

# C. J. Harris Elementary School

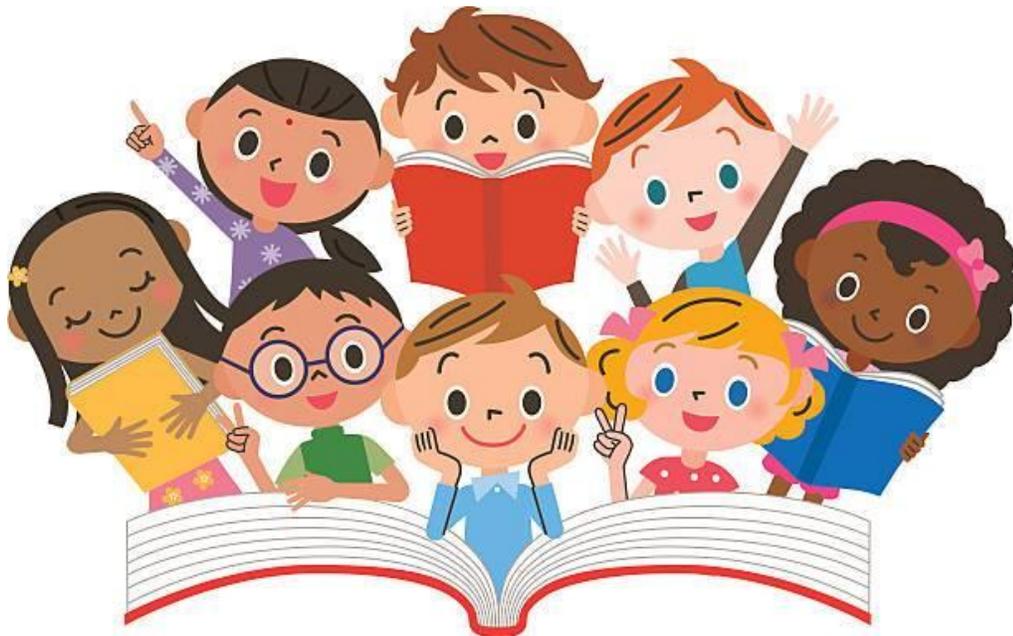
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*Principal*

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*Assistant Principal*

## PARENT / STUDENT CAMPUS HANDBOOK 2020-2021

School Hours:  
8:00 a.m. – 11:20 a.m.: AM PPCD  
12:00 p.m. – 3:35 p.m.: PM PPCD  
8:00 a.m. – 3:35 p.m.: Pre-K - 4<sup>th</sup> Grades



### **INSTRUCTIONAL PHILOSOPHY**

We, the staff of CJ Harris Elementary, seek to create a safe environment that encourages the development of happy, healthy, respectful, and responsible life-long learners.

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Dear Parents:

Welcome to C.J. Harris and the 2020-2021 school year! This year, the school theme is CJ Harris Stars Together We Shine! It is going to be quite exciting as we begin our new season of learning. We will strive to inspire students to be creative problem solvers, to learn about the world around them, and to be team players with a variety of activities and resources.

We have a very nurturing and experienced staff that is committed to meeting the unique needs of every child. Our educational program is academically challenging and links the curriculum to previously learned skills and personal experiences. We will continue to teach character education to ensure a safe and positive learning environment. This year, we will focus on being safe, responsible, and respectful.

I am proud to be working with our community as the principal of C.J. Harris. I truly believe that it takes a collaborative effort between the home, the school, and the community to promote success and the desire for lifelong learning. With this in mind, I invite you to visit us often to see all the great things that are happening here at C.J. Harris!

Respectfully,

Brenda Keimig

Principal, CJ Harris

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Dear Parent and Guardian:

As the school nurse, I am interested in the wellness of your child. If some health change has occurred during the summer recess, please notify me promptly. Necessary adjustments will be implemented and staff members will be informed of these needs.

**Medications** will be dispensed according to the Pearland ISD medication guidelines. Please take the time to read these if your child will be taking medication at school.

