

The logo features the letters 'A', 'B', and 'C' in a stylized, colorful font. 'A' is blue, 'B' is red, and 'C' is yellow. A small green apostrophe and the letter 'S' are positioned to the right of the 'C'.

ABC's FOR CANNON PARENTS

ATTENDANCE: Consistent attendance is critical for success. Please make every effort to have your child at school on time each day. If your child is absent, call the school office to report your child's absence and send a written explanation upon your child's return. If a doctor/dentist appointment is scheduled during the school hours, you must come to the school office and sign your child out. **A doctor's note must be brought to the school office upon your child's return to excuse the absence.**

BUS SERVICE: A bus schedule is available in the school office. If you have questions regarding bus eligibility, contact GCISD Transportation at (817)251-5592 or refer to the district website.

COMMUNICATION: You can receive communication from school in a variety of ways. Monday folders are sent home weekly with each student. These contain important information. Teachers also communicate through their websites, blogs, Twitter, Facebook, and Skyward E-mail. Our school Facebook page is a great place to see information about events and important reminders. Calls and email messages to staff will be returned within 24 hours. Email is the best way to reach staff members quickly.

DISMISSAL: Student pick up is in the front of the school. We ask for all cars to pull to the front of the line before your child is loaded into the car. For safety reasons, we ask that you remain in your vehicle and let us assist your child into the car. Changes in the way your child goes home should be rare and called in before 2:00. A standard routine is safer for your child. The office is a busy place during dismissal and it may not be possible to communicate any changes in transportation prior to dismissal. Dismissal time is 2:55 pm.

EARLY ARRIVALS/CHECK-OUT: Students arriving between 7:15-7:35 a.m. must go to the cafeteria (grades K-2) or the gym (3-5). If an earlier drop-off time is needed, KidzU offers before-school care beginning at 6:30 a.m. Information and fee schedule can be picked up in the school office. If your child is checked out early, it counts like a tardy (a partial-day absence) and will be considered unexcused. **To excuse the absence, the student must bring a doctor's note when they return to school.**

FRIDAY ASSEMBLIES: A school-wide assembly is held each Friday in the gym. All students will report directly to the gym on Friday mornings. Fridays are Spirit Days at Cannon! We encourage all students to wear their school shirt.

GRADES: All students in Kindergarten – 2nd grade receive Standards-Based Report Cards. Students in 3rd-5th grade receive grade report cards each nine weeks. Your child's report card will be available online every nine weeks.

Questions about individual assignment grades should be directed to your child's teacher.

HOMEWORK: Provide a quiet place that is free of distractions for your child to complete homework and help as needed, without doing the work for them. Ask your child to tell you about the homework and share their work with you.

iPADS: As a campus with a 1:1 iPad Initiative, each K-5 student will be issued their own individual iPad to be used as a tool for learning at school and at home.

JOIN PTA: Please become a member of our Parent Teacher Association. PTA provides many opportunities for parents to become actively involved in their child's education. More information about Cannon's PTA can be found at <http://www.cannonpta.com/>

KNOW THE RULES: To view the entire GCISD district handbook, go online to www.gcisd-k12.org under "Parents and Students". This document covers only quick, at-a-glance highlights.

LUNCH: You may send a check or cash to pay for your child's meal. You may also pay online (see district website for details). A computerized account will be kept and your child will charge his/her meals against their balance. Extra snacks are available at an additional charge. All meal payments are to be taken to the cafeteria manager in the morning. All prices are subject to change.

MEDICINE: If your child must receive medicine at school, please refer to the Student Parent Handbook section on "Medicines at School". Medication may NOT be given unless these conditions are met. Please contact the school nurse for more information.

NURSE: The school nurse is available daily to treat students in the clinic as needed. In the event of illness or injury that requires a student to be sent home during the school day, the nurse will contact parents. Students **must** stay home from school due to illness if any of the following are present:

- fever of 100 degrees or higher in the past 24 hours
- vomiting and/or diarrhea in the past 24 hours
- itchy, red eyes with discharge
- unknown rash
- head lice or nits
- jaundice
- ringworm of the scalp (until treatment has been started)

OFFICE: All guests must sign in at the school office, using a driver's license or other photo ID. Admission to the building will be granted after a guest has been verified through our Raptor Security system. The building will remain locked

during the school day. Use the bell and voice intercom located by the front door, in order to gain access to the building.

PARENT CENTER: Our Parent Center is a place where parents can come to volunteer, learn together, work on projects for the school, or to meet other Cannon parents! There is a small play area available in the room for young children to play, while parents are working together.

QUESTIONS: Don't hesitate to ask questions! The school staff is always available to answer any questions you have about school. Don't forget to ask your child questions too! Find out what they are learning each day at school.

READ WITH YOUR CHILD: All students should be reading every night for homework. Be available to listen and talk to your child about what they are reading. It will help them make good connections about their learning!

SNACKS: Contact your child's teacher to see if a snack time is scheduled during the day. If snacks are allowed, please send only healthy snacks that are not messy. No sodas are allowed.

TARDIES: Arriving late disrupts the school day and causes your child to miss valuable instruction time. Please make sure your child is in his/her classroom by 7:40 a.m. each morning. Tardies are considered partial-day absences. Consistent tardies are reported to the District Attendance Officer.

UPDATE INFORMATION: Keep school staff updated when there is new information that affects your child or if your contact information changes.

VOLUNTEERS: We welcome all volunteers! For parents wanting to volunteer in their child's classroom or on a field trip, a Volunteer Application must be submitted and approved. Refer to the Parent/Student tab on the GCISD website to complete the Volunteer Background Check.

WATCHD.O.G.S. DADS: All fathers and other significant adult males in a student's life are invited to join our awesome WATCHD.O.G.S. program. More information about this program can be found [here](#).

eXCITEMENT: Excitement about school encourages deeper learning! Model excitement about education by being your child's biggest cheerleader! Stay informed about school.

YEARBOOK: A yearbook is published each year and will be offered for sale in the spring semester.

ZZZZ's: Getting enough sleep is critical to your child's success at school! Please make sure your child gets plenty of rest, in order to be alert and ready to learn.