

April
2021



Ginnings Elementary

Kindergarten Information



Meet Your Admin Team



Mr. Anderson
Principal



Dr. Calvo
Assistant Principal



Ms. Thorson
Assistant Principal
Intern

Meet the Teachers



Ms. Hermann



Ms. Wood



Ms. Moore
Bilingual



Ms. Coleman



Ms. Reyes



Ms. Perez
Bilingual

Morning Arrival

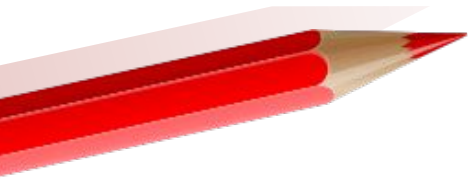


Begins at 7:10 a.m.

**Front Arrival – Student Drop-Off and Families
Walking In**

Back Arrival – Busses and Daycare

First bell rings at 7:30 a.m.



Procedures

Students may eat a free breakfast in the cafeteria

K-2 Students may sit with grade level in the gym until 7:25 a.m.

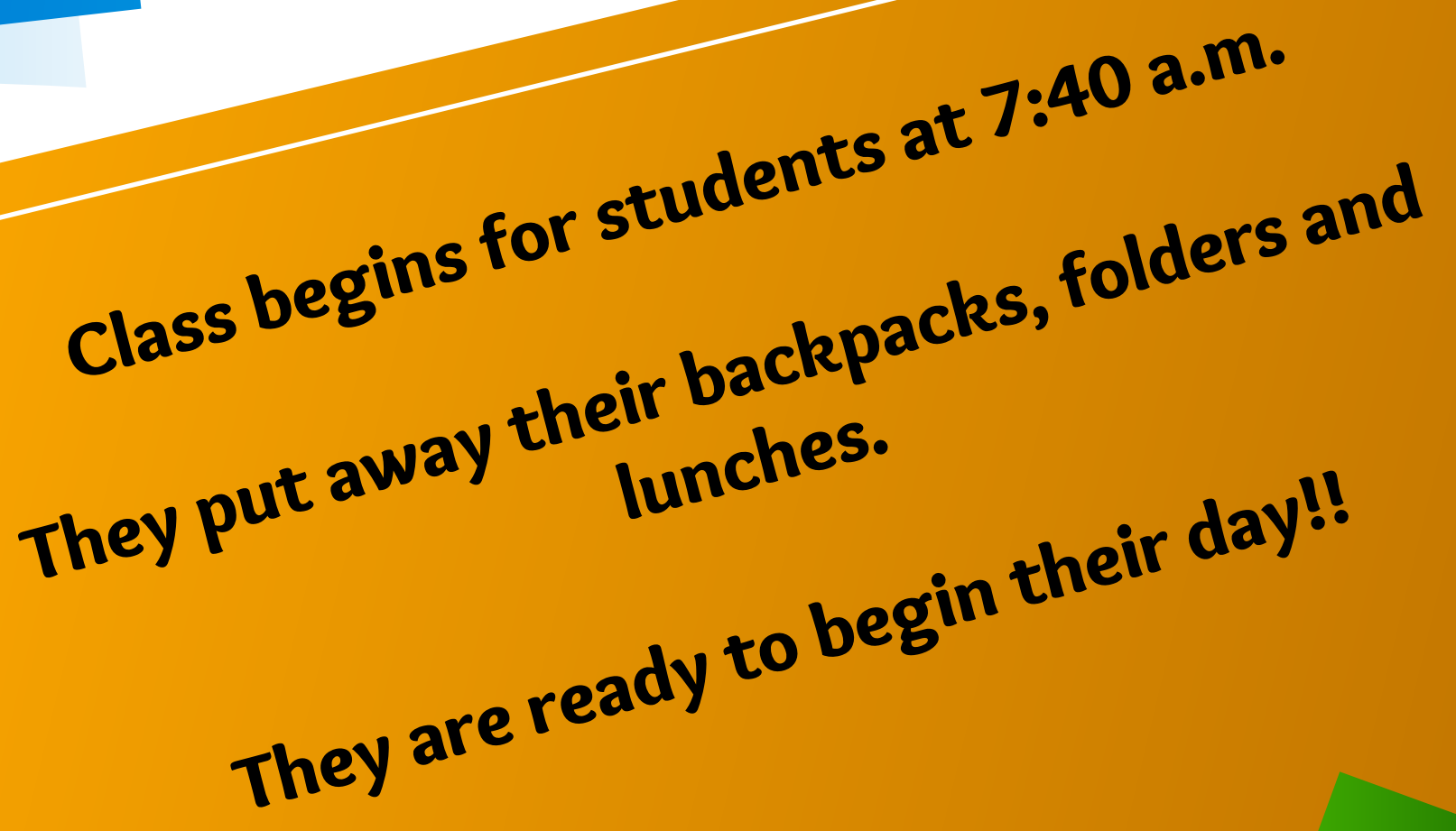
K-2 Teachers will escort students from gym at 7:25 a.m. to classrooms

