



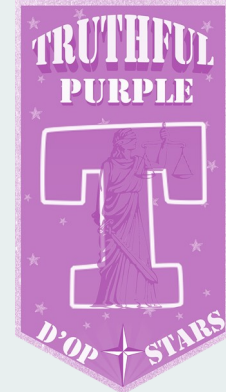
September 2021

Greetings, Peace in Christ and Welcome to DISK SY 2021-2022!



General Announcements:

- ★ **School Hours - Reminder:** As a friendly reminder to all, the school's schedule is from 8:00 am to 3:30 pm. Students should arrive on time to be in their classroom before 8 am. In the past, we have had a few students that had not been picked up at the end of the school day and the office was not aware of the reason. The students become a little anxious and as other students get to go home they become more and more restless.
- ★ **Drop-off and Pick-up procedure:** With the continued concern of COVID-19, the CDC and MOE have instructed schools to prohibit parents' entry to the school campuses. In other schools, this means all contact is made at the front gate of the schools. Since our entry portal is very limited and this could cause additional traffic problems, we have been given permission to have vehicles enter the campus and



parents are not to exit their vehicles. Please review drop-off slides photo and plan accordingly. The gate will open at 7:30 for morning drop-off and again at 3:15 for an afternoon pick-up. If you have an appointment parking will be set aside by the gym.



★ **Attendance Records:** All students are to clock in when they arrive at school and clock out when they leave, using their new Identification Cards. This new process will enhance the safety of our students as this will help us in case of emergencies such as fire or earthquakes. Because of this requirement, all students must be dropped off and picked up through the main office. If students are to be picked up by someone other than their parents or legal guardian, the school requires a formal notification. We can not release students to leave campus without clear instruction.



★ **Dress Code:** Dominican International School Kaohsiung has a dress code and we expect our students to come to school in appropriate properly worn uniforms. Special days such as Spirit Days, Casual Fridays, and holidays allow students to wear other non-uniform clothing. If you have any concerns please check the current Student/Parents handbook or ask the front office as to the correct dress code. Adhering to the Dress Code will be a part of the student's eligibility for honors and 'STARS' awards.



★ **Student Council:** A Dominican Student Council is the role model of D'OP STARS who will always do their best to live out the ideals of being SPIRITUAL, TRUTHFUL, ACTIVE, RESPONSIBLE, and STUDIOUS in words and deeds. Congratulations! The Executives for the 2021-2022 Student Council are; President - Evelyn Lin, Vice President - Neil Wu, Secretary - Ivy Lin, and Treasurer - Annalisa Driver. The following are the grades 1-5 Class Representatives that will support StuCo initiatives; G1 - Jonas Juan, G2 - Johansen Yu, G3 - Elsa Lu, G4 Ethan Chen and G5 - Phoebe Lin.



★ **VIP (Volunteer Involved Parents):**

DISK wishes to thank all our VIP class representatives for your show of support and enthusiasm during the election, it promises to be a good year for the DISK Community with your presence.

This was the result of our 1st VIP Proceedings:

Chairperson: Ms. Kitty Chen

Vice-Chairperson:

Secretary: Mr. Jiedesh Veeramachaneni

Treasurer: Mr. Jimmy Wu

Class Representatives:

Pre-K: Ms. Nina Kuo

Kindergarten: Ms. Zhou Fang

Gr. 1: Mr. Dustin Kuan

Gr. 2: Ms. Mia Veeramachaneni

Gr. 3: Mr. Jimmy Chu

Gr. 4: Ms. Christine Chuang

Gr. 5: Ms. Mandy Tsou

Gr. 6: Jiedesh Veeramachaneni (joined by Line)

Gr. 7: Ms. Sonja Lin

Gr. 8: Ms. Queenie Hsu

HS: Ms. Kitty Chen

★ **School-wide Learning Outcomes (SLOs):** In the month of August, we honored the following students for demonstrating SLOs. These students were awarded up to 25 house points for their hard work and dedication.

D'OP 'STARS' of the Week



Rachel



Jeremy



Lois

Our mission and vision are presented to students as character statements called School-wide Learning Outcomes, or SLOs which are taught to students throughout the year and are assessed in all courses as department.

'STARS' House point winners this month, as every month, displayed the meaning of the School-wide Learning Outcomes (SLOs) and earned 25 points each for their respective houses. Great job by all!

So far, the houses have the following points:

Spiritual 0; **Truthful 25;** **Active 0;** **Responsible 25;** **Studios 25**

★ **Parents-Teachers Orientation Day:** On Saturday, August 21, 2020, we met and discussed this coming year's curriculum and programs with the classroom teachers. Specialty teachers presented their curriculum for the year. It was a rewarding time. If you have any additional questions please contact the homeroom teachers.

★ **Museum Update:** With our Foundation Day Celebration we invited all to visit the museum to learn more about the 67-year history of Dominican International School Kaohsiung. Our students enjoyed seeing the past yearbooks especially when they find someone they know who is an alumnus of DISK.

★ **Snacks, Drinks, Water, and Masks:** Health Hub - Selection of good snacks at a reasonable price. (each one between \$10 - \$ 30) Off the dining room. Stop by and buy your favorite snack or drink. Opening time : AM 7:45-8:00 / AM 11:45- AM 12:00.

★ **Activity Reminders:** We have a lot of great activities to look forward to in September. Take a look, make a note, and check the Activities Board by the front office for more information.

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| September 9th | Earthquake and Fire Safety Drill |
| September 14th | Mass of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross |
| September 17th | StuCo "Wear your House Colors Spirit Day" |
| September 20th-24th | Mid-Autumn Festival (Students off, No classes) |
| September 28th | Confucius Day "Happy Teacher's Day!" |

★ **DiiS One:** In line with DISK's continuous effort to strengthen the communication channel between school and parents, the LINE DiiS One Channel was created. (DISK INTEGRATED INFORMATION SYSTEM). Get connected with this DISK'S LINE account and get the latest updates on events, activities, and general news about our school community!

It is so EASY, scan the QR code of this LINE Account and your cellphone will get the newsfeed every Friday.

So what are you waiting for? Scan this QR Code NOW !!!! and get connected with DISK.



★ **Thinkwave to DIS Gradebook:** We have started to utilize the grade book (report card) program and process that is similarly used by our Sister school in Taipei. This system will allow for a better understanding of the subject grade by having the department grades listed as a separate score. The change will allow for a clearer understanding of the needs of the students to receive Honor recognition.

Thank you for all you do to support our school community!



Any questions or concerns should be addressed to the Administration by contacting the Office.

Upon completion of the required studies, the Dominican International School, Kaohsiung

envisions its graduates to be: **'STARS'**

*SPIRITUAL ** TRUTHFUL ** ACTIVE ** RESPONSIBLE ** STUDIOUS*