Dear Parents of All New and Returning Students of Doty Middle School:

Welcome to another school year! We are looking forward to partnering with you and your student to ensure their continued success and safety at school. The important information below will assist you in planning and preparation for a smooth start to the new year.

ONLINE REGISTRATION: Registration verification for the 2024-2025 school year is currently open in Q. You will want to make sure you have completed all the online forms and have reviewed the important information with your student before school starts. Visit https://sites.google.com/dusd.net/doty-middle-school-2024-2025?usp=sharing for more info.

OFFICE OPENING: The Doty front office will open on Aug. 2nd. The office will be open each business day from 7:30 to 3:00 and will be closed 12:00 to 1:00 for lunch. Note, on Aug. 5th the office will not open until 1:00 so the office staff can attend an important training.

NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION: If your student is entering the sixth grade or otherwise new to Doty, you will want to calendar the date for our New Student Orientation. It will be held on Aug. 7th, from 8 a.m. till noon on campus. There will be a brief orientation for parents of new students that morning as well, from 8 a.m. till 8:30.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL: The 2024-2025 school year will begin on Wednesday, Aug. 14th. Your student's official class schedule will be available on Q Parent/Student Connect and Canvas by 7 a.m. that morning. Please note, schedules are subject to change, so please check on Aug. 14th. It will be a minimum day with students attending from 8 a.m. until 12:15. Thursday and Friday will be our first two block days of the school year. On Thursday school will end at 2:42 and on Friday school will end at 1:32 with an optional enrichment period that runs until 2:42. A copy of the new bell schedules can be found in the Binder Reminder/Student Handbook, on our website, and attached to this message.

WHAT STUDENTS SHOULD BRING: Students should bring a 3-ring notebook, lined paper, pencil and pen, and a 3-ring plastic pouch. Students will need a backpack or book bag for their belongings. Student backpacks need to be small enough to fit into their 19" high, 11.5" wide, 13" deep PE locker. Rolling backpacks are not recommended because they are too big to be secured in a PE locker during physical education. Please make sure you remind your student to fully charge their iPad and bring it on the first day.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION: Students will need red shorts, a gray T-shirt, socks and tennis or running shoes. Red Doty athletic shorts and Doty PE T-shirts can be purchased for \$20.00. A \$5 Master combination lock purchased from Doty (with coach's emergency keyhole on the back) is required.

HOW TO PURCHASE: PE clothes and locks, may be purchased in the office. Our office issues a voucher at the point of sale for PE clothes and locks that is redeemed in the student's PE class. Doty accepts cash only. We do not accept checks. The office will process sales transactions beginning Tuesday, Aug. 6th. Due to the priority of registration and enrollment of students, no sales transactions will take place on Aug. 12th, 13th and 14th. The office will resume processing sales transactions on Aug. 15th. Students will not be changing into their PE clothes until after the first week of school. One student handbook will be distributed to students free of charge once school starts.

Thank you for allowing Doty Middle School the privilege of sharing in the education of your child. We look forward to seeing you soon!