

Subject: Welcome to the 2025–2026 School Year at St. Elmo

Dear St. Elmo Community,

We are so excited to welcome you to the 2025–2026 school year! Our theme this year is Birds of a Feather: Live, Learn, Love, Together—a reminder that while we each bring our own unique talents, we are strongest when we work as one team.

Student Registration

If your child is not yet registered, they are not on a roster and do not have a teacher assigned. Sonia and our registration team will be available:

- Wednesday, Aug. 13: 11:00am–7:00pm
- Thursday, Aug. 14: 11:00am–7:00pm
- Friday, Aug. 15: 9:00am–3:00pm

We strongly encourage you to begin or complete registration at austinisd.org/enroll. For questions, call us at 512-414-4477.

Meet the Teacher Night – Friday, Aug. 15 | 4:30–6:00pm

This is your chance to drop off school supplies and meet your child's new teacher. Please keep initial conversations to 3–5 minutes so everyone has time to connect. A more in-depth classroom presentation will take place at Back to School Night on Tuesday, Sept. 16.

PTA – Stronger Together!

Our amazing PTA will have a table at Meet the Teacher Night. Please stop by, join, and help support our school. Their hard work last year made a huge impact, and with more members, we can do even more together.

Morning Schedule Reminder

Beginning this year, the front doors will open at 7:15am. Students will be supervised in the cafeteria until 7:30am when we gather for the pledges. Breakfast will begin at 7:35am, and the tardy bell rings at 7:40am. Let's start the year off strong by being on time every day!

Breakfast & Lunch

REMINDER—breakfast and lunch are free for all St. Elmo students.

Student Pick-Up

Dismissal is at 3:10pm. Please make arrangements to pick up your child on time:

- PK–2: Front of the school

- 3rd–5th: Big parking lot
- Families with children in both groups: Pick up from the Big Lot (older sibling will bring younger sibling over).

Timely pick-up is important as staff supervision is limited after school. If you need after-school care:

- Visit the Sierra Vista/Sierra Ridge table at Meet the Teacher Night.
- Meet the YMCA after-school program team at Back to School Night.

Lunch with Your Child

We ask that families do not come to have lunch with their children until after the first two weeks of school. This is to ensure that all students get a chance to get accustomed to their new routines. We will be welcoming family members who want to eat with their children beginning September 2nd.

Volunteer Training

Our new Parent Support Specialist, Angela Ruiz, will soon share details about volunteer training for field trips, school events, and more. Stay tuned—your involvement makes a big difference.

Principal Coffee & 1st PTA Meeting

Join us for our first Principal Coffee on Tuesday, Aug. 26 at 9:00am in the cafeteria—this will also be our first PTA meeting of the year. We hope to see you there!

New Faces & Familiar Friends

We're welcoming some talented new teachers and staff this year, alongside the return of familiar faces. It's an exciting time at St. Elmo, and we can't wait to begin this journey with all of you.

Here's to a year of living, learning, and loving—together.

With excitement and gratitude,



Ben McCormack
Principal