

# *Sugarmill Elementary School*

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"Where Eagles Soar"

Dear Sugarmill Elementary Families and Communities,

On behalf of the staff at Sugarmill Elementary School, I am happy to welcome you to the 2019-20 school year! We are looking forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure our children can achieve their highest potential.

During this school year, we will continue to build upon and refine our proven foundation of work, honored traditions, and continued excellence in education. We will remain steadfast to our mission statement.

### **Sugarmill Mission Statement:**

- \* to ensure educational excellence in a safe and nurturing learning environment where all SES students are empowered to reach their goals and become productive citizens
- \*to be dedicated to doing what it takes to place our student's future educational success at the cornerstone of all school based decisions
- \*to diligently prepare effective instruction to help students acquire the skills needed to achieve mastery of a new and more rigorous curriculum.

We recognize that in order to be successful in school, our children need support from both the home and school. We know a strong partnership with you will make a great difference in your child's education. As partners, we share the responsibility for our children's success and want you to know that we will do our very best to carry out our responsibilities. We ask that you guide and support your child's learning by ensuring that he/she:

- 1) Attends school daily and arrives on time, ready for the day's learning experience
- 2) Completes all homework assignments given by teachers

- 3) Reads daily to develop a love for reading and to improve literacy skills
- 4) Shares school experiences with you so that you are aware of his/her school life
- 5) Informs you if he/she needs additional support in any area or subject
- 6) Knows that you expect him/her to succeed in school and go on to college

Please consider joining our school volunteer program as our students can greatly benefit from your involvement and contributions to the school's program and its operations. We seek volunteers to help us with the following activities:

- 1) Teacher-led instructional support, usually in the classroom
- 2) Reading with children who need extra help
- 3) School-wide events
- 4) Student recognition events
- 5) Outreach and recruitment of parent and community volunteers

This website will serve as a general guide to all parents and students at Sugarmill Elementary. I believe you will find it a valuable resource. You will find general information about the school including school calendars, enrollment information, lunch menus, bus routes, contact information for all staff and information on a variety of resources and programs available to students and families. Your involvement and interest is vital and plays an integral role in each student's success.

Schools are successful when they help children grow academically, socially, and emotionally. For this to happen it is imperative that we have a safe environment that is supportive and conducive for growth. By setting forth clear social and behavioral expectations and directly teaching students about those expectations, it is our goal is to create a positive atmosphere for optimal learning.

**These are the behavioral expectations for all Sugarmill Eagles:**

**WE ARE EAGLES!**

We are RESPECTFUL!

We are RESPONSIBLE!

We are SAFE!

**We SOAR!**

It is very important that you and your child are fully informed regarding standards related to appropriate behavior for a safe and productive school year. Please feel free to review at---- [http://ses.camden.k12.ga.us/UserFiles/Servers/Server\\_322902/File/47-SES%20Student%20Handbook.pdf](http://ses.camden.k12.ga.us/UserFiles/Servers/Server_322902/File/47-SES%20Student%20Handbook.pdf)

Again, we welcome you to Sugarmill Elementary and to our wonderful learning community . . . a place where Eagles SOAR!

The wonderful Sugarmill staff and I feel privileged to be a part of this school family. We thank you for your support and look forward to meeting you.

Here's to an AWESOME new school year as we work together to continue to make our school a great place to work and learn each day!

Sincerely,

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