

Mann MS Parent Email 8/31/21

Good Evening Mann Parents and Guardians!

I hope all is well with you and your family. I also hope you received my Remind message this morning when we had a surprise fire drill as the school alarm was pulled this morning. The students and staff responded really well, and we were able to continue our day in a short time after evacuating, checking for safety, resetting the alarm (with the help of Abilene's finest-Fire Department) and returning to class.

I have several items for you this week:

Picture day is this Friday. We will take pictures through our PE classes and athletics. Students who may not have a PE class or athletics will get called to the auditorium during 2nd period. These pictures are for the yearbook so all students will have a picture taken and there is no cost. This is a standard day for our spirit dress day and standardized dress with no changes to Friday dress requirements. If you would like to order pictures, your child must turn in the order form on Friday when the picture is taken. Order forms should have gone home with students yesterday (please check to see.) If you need a form, they are in the front office.

Monday, September 6th is Labor Day and a Holiday for staff and students!

Tuesday, September 7th is our 7th and 8th Grade Open House from 5:30 to 7 p.m. for students and parents. Please remember that we highly encourage masks with such a large crowd anticipated.

We have been doing Beginning of Year Assessments to measure each student's ability. Please encourage your children to do their very best so that we can get an accurate report on what we can do to support academic achievement.

This Thursday we will sell CHS vs AHS student football tickets for \$4 during lunches. Middle School Students must enter Shotwell Stadium with a parent who buys a ticket and attends the game (with their children.) There is no middle school section at high school football games this year. The cost for a student ticket at the game is \$10.

This Friday is the middle of the first six weeks and progress reports for any grade less than a 75 will be sent home Weds 9/8. Please have your child check with teachers if they have work missing or needing to be redone.

In accordance with TEA guidelines I need to notify you that 3 students have tested positive for COVID19. Please check the district website for updates and information at abileneisd.org/covid19dashboard.

Thanks for sending your child to Mann Middle School!

Kathy Walker, Mann MS Principal