

Dear Ella Families,

Welcome to the 2022-2023 school year. We hope you have all had a wonderful summer break and an opportunity to relax, play outside, go on vacation, or spend time with friends and family. The Ella staff are very excited to welcome our students back to school. Our school community continues to grow and we are so pleased to welcome many new staff, students and their families to our campus. Congratulations, you are now an Ella Gator!

We would like to remind you of a few important school procedures and expectations and changes for the 22-23 school year. Students may arrive on campus **no earlier than 7:45 a.m.** Students will need to enter Ella School through the main office doors, down the C building hallway, and directly to the cafeteria for breakfast. Breakfast service will begin at 7:45 a.m. This will be the only entrance onto campus in the morning; all other gates and doors will be locked.

Keeping students and staff safe and healthy continues to be a priority for Ella School. Ella will continue to limit visitors and volunteers on campus. Please call the main office to make an appointment with a staff member or your child's teacher. We know our parking lot and drop off loop can get very congested at arrival and dismissal times. Please remember to be patient, take turns, and follow the parking lot/loop expectations located in the Ella Parent/Student Handbook.

Please consider becoming involved in the Ella School Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) or joining the Ella School Site Council. We also encourage you to join us for our English Language Advisory Committee (ELAC) meetings. All meetings are held once a month. To help keep you informed of all school events and helpful information, visit our school website: Ellagators.com.

Thank you for all your support and continued partnership in educating your children. **Let's Go Ella Gators! It is going to be a great year!**

