

NORCROSS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Mission Possible VI: Shine so Each May Soar

July 12, 2021

Dear Families,

I would like to welcome you and our students to the 2021-2022 school year. With the easing of our gathering restrictions, I hope you and your families have taken advantage of our beautiful weather this summer. Hopefully, our students have used some of their time away to relax, recharge and get ready to **SHINE** for the upcoming school year. I am delighted that the vast majority of you have decided to return to in-person learning for the 2021-2022 school year and all of us at Norcross Elementary School look forward to seeing our students on the first day of school, which is Wednesday, August 4, 2021. I truly believe that our students benefit most when they are in the building, being guided by high quality teachers and having high quality learning experiences. At my core, I find Norcross Elementary to be an amazing learning community, powered by an amazing team of staff who really care about children. Our teachers are welcoming and they are dedicated to ensuring that your child receives the best education possible.

Our school theme this year is “**SHINE So Each May Soar.**” Our meaning of **SHINE is to perform extremely well.** We will support students’ performance through various modes of instruction with a focus on small group, differentiated instruction. The stars have aligned perfectly for us to deliver on making Norcross Elementary an incredible school and having our students be a part of what will be a highly productive school year. Our staff has taken advantage of many learning opportunities this summer and are preparing to ensure that student success remains at the forefront of what we do.

Success in school is greatly influenced by what occurs out of school. Total success is a community endeavor and the Norcross Elementary staff appreciates the support you provide for your children at home and at school in order to help them meet their learning goals. This year, we ask that you recommit to your efforts to help us help your child. With that being said, we are developing plans and processes to give you opportunities to volunteer in our building and provide opportunities for you to learn in our building as well. Please read future school communication on how you can get involved and help us **SHINE**.

A safe learning environment continues to be a priority as well. Face coverings and masks are strongly recommended for staff, students, and visitors. Please keep your child home if he/she is sick to help us keep everyone safe. At our school, reasonable and precautionary practices have been established within the school to minimize risk of infection and/or spread of COVID-19.

Upcoming Events

Meet Your Teacher

Meet Your Teacher Day (MYTD) is Thursday, July 29 from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. In addition to visiting your child’s teacher, information about transportation and free-reduced price meals will be available. Please follow the schedule below for Meet Your Teacher Day.

Time	Grade Level
9:00 – 1:00	New Student Registration
9:00 – 10:00	Meet Your Teacher (In Person): Kindergarten and 5 th grade (currently enrolled)
10:10 – 11:10	Meet Your Teacher (In Person): 1 st Grade and 4 th grade (currently enrolled)
11:20 – 12:20	Meet Your Teacher (In Person): 2 nd Grade and 3 rd grade (currently enrolled)
12:30 – 1:00	Meet Your Teacher (Online): All Grades (currently and/or new enrollments)

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Please visit our website (<https://www.gcpsk12.org/NorcrossES>) to access My Payments Plus to read and sign off on important beginning of the year forms prior to Meet Your Teacher Day.

Staggered Start

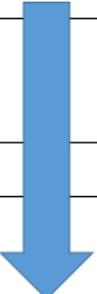
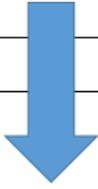
All students start school on Wednesday, August 4th.

The 2021-22 calendar includes the following staggered start.

- August 4th – K, 1st grade, and small groups Special Education
- August 5th – 2nd and 3rd grade
- August 9th – 4th and 5th grade

The bulleted dates are the first day of in person learning. Use the graphic below to help you determine the dates for in person and/or digital learning.

First Day of School is Wednesday, August 4 for ALL students.

	K, 1 st , and small groups Special Education	2 nd and 3 rd	4 th and 5 th
August 4	In-person learning; report to Norcross Elementary School	Digital learning; log into the eClass page for lessons and Zoom links.	Digital learning; log into the eClass page for lessons and Zoom links.
August 5		In-person learning; report to Norcross Elementary School	
August 6			
August 9			In-person learning; report to Norcross Elementary School

Curriculum Night

Curriculum Night is Thursday, August 26. Two evening sessions will be offered. More information will be provided at a later date.

In closing, I must say each year brings forth new opportunities and I am excited about all the possibilities a new year offers. Thank you for allowing me to serve you and our students. I look forward to reconnecting with our returning families while building new connections with our new students and parents.

Welcome back and let's SHINE.

Sincerely,

Kassia Sutton
Proud Principal of Norcross Elementary