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## Panther Families.

Happy New School Year! Tomorrow, August 10th is the first day of school and we are so excited to fill our classrooms with our panther students! While we are also excited to welcome back visitors and volunteers, there are some important guidelines that must be followed. Please note the information below as it pertains to our school day protocols that will be implemented as we safely welcome you back to campus:

- Students may begin <u>arriving on campus at 7:15am</u>. <u>The school day ends at 1:52pm on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday.</u> Students are dismissed from school at <u>12:37pm on Wednesdays</u>.
- Parents and guardians may walk their child to class. However, we kindly ask that you say goodbye to your child at their classroom door to allow for them to begin their morning procedures and prepare for their day. At this time, parents and guardians are not able to eat breakfast with their child. This is because we have a high number of students that eat breakfast within a short period of time and we are trying to minimize the number of people inside the cafeteria. You are welcome to say goodbye to your child at the cafeteria door.
- Parents and guardians are able to volunteer on campus or with their child's classroom teacher at the request of the teacher or school volunteer coordinator.
- Parents and guardians may eat lunch with their child during the school day. However,
   seating will be outside of the cafeteria at the picnic tables. At this time, no other
   children other than the child of the parent or guardian may join.
- Please provide your child's classroom teacher a dismissal plan. For the safety of your child all dismissal changes must include a hand delivered note or email attachment that includes a parent signature. This can be given directly to your child's teacher at the start of the day or emailed to the office at nesoffice@gm.sbac.edu. Dismissal changes after

1:20pm (M,T,Th,F) and 12:05pm (Wed.) require administrative approval. Teachers and staff are unable to accept changes of student dismissal via text, email, or any other electronic communication.

At any time, please be prepared to provide your picture identification if requested, when
you pick your child up from school. Please also be sure to display your car hanger tag or
panther paw when picking up your child at dismissal. We will have additional car hanger
tags and panther paws available Tuesday morning.

I appreciate your support! We want nothing more than to do our very best to keep our students, teachers and families as safe as possible while welcoming everyone back.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me via email at mcalhacv@gm.sbac.edu or by phone at 352-472-1100.

We look forward to seeing our families and panther students!

Warm Regards,

Vicki McAlhany Principal