

# Cypress Elementary School District #64

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Kimberly Shoemaker, Superintendent

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

The faculty and staff at Cypress Elementary School have worked diligently to ensure the safety of everyone in our building during the COVID pandemic and continue to work to provide a safe environment for our students so that they may continue in person learning.

At CGS, we currently have one remote learner. We have had one positive COVID case amongst our students and one positive COVID case amongst our staff. Our first positive case generated three close contacts, and the second positive case generated one close contact within the school building. Taking this data into consideration, along with the learning needs of our students, our Board of Education and Faculty and Staff have made the decision to return to our regular full school day.

**Cypress Elementary School will be returning to our regular full day schedule beginning Monday, February 1st.** We will continue to use our cafeteria entrance for student drop off and pick up. Students will begin loading buses at 2:45. Buses will leave at 2:50. After buses have left the parking lot, parents may begin pulling up to the cafeteria door to pick up students. We will be working over the next few days to communicate new pick up and drop off times for bus routes, as they will vary slightly from our current routes.

Kimberly Shoemaker  
Superintendent

*The vision of Cypress Elementary School District 64 is to develop a lifelong love of learning. Our knowledgeable, dedicated, and passionate staff strives to increase achievement while recognizing the diverse needs of each student. Together we will promote a safe and nurturing learning environment, which fosters respectful, responsible, productive, and honest citizens in a caring atmosphere. Students are provided with the opportunity to reach their full potential through the use of challenging, rigorous, and innovative curriculum to meet high expectations of personal growth. It is the responsibility of the school, home, and community to work cooperatively to help all students develop understanding and respect for themselves, as well as others, in their daily lives. Families are their children's primary teachers and are encouraged to be actively involved in education. When we work together, student achievement increases and the community strengthens.*