<https://www.pearlandisd.org/Page/973>

**Immunizations** are required by Texas State Law. As a parent, it is your responsibility to insure that your child receives all required immunizations. As the need for immunization arises, you will be notified by letter. Please obtain them promptly.

**Emergency Cards** are updated yearly. The information provided assists the staff in giving your child prompt, appropriate healthcare. Current addresses and accurate home/work phone numbers are imperative; alternate phone numbers are requested in case of an emergency and the parent is not available.

**Screening programs** are required by Texas State law and are conducted for growth and development, and include vision and hearing screenings. These programs are conducted through the Physical Education Departments. You will be notified if your child has not met state guidelines and needs further screening or referral.

Thank you,

Sherrie Mullikin, R.N.

## Administrative Staff

Principal.....Brenda Keimig  
Assistant Principal.....Brigitte Bernal  
Counselor.....Cynthia Ibarra-Silva  
Nurse.....Sherrie Mullikin  
Secretary.....Angela Adams  
Registrar.....LeShan Shepard  
Receptionist.....Veronica Almeida  
Cafeteria Manager.....Alma Mendez

**Harris Office.....(281) 485-4024**  
**Harris Fax.....(281) 412-1559**  
**Transportation.....(281) 485-3562**  
**Administration Office.....(281) 485-3203**

## Arrivals

As always, safety is our first priority when it comes to students arriving at school in the morning. Students should not be dropped off and left on the front porch before 7:15am. There is no adult supervision, and this is a safety concern. We unlock the doors at 7:15am each morning. C. J. Harris Elementary opens its doors at 7:15 a.m. to receive students. Students that arrive at school before 7:30 a.m. can go to the cafeteria where they may eat breakfast or sit quietly and socially distanced in the front hallway, under supervision. At 7:35 a.m. all students will be dismissed from the hallway to their grade level hallway where they will enter their classrooms and get ready for the day. The tardy bell rings at 8:00 a.m. Students are dismissed at 3:35 p.m.

## Arrival/Dismissal Procedures

For the safety of our students, parents driving their children to school should only unload their children from one **single lane of traffic in the front of the school**. Drivers should pull up to the front of the pickup line as far as possible where our staff will be on duty to assist students getting out of cars. To keep the line flowing, please follow their direction when moving forward. Please do not enter the teacher parking lot in the morning to unload children at the side of our building next to our bus circle drive. All car riders will enter through the front doors of the school. Any student riding a bicycle or scooter to school in the mornings should place it in the designated bike rack and enter through the front doors of the school. Students should secure their bicycles or scooters since the school is not responsible for damage or theft. No motorized vehicles are allowed. Bus riders and daycare van riders will enter and exit through the side doors of the school under adult supervision. At dismissal, when picking up your children in the front of the school, please place a school provided card with your child's name in your vehicle window so that we may call your child's name and have him or her waiting on one of the stars on the front sidewalk. We will assist your child getting into your vehicle. In the afternoon, parents wishing to park in the side teachers' parking lot may do so and walk to the door in front of the bike rack. Our teachers will be on duty at that location to dismiss students to their parents so that parents can safely cross their children back across the bus and daycare traffic lane. In the afternoon, bike riders and students walking home will be dismissed through the door in front of the bike racks. All students are monitored and an adult will safely escort all walkers and bike riders off the school grounds. A crossing guard is on duty in front of our school from 7:30 a.m. until 8:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. each school day. Crossing guards are also on duty at Schleider/Plum and Schleider/Barry Rose during these times.

## Attendance

Section 25.095 of the attendance law (SB 1432) passed by the Texas Legislature states that the school district is required to notify parents of the following:

A school district shall notify students' parents in writing at the beginning of the school year that if the student is absent from school 10 or more days of parts of days within a six-month period

- the student's parent is subject to prosecution under Sec. 25.093(Parent Contributing to Truancy) and
- the student is subject to prosecution under Sec.25.094(Failure to Attend School)

This law refers to unexcused absences. Excused and unexcused absences are defined in the Pearland ISD Student Code of Conduct.

Attendance is taken at **10:00 a.m.** If the student has an appointment, please try to schedule it at a time other than the attendance time to avoid loss of valuable instructional time.