3-5 Students may sit in their respective hallway and are monitored by staff





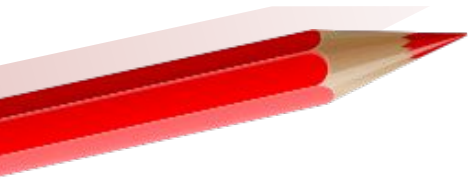
Taking Care of Business



**Class begins for students at 7:40 a.m.
They put away their backpacks, folders and
lunches.
They are ready to begin their day!!**



Ready to Learn

- **Children learn in so many ways!!**
 - **Teachers use a variety of styles and methods to teach your child:**
 - **Whole group**
 - **Small group**
 - **Individual/conferring**
 - **Reader's Workshop**
 - **Writer's Workshop**
 - **Math Workshop**
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Learning Stations

Children use a variety of activities to develop literacy - Independent Read, Partner Read, Phonics/Word Work, and Writing activities



Guided Reading

Small group instruction, teacher/student conferences, and individual reading instruction for each child's reading level helps to develop early reading skills!



READ, READ, READ!

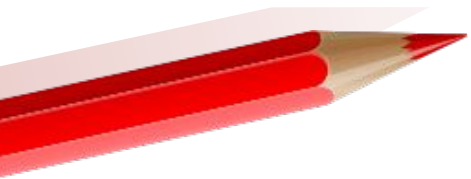
**The more we read, the more we learn!
Reading will be a nightly activity that we ask the parents
and the child to participate in together.**



Math Workshop



- **Stations for Exploration**
- **Counting**
- **Shapes**
- **Patterns**
- **Measurement**
- **Basic Addition and Subtraction**



Science Workshop



Earth, Physical, and Life Science

Observation

Hands-On Exploration

STEM activities (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math)

Bilingual Education

- One way Dual Language campus K-5
- Follow Gomez and Gomez model
- We foster native language (L1/Spanish) first in order to create a foundation of second language (L2/English)
- Math instruction in English begins at the kindergarten level

For questions, please contact our Bilingual Specialist Ms. Cervantes icervantes@dentonisd.org

Recess



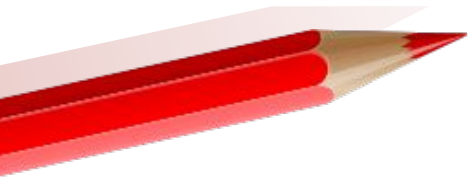
**We like to work, we
love to play
Kindergarten is FUN
all day!!**

**Recess is 20 minutes
each day in the
morning.**

Time for Lunch



- **Students may buy or bring their lunch**
- **Each student has an individual account**
- **Online pay via district website – very convenient - <https://www.dentonisd.org/childnutrition>**
- **Families may also download the SchoolCafe app**



Special Areas



Mr. Leonas
Music Director



Coach Taylor
PE / Coach



Coach Castle
PE Para



Ms. Stone
Librarian



Ms. Spurrier
Library Para



Art

Library

1 time per week

Music

1 time per week

Art

1 time per week

PE

2 times per week

Fridays

K-2: Rotation of Music, Art , and PE

3-5: Clubs

Appropriate Shoes Needed for PE Days

Dismissal - Safety First



- Our school day ends at 3:00.
- Teachers will guide students to proper dismissal spot (Bus/Daycare/ESD/Car rider/Walker/Parent Pickup)
- Each student has a car tag and is loaded in their car by staff.
- Always communicate correct dismissal information. Any changes to dismissal need to be made to the front office by 2:15 please!

