Rancho News

From the Principal's Desk



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Upcoming Events

March 16-April 10

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• Phase I of Learning from Home

May 4th

• Proposed back to school date

April 13-return to school

• Phase II of Learning from Home

Learning From Home Curriculum Update



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Suddenlink WiFi Offer

Suddenlink is offering the the promo below. This is for Georgetown customers only, but we know a couple of neighborhoods fall into this category such as Rancho Sienna and Morningstar families.

Suddenlink – For households with K-12 and/or college students who may be displaced due to school closures and who do not currently have home internet access, Suddenlink is offering the Altice Advantage 30 Mbps broadband solution for free for 60 days to any new customer household within their footprint. Eligible households interested in this solution can call (888) 633-0030 to enroll or visit them online at suddenlink.com/coronavirus.



Free Internet and WiFi from Spectrum

COVID-19 Remote Education Credit

During this time of uncertainty due to COVID-19, our customers need to stay connected more than ever.

We're committed to offering special discounts to households affected by this virus. Beginning Monday, March 16, we'll offer free access to internet and WiFi for 60-days for new Pre-K to 12, college student and teacher households who don't currently have internet or WiFi service. This discount will be applied as a credit for your first two months of internet services. We'll waive any installation or pre-payment fees to help get you started.

You can qualify for this offer if you:

- Have a student of qualifying age at your service address with remote education needs
- Have not subscribed to our internet services within the past 30 days

Call (855) 243-8892 to sign up for this offer.

From the Nurse's Desk

Parents with an immediate need to pick up their child's medication(s) from the school, will need to email the Nurse, Jennifer Carpenter at <u>jcarpenter@libertyhill.txed.net</u> or Principal, Melanie Bowman at <u>mbowman@libertyhill.txed.net</u> to schedule a time for pick-up and receive pick up directions. We will have 2 available times to pick-up times this next week. Monday, 4/6 at 10am and Wednesday, 4/8 at 3pm. Please email at least 24 hours prior to your pick-up preference, so that we will be able to quickly deliver these to you in your vehicle. We will NOT have entry into the building. Parents or Guardians will be the only ones allowed to pick up their child's medications.



Zoom Student Safety

Our teachers have loved being able to join your child in your home digitally through the Zoom platform. You may have heard that there have been some challenges, outside of LHISD, with individual 'Zoombombing' into these virtual settings. We are pleased to shared that Zoom has embedded added security measures to ensure the privacy of individuals in these settings. Our staff were asked to discontinue use of this platform while the problem was resolved. With a solution in place, teachers will most likely choose to continuing using this user-friendly platform for communication with your child. You may notice additional security measures as your child enters the Zoom classroom such as a 'waiting room' that will not allow entry without the teacher's approval and/or passwords for entry only shared with invited guests. Additionally, I have asked teachers to end the Zoom session promptly following group time so that students do not linger in the chat room without adult supervision. If you should have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach our to your child's teacher.

Email from Special Education Department to All Families

FYI - A notice concerning services available through special education was delivered to all families yesterday. This notice is required by law and is for informational purposes.



COVID-19 Support

The unprecedented events we are experiencing may bring unforeseen hardships to you and your family. If you (or a loved one) find yourself needing extra support because of anxiety, stress, or emotional challenges, Texas Health and Human Services is offering support with their Covid-19 Mental Health Support Line. It is a statewide service that is free to all Texans. Services are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week at 833-986-1919.

For general health-related information and precautions on COVID-19, people can visit the <u>DSHS</u> webpage and the <u>CDC webpage</u>. To stay up-to-date on the latest news impacting HHS services and regulated providers, people can visit the HHS <u>COVID-19 webpage</u>.

For more information on mental health resources, find your local mental health authority here.

Texas Health and Human Services COVID-19 Mental Health Support Line

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If you or someone you know is feeling overwhelmed by the COVID-19 pandemic, *help is available.*

> Speak with a mental health professional for help dealing with anxiety, depression, stress, grief or worry 24/7.

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Call the toll-free COVID-19 Mental Health Support Line at 833-986-1919.



Salud y Servicios Humanos de Texas Línea de apoyo a la salud mental por el COVID-19

Si usted o alguien que conoce se sienten abrumados por la pandemia del COVID-19, **pueden recibir ayuda.**

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Comuníquese con un profesional de la salud mental para pedir ayuda con la ansiedad, la depresión, el estrés, la pena o la preocupación las 24 horas del día, los 7 días de la semana.

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Llame gratis a la línea de apoyo a la salud mental por el COVID-19 al

833-986-1919.





April Character Trait- Humility

In our Core Essentials, humility is described as "putting others first by giving up what you think you deserve." This isn't always an easy thing to do. But, we do it anyway. We want to show those around

us that we appreciate and value them. With all this time we have together, see how many things you can do to put the needs of others ahead of your own! As always, we appreciate your support! Stay healthy!

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Say it April



Liberty Hill Public Library Offers Free Electronic Resources for Families

Liberty Hill Public Library would like to offer library cards to your parents and students that do not have one so that they can may access the free electronic resources that we have.

If parents would like a card for themselves or their children they can text us at 512.675.2428 and say they would like a card, email us at <u>Stacia.Hershberger@lhpl.org</u>, and once we figure out how to get our phone from the library forwarded to one of our cell phones 512.778.6400. This forwarding will hopefully happen tomorrow, Thursday April 2. We will take their info over the phone, issue them card numbers immediately, and then mail the physical cards once we are open again.

We will issue cards from 10:00am-5:00pm but parents are free to text or email us at anytime and we will get to them ASAP. I only ask that they limit phone calls to that 10:00am-5:00pm time period since staff will be answering the phone from their homes. I also want to note that our OverDrive service limits the number of items checked out per account so if they anticipate multiple family members wanting to use the service, they might get individual accounts for family members.

A link to our catalog home page, which our electronic resources are listed on with clickable links, is

below. Only the TexShare databases, including Learning Express, need a library account, the others are free for anyone to use just by clicking on the links. Like many librarians, I am posting things to do and explore electronically on our Facebook page that they might find useful for educational or recreational purposes. I would greatly appreciate it if the parents would "like" our Facebook page. Our Facebook pages is the primary way that we communicate information with patrons as it is much easier to update than our Web page.

In normal times, if a patron/family (we link their accounts) has more than \$5.00 in fines, they cannot access electronic resources BUT I have suspended that limit for the duration. So if they owe fines, tell them not to worry, they can access our electronic resources. I am also brainstorming a way to reduce what people owe so when we reopen. Having fines does put a burden on families that cannot afford them and those families may need us the most.

Another thing to note is that OverDrive is experiencing heavy use right now because we are part of a consortium of 50+ libraries that share resources but I hope that everyone could find something. OverDrive is a one item = only item at a time system. The other electronic resources do not limit the number of patrons using the same resources at the same time.

Has you household income changed?

We wanted to reach out to our Liberty Hill ISD families who may have had a change in employment or circumstance because of COVID-19. If your income has changed and you would like to fill out a free/reduced meal application, you still have time. We are still accepting applications via Skyward Family Access. Please see the attached instructions for filling out an online application.

Please email Donna Burson @ dburson@libertyhill.txed.net with questions.



Want to stay connected?

Find us on Facebook, Twitter, LHISD App, and Youtube. Like, follow or subscribe to ensure you have all the latest information.

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Rancho Teacher Parade Fun!











































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