March 5, 2021

Happy Friday WLMS Community!

This week the staff at the Lake were very excited to welcome back our first phase of students back to the building. A reminder as each new phase approaches WLMS Administration will be holding a virtual orientation to review expectations and procedures for students and families. Those dates are listed below in our upcoming events section. Additionally, this week began the new student schedule for all students. I am very impressed with how our students, staff, and community seamlessly made the adjustment to the new routine. Please continue to reach out to our front office and administrative team with any questions you have.

As always thank you for all you do to support our WLMS community. Have a great weekend.

Mr. Rattay

Important Dates:

March 10 – PTSA Restaurant Fundraiser – Chipotle @ The Columbia Mall 5pm-9pm March 15 – PTSA Restaurant Fundraiser – Nothing Bundt Cakes 9am-6pm March 25 – 6th grade 7:00pm Virtual Orientation for those returning to hybrid instruction March 29 – 6th grade **A Day** students return for hybrid instruction April 1 – 6th grade **B Day** students return for hybrid instruction April 2 – 6 – Spring Break – Schools closed April 8 – 7th & 8th grade 7:00pm Virtual Orientation for those returning to hybrid instruction April 12 – 7th & 8th grade **A Day** students return for hybrid instruction April 12 – 7th & 8th grade **A Day** students return for hybrid instruction April 12 – 7th & 8th grade **A Day** students return for hybrid instruction April 12 – 7th & 8th grade **B Day** students return for hybrid instruction April 15 – 7th & 8th grade **B Day** students return for hybrid instruction April 2 – 9^{TC} & 8th grade **B Day** students return for hybrid instruction April 15 – 7th & 8th grade **B Day** students return for hybrid instruction April 2 – 9^{TC} & 8th grade **B Day** students return for hybrid instruction April 2 – 9^{TC} & 8th grade **B Day** students return for hybrid instruction April 2 – 9^{TC} & 8th grade **B Day** students return for hybrid instruction

Health Room Notice

To ensure students are healthy enough to attend in-person instruction, parents/guardians are to perform a symptom check every day before the student leaves home. A student having any of the following symptoms should not be sent to school and may continue to access their classrooms virtually if they are well enough to do so: Maryland Department of Health Response to COVID 19 Positive Cases or COVID 19 Like Illness -

https://phpa.health.maryland.gov/Documents/COVID%20response%20for%20schools%20with %20decision%20aid_Update%203_FINAL_1.7.21.pdf-

- 1 of the following:
 - New onset cough, shortness of breath, or difficulty breathing;
 - \circ $\;$ New loss of taste or smell; OR
- 2 of the following:
 - Fever over 100.4 or chills within the past 24 hours;
 - Fatigue;
 - Muscle or body aches;

- Headache;
- Sore throat;
- Congestion or runny nose;
- Chills or shaking chills;
- Nausea or vomiting;
- o Diarrhea.

Additionally, student who have been in close contact (within <6 feet for a cumulative of >15 minutes over the past 24 hours with or without a mask) with anyone who tested positive for COVID-19 or is suspected of having COVID-19 (exhibiting COVID- like illness and has not tested negative after exhibiting symptoms) should not enter any HCPSS building. Parent/guardians will assess their children for symptoms of COVID-19 illness and refrain from sending/transporting them to school until after they have been symptom-free at least 10 days after the onset of symptoms, have no fever for at least 24 hours without the aid of fever-reducing medication, and have continued improvement of symptoms and /or medical consult with their primary care physician.

Virtual Events

HCPSS is sponsoring a virtual meet on **Supporting Your Child's Social and Emotional Well-Being During School Reentry** on Saturday, March 6 from 9-10:30 am. See the attached flier for more information.

The Council of Elders is presenting a workshop on **Suicide Prevention and Substance Abuse** on Saturday, March 13 from 9-10:30. See the Attached flier for more information.