



## **8th Grade Newsletter**

#### ELAR: Tori Sdao tsdao@LPSFrisco.com

All of my classes are working on our WWII unit. Please ask your child about the Butterfly Project that we started. We will finish up just in time for finals!



#### Math: Vendetta Hardy <a href="mailto:vhardy@lpsfrisco.com">vhardy@lpsfrisco.com</a>

We will be working on arithmetic sequences, recursive processes and completing EOY map testing

#### SS: Christyn Gossett <a href="mailto:cgossett@LPSFrisco.com">cgossett@LPSFrisco.com</a>

We are wrapping up on our films in class. Your student will now be starting their film project where they will create a movie Trailer, summary, and movie poster for their film based on an era they learned about this year.



Science: Stephanie Catalan <a href="mailto:scatalan@LPSFrisco.com">scatalan@LPSFrisco.com</a>

Students begin our Unit 12 by describing variations in traits and investigating how adaptations occur and how they affect an organism's survival. Students will classify trait variations as structural, behavioral, or physiological by participating in a group project, "Environmental Species". Students will investigate and describe changes in genetic traits that have occurred over several generations through natural selection. Students will interpret the correct order of the food web and will be able to discuss what are producers, primary consumers, secondary consumers, tertiary consumers, and apex predators. In finishing this year, we will complete the **EOY MAP on May 6th**, students will be **studying for the Final from May 12-20th**. "One of the first conditions of happiness is that the link between man and nature shall not be broken." —Leo Tolstoy



### **Electives**

Band: Michael Stone <u>mstone@LPSFrisco.com</u>

The High School Band won three huge trophies at this year's Heartland Music Festival, in Oklahoma City! The Middle and High School Bands will combine to form a huge band for Graduation!

Theatre: Brianna Lewallen <u>blewallen@LPSFrisco.com</u>

Students will be working on their final performances. They have chosen between preparing a monologue, group scene, or a musical song. They will research their character and be ready to perform their prepared piece from memory adding blocking, props, costumes, and characterization.

Art: Brooklynn Houston <a href="mailto:bhouston@lpsfrisco.com">bhouston@lpsfrisco.com</a>

Saving the best for last, we are finally getting to clay! Students typically look forward to this the most, so they will get to make clay pinch pots as part of their final project of the year!

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Please email me if you have any questions about what we are doing in class!

PRINC A/V (7/8) DIGITAL ART & ANIM : Jared Dubose <a href="mailto:jdubose@lpsfrisco.net">jdubose@lpsfrisco.net</a>

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DIGITAL ART & ANIM: jdubose@lpsfrisco.com

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FUND COM SCI (7/8) PRINC A/V (6-8): Parag Mahalley <a href="mailto:pmahalley@lpsfrisco.com">pmahalley@lpsfrisco.com</a>

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# Reminders/Important Info

- Stay up to date with LPS Activities by checking out their Calendar that is on the LPS Website! <u>Linked here.</u>
- Please check the Big Rocks Calendar for due dates and school events! This is in your child's Google Calendar.
- Please refer to the Parent/Student Handbook.
- If your child has not finished any MAP test or class quizzes/tests please have your child attend tutoring!
- Please check your child's chromebook. They should NOT be taking the case off. Nothing should be touching the computer except for the case. Any stickers need to be ON the case. No wrappers, sticky notes, or pictures should be under the case.
- <u>Student Ascender Portal Linked Here</u> (To See Grades!)
- Parent Ascender Portal Linked Here (To See Grades!)

# **Helper Helper**

- Please read the Helper Helper guidelines in the Parent Student Handbook (pp.87-90).
- If your student is new to LPS this year, then please have them send their full name and grade from their school email address to helperhelper@lpsfrisco.net. When the student's Helper Helper account is set up then they will receive an email to their school email account from <a href="mailto:info@helperhelper.com">info@helperhelper.com</a> with a temporary password.
- Questions? Please email helperhelper@lpsfrisco.net