The only excusable reasons for a child to miss school are personal illness of the student, communicable disease control or death in the immediate family. A student is also excused for a temporary absence resulting from a visitation to a health care professional if the student commences classes or returns to school on the day of the appointment. A note from the health care professional verifying the appointment **will need to be turned in upon arrival** in order for the student to be counted present. Any other absences are unexcused. Excessive unexcused absences constitute a violation of the law for which the parent or guardian may be held responsible. Parents will be warned in writing for children who are failing to comply with compulsory school attendance laws. Students are required to be in attendance for at least 90% of the total days' school is in session in order to pass the current grade level.

**In the event of illness of a student, a written excuse from the parent is required within three days.** The note should be given to the teacher upon the child's arrival at school following the absence.

Students that are absent from C.J. Harris or another Pearland ISD school are not allowed on campus for field day, field trips, lunch, parties, or other activities.

## Awards

There will be one awards assembly at the end of the school year for each grade level.

**\*Amendment – award assemblies are TBD for the time being\***

## Cafeteria

Breakfast and lunch are served in the cafeteria each school day. Breakfast is served from 7:15 – 8:00 a.m. and lunch is served from 10:55-1:00. Lunch and/or breakfast may be purchased in advance at school or online. Meals may also be purchased on a daily cash basis. When making advance payment, the child should bring the payment to the cafeteria manager upon arrival in the morning. The payment should be in an envelope with the child's and teacher's names on it. Your canceled check will be your receipt.

If you bring your child's lunch or lunch money to school, please bring it to the office identified with your child's name and teacher by 8:30 am. Current pricing for the cafeteria can be found at the following link.

[http://www.pearlandisd.org/cms/lib/TX01918186/Centricity/Domain/58/cafeteria\\_prices.pdf](http://www.pearlandisd.org/cms/lib/TX01918186/Centricity/Domain/58/cafeteria_prices.pdf)

You may manage your child's lunch account at: <https://www.parentonline.net/Public/Login.aspx>

**\*Free meals for all students through December 18, 2020.\***

## **Cafeteria Behavior Expectations**

C. J. Harris Elementary students and staff are committed to creating a safe and respectful environment for all. We take pride in our cafeteria and work together to make it clean and enjoyable. Our behavior expectations include:

1. Talk quietly using an inside voice to friends beside or directly across from student.
2. Raise hand for assistance.
3. Stay in your seat at all times.
4. Do not share/trade food.
5. Keep hands and feet to self.
6. Clean up your area.
7. Select all items the first time through the line – utensils, napkins, ketchup, etc.
8. Use good manners while eating.
9. Health drinks – No soda

## **Classroom Observations**

Classroom observations must be approved by the principal. The principal will schedule a date and time that is appropriate for the teacher and the parent. An observation may last up to 30 minutes to minimize interruptions to the instructional and learning environment.

## **Clinic Information**

### **Medication Disbursement**

Elementary school students may NOT carry medication or administer it to themselves. Medication must be administered by the NURSE or AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL ONLY. Medications at school will be dispensed according to the "Medication Regulations" guidelines.

<https://www.pearlandisd.org/Page/973>

### **Emergency First Aid Care**

Any treatment given at school is limited to first aid. When a student becomes ill or is injured at school, parents are notified. If they cannot be reached and the situation requires medical attention beyond our resources, the family physician is contacted for instruction. If the parents have not named a physician, it may be necessary to send the student to a hospital emergency service for needed care until the parents can be reached. Parents are responsible for emergency care costs.

Parents should supply the school with information concerning special health problems, as well as how they may be reached and the family physician's name and phone number. The name of a friend or relative who might be contacted when we are not able to reach parents has proven very helpful.

## **Closed Campus Days**

During the school year, our campus will participate in various state and district assessments. In an effort to prepare our students for testing, we will close our campus to visitors. We appreciate your support.

## **Complaints**

If you have a concern involving your child or a teacher, you are expected to discuss the matter with the teacher before requesting a conference with the Principal, the Executive Director, the Assistant or Deputy Superintendent, or the Superintendent. If the outcome of the conference with the teacher is not satisfactorily resolved, you may request a conference with a campus administrator.

