



September 2017

Greetings Magruder Mustang Families,

The school year is off to a great start with students ready to learn and teachers getting right into engaging lessons that challenge your children to be the learners they were created to be.

The start of the 2017-2018 school year brings a new Student Information System, PowerSchool to the district. Monday, 9.11.17, letters from the district will be sent to parents with the details on how to access the program. This system will permit you to access information regarding your child including their grades, progress, attendance and so forth. This is a new system for us all and we are grateful for your patience, as we all here on campus are learning the inner workings of the system.

Over the summer you should have received, via mail, your child's CAASPP scores. A link to a five minute video to help navigate what these scores and graphs mean can be found at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pTEHryn4mPI&feature=youtu.be>

We have some highlights as a result of last year's CAASPP scores that we are very proud of and would like to share.

8th Grade Math- 3rd in District - Team GOAL MET!  
7th Grade Math- 7% increase; BIGGEST JUMP  
6th Grade Math- Increased by 13% POINTS!  
8th Grade ELA- Cohort increased 14%- more than double TUSD average  
7th Grade ELA- Increased 7%; 2nd Highest INCREASE in the District  
6th grade ELA 7 % increase of district average

These highlights are the result of hours of work by our teachers as they engage in the Professional Learning Community working in collaboration with fidelity, students persevering, and families' support in their learning. We are looking forward to continued growth in knowledge that will naturally continue the progression we have seen in these state assessments.

As mentioned in a previous email we are expecting road work in the surrounding area of Magruder. We have no new updates at this time. In order to avoid heavy congestion in the surrounding streets, drop off and pick up is always an option at Columbia park. Students are welcome to enter and exit at the South gate which will help minimize the traffic in the front of the school.

We are looking forward to a great year and to seeing you at Back to School Night!

Respectfully,  
Ms. Nunes  
Principal

### ***Mustang Upcoming Events in September***

9.11.17	Parent portal information will be sent home from TUSD's IT department
9.11 - 9.22.17	PBIS Lessons will be taught to all students during AMP.
9.14.17	Picture Day Fall Fundraiser Kick Off!!!
9.25.17	Academic Mastery Period (AMP) beings
9.26.17	No Late Start - School Starts at 8:05 Early Out Back to School Night - begins 5:30pm in cafeteria* <b>Please only parents to visit campus during Back to School Night - We love our students but due to space limitations in classrooms this evening is a parent only event.</b>