



LULU WALKER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Walker Families,

I hope that this letter finds you well rested from your summer break. The first day of the new school year will be here before you we know it, and we want provide you with some key pieces of information during the summer to help you prepare for our first day of school on **August 5th**.

Class lists will be posted on the front office window on Friday, July 30th after 4:00pm.

School Start and End Time Changes:

We want to remind our families that the start and end time of the school day was changed for this upcoming school year. The first bell will now ring at **7:25am** and the late bell will ring at **7:30am**. Any student that is brought to school after 7:35 will have to be signed in at the front office by a parent before they will be allowed to go to class.

School will dismiss at **2:00pm** on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, and will dismiss at **12:00pm** on Wednesdays.

Parents and Volunteers on Campus

While parents and volunteers will be allowed on to the campus this year, there will be some limitations.

The campus will be closed to parents in the morning and after school except for preplanned meetings.

Parents and outside organizations will be allowed to volunteer in classrooms during the school day. However, parents must prearrange to volunteer in their child's class with the teacher. The classroom teacher will then notify the front office that the parent will be coming in to volunteer on a specific date. Parents who wish to volunteer on campus to assist with lunch, recess supervision, or assist with dismissal can contact me for more information.

COVID Related Procedures and Policies

Amphitheater High • Canyon del Oro High • Ironwood Ridge High
Amphitheater Middle School • Coronado K-8 School • Cross Middle School • La Cima Middle School • Wilson K-8 School
Copper Creek Elementary • Donaldson Elementary • Harelson Elementary • Holaway Elementary • Innovation Academy • Keeling Elementary
Mesa Verde Elementary • Nash Elementary • Painted Sky Elementary • Prince Elementary • Rio Vista Elementary • Walker Elementary • Rillito Center • Amphi Academy Online

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Walker Elementary School will continue to implement a variety of procedures and policies to mitigate the spread of the COVID-19 virus. The procedures can be found on the district website at <https://www.amphi.com/Domain/4949>.

Masks and vaccines are optional for all staff and students in the coming year, and choices made by individuals will be respected. These issues are a matter of state law. The legislature passed, and the Governor signed, a bill into law last session, which prohibits school districts from requiring masks for anyone on school property or requiring COVID-19 vaccinations for in-person learning.

Arrival and Dismissal Procedures

Parents are highly encouraged to utilize the district transportation services if possible. You can look up the nearest bus stop and pick-up and drop-off times at [Transportation Services / Bus Stop Finder \(amphi.com\)](https://www.amphi.com/Transportation%20Services/Bus%20Stop%20Finder) .

Students who ride the bus will enter the school grounds through the bus gate and will proceed directly to their classroom. Students who do not ride the school bus should be dropped off at the west gate beginning at **7:15am**. Students will go right to their classrooms, where free breakfast will be available to them.

Students who ride the bus home each day will be brought to their bus at the end of the school day, Those students who will be picked up at the end of the day will be picked up on the west side of the school. Students will wait in grade level lines and will be called to a colored cone. After school care is available on site through the AlphaBest program. Information regarding after school care can be found at <https://www.alphabest.org/amphiaz>.

Please mark your calendars for the following important dates in August:

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| August 4th: | Meet Your Teacher | |
| | Kindergarten (meet in the MPR) | 9:00am – 10:00am |
| | First Grade (meet in the classroom) | 10:00am – 11:00am |
| | Second and Third Grade (meet in the classroom) | 1:00pm – 2:00pm |
| | Fourth and Fifth Grade (meet in the classroom) | 2:00pm – 3:00pm |
| August 5th: | First Day of School | 7:25am |
| August 24th: | Title I Parent Information Night and Parent Information Night Grades 2-5 (Parents Only) | 5:00pm |

We are looking forward to another great year. If your student is going to miss the first day or two of school, please notify the office so we don't delete the student from enrollment.

Again, welcome to the beginning of what is sure to be a very exciting and rewarding school year.

Sincerely,

Christopher Trimble
Principal