

From The Principal's Desk

September 6th, 2025

Important Dates Coming Up

- NWEA MAP Testing Begins September 8th 26th
- Scholastic Book Fair September 15th 19th
- Rental Meeting for Strings Program Monday, September 15th (2:45pm 4:30pm)
- Chipotle Fundraising Night Wednesday, September 17th (5:00pm 9:00pm)
- PTO Meeting Wednesday, September 17th (6:00pm Virtual Meeting)
- ½ Day of School Friday, October 3rd

New Information This Week

School Choir: For students in Grades 3-8 who would like to join the school choir, permission forms are available in the school office, or you can contact Mrs. Pacheco (office@es.dfrcs.org) for a copy. If you have any questions about the school choir, please contact Ms. Polselli at dpolselli@es.dfrcs.org.

Open Parent Night Recap: Thank you to everyone who attended our Open Parent Night! It was nice to speak with many of you. Here is the recap of the evening if you were unable to attend:

- Student/Parent Handbook: At this point, we have received almost all of our back-to-school forms. Included in that was acknowledgment of the Student/Parent handbook. The digital version is found on our school website here:
 https://www.espiritosantoschool.org/wp-content/uploads/ES-Parent-Student-Handbook-2025-2026-v.8192025-1.pdf
- Gradelink: Gradelink is our SIS system that we use. For parents, you can track your student's grades, and also see financial information. There is a mobile app that you can download on your phone or tablet as well. For returning families, your login is still the same as last year. For new families, please contact Mrs. Pacheco (office@es.dfrcs.org) if you need your login information. Please let us know if you need any assistance accessing Gradelink.
- CORIs: As stated in previous memos, do not forget about the CORI process. That information can be found later in this memo. Please do not wait until a field trip is announced to complete the CORI process. Due to processing time, it may be too late at that point. Please reach out to me with any questions about your CORI status.
- School Website: Check out our school website for important information and documents here: https://www.espiritosantoschool.org/helpful-links/
- Syllabus & Weekly Memos:



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- Teachers have emailed their syllabus documents out. Please be sure to review them. If you didn't receive it, please contact your classroom teacher.
- Also, you will be receiving weekly memos from classroom teachers on what they are focusing on in the coming week. If you have any questions regarding your student process, please reach out to the respective classroom teacher. The list of the faculty is found in the handbook, or can be found here: https://www.espiritosantoschool.org/faculty-list/

NWEA MAP Testing: We will begin our NWEA MAP testing this week, and will run for three weeks. This assessment is taken three times a year, and it allows us to analyze student progress. This assessment is completed in Grades K-8. At the end of the testing window, reports will be generated, and will be sent home with the students for parent review.

Strings Program: For students in Grades 4-8, if you are interested in playing a string instrument, please contact Mrs. Tavares at stavares@es.dfrcs.org.

PTO: If you would like to be added to the PTO list, please email Mrs. Pacheco at <u>office@es.dfrcs.org</u>. Our next meeting is the 17th, and will be a virtual meeting. We will send out the link to those on the list at the beginning of that week.

Chipotle Fundraising Night: We will have our 1st dine-out fundraising night on the 17th, from 5-9pm at Chipotle in Fall River! Mention Espirito Santo School, and a portion of the purchase will be donated back to the school!

Upcoming Casual Day: We will have our 1st casual day of the year on Friday, September 12th. For this causal day, we will be making a donation to *MagicForMaverick* who is a young boy in our local area, who is courageously fighting cancer and going through treatment. September is also childhood cancer awareness month. The cost of the casual day will be \$3.00. (Funds donated will be matched by the Maddox J. Almeida Foundation)

• **For casual days:** Pants are not to be tight fitting, or have any rips or tears. No short shirts. Also, sneakers must be worn. Please make sure the clothing is appropriate for school. Students who chose not to participate are to be in their school uniform. Please reach out if you have any questions.

Information from Prior Memos

Lunch Program:

- September Menu can be found here → Link
- Each day, the teachers will get the counts from the students, and place the order with the office. If a student is going to be late to school, please call the office to ensure that a lunch is ordered for them.



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Tuition Payment for September: Please forward your tuition payment for September to the school office.

Afternoon Pickup: Please ensure that individuals who are picking up the children pull all the way down the parking lot. This will maximize the room in the school lot for all. Please do not block entrances and exits of the lot. Lastly, students are not allowed to walk across the parking lot. All parents must exit their vehicle and approach the building. Thank you for your cooperation in making this a smooth process!

1st Fundraiser of the Year: Our 1st Fundraiser has launched! Information can be found here.

From the Nurse: A friendly reminder if your student requires medication in school, please contact Nurse Turcotte at nurse@es.dfrcs.org.

CORIs: Now is the time to complete your CORI check, if you would like to volunteer for field trips and different volunteer opportunities. Please note the following:

- 1. If you have never been CORId before, you will need to complete:
 - CORI Form: https://www.fallriverdiocese.org/app/uploads/2024/03/DFR-CORI-Acknowledgement-Form-March-2024.pdf
 - Code of Conduct: https://www.fallriverdiocese.org/app/uploads/2025/01/Volunteer-Code-of-Conduct-English.pdf
 - Safe Environment
 Training: https://www.fallriverdiocese.org/app/uploads/2025/01/B.01a-CMG-End-User-Safe-Environment-Training-Instructions-English.pdf
 - Copy of the front/back of your license
- 2. **If you have been CORId before**, you will need to complete the CORI form, Code of Conduct and copy of your license. *Please note that some individuals may need to do renewal training if you have been with us for at least six years. If you are unsure about your CORI status, reach out and I can let you know.*