



June 27, 2018

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As another school year comes to an end, the staff at St. Augustine CES are beginning to prepare for the fall of 2018. **Grade 1 to Grade 8** families are welcome to gather with their children on the blacktop at the back of the school beginning at 8:30 am to mingle with each other, say hello to old friends, and share stories of the summer past. At 8:45 am, when the bell rings, teachers will all be holding large signs with grade numbers on them.

On **Tuesday, September 4th**, we will inform students of their new class placement. We believe the benefits will be as follows:

- Reduce anxiety for many students
- Reduce the crowd in a very concentrated area
- Reduce congestion concentrated by the gym door
- Reduce the time allocated to inform students of class placement

Once students arrive in the grade designated areas, teachers will begin reading out names and taking students to their new classrooms. Parents are respectfully asked to say good-bye to your child while on the yard before students enter the school. Classroom teachers will begin first day procedures and instruction, as soon as we enter the school building.

In the event of rain, students in the following grades will enter through the following doors to find out their class placement:

Primary Doors – Grades 1 and 2

Front Doors – Grades 3 and 4

Doors by the Portable – Grades 5 and 6

Doors by the side Parking Lot – Grade 7 and 8

In ***the afternoon, all students and staff will gather in the gym for an official welcoming and prayer to begin our new school year as the St. Augustine CES community.*** The staff looks forward to connecting with parents at our **Meet the Teacher Pizza Night** on **Thursday, September 13th**. More details will follow in September.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding,

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