

Douglas' 3/13/22 Message

Hello Dragon Families!

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Meet and Greet: We will be hosting "Principal Chat" on Wednesday, March 30 at 10:00 am and 6:00 pm and Thursday, March 31 at 6:00 pm in Spanish. I'm excited to introduce myself and share my goals for the school officially. To prepare for the "Principal Chat" meeting, please submit any questions or concerns you may have at this time [HERE](#). We will include the Google meet links in next week's parent message.

Volunteer Preparation: In preparation for welcoming volunteers back to Douglas, we ask interested individuals to register with the WCPSS volunteer system. To volunteer in the capacity of supporting field trips, lunch, or in-class events, you will need to be cleared by the WCPSS volunteer system. This system conducts a background check on all applicants. Families can complete the applications in our school office between 9:00 am - 4:00 pm. Clearance can take up to two weeks.

Spirit Night: Please join us at Defy Gravity on Monday, March 14, from 5:30 pm- 7:30 pm. We look forward to seeing you there!

Raise Craze: This is a reminder that Raise Craze projects begin the week of March 21.

Voluntary Covid-19 Testing: Last week, our school, in partnership with MAKO Medical, began offering **weekly, on-campus COVID-19 testing for students and staff**. COVID-19 testing is an effective way to reduce transmission, especially when layered with other measures.

Participation in the program is voluntary. A parent or guardian must register any K-12 student under 18 years old for a COVID-19 test to be administered. Pre-K students who attend school within K-12 school buildings are eligible for the state-approved vendor testing with Mako. However, Pre-K students outside of K-12 school buildings do not qualify for the state-approved vendor testing with Mako.

The testing is simple: Trained MAKO Medical staff quickly and gently swab students' noses. Then, they place all the swabs in a single tube (that's the pooling step). The samples in that tube are then tested as a single sample, using one test. If a positive test is received, everyone in the "pool" will return to school the next day to take another test to identify the person who tested positive for COVID-19. [Learn more about pooled testing.](#) [Register now.](#) >

Kind regards,
Tiffany Faison-Bullock

