

# Patterson Elementary

News for Puma Parents and Families

September 22, 2020

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In this Newsletter, you will find information, links, and contact information. Newsletters are sent every month or more over email.

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## From the Principal- Ms Miller

Can you believe it is the seventh week? We are currently running with 72% in person and 28% virtual. We continue to have the best of intentions and safety measures in place to keep students monitoring hygiene and social distances for the health and welfare of teachers and staff.

As the second grading period approaches, we know that some families may be considering changing instructional platforms. (from Virtual to In-Person OR from In-Person to Virtual)

It is important for you to make a timely decision about the learning platform. We will be making adjustments to our classes so that there are equal numbers of students and so that there is not a disproportionate amount of Virtual or In-Person Learners. There is a possibility with leveling classes that your teacher of record will change.

If you would like to move your child from remote instruction to face to face instruction or vice versa, please contact our PEIMS Clerk at 936.709.4310 no later than Monday, September 28th. The second grading period begins on October 13th.

Patterson is selling face masks. You can log on to <https://conroeisd.schoolcashonline.com/>

to purchase a specialty mask for adults or youth. They are \$7 and the student mask comes with a lanyard. No more losing a mask or setting it down on a table.

PTO is also selling shirts and sweatshirts. See the link below for the costs. The sale is extended until October 5. As cooler weather approaches, now is a good reminder to get your hoodie!

Everyone have a great week!

Julie Miller, Principal



## Important Dates

### September 28

Deadline to change learning status (virtual to face to face or vice versa)

### October 1

PTO Meeting

### October 8

End of the First Marking Period

### October 9

No School-staff development day

### October 12

No School - holiday



PTO t-shirt Sale  
\$10

Youth and Adult Sizes



Patterson Masks  
\$7

(Adult and Youth Sizes Masks)



Click on the item  
you wish to buy.

Masks are a Must

Just a friendly reminder that your student should have an extra mask in their back pack. A lot can happen in a day: gets wet from drinking, gets lost or left at lunch, or is simply forgotten.

We have a few that we can issue from school, but our supplies are running out.

Take time now to order your Patterson Mask (above). It comes with a lanyard which means it's less likely to get lost or forgotten.

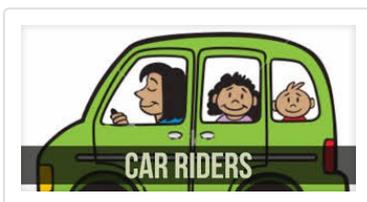
## FACE Covering Expectations



## Technology Return-- DUE September 25

Please return the devices that were loaned to you during Ramp Up instruction. Patterson will be doing online testing during the second nine weeks and we need every device.

Use the CurbSide service to bring your device back to Patterson. Call the front office line and we will pick up from your vehicle.



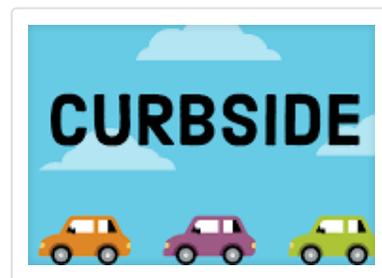
## TIMELY Arrival

Arrival in the morning for car riders is going smoothly. We are noticing on rainy days the number of students arriving late has increased. While we can't always plan for weather, a way to beat the delay in the morning is to have your student ready their back pack and clothing the night before. That helps their morning routine to not get in the way and eliminates the TARDY.

Students are TARDY at 8:01.

## Curbside Service

Patterson provides curbside, non-contact, service in the front bus loop from 9:00-2:00. This is for the safety of our staff and students. The district is still at a Level 3 Building Access, which means that we do not allow visitors, volunteers, conferences, or drop offs. So please use our front drive for the following needs:



- drop off medication
- drop off tardy students
- pick up students for appointments

You simply drive to the curb, scan the QR code or call for assistance. This process avoids us having to run a COVID questionnaire. If your student is tardy, please make sure you stay in your car, call the front office, and the door will be opened. If your student needs to leave early, stay in your car, call the office and we will send them (with an escort for the PK).

We can not accept forgotten materials if a student forgets their lunch or back pack. If there is an emergency item, we can only provide a drop off table to avoid contact.

## Attendance for Remote Learners

**SSO - Single Sign-On** - All CISD Remote students must login through the SSO in order to access any of their online programs. [www.sso.conroeisd.net](http://www.sso.conroeisd.net) After you login to the SSO, click "Canvas" or SeeSaw.



