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Dear Parents,

Ridgecrest Elementary School has set sail for a new voyage during the 2019-2020 school year. We are continuing to stay committed to improving the quality of education and insuring that all of our students are given an opportunity to be successful. In our continuous effort to strive for excellence in education, we are starting our afterschool program for students who are in need of additional assistance in the areas of reading and math.

The extended day program has been designed to meet the needs of students who are at-risk of being *Left Behind*. Our goal is to have every child reading on or above grade level by the end of the school year. At this time, we are recommending children for this program for one or more of the following reasons.

- o Difficulty in Reading and/or Math
- o Academic difficulty in Reading and/or Math
- Has a D or F in Reading and/or Math
- o Early or Late Emergent on Early Literature Test
- o Administration Recommendation

This program will operate Tuesday through Thursday from 3:00 until 6:00 each day. The first day of the program will be November 5, 2019. Please complete and return the enclosed registration for by Wednesday, October 23, 2019. Mandatory Parent orientation will be held in the computer lab on Monday, October 28, 2019 from 5:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., Tuesday October 29, 2019 from 9:30 a.m.- 10:00 a.m., and Wednesday, October 30, 2019 from 7:30 a.m.-8:00 a.m. If you are unable to attend one of these, please contact Ms. Owens at 334-298-3004.

Our first two days of the extended day program will be used to test individuals to insure proper placement in afterschool curriculum. The afterschool program emphasizes a well-developed and carefully planned lesson designed around small learning communities and clearly defined and prescribed teaching tasks College Career Readiness Standards and the Common Core Standards. Students will be transported to their registered home address by bus. If you choose to pick your child up, you must adhere to the 5:50 pick up time each day. In addition, all students must be picked up between 5:50-6:00 p.m. daily. There will be a charge of one dollar every minute that a student is left beyond 6:00 p.m.

Sincerely, Shelia Owens, Coordinator