

## Welcome back!

Dear Santa Fe ISD Families,

Words cannot adequately express our gratitude to each of you for tireless cooperation, patience and support as we work together on behalf of every student and staff member. The world is watching how you continue to demonstrate incredible strength and compassion during this very difficult time, but most importantly, our SFISD students are watching the outpouring of love and compassion. Thank you! We are excited and ready to welcome our students and staff on Monday for the 2018-19 school year.

Throughout the summer, our District operations staff have been working hard to prepare and improve safety and security at our schools and facilities to best serve our students and staff. Our dedicated teachers, school counselors and all our school staff are committed to providing the best education possible for our students. Our staff have participated in many professional development opportunities over the summer to help build and refine their skills in order to teach and prepare our students for the future. This week, they have been participating in additional training for mental health and wellness, for safety and security and for curriculum to be ready to help restore the positive learning environment for our students.

We realize returning to school in many ways will be difficult, and as a Santa Fe Independent School District community, we will stand strong and united as we welcome our students to this new school year. Together, we are Santa Fe Strong!

Please take a few moments and [view the Back to School Video Message](#).

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