

How would you describe the start of the school year so far? How is it similar to last year? How is it different from last year? What has changed between 4th and 7th grade?

My name is Annabelle Leal, and I go to Lone Star middle school. I'm currently in 7th grade. I enjoy shopping and eating out with family.

The start of the school year has been mostly normal. At this point everyone either has covid or has already had it. Numbers of positive covid tests were low in the summer but when school started the numbers quickly began to rise again. I wouldn't be surprised if we had to go back into lock down by December.

Last year I was doing online learning because of the virus, but I guess it's like this year because I could talk to people online, and most of my schoolwork is online. It's different from last year because I have been able to go back in person. I was completely isolated last year. No friends, no social life.

A lot has changed from 4th to 7th grade. Like my personality, being home with my brothers and parents has helped me learn to be more patient with people. Another example would be that I'm in middle school now. I have opened up more to people because I have a lot of classes around a lot of them. Lastly, I wanted to say that using computers has become a big part of our education.