## Conferences

Should you have a need for a conference with your child's teacher, please call the office at (281) 485-4024 or email your student's teacher directly. Teacher email addresses may be found at <http://www.pearlandisd.org/harris> **Please do not go to classrooms for conferences without an appointment.** Meetings may be arranged during your teacher's conference time while students are in PE, Library, Art, and Music classes or after school. The teachers' workday is from 7:45 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.

## Contacting Students at School

It is very disruptive when a student has to be called from class for a message concerning family plans for the afternoon. Please limit requests for delivering messages to your child to EMERGENCIES ONLY. If your child's routine of going home changes, please write a note to the teacher advising her of the change. Also, we ask that students not be picked up early except in cases of emergencies. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

## Discipline

The purpose of the discipline management plan is to insure a safe, orderly, and constructive learning environment for all students at C.J. Harris. According to the Student Code of Conduct, the school has authority and control over a student during the regular school day and while going to and from school on district transportation. This jurisdiction includes any activity, during the school day on school grounds, and attendance at any school-related activity. **Please refer to the P.I.S.D. Student Code of Conduct for more specific information.**

## Dismissal during School Hours

Children who have arrived at school on any given day may not leave the school grounds unless authorized by the office. Parents or their designee must be cleared, in person, by scanning their Texas Driver's License through the school office for the release of a child during the regular school day. A child will not be allowed for any reason to leave the campus unaccompanied during regular school hours.

## Dress Code

A student's appearance has much to do with the way the student feels about himself or herself. Appearance also affects the way in which students respond to each other, to staff, to their own success and has a great deal to do with the learning atmosphere of the school. Because of this, Pearland Independent School District has established a standardized dress code for students. Please refer to PISD standardized dress code at the following link.

[https://www.pearlandisd.org/cms/lib/.../2020-21\\_Dress\\_Code.pdf](https://www.pearlandisd.org/cms/lib/.../2020-21_Dress_Code.pdf)

### **Dress Code Release Dates for Students:**

Fall Pictures – October 9<sup>th</sup> & November 13<sup>th</sup>

Thankful for Friends and Family – November 20<sup>th</sup>

Happy Holidays! – December 18<sup>th</sup>

Happy Valentine's! – February 12<sup>th</sup>

Go Texan Day – February 26<sup>th</sup> - wear western wear or a Texans jersey

Together We Shine! – May 7<sup>th</sup>

Other dates TBD by the principal

## **Drug Free, Tobacco Free, and Weapon Free School**

We have an ongoing program in our school, which endorses the Texas Education Agency's declaration that, "the use of illicit drugs and unlawful possession and use of alcohol is wrong and harmful." We ask that you please assist us when material is sent home to be shared between parent and child. No employee, student or visitor may possess or use drugs, tobacco, or weapons on campus.

## **Early Dismissal Days**

We will participate in early dismissal days throughout the year. Due to the shortened instructional day, we will use an alternate schedule. All activities including lunch will be adjusted. The two early dismissal days for this year are December 18, 2020 and May 27, 2021.

## **Field Trips**

You will be advised when a field trip is planned. Before your child can participate in field trips outside the district, a signed permission form must be on file with your child's teacher. No child will be allowed on a field trip without written permission from a parent. Field trip chaperones may not take along children who are not class members. Chaperones must complete a **Criminal History Form** before participating in school activities. <http://www.pearlandisd.org/Page/261>

**\*Amendment – Field Trips are TBD for this year\***

## **Homework**

The purpose of homework is to review, reinforce or extend skills previously taught in the classroom. It will be purposeful, meaningful and provide feedback to students in a timely manner. Recommended daily duration of student engagement in homework activities (other than Daily Sustained Reading): Kinder: 10 min., First Grade: 10 min., Second Graded: 20 min., Third Grade: 30 min., Fourth Grade: 40 min.

*\*Note: Teachers may assign special projects that require additional time.*

## **Insurance**

At the beginning of the school year, P.I.S.D. will make available a low cost student accident insurance program. Parents are responsible for paying premiums (if coverage is desired). The District will not be responsible for costs of treating injuries or assume liability for any other costs associated with an injury.

