

Coyote Call

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14, 2020

THE WHIRLWIND BEGINS

We have entered into the Beginning of the School Year Whirlwind. Many staff members have been working this week to prepare for students, even though staff don't officially start until Monday. It has been wonderful to see everyone and hear the excitement for returning.

As more details are finalized across the District, please continue to watch for a flurry of information. I will share in emails, messages, and on our Facebook page as well.

See below for our Materials and Supplies Pick Up information.

MONDAY, AUGUST 24: First day of school, 9:00 am!!!!

Consider joining our Home and School Association. You can find their information on Membership Toolkit at: <https://lakewoodcreekhso.membershiptoolkit.com/>. This group of dedicated parents are an incredible support to staff and students at Lakewood Creek.

Kelley Budd,
Principal

MATERIALS, DEVICES, SUPPLIES, OH MY!

Material Pick Up:

Wednesday and Thursday, August 19th and 20th, 2:30-5:30pm, we will have materials pick up for all students. Please have your child(ren)'s name and grade clearly posted on a window as you come through the parent pick up line on the north side of the building. We will bring bags out to your car. You can come anytime during the pick up windows.

Device Check Out: Device distribution will continue next week. If you need a device and haven't completed the survey, please do so as soon as possible. If you completed the survey, but haven't heard anything, please continue to be patient. The technology department is managing thousands of requests. Here is the link to request a device: [Technology Survey](#).

Supply Lists: Please be sure all supplies on the supply list (except Kleenex and baby wipes) are available and accessible to your child when 'attending' school. Teachers will expect students to have the items while participating.

Class Lists: You will receive an email Tuesday, August 18th around 4:00pm with information about your child's teacher. You can also check teacher assignments in your Tyler Portal. You will hear from your child's teacher directly on Tuesday or Wednesday.

REMOTE LEARNING FOR ALL

As you are aware by now, the start of school will be quite different this year than in any other year, as we will begin the year in Remote Learning for All. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your patience and understanding as we navigate what the 2020-2021 school year has in store for all of us. Please know that our district leadership team, along with daily input from the elementary principals group has taken the safety and health of our students and staff into consideration throughout all of our conversations and planning. I look forward to the challenge that is ahead of us, and I personally invite you to partner with us and be a positive role model for your children - children will take on the personality and attitude of what they see and hear. Our Lakewood Creek school community is resilient and quite adaptable. LET'S DO THIS TOGETHER!!!

- Remote Learning was approved for the start of the school year. Here is a link to the website with additional information: <https://www.sd308.org/Page/24711>.
- Here is a link to a form you can fill out with any questions you may have: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSejs9hXqsfzBpZKIWb_1nN6DcWRLTmKp_4p4noupDIlgFkRzA/viewform. If you do have specific questions for me, please feel free to call or email me.
- There was a recommendation to push the start of the school year back a bit. We expect a decision to be shared at Monday's Board meeting.
- A "One to One" device plan for students in grades 5-12 was approved.
- There is another Board meeting on Monday, August 10th, at 7:30 p.m.

OFFICE HOURS

The Lakewood Creek office is generally open 9:00-3:30. We are unable to have visitors to the building at this time. Please call the office at 630-636-3200 if you have any questions. There is a table in the vestibule if you need to drop something off or pick something up. Masks are required in all buildings at all times.

ONLINE LEARNING TIPS FOR SUCCESS

Distance Learning Expectations

SLANT for Online Success

S	SPACE for Learning <ul style="list-style-type: none">★ Set up a workspace with all your supplies for class.★ Have a flat and stable surface to type and write on.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">★ Consider where you'll be comfortable, less distracted, and able to share audio and video.	 <p>Working from home</p>
L	LOOK at the screen <ul style="list-style-type: none">★ Close other distracting tabs★ Eliminate other screens that distract, including cell phones and televisions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">★ Use split screen feature to access other pages your teacher direct you to.	
A	ASK Questions <ul style="list-style-type: none">★ Access and Content Questions★ Use the chat with ?- to ask a question.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">★ Raise your hand to and wait to be called on to turn on your microphone.	 <p>ASK</p>
N	NOD your head <ul style="list-style-type: none">★ Be brave and turn your camera on whenever possible★ React to your teacher with facial expressions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">★ Use EMOJIs or NOD extension in the chat when you can't turn your camera on.	 <p>YAAASS</p>
T	TALK to Others <ul style="list-style-type: none">★ You will be called on to speak in class - Be prepared★ Volunteer to participate	<ul style="list-style-type: none">★ Be active in breakout rooms with classmates★ Stay on task and be appropriate	 <p>TALK</p>

WHAT IF?

Let's think about the possibilities! I am excited to face the challenge and opportunities ahead of us. What if....

What if instead of 'falling behind', this group of lockdown kids are actually ahead? Hear me out...

What if they have more empathy, enjoy family connection, can be more creative and entertain themselves, love to read, love to express themselves in writing?

What if they enjoy the simple things, like their own garden and sitting near a window in the quiet? What if they notice the birds and the dates the different flowers emerge, and the calming renewal of a gentle rain shower?

What if this generation are the ones to learn to cook, organise their space, do their laundry and keep a well-run home?

What if they learn to ride a bike, play a board game, do simple crafts, learn to bake, climb a tree, play without a screen?

What if they learn to understand the value of money, what's important and how to live with less? What if they learn to plan shopping trips and meals at home?

What if they learn the value of eating together as a family and finding the good to share in the small delights of the everyday?

What if they learn to just be: to be resilient, to be content?

What if they are the ones to place great value on our teachers and educational professionals, librarians, public servants and the previously invisible essential support workers?

What if, among these children, a great leader emerges who had the benefit of a slower pace and a simpler life to truly learn what really matters in this life?

What if they are **AHEAD?**

Via Buckden Primary

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PLAN AHEAD!

August 19 & 20: Materials Pick Up, 2:30-5:30

August 24: First Day of School, 9:00am

September 7: No School - Labor Day

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HSO MEMBERSHIP TOOLKIT:

Did you sign up for the Membership Toolkit yet? Our amazing HSO will use Membership Toolkit for spirit wear sales, sign ups, volunteers, school directory, news, updates, and much more. Be sure to create your account at <https://lakewoodcreekhso.membershiptoolkit.com/>




ABOUT LAKEWOOD CREEK

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Lakewood Creek Elementary School, home of the Coyotes, is located in Montgomery, Illinois. It is part of Oswego School District 308. We proudly serve around 700 students.

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