



# BACK TO SCHOOL WITH ACE



Welcome back to school and ACE! We wanted to let you know some things about ACE this year. **ACE Fall Semester begins Monday, August 24** and goes through December 11, 2020. We offer free Morning and Afternoon Programs for students in Preschool through 8<sup>th</sup> grade through a grant by 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers Grand Federal Funds, this program is provided at **no cost** to families. Students need to have a registration form on file for the school *and* fill out an enrollment form to tell us if your child will or will not attend either program on a daily/weekly basis. Parents can expect these to either come home with students or be mailed. Please return both forms to school with your child. We will inform your student's teacher of their ACE schedule.

**Morning ACE** – 7 am to 8 am, a great place to get the day started. Students may use this time to work on homework or make-up work, as well as participate in provided activities. Activities for mornings may include Stretch and Grow Camp Fit or Yoga, Reading or Math Skills Games, and Ceramics Painting. Parents will drop off students at the Elementary Breezeway on the west end of the building. We will use the courtyard when weather permits, and the activity room when needed.

**Afternoon ACE** – 3:30 – 6 pm, a safe and engaging place for after school hours. Students will be served a snack and have supervised free time from 3:30-3:50, then have an Academic Block where they can work on homework, make up work, or reading and math skills. 3:50-5:50 pm students will participate in Academic Enrichment activities. We strive to offer age appropriate engaging and enriching activities. Some activities we will offer this year are 3D printing (5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades only), Photography (5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades only), OSMO, Culinary Explorations, Art History, and Gather and Grow; A Community Gardening Experience. We strongly recommend that students plan to attend the full ACE afternoon program to benefit from it fully. As with any classroom, fewer interruptions allow for better instruction.

**Afternoon Pick-Up Procedures:** Once your student is enrolled, we will send home a large card with your child's name on it. Parents, please use the pick-up lane on 4<sup>th</sup> Street to line up in your car. Place the Name Card in the passenger window of your car, remain in your car and children will be released to come to your car as we see the name card or cards. Children will be sent to cars in the order they are lined up, just as is done in the afternoon for the regular school day dismissal. Our pick-up location will be at the Elementary Breezeway at the west end of the Elementary building. We will *not* offer pick-up at the main Elementary doors on the east end of the building. Students will be released from their classes at 5:50 pm and go to the breezeway in nice weather, in inclement weather they will stay in the elementary hallway. An ACE staff member will sign off that your student was picked up. If someone other than a parent or guardian will be picking up your student, please give them your child's name card and let them know the pick-up expectations listed above.

**ACE Program Contact:** Your ACE Site Coordinator is Marne Long, email [marne.long@cissouthplains.org](mailto:marne.long@cissouthplains.org), office phone 806.634.5591 ext.249, **cell phone 806.402.0439**. Please feel free to contact me at any time should you have questions, concerns, or need to add or change your child's ACE routine. **The new Cell Phone number is text friendly, please add this number to your contacts.** We will have the Remind app for announcements for ACE Program (Lorenzo ACE) and a separate Remind Account for CIS Family Engagement Events Announcements. To use the Remind app, simply download the app to your phone (it's free), search for Lorenzo ACE, and request to be added to it.

We can't wait to begin this new ACE year with your students! Please rest assured ACE will follow all guidelines set forth by Lorenzo ISD, TEA, and the State of Texas for the health and safety of all students and staff. We look forward to serving you.