Skills That You Can Build This Summer



Writing First Name

**Self-Care Skills
(Buttoning/Zippering/Independent Toileting)**

Recognizing Letters of Alphabet

Recognizing Numerals to 10



Nurse Meador



General Information

- Please keep the nurse and school supplied with current parent & emergency contact numbers.
- Send a change of clothes in a ziploc bag to keep at the school in case of accidents or playground mishaps.
- Did you know 5 & 6 year olds need 10-12 hours of sleep nightly to be successful at growing and learning?
- Closed-toe and flat shoes are the safest shoes to wear at school.

Nurse email: smeador@dentonisd.org

Nurse Telephone: 940-369-2706

Immunizations

Immunizations MUST be up to date to start and stay in school.

DISD's Health Services page provides a list of immunization requirements -
<https://www.dentonisd.org/Page/101421>.

* Good rule of thumb: Make sure your kinder has had immunizations AFTER his/her 4th birthday.
If you have any questions or concerns please visit with nurse or pediatrician.

ILLNESS



Daily screen for COVID-19 symptoms prior to sending to school. COVID-19 signs/symptoms that will be sent home: Fever, chills, cough , shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, ,congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea. Fever is a temp of 100.0 +.

Also, per DISD protocol, students with the following conditions(in the past 24 hours) should not come to school:

- Pink Eye (Red crusty eyes with discharge & matting)
- Lice
- Skin rashes with oozing drainage
- COVID-19 signs/symptoms or known exposure



Please review the DISD Student Code of Conduct Handbook for guidelines on when to keep your child at home
COVID-19 Safety Protocol <https://www.dentonisd.org/page/102175>

Medications

- **DISD does not supply any medication including pain relief meds, antibiotic ointment, anti itch cream, cough drops, etc.**
- **You may supply school medications for your child per DISD protocol.**
- **ALL medications (over the counter and prescription) must:**
 - **Must be given to the nurse to dispense.**
 - **Must be in the original container**
 - **Be supplied by parent.**
 - **For prescription meds: Must have a doctor order on label from pharmacy**
 - **For over the counter meds: Must have a paper doctor order**
 - **Must not be expired.**
- **Never put medication in your child's possession.**
 - **This could endanger not only your child but also the children surrounding him/her.**

Please note that even cough drops can be dangerous! A child who has a cough drop in their mouth can fall or get bumped resulting in airway obstruction and not being able to breathe. Cough drops also need physician order and the school nurse must dispense them.

Asthma

Let The Nurse Know If:

Your child needs routine inhalation med before PE or recess?

If your child has an asthma action plan; please give nurse a copy.

Inhalers:

- **Must be in original box**
- **Must have label that includes:**
- **Student name**
- **Medication name**
- **Instructions for use**
- **Physician name**

NEB Treatments:

- **NEB Machines: School supplies machines**
- **NEB Tubing: Parents must supply tubing & masks**
- **NEB Spacers: Parents must supply spacers**
- **NEB Meds: Supplied by parents**
- **NEB medications must be in original container with:**
- **Student name**
- **Medication name**
- **Instructions for use**
- **Physician name**

Allergies

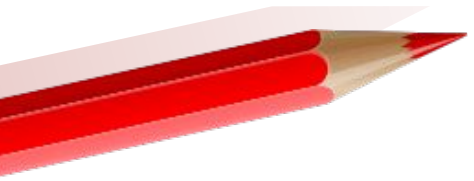


LIFE THREATENING ALLERGIES:

Nurse needs:

- To know what student is allergic to
- To know if student uses an Epi-Pen or Benadryl
- To have medication on campus ASAP

FOOD ALLERGIES:

- Please notify nurse of true food allergies such as nut products or dairy foods.
 - Consult with the school nurse and the cafeteria manager to discuss your child's food allergy needs.
 - Religious or personal reasons for not eating a specific food are not true food allergies.
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DOG & ANIMAL ALLERGIES:

- Report to Nurse

Ms. Cantu- Counselor



Let Me Know If.....