#### LPS Calendar of the next 2 weeks SUNDAY MONDAY **TUESDAY** WEDNESDAY **THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY** 4 5 6 8 9 10 E.O.Y. Map Window 2:30p - 4:30p + 10th Grade DOL Presentations HIGH SCHOOL Teacher Appreciation Week MUSICAL PRODUCTION AP Blology -Secondary Prom Habit Award + AP World Dean's History -Secondary Cassual Dress Award-Casual Dress. 4:30p - 7:00p + (P.M.) AP English Lit. + - Secondary MS Volleyball 5:30p - 7:00p + Tryouts Senior Award Dinner (AMJ) AP Computer + Science Secondary (P.M.) 4:30p - 7:00p + MS Volleyball Tryouts 11 16 17 12 13 14 15 E.O.Y. Map Window 10th Grade + 8:30a - 3:00p + Softball & Baseball State Tour... + Awards Clash of the + Leadership DOL Ceremony Presentations Academy 5/14/25 Awards Ceremony 5:30p - 6:30p + 2:20p - 4:20p + Rising Senior Into Meeting 8th Grade (MS3) Rite of Class of 2026 6:00p - 10:00p+ Passage -Secondary Spring Sports Awards Ceremony. 19 21 18 20 22 23 24 Senior Fun Week Finals 1/2 Day+ Finals 1/2 Day+ Staff History - No School Secondary Secondary Secondary (P.M.) 2:00p - 4:00p + Graduation Rehearsal 6:00p - 8:00p + Graduation 5:00p - 6:00p + 5th Grade Showcase 25 27 29 31 26 28 30 Holiday - No + School Grades Posted

LPS Calendar Linked here.

### **Dresscode**

- Please refer to the Parent/Student Handbook.

Shirts 5th-12th	Short and long sleeve shirts must be white, navy or forest green collared shirts. High school students may also choose a black collared shirt. Shirts must be solid in color with no insignia or logos except for the LPS logo. If a long sleeve undershirt is worn under a short sleeve shirt, it must be solid white, navy or forest green.
Pants	Pants and shorts for all students (and capris for girls) are to be khaki-colored or navy and made of cotton twill material (no yoga, cargo, joggers, or athletic-type pants). A solid black or brown belt must be worn if there are belt loops. Shorts may be no more than 2 inches above the knee. Pants are to be worn at the natural waistline and hems of pants must not touch the floor. No pajamas or pajama bottoms are allowed.
Skirts/Skorts/ Jumpers	Girls may also wear khaki or navy skirts/skorts, and girls in K-4 may wear khaki or navy jumpers as well.  The length must be no shorter than four inches above the floor when kneeling, and solid navy modesty shorts are to be worn underneath skirts/skorts/jumpers at all times.

Any jackets, sweatshirts, etc are NOT allowed to have hoodies attached.

Any outerwear is also NOT allowed to have any logos.

If your child is wearing a skirt please make sure it is no shorter than 4 inches above their knees.

# **Dresscode (continued)**

Socks/Tights	If socks are worn, only solid white, black, or navy socks may be worn. Girls may also wear solid white or navy tights or leggings underneath skirts/skorts/jumpers. Tights must be from toes to waist. Leggings can go the ankle if worn underneath skirts/skorts/jumpers.
Shoes	Shoes must be worn at all times. Only closed-toed, closed-heel shoes with non-marking soles are allowed. Shoes must be predominantly white, black, brown, grey-or navy (can be athletic, loafer style, or dress shoes). Shoes with shoelace holes must have shoelaces. Shoelace color must be white, navy or neutral and in good repair. No flip-flops, sandals, slippers, clogs, crocs, wheelies, light up shoes, platform shoes, wedges, or boots of any kind are allowed. Tennis shoes must be worn in PE. Heel height shall not be more than 1 inch.
Outerwear	Sweaters, sweatshirts or jackets worn indoors must be in keeping with the school's color scheme (solid white, navy or khaki [or forest green in grades 5 and up]) or black or gray. They must not have any lettering or logos other than the LPS logo. No outerwear with hoods will be allowed to be worn indoors (Hoodies are not allowed). Spirit crew neck sweatshirts may be worn with uniform shirt collar visibly worn outside of the sweatshirt.

# **Dresscode (continued)**

#### Jean Day Guidelines

The Principal may occasionally designate casual clothing days (uniform free). Casual clothing or jean day dress must meet the requirements of the LPS dress code.

- · Pants must be worn at the natural waist.
- · Shorts must be the same length as uniform shorts.
- · Clothing must not be worn too tightly or oversized.
- No midriffs or short skirts.
- No shirts with logos or words as specified under Uniform Guidelines.
- · No tank tops or spaghetti straps.
- No flip-flop sandals, no open-toed/open heel shoes, no heel height of more than 1 inch
- No puffy jackets/vest.
- · Rules from handbook regarding jewelry, makeup, and hair apply.
- · Students should wear only blue denim jeans, shorts or skirts. There should not be any printed logos or emblems on jeans.
- Torn jeans or jeans with holes are not acceptable.
- Leggings may only be worn under uniform skirts.