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# COLLINS *Welcome*



An Exemplary & TBEC Honor Roll School

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### Lunch Times

5th: 11:50—12:20 p.m.  
6th: 12:20—12:50 p.m.

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### Front Office Times:

8:00 a.m.—4:15 p.m.

### Bell Schedule:

8:30 a.m.—3:55 p.m.

### School Website:

[http://  
collins.conroeisd.net/](http://collins.conroeisd.net/)

### PTO Webstore:

[https://  
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stores.activenetwork.co  
m/school-software/  
collins\\_intermediate/](https://web-stores.activenetwork.com/school-software/collins_intermediate/)

## **From The Principal**

We are so very excited to welcome our incoming 4th grade Dolphins, Challengers and Panthers to Collins Intermediate. The transition from elementary to intermediate is an important time. We want to ensure that your child and family have all the information and tools you need. For many families this transition may be a return trip that older siblings have already experienced. For others, this is a new frontier. Please be assured that, at Collins, we will work to make the next two years positive ones for your child. The transition process for fourth graders and their parents can be filled with questions and concerns. The administration, counselor and teachers at Collins will be communicating with the fourth grade teachers and counselors from each of the feeder schools to learn more about our new “Collins Cobras.”

All fourth graders will attend our orientation on Monday, April 24th to learn about fifth grade and all the wonderful things Collins has to offer. Towards the beginning of April your child will be given a packet of information that outlines our Fine Arts and PE programs, school supplies as well as other information that will assist in the transition.

After a fun and restful summer vacation, you and your child are invited to attend: **“Collins Express Day and Teacher Meet and Greet”** Monday, August 14, 2017 5:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.. This is a “Come and Go” event. In early August a postcard will be mailed to your home indicating your child’s Learning Community and Homeroom Teacher assignment. Students will meet their teacher, be given his/her locker, decorate the inside of the locker (optional), school supplies (if ordered on-line), and a schedule. PTO will be available to answer questions about PTO membership, Friends of Collins, and on-line Spirit Wear sales for the upcoming school year. Please plan to come so that you and your child can meet the teachers in their new Learning Community and ask questions of our Fine Arts staff. If you are unable to attend, your child will receive everything he or she needs on the first day of school. We are very excited about the new school year and looking forward to meeting you and your child.

*Shelli LeBlanc*  
Principal

## IMPORTANT DATES

Date	Time	Event	Location
Monday, April 24th	9:00 AM	Fourth Graders Visit Collins	Collins
Monday April 24th	6:30 PM	Fourth Grade Parent Information Night	Collins Gym
Wednesday, April 26th	9:00 AM	4th Grade Parent Information Meeting (Repeat Session)	Collins Library
Tuesday, May 2nd	5:00— 8:00 PM	4th Grade Instrument Selection (Band & Orchestra) - <b>Students interested in Percussion MUST attend this night to be considered!</b>	College Park High School
Thursday, May 4th	4:30— 7:00 PM	4th Grade Instrument Selection (Band & Orchestra) - <b>(Repeat Session—NO Percussion)</b>	Collins
Monday, May 15th		Pre-Enrollment Forms Due	Turn in to Home Campus or Collins
Thursday, May 25th	6:30 PM	Orchestra Only—Parent Information and Vendor Night	Collins
Friday, May 26th		Fine Arts Selection Page Due	Turn in to Home Campus or Collins
Monday, August 14th	5:00— 7:00 PM	Collins Express/Meet & Greet Come and Go Event	Collins
Wednesday, August 16th		First Day Of School	
Monday, August 21st	6:00 PM	Parent Information Night	Collins
Monday, September 4th		Labor Day	
Thursday, September 14th		Fall Yearbook Pictures	Collins

## COLLINS Q & A

### **How are the students placed in classrooms?**

Students are assigned to a Learning Community (LC) typically consisting of four teachers responsible for each of the content areas: reading, social studies/writing, math, and science. Each LC is balanced with children needing a variety of instructional services, which include gifted/talented, special education, and Section 504. Also, we make every attempt to evenly distribute students from each of our feeder elementary schools.

### **Do the teachers coordinate assignments and test dates?**

Every LC is required to conduct an LC weekly meeting to review integrated activities, test dates, campus activities, homework, and to discuss the progress of their students. Assignments and test dates will be posted on a website personalized by each teacher.

### **How can students make a fine arts decision if they are unfamiliar with the program?**

Fourth grade students attend a presentation of their Fine Arts choices during the campus visit on April 25th. In the "Incoming 5th Student Packet" you will find information regarding the Fine Arts classes, which includes a selection sheet to return. Students interested in Band or Orchestra should all attend one of the Fine Arts interview nights at Collins for placement purposes.

### **If a student enrolls in Band or Orchestra, will they have an opportunity to take Art?**

No, they will not have the opportunity to take Art. Band/Orchestra is taken for the entire year.

### **Can a sixth grader enroll in band or orchestra if they took art/music in the fifth grade?**

No. The next opportunity to start Band or Orchestra as a beginner is in 7<sup>th</sup> grade.

### **Can my child take advanced math if they aren't identified gifted/talented?**

Students identified gifted/talented are placed in the program based on their content area of eligibility. Occasionally a child will demonstrate a strong aptitude for a content area in which they have not been identified. Fourth grade students will take a math placement test in May at their elementary campus. Parents will be notified during the summer if their child is eligible for the advanced math class.

### **Do the children have Physical Education every day?**

Students attend P.E. class every day. Students also have a short recess during their 30 minute lunchtime.

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### **What are the school hours?**

Classes begin at 8:50 a.m. and end at 3:55 p.m. However, all students need to be in the building no later than 8:30 a.m. to prepare for the day and put their backpacks/lunches in the proper place.

Supervision begins at 8:00 a.m. for students attending before school activities or tutorials.

**Lunch Times:** 5<sup>th</sup> @ 11:50 p.m.-12:20 p.m.

6<sup>th</sup> @ 12:20 p.m.-12:50 p.m.

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### **How do I find information about my child's bus number and the bus arrival and departure time?**

Visit the Conroe ISD Website at <http://www.conroeisd.net/> and click on "What Bus Do I Ride?"

## Collins PTO

The Collins Intermediate PTO would like to welcome our future Collins families. The PTO will offer pre-packaged school supplies for online purchase starting in late spring (delivered directly to classrooms in August). In August, our Collins spirit wear can be ordered through our web store and will be delivered within the first few weeks of school. Our annual fundraising efforts include "Friends of Collins" (a monetary donation to PTO), Fall Frenzy (a fun event for the students after school one Friday in September/October), Box Tops, spirit nights and grocery store rewards programs. If you would like more information about the Collins PTO, please email [collinsptopresident@gmail.com](mailto:collinsptopresident@gmail.com).

## Cool Collins Facts

- ◇ Collins Intermediate was named after Donald R. Collins, who was a Woodlands veterinarian.
- ◇ Collins opened in 1990
- ◇ Collins mascot is a Cobra
- ◇ The school colors are Maroon, Blue and Silver
- ◇ Announcements are broadcast live every morning at 8:40 a.m.