It is very important in order for your child to be counted "present", for them to make contact with their teacher via:

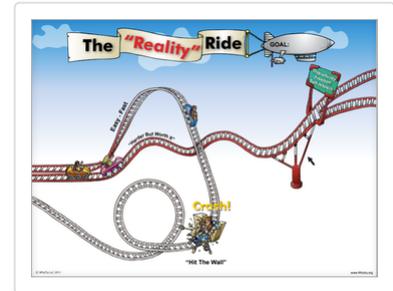
1. Canvas or SeeSaw- by completing an activity/assignment, viewing a lesson online and answering questions or posting comments about the video, or participating in class discussions.
  2. Participation to a live video conference and the teacher observes your child on the conference.
  3. Your child's teacher has contact with your child via an email, phone call, video chat.
- If the teacher is unable to verify your child's attendance in one of these three ways, your child will be marked as absent.

**Can My Child Go to School?**

# Se puede ir a escuela mi estudiante?

## From the Counselor - Lindsey Taylor

This month the students discussed different feelings, such as anger, and talked about different ways that they can handle those big feelings so that they do not explode (like a soda bottle that is shaken up). Some strategies that the students mentioned were deep breathing, hugging a stuffed animal, going for a walk, and laying down to rest. We also talked about how those strategies can work with other feelings too, such as when we are sad or scared. We looked at our "Reality Ride" roller coaster and talked about if we are angry and throw things, we are on the "easy, fast track," but if we use our strategies to calm ourselves down, we are on the "harder, but worth it" track.



- If you are interested in hearing what we read in class, here is a link to the story. It has a great example of how a young child calms down after getting angry.

[Allie All Along](#)

- If you are needing assistance (such as with clothing, food, supplies, etc.), please complete the online form below.

[Assistance Request Form](#)



## Cafeteria Cash Deposits

The cafeteria is not able to handle cash money. If a student wants to deposit money to their account, they need to bring it to the cafeteria in a clearly marked baggie or envelop with the student's name and id. The student will place the baggie or envelop at the cash register for the cashier to handle later under safe money handling guidelines.

You can also deposit money online [HERE IS THE LUNCH LINK](#)

## Cafeteria Meal Status Changes on Sept 29

Students that participated in the meal program last year must fill out a yearly application. Your status will drop as of September 29. You can continue with the program by filling out the application at <https://www.myschoolapps.com/>

## From Transportation:

- If your child is scheduled to attend campus instruction *in person* and you plan on driving them, we are asking you to please visit our website at <https://www.conroeisd.net/transportation/> and select the **Register for Transportation** link:
  - This link will take you to <https://apps.conroeisd.net/AlternativeTransportation/>
    - Please select "**No**" for transportation.
    - This will make your child inactive for transportation services.
    - Parent/Guardians can *always* go back in and change it to "Yes" at any time if your child needs to start riding the bus again.
    - Making your child inactive for transportation services helps us better identify which students will be using buses thus allowing us to be even more efficient with our routes, keeping numbers as small as possible per run, and assists in managing our current driver shortage.
    - This will also enable us to be more responsive to calls since we have to rely on certified office staff to drive when faced with bus driver shortages.
    - Please note in advance to complete any of these online requests please have your child's C.I.S.D. student I.D. number and birth date available before starting the process.
  - Should your child be attending in-person instruction and *you plan for them to ride the bus*, we are asking you to please visit [Register for Transportation](#) and check **Yes** again to ensure we have your child selected for a route.

For complete information on bus transportation, including bus numbers and stop times, please visit <https://www.conroeisd.net/transportation/> .

If you are *new to C.I.S.D.* this fall it is required to sign your child up for transportation. This can be done by accessing <https://apps.conroeisd.net/AlternativeTransportation/> .

## From the Librarian - Ms Haggard

We have a wonderful digital library for parents and students to access from any device.

Starfall App

- Email: [patterson@conroeisd.net](mailto:patterson@conroeisd.net)
- Password: pumas

My Capstone Library

- Username: patterson
- Password: read

Pebble Go

- Username: pattersones



## Vaccine Information

This information is vital for PK parents as they try to update their child's immunizations before enrolling to Patterson.

It is also great information of older students that have lapsed on vaccines and you may need information of where to go.

### FREE VACCINES



## Tech Help

Help is available for any Canvas or Seesaw issues beginning Monday the 10th. Each weekday from 7:30 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. teachers, students, or parents/guardians can obtain help at: [help@conroeisd.net](mailto:help@conroeisd.net) or at 936-709-7658.

Note: For Canvas help users should click on Help and Report a Problem. This can be done either from inside Canvas or prior to any login.

## Patterson Administration



## Puma PRIDE

 Facebook    @PattersonCisd

P - Prepared  
R - Respectful  
I - show Integrity  
D - self Discipline  
E - Engaged

 670 Beach Airport Road, Conro...

 contactpatterson@conroeisd...

 936.709.4300

 patterson.conroeisd.net

### School Supply List

### 2020-2021 Academic Calendar

### Volunteer Sign Up

sign up to volunteer <http://www.conroeisd.net/parents/get-involved/>

### Apply for Lunch Program

[link to lunch application](#)

### Emergency Notification Link

[link to SMS](#)

### Patterson Webpage

[link to School Website](#)

# Parent Calendar

[link to Patterson events](#)

