Dear Korte Parents & Guardians,

Welcome to Korte Elementary and the 2020-21 school year! All of us at Korte are grateful that you and your family are part of the Independence School District and the Korte Elementary family.

At Korte, we strive to create an environment that encourages students to “reflect their best and be the example”. Our goal is that our students learn how important it is to be Safe, Respectful, and Responsible.

The success of our students is connected to positive parent involvement. As a staff, we will provide an exciting educational experience for our students. Along with you, we want to develop within your child a genuine love of learning. We invite you to take time every evening to read and talk with your child about their day of learning.

To help you stay informed, please visit and Like the Korte Facebook page and our school website. The ISD will be using CANVAS for in-person and virtual learning. That will also be the primary way we will communicate with you and you with us. We invite you to reach out to us if we can assist you in any way. The Korte PTA also invites you to become a member of our PTA.

Reminder: Students must wear masks, practice social distancing, and bring a water bottle each day.

Arrival & Dismissal Procedures:

- **Students may enter the building at 8:40 am.** Prior to 8:40, there will be no adult supervision for students.

- **To request a change for end of the day transportation,** such as having your child picked up rather than ride the bus, call the school office by 3:00 pm. Calls made after that time may not be granted due to dismissal preparation in progress. We will not pull students from the bus once loading of the buses has begun.

- **Car Riders - North Side of Building (only):** Enter far north drive off Hardy Avenue and follow arrows into the north parking lot to the northeast entrance doors by the gym. One lane of traffic in the morning and two lanes in the afternoon. To ensure student safety while getting to cars, do not change lanes unless directed by a staff member. Use caution to observe the one way traffic flow. Do not park or leave your car unattended in the fire lane. As soon as your child arrives at your car, please carefully proceed out of the lot to allow other parents to pick-up their children. Place the name and grade of your child on a card on your dash. Parents are to remain in cars. In an effort to ensure we are social distancing and providing for the safety of all, do not gather at the doors.

- **Front Circle Drive** are for buses ONLY for arrival and dismissal. If you need to enter the building at arrival or dismissal, please park in the north lot.

- **Bus Riders** will enter the building at the front circle drive. At dismissal, bus riders will load buses both at the front circle drive and on our playground. Cars are not permitted on the playground at any time. If you have specific questions related to district bus transportation, please call 521-5335.

- **Walkers/Bike Riders:** Korte walkers and bike riders will use the north doors of the building. Staff will guide them safely to the sidewalk on Hardy. If students are walkers, they should be able to safely walk off campus on their own.

Sincerely,

Ron L. Alburtus
Principal

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Twitter: https://twitter.com/hashtag/kortecoyotes
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