

SSMS Update 8-27-21

Happy Friday to all the SSMS Tigers out there! Next Monday night is Meet the Teacher Night. We invite our SSMS parents to come out for this special evening beginning at 6:00 p.m. Parents, please keep an eye out for a special email this weekend with more information. Have a fantastic weekend!

ATTENDANCE PROCEDURES

If a student will be absent, please make sure to email ssmsattendance@dsisdtx.us directly. Below is a list of the attendance office procedures:

- Email all doctor notes within 48 hours or have your student deliver to the front office
- You will have 6 weeks to make changes if needed
- Send in parent notes when necessary
- Leave voicemail if email is not possible 512-858-3601
- You do not have to call ahead for early pick up. Follow the checkout procedures: For early dismissals use the QR code on the door in the school office, or come in and sign your child out. Also make sure to bring your ID and please allow 10 minutes to call your child out of class

If you notice an "X", this indicates that the student was absent without excuse (truant), a no show, no call/email. It is important to make sure to communicate with the attendance office to avoid an "X".

Students who are marked "truant" more than 4 days in any class period in the Fall and 5 days in any class period in the Spring will be communicated with by their Assistant Principal for attendance intervention as in accordance with the 90% compulsory attendance law (students should be in class 90% of the time), this, of course, does not include absences due to illness.

Any questions regarding attendance please contact **Tracy Clay 512-858-3601**
ssmsattendance@dsisdtx.us

SCHOOL PICTURE INFORMATION FOR September 7th - 8th

School Pictures for the Yearbook will be held on Sept 7th - 8th through Photo Texas.

Students will have the opportunity to go down and have their picture taken on both A day and B day Social Studies classes.

Pictures can be purchased online here:

<https://vando.imagequix.com/g1000871811#login>

DSISD Gifted and Talented Program

Tigers, have you wondered what exactly happens in a Gifted and Talented class? Do you want to know more about Dripping Springs' GT program? If so, we invite you and your parents to a GT Information night held at Dripping Springs High School Lecture Hall on Tuesday, September 7th at 6:00pm. No RSVP required, please just come and hear about our Dripping Springs GT programs. We look forward to seeing you there!

PTA Announcements:

Join us for our first MEMBERSHIP MEETING of the year on September 10th @8:15am. Meeting will be in person on campus.

Must be registered, but not a member, to attend.

Register for the September 10th meeting [HERE](#)

It's REFLECTIONS time again. This year's theme is "I will change the world by..."



Please go to our [PTA website](#) for more information, videos, and to download the application packet (<https://www.ssmspta.org/ssmsreflections>). Submissions due 8/28/21. Please email reflections@ssmspta.org with any questions.

PRIDE PAW CART is in need of items for the students to purchase with their pride paws ("cash" that is given to them as a reward). Items will be sent directly to Mrs. Caroselli. AMAZON LINK: https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/50L9MYO8W3TX?ref=wl_share Any and all donations are greatly appreciated!! THANK YOU!



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