## **Internet**

Access to the District's electronic communications system, including the Internet, shall be made available to students and employees exclusively for instructional and administrative purposes and in accordance with administrative guidelines.

## **Library**

Students attend library class regularly and are encouraged to use the available resources. The cost of any lost or damaged books or materials must be paid in full before the end of the school year.

## **Lost and Found**

During the school year, students misplace many personal items. Items will be placed in the lost and found. Valuable items such as watches will be kept in the receptionist's office until claimed. Please put your child's name on their clothing so it can be returned if lost. Many new items are never claimed because they are unmarked. Unclaimed items will be donated at the end of the school year.

## **Make-Up Work**

If a student has an excused absence, the teacher will determine the need for make-up work. If a student is absent for more than three days, the school will provide make-up work to be done at home upon parent request. Parents may request make-up work by calling the school receptionist before 9:00 a.m. to pick up the work after 3:35 p.m.

## **Parent Pickup**

We are able to load children very quickly when all parents picking up their children at the end of the day follow these steps:

1. Place the school issued car sign on the right hand side of your dashboard, which includes the names of the children you are picking up and their grade levels in **LARGE, BOLD LETTERING**.
2. Form one line of cars and drive to the front of the pickup circle before stopping.

## **Parties - TBD**

Please do not send cakes, cookies, etc. to the school for unauthorized "birthday" parties, etc. **NO FOOD ITEMS ARE TO BE BROUGHT TO THE CLASSROOM OR CAFETERIA FOR DISTRIBUTION EXCEPT ON THE THREE OFFICIAL PARTY DAYS.** Birthday invitations may not be distributed at school unless an invitation is brought for every student in the class.

## **Peek of the Week**

Each week a "Peek of the Week" will be sent home and posted on each teacher's webpage. The peek will include learning objectives for the week, upcoming events, projects and testing information as well as any relevant grade level information.

## **Perfect Attendance Award**

This award is given to each student who has not been absent during each nine weeks and for the entire school year. The student must have been enrolled at the beginning of the year or have a report card from the previous school attended to prove eligibility. Please note that (3) or more tardies or early withdrawals in any nine week period will constitute an absence for perfect attendance awards.

## **PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE AND A MINUTE OF SILENCE (All Grade Levels)**

Each school day, students will recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas flag. Parents may submit a written request to the principal to excuse their child from reciting a pledge. State law requires that one minute of silence follow recitation of the pledges. Each student may choose to reflect, pray, meditate, or engage in any other silent activity during that minute so long as the silent activity does not interfere with or distract others. In addition, state law requires that each campus provide for the observance of one minute of silence at the beginning of the first class period when September 11 falls on a regular school day in remembrance of those who lost their lives on September 11, 2001. [See policy EC for more information.]

## **Promotion and Retention**

Below grade 2, promotion may be granted using assessment methods other than numerical grades. In grade 2 a student must have an overall average of 70 or above as well as an average of 70 or above

in language arts, reading, and mathematics in order to be promoted. In grades 3-4, a student must have an overall average of 70 or above in math, reading, language, science, and social studies. The District shall not grant social promotions. Students shall be promoted only on the basis of academic achievement. The limit on the number of retentions no longer applies.

## PTA

The PTA (Parent Teacher Association) is an important part of our school. Our PTA support provides services as well as instructional resources for all students in our school. Each parent is asked to join and support our PTA. The membership fee is \$8.00 per member. Membership applications will be sent home to parents. Monthly newsletters and calendars will be sent home providing meeting and activity times. The PTA also supports the staff through numerous volunteer opportunities in the library, café, and teacher classrooms, etc. Parents and citizens who would like to support our school should contact the school and complete the Criminal History check available online. Criminal History Checks are completed on all volunteers before individuals are allowed to work on campus or participate as a chaperone on a field trip. When volunteering on campus, all volunteers and PTA members are required to sign in at the front desk before beginning tasks. Name badges will be provided to identify C. J. Harris volunteers.

