



ELEMENTARY ADDENDUM

Welcome to the APS Elementary School Student Handbook

At Austin Public Schools, our mission is Engage, Empower, and Inspire as we work to prepare our students to make a difference in the world.

This handbook provides specific information pertaining to our Elementary Schools that it is important for parents and students to review and understand.

Please refer to the [APS Student Handbook](#), the [Student Rights & Responsibilities](#) document, and the [School Board Policies](#) for additional information.

Birthday Treats

Individual classrooms will observe birthdays with special activities planned by teachers, such as allowing children to wear a "Birthday Hat" or by singing to them. If students choose to share a treat with the class on their birthday, food must be an individually wrapped and purchased treat that, in the interest of instructional time, can quickly be consumed. Examples of such treats are fruit snacks, individual packages of cookies or crackers, etc. Parents should contact the teacher to make them aware that they are sending a treat for the class.

Attendance and Tardies

- Standardized communication - After 8:00 is marked tardy
- Students can be on the playground at 7:30 and there will be staff supervising at that time. Arrival Doors will open at 7:45 to allow students to enter, please do not arrive prior to this time.
- During inclement weather, students may be allowed in earlier.
- Tardiness - Students are expected to arrive at school on time at 8:00 a.m. Any students that arrive late will need to report to the office.

Lost and found

Lost and found articles may be found in the designated lost and found location. Items may be disposed of after thirty days.