



# First Grade Scholarly Tips

Hello USC families,

Welcome to a new school year! It is my goal for each Scholar to have an AMAZING day every day at Rhodes Elementary!

The following is a list of helpful hints to make your Scholar's start of the school year a success:

- ☞ School hours are 7:50 – 2:30, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Our minimum day is on Tuesday, school is from 7:50 – 11:20.
- ☞ Please make sure your child has a backpack that is brought to school every day (Please no rolling backpacks)!
- ☞ Please read the USC Supply Donation list for items that your Scholar can bring in on Monday, August 5<sup>th</sup>.
- ☞ Water Bottles can be brought to school daily. I highly recommend this especially at the beginning of the school year when we have the hottest temperatures. I ask that all water bottles be reusable and have the students name on them. We have water filling stations on campus if students need to refill during the day.
- ☞ A small snack may be brought to eat at 1<sup>st</sup> recess at 9:40am.
- ☞ Lunch is 11:00-11:40. Please make sure your Scholar knows if he/she will be getting school lunch or eating the lunch that you will provide. Sometimes they don't know if what is in their lunch pail/sack and if it is a snack or a full lunch.
- ☞ On the first day of school, I will be opening the classroom door at 7:40 a.m. to allow Scholars to come into the classroom before school starts at 7:50. Beginning the second day of school, they will line up outside on the playground when they come onto campus.

- ☞ Please discuss with your Scholar where to go at dismissal. (i.e. front of school, side gate by our classroom, park gate, or fun club for students enrolled in that after school program). Remember we are a closed campus school – no parents will be allowed on campus.
- ☞ Please make sure download the Parent Square app, this is where I will be communicating primarily to families.
- ☞ Please check your Scholar's agenda for important information as well.
- ☞ Parent Collegiate Night (Back to School Night) is Tuesday, August 20<sup>th</sup>.

I hope these tips will prove to be useful to you and your Scholar. I am looking forward to seeing everyone on the First Day of School.

So excited for the year,  
Mrs. Sarah Hansen