**\*Amendment – volunteers are currently not permitted on campus\***

## Reporting Student Progress

In Pre-Kindergarten through 1st grade, student progress is reported using a developmental continuum representing the knowledge and skills appropriate for the age level of the student. Teachers maintain a monitoring system which includes dated anecdotal notes on student progress, work samples, and assessments to support the report card.

In 2<sup>nd</sup> through 4th grade, students receive numerical grades.

A = 90-100

B = 80-89

C = 75-79

D = 70-74

F = Below 70

- A minimum of (2) grades per week will be recorded for each content area of Reading, Math, Language Arts
- A minimum of (1) grade per week will be recorded for Science and Social Studies.
- Individual homework assignments will not be recorded as grades in the grade book. Homework efforts will be reflected through the students' work habits grade.
- Redoing failing assignments/tests (recorded in grade book):
  1. Daily Work: After re-teaching occurs, the work will be completed at school. Students may receive credit up to 70%.
  2. Tests/Assessments: Students will have the opportunity to re-do a failing grade and earn credit up to 70% on any tests or assessments. A parent may request an opportunity to re-teaching and re-assessment for a failed assignment or assessment. The request for re-teaching and re-assessment should be made within one week after the assignment/assessment has been returned or posted to the teacher's electronic gradebook, whichever is earlier.

Progress reports are sent home twice during a nine week grading period for all students in 1st – 4th grade. In addition, parents will be contacted if a child's average drops significantly after that time. Report cards are sent home at the end of every nine weeks. Hand prepared cards are used for students in Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten. Computer generated cards are issued in 1st – 4th grades.

Parents of 2nd – 4th grade students may access our Skyward program to securely view numeric grades and attendance. Please go to our district website, click on the information tab, and then click

on the parent information link. Before accessing student grades, parents must obtain a user name and password from the school.

\*Transferring students' grades will include grades from the previous school if that school is accredited or is a Texas Public School. If the previous school is not accredited, only grades earned while attending C.J. Harris Elementary will be averaged for the year. Students enrolled less than three weeks during the current nine weeks will not receive a report card unless grades are given from the accredited school.

### **School Safety**

**\*WE ASK THAT PARENTS NOT WALK STUDENTS TO THEIR CLASSROOMS AFTER THE FIRST WEEK OF SCHOOL.** The trip to the classroom gives students time to transition from home to the school setting, enabling them to engage immediately in learning activities planned to begin at 8:00a.m. This also supports our efforts to maintain school safety.\*

During the first days of school, your child's teacher will ask for parents to assign their child a "standard" way for going home every day (bus rider, day care, walker/biker, or car rider). Children will be dismissed each day according to this assignment **unless the school is notified in writing or by phone call to the front office that the student will go home a different way.** **PLEASE NOTE: TO ENSURE STUDENTS' SAFETY, STUDENTS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO GO HOME A DIFFERENT WAY UNLESS A NOTE HAS BEEN PROVIDED OR A PHONE CALL TO THE FRONT OFFICE HAS BEEN RECEIVED.** Texts, emails, or any other method will not be accepted.

\*\*\*\*\*Please call before 1:45p.m. with any dismissal changes\*\*\*\*\*

**\*Amendment – visitors are currently not permitted on campus\***

To maintain security and the safety of our school, **ALL** parents, visitors, and guests must sign in and out at the reception desk located in the front lobby of the school. Visitors are required to present a valid Texas Driver's License or Identification Card each time they visit the campus. ID's will be scanned through the Raptor System and a badge will be printed with the visitor name and destination. The name badge must be worn at all times when on campus.

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### **Sexual Harassment**

Please refer to the PISD Student Code of Conduct for more specific information. The district prohibits sexual harassment of any kind.

### **Skyward – Family & Student Access**

Skyward – Family & Student Access is an online program that allows parents of Pre-K – 4<sup>th</sup> grade students secure access to a copy of their child's grades in subjects with numeric marks and attendance. A parent must obtain a user name and password from the school to gain access to the data. The website is updated once a week.

