

Breakfast 8:00-8:25am
School begins at 8:30 am
Dismiss at 3:34pm.
Preschool AM 8:30-11:30
Preschool PM 12:30-3:30

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César E. Chávez Elementary School

Uniform School (PK-5)
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The office is open daily from 8am-4:30pm



Principal- Aimee Garcia
Asst. Principal -April Chambliss

Principal's News

Welcome to the 2015-2016 school year. We have a great start to our year! Thank you to all our parents for your support and adhering to our drop off and pick up procedures. We want to give a special welcome all our new families It is our hope that you find Cesar E. Chavez Elementary an exciting and rewarding place for your child to grow and learn.

ATTENDANCE Matters –Challenge 5...Strive for Less than 5 absences all year!

IMPORTANT FACTS:

- Students are tardy at **8:31 am**
 - Students are absent for the AM at **9:01 am**
 - Students are absent for the PM when there is an early pick-up starting at **3:04pm-3:34pm.**
- If a student arrives or leaves more than 31 minutes am/pm then they are considered absent.**

We realize some absences are unavoidable due to health problems or other circumstances. But we also know that when students miss too much school—regardless of the reason—it can cause them to fall behind academically. Your child is less likely to succeed if he or she is chronically absent. **A child is chronically absent if he or she misses just two days every month.** Children chronically absent in Kindergarten or 1st grade are much less likely to read at grade level by the end of 3rd grade.

Clearly going to school regularly matters! Here are a few times to ensure your child attenda school every day, on time and all day.

- Keep a regular bedtime and establish a morning routine,
- Ensure child goes to school each day, unless they are truly sick (see Nurses Corner)
- Avoid vacations or appointments when school is in session.
- Talk to teachers or other school staff if child is feeling anxious about school
- Develop back up plans for getting to school if something comes up. Call a family member, neighbor or another parent at school.

In the event of an absence or tardy—parents must call school and send documentation/note with the reason for the absence/tardy.

Parents please help us keep your children safe.

Parking—drop off and pick up

Park in the school parking lot or behind the Edge church when picking up or dropping off your children. Do not park and exit you car in the school driveway area at any point. Stopping or parking on Grandville Avenue (next to school) is illegal and may result in a \$200+ traffic violation. Thank you.

Crossing Grandville

Students, parents, families and staff should only cross Grandville where the adult crossing guards are located. One is at Grandville & Ritzema, the others are at Hall and Grandville.

Parents, visitors, volunteers

All students, staff and visitors to the school, are required to enter at the main entrance and MUST check in with the

Notes from the Nurse

Our goal is to provide a healthy learning environment for all students. Your child should stay home or will be sent home from school when he/she has any of the following conditions:

- Fever (above 100 degrees) 1 day
- Sores on the skin with puss or drainage
- Unexplained rashes or blisters
- Diarrhea - more than 3 stools in 24hrs.
- Tiredness that prevents normal activity
- Complaint of shortness of breath
- Wheezing
- Stiff back or neck
- Abdominal cramps or pain

Please keep your child at home until he/she has been fever-free for 24hrs. And feels well enough to participate in school. This allows for a complete recovery and prevents other students and our staff members from contracting illnesses.

Please call me anytime you have a concern regarding your child's health. I am happy to help. Melva Post RN. MSN 819-5446