

## MORFEE START UP WEEK: STAGGERED START AND STOP TIMES

Orientation week was a success! We enjoyed seeing familiar faces again and meeting our new students. This first week of school will be a little different than what students and families are used to.

As part of our Health and Safety precautions, we will be running a "staggered" schedule this school year. Classes will begin at 8:40 for half of the classes and 8:45 for the other half. This is very little change to previous years so parents should not worry about altering their morning schedule. Recess will be taken at different times for different classes, and we will run two separate lunch periods. The first lunch session will be from 11:15 to 12:00 and the other lunch session from 12:00 to 12:45.

Classes will also end a little earlier. Half of our classes will end at 2:22pm and the other half at 2:27pm. Do not worry if you pick up your children and cannot make it to school that early because the after school supervisors will be looking after them. Bus students will still be taking their buses as usual and, as in June, students who walk or bike to school are expected to leave as soon as the school day is over.

We know that these may seem like big changes for some, but they are meant to help students maintain healthy safe distancing from others while still being able to socialize and play with others in their Learning Groups.

More information for your child's specific learning group will be going home this week. We thank you for your patience and understanding this school year as we at Morfee Elementary do our best to care for our students and help everyone stay safe.