### **Student Records**

A student's school records are confidential and protected from unauthorized inspection or use. Parents have the right to access and amend student records. Certain information about students is considered directory information and will be released to anyone who follows procedures for requesting it, such as the yearbook committee, unless the parent objects to the release of any or all directory information about the child. THIS OBJECTION MUST BE MADE IN WRITING TO THE PRINCIPAL WITHIN 10 SCHOOL DAYS AFTER THE ISSUANCE OF THIS HANDBOOK - NO RESPONSE FROM A PARENT ASSUMES CONSENT. Directory information includes a student's

name, address, telephone number, date and place of birth, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of athletic teams, dates of attendance, awards received in school, and most recent previous school attended.

### **Supplies**

Each child is responsible for having his or her own dispensable school supplies which may vary from grade to grade. A list of required supplies may be obtained on the district's website [www.pearlandisd.org](http://www.pearlandisd.org) or in the front office. Please contact school counselor if backpack or supplies are needed.

### **Telecommunication Devices**

Students are not allowed to use cell phones during the instructional day. Phones must not be visible and must remain turned off unless they are being used for approved instructional purposes. District employees will confiscate a cell phone when in violation of the student handbook provisions. The student's parent or guardian will be charged an administrative fee of \$15.00 before the device is released. The device will only be released to the parent/guardian.

### **Textbooks**

Each student is issued textbooks for school and home use. Keep these books covered. Any damage to or loss of a textbook will result in payment to the school district.

### **Transportation**

Transportation is provided free of charge to students who live two or more miles from his/her zoned campus. Transportation is available for a fee to students who live within two miles of their zoned campus. The fee schedule is shown below.

- 1 child - \$640.00 per year
- 2 children - \$740.00 per year
- 3 or more children - \$840.00 per year

Students may qualify for reduced fee if receiving Free/Reduced Lunch. Please make checks payable to PEARLAND ISD. Write the student's name and bus number on the check and mail to PEARLAND ISD, Attention: Transportation Dept., P.O. Box 7, Pearland, TX 77588 or send it with your child to the school office.

Students must be registered with the transportation department to ride a bus. Students are not allowed to ride a bus other than their assigned bus.

Any student who fails to comply with established rules of conduct while on school transportation may be denied transportation services and is subject to disciplinary action.

### **Tutoring**

The purpose of tutorials is to provide additional direct instruction and other assistance for students who are experiencing difficulty in the regular classroom. Tutoring times will be established by grade levels. Please contact your child's teacher to schedule tutoring.

### **Valuable and Personal Items**

Students should not bring large amounts of money or valuables to school. Students may not bring personal toys, handheld games, or playthings to school. It creates a safety problem and there is always

the risk of them being lost or broken. Items such as bats, hard balls, knives, and toys that might inflict pain or injury to another student will be confiscated if they appear on campus. Do not bring items in glass jars or items to sell.

### Visitors

Parents are welcome to visit the school. Because we are concerned about the safety of each child, all school visitors and parents must check in at the office and scan either a Texas Driver's License or a Texas Identification Card at the receptionist area near the front of the school. The system will verify the individual's identification and print a visitor's badge. It will also identify individuals who are registered sex offenders.

**\*Amendment – visitors are currently not permitted on campus\***

### Volunteer Program

The PTA of C.J. Harris has a volunteer program in which volunteers assist teachers and staff with the day-to-day activities related to teaching. Any person who wants to help our children can be a volunteer. We invite parents, grandparents, career persons, and college students to support our school as volunteers. Please register using the following link: <http://www.pearlandisd.org/Page/261>

**\*Amendment –volunteers are currently not permitted on campus\***

### Weather and Drills

In case of emergency or inclement weather, tune in to your radio and television stations. Pearland ISD will be included in the media reports on KTRH 740 AM radio, 100.3 FM and KHOU-TV - Channel 11, KTRK-TV Channel 13, KPRC-TV – Channel 2, KXLN-TV – Channel 45. Fire drills and lock downs will be practiced by the students periodically throughout the school year.

### Withdrawals

Any student moving from the district should bring a note from home or have his/her parents come to school. Textbooks and library books must be returned and all records must be cleared before the student may withdraw. Please provide at least one week notice prior to your child's withdrawal.

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### IMPORTANT MESSAGE

Call before 1:45 with dismissal changes! That allows us time to get the message to your child without holding up buses or daycares.

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