

South Grand Prairie High School

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Welcome Back Warriors,

I want to take this opportunity to welcome you back to the 2023-2024 school year at SGPHS. We look forward to the great things we will accomplish this year. We know this generation of students will face new challenges as the world changes. We are excited to play a part in helping shape our students into tomorrow's leaders. This email will answer many of your questions as you prepare for the **FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL!**

The first day of school is **Monday, August 14th**. Our school hours are **7:35 am - 3:00 pm**. On the first day of school, **ALL** students will report to their 1st-period class at 7:35 am. We will have QR codes on gold paper around campus with students' 1st-period teacher and room # listed. Administrators, teachers, and student leaders will help students find their classrooms. On a regular school day, if students arrive before 7:25 am, they should report to the cafeteria to wait for the bell. Students will be released from the cafeteria to attend their first class at 7:25 am. If students have 1st-period class at the Dr. Vern Alexander building, they should wait in the Alex cafeteria until 7:25 am, and if their 1st period is on the main campus, they will wait in the main cafeteria.

Registration / Schedules:

The registration process can be completed online. You will be able to upload all required information through this platform. Completing this process will expedite the scheduling process and ensure your student can see their schedule when released in Skyward. Schedules are viewable in Skyward for all students who have completed the online registration process. If you need assistance with the registration process, please contact us. **Do NOT take screenshots of your schedules; recheck them before the first day of school. We are still making a few last-minute changes, and your classes or room numbers could be adjusted before the first day of classes.**

Classes in the main building are traditionally numbered (ex. A101, B105). Classes in the Alexander building include an "X" in the number (ex. AX105, CX209).

Online Registration Information

Access to Skyward Student

Student Safety:

Staff will continuously monitor every exterior door throughout the school day. The campus will utilize random metal detector checks as students enter the building. Students who arrive late will pass through metal detectors before proceeding to class. Student resource officers, administrators, and security officers will continuously monitor the campus and students during classes and passing periods.

Dress Code / IDs:

Students are expected to dress appropriately in dress code and <u>always wear</u> their SGP ID throughout the school day. To maintain a safe and productive educational environment, these policies will be enforced. Student will receive their ID during the first week of school. ID replacement $\cos t - 1^{st}$ replacement = \$1.00, subsequent replacements = \$4.00. Parents, please make sure you and your student review the GPISD Dress code located on the district website under High School Handbook/Dress Code or see attached document.

Student Dress Code

Student Handbook and Code of Conduct

Main Campus Entry for Visitors

All visitors to SGPHS will need to report to the main entrance on the main campus (door 1). Parking is located directly in front of the building. Once visitors arrive at the main door, they will use the front doorbell to verify their identity before being buzzed into the building. After entering the main doors all visitors will report to the main office to receive a visitor badge and receive assistance from campus staff. All SGP/SGPECHS checkouts will initiate in the main building.

Lunch Applications:

Applications are now open for free and reduced-price meal applications. If you believe your family may qualify for free or reduced meals, we encourage you to fill out an application as soon as possible. Apply now https://www.gpisd.org/mealapplication.

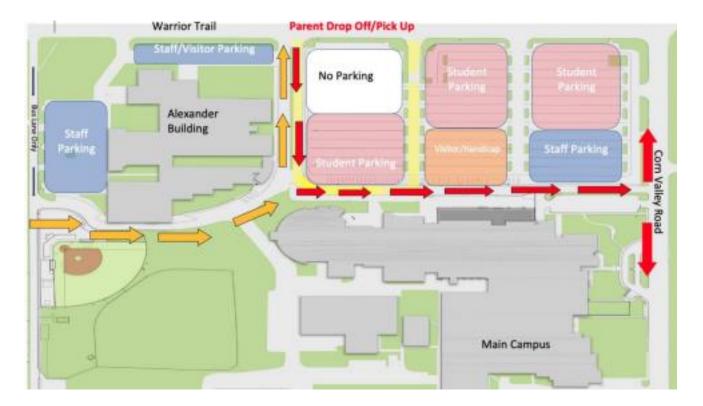
Class Schedule:

We want to ensure all parents and students know that SGPHS has moved to a 7-period schedule. Students will attend each of their seven classes daily. You can also access the bell schedule on the school website under Parents and Students.

Bell Schedule

Drop-off/Pick-Up:

If you plan to drop off and/or pick up your child from school, please see the attached **traffic map.** We need parents and students to pay careful attention to the traffic flow to make things run smoothly when dropping off and picking up students from school. Please make sure you plan extra time in the mornings to navigate through traffic until everyone is familiar with the SGP traffic routes. Pay careful attention to roads that are entrance only, exit only, and bus lane only. Students and visitors will enter and exit the building at the main entrance.



Buses

The bus drop-off area is going to continue to be around the Alexander Building. At dismissal, busses will line up in two rows along the East side of the Alexander Building to be boarded. Student bus riders from the Main Campus can exit through the main entrance doors. All bus lanes are restricted to bus use only. No vehicles may use these bus lanes at any point during the school day from 6:45 am. -3:30 pm. If you need assistance identifying your bus or bus stop, please use this link. BUS FINDER

Student Drop-off/Pick-up

Vehicle entrance into the drop-off/pick-up lane will be from Warrior Trail next to the bus exit lane between the Alex building and Main building. Traffic will move in two lanes around the front of the main building and exiting in either direction onto Corn Valley. Students should be dropped-off/picked-up in front of the Main Campus.

Entering the Main Campus for Students at Drop-off

Students being dropped off in the morning and those that drive will enter the Main Campus through the main entrance and will make their way into the cafeteria.

Exiting the Main Campus at Dismissal to Pick-up Lane and Parking Lot

Students will also exit the building through the main entrance. Upon exiting the building, those being picked-up will make their way to their ride in the pick-up lanes. Those that drive will need to use the student cross walk to get to their vehicles in the student parking area.

Please, contact Mr. Provence at <u>jeffrey.provence@gpisd.org</u> for clarification or any questions about drop off/pick up or student parking on campus. See website for all information about <u>student drivers on campus</u>.

Communication Information:

We will communicate through email with a weekly newsletter that will provide you with information on everything going on at SGP. Social media is also a great way to connect to all the great things happening at South Grand Prairie High School. We have <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, and <u>Instagram</u> that are used to update students and parents on school information as well as the school website (https://www.gpisd.org/Domain/43).

Visit this page for all of your back-to-school needs!

Our SGP Staff is looking forward to an amazing school year!

Larry Jones

Principal

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