well as checking our website and instagram often for important dates and announcements.

As always, my door (phone/email) is open to you. Feel free to reach out to discuss any questions or concerns you may have in regards to your child. I'm excited for another No Excuses Year.

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Where we are Soaring our Way to College!

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Here is the link to our [Student/Parent Handbook!!!!](#)