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We have had an amazing start to this school year! Our first district benchmark over Fundamentals of Communication and the Reading MAP test will be given next week. Your child should have brought home a Parent Permission Form that tells you about my reading expectations and classroom library. Please ask your child if you haven't been given a copy. They are all supposed to bring back a signed copy.

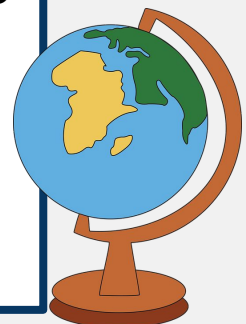
We will begin our first novel study next week. Each child needs a copy of *The Outsiders* by S.E. Hinton. I have a limited number of classroom copies available for students that prefer to borrow. This is one of my favorite

**Math:** Courtney Ferrari cferrari@LPSFrisco.com

This week all classes will gain access to IXL for math skills practice! 8th Grade Math will complete Unit 1 - Real/Rational numbers and begin Unit 2 - Statistics with Univariate Data. Algebra I will continue Unit 1 - Linear Expressions/Equations/Inequalities.

SS: Christyn Gossett cgossett@LPSFrisco.com

We are well on our way! Your students have looked at another's perspective by changing up a child's story to better understand how history is told. We will now start our Unit 2 by looking into colonization and the build up of the 13 colonies and our first steps into governing ourselves.



Science: Stephanie Catalan scatalan@LPSFrisco.com

As we move forward in science, we are getting into Topics Appropriate for Experiments, such as major components including the independent and dependent variables, pre-testing and post-testing, and experimental and control groups. Students will be able to identify quantitative and qualitative observations.

"The important thing is to never stop questioning." - Albert Einstein



Electives



PE: Shane Sharkey ssharkey@LPSFrisco.com
& Alex Percival apercival@LPSFrisco.com

Over the next two weeks in PE, we will continue to develop our volleyball skills and honing strategy as we begin to play full games! We will also be working on fitness and displaying good sportsmanship during team sports.

Band: Michael Stone mstone@LPSFrisco.com

I am so excited because this is the first year since I have been at LPS where we have an actual Middle School Band! The MS Band has been busy learning the band composition called "Vortex." This piece was originally performed by the High School Band three years ago, and now our Middle School Band is strong enough to learn it! They are also working on "highlights from Harry Potter."

Fundamentals of Computer Science: Raymond Jaksa rjaksa@LPSFrisco.com

Students will create a technical document explaining a fundamental computer science concept (e.g., algorithms, data structures, or programming basics) to a non-technical audience. They will then present this document orally to the class, demonstrating written and verbal communication skills. The assessment will be graded using a rubric that evaluates technical accuracy, clarity of explanation, use of appropriate terminology, and effective verbal and non-verbal communication during the presentation.

Theatre: Brianna Lewallen blewallen@LPSFrisco.com

Students will continue to research the different aspects of Greek Theatre, while also working as a class to build ensemble relationships as a group. We will look into different types of auditions, and specifically work on Cold reads in class by having the students read and act out scenes from different plays.

Reminders/Important Info

- Stay up to date with LPS Activities by checking out their Calendar that is on the LPS Website! [Linked here.](#)
- 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.
- [Student Ascender Portal Linked Here](#) (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 info@helperhelper.com with a temporary password.
- Questions? Please email helperhelper@lpsfrisco.net

LPS Calendar of the next 2 weeks

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
	TCSAAL Flag Football & Volleyball Begins + 5:00p - 6:30p Varsity Boys VB Game (Away) +	5:30p - 6:30p MS B FF Game (Away) +	5:00p - 6:00p JV VB Game (Home) + 5:00p - 6:00p MS B VB Game (Away) + 6:00p - 7:00p MS A VB Game (Away) + 6:00p - 7:30p Varsity Girls VB Game (Home) +	Class Shirt & Jeans + Boys VB Tournament + 5:00p - 6:00p MS C VB Game (Away) + 6:00p - 7:00p LPS School Board Meeting +		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		5:30p - 7:00p 5th-12th Grade Curriculum Night +	4:30p - 5:30p MS B VB Game (Away) + 4:30p - 5:30p MS B FF Game (Away) + 5:30p - 6:30p MS A FF Game (Away) + 5:30p - 6:30p MS A VB Game (Away) + 6:30p - 8:00p Varsity Girls VB Game (Away) + 6:30p - 7:30p Varsity FF (Away) (Requested to Reschedule) +		High School Club Fair + 6:30a - 7:30a Senior Sunrise Breakfast + 5:30p - 6:30p JV FF Game (Home) + 6:30p - 7:30p Varsity FF Game (Home) +	9:00a - 10:00a MS B VB Game (Home) + 10:00a - 11:00a MS A VB Game (Home) + 11:00a - 12:30p Varsity Girls VB Game (Home) + 12:30p - 2:00p Varsity Boys VB Game (Home) +

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		<p>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.</p>
Shoes	 	<p>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.</p>
Outerwear		<p>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.</p>

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.