- There are changes at home (divorce, new family, new baby, etc.)
- There is a crisis (death, illness, devastation, etc)
- You are struggling financially, homeless, or need any assistance
- You are a military family
- You have academic or social concerns for your child
- Your child is experiencing sadness or depression

.....I Am Here To Help!

Email me at: ccantu@dentonisd.org

Call me at: 940-369-2705 or Google Voice: 903-662-1401

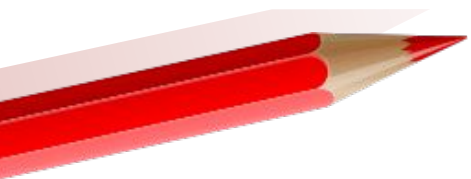
**Ms. Vanegas
CIS Coordinator**



“The mission of Communities In Schools of North Texas (CISNT) is to surround students with a community of support, empowering them to stay in school and achieve in life.”

Services provided to students and/or family

- Academic Tutoring and Educational Enhancement- (College tutors)
- Supportive Guidance
- Social Service referrals and support (school supplies, emergency food, clothing, homelessness, etc.)
- Mentoring Programs
- Small Group Discussion on topics such as character building, self-esteem enhancement, social and communication skills, goal setting, anger management, and study skills



Please let me know how I can help you

Phone: (940) 369-2778

email: evanegas_cis@dentonisd.org

Next Steps

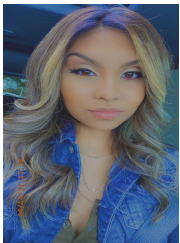
Stay Connected With Ginnings Elementary:
Address - 2525 Yellowstone Place
Phone - 940.369.2700



Ms. Sonia Ortega - Campus Secretary/Registrar
sortega@dentonisd.org



Ms. Amelia Ibarra - Attendance Clerk
aibarra@dentonisd.org



Ms. Diana Garcia - Receptionist
dgarcia5@dentonisd.org

In July, DISD's online
registration link will open -
<https://www.dentonisd.org/registration>

Please check the Ginnings
homepage for all updates
during the summer months -
<https://www.dentonisd.org/ginningses>

Campus Facebook Page -
<https://www.facebook.com/Ginnings>

Campus Twitter Page - [@GinningsElem](https://twitter.com/GinningsElem)

Helpful Information

What to Bring for Registration:

- Child's Birth Certificate
- Immunization Record
- Social Security Card
- Valid Driver's License/photo ID
- Proof of Residency (June or July gas/water/electric bill)
- DISD Verification Page (this page gets printed when online registration is complete)

Extended School Day Information (DISD after school care for students):

- <https://www.dentonisd.org/Domain>

School Supply List for 2021-2022:

- see [Ginnings Elementary website](#)

What If I Need to Apply for Transportation or Free/Reduced Meal Service?

- Both of these will be options when completing the online registration

Denton ISD Parent Handbook for 2021-2022:

- <https://www.dentonisd.org/documents>

Ready Rosie

This is a great resource that you can register for today and start receiving educational fun videos to do with your family at home.

Register today!!!



Today's Activity: Banana Phonana!



ReadyRosie's modeled moments are designed to bring valuable lessons into real life situations in an engaging way for everyone.

You will receive a weekly playlist of videos that connect fun activities with serious learning opportunities. Who knew playing pretend could teach so much?!

How it works:

1

Families watch a 2 minute video from the playlist.

2

Families have fun learning and doing the activity.

3

Families can track progress and boost learning!



Register today!
Go to [ReadyRosie.com/register](https://www.ReadyRosie.com/register)
and use this code:

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Questions?



If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact any of the following Kindergarten teachers:

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We Will See You Soon