

Coyote Call

FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 2020

MANAGING FROM HOME

We have now officially started "Remote Learning" as we practice "Social Distancing" and follow the "Stay At Home" order. I feel like I have heard those words hundreds of times each day, along with "uncharted territory," "unprecedented," and "extreme circumstances." As a self-proclaimed tech savvy person, I thought I was in good shape for whatever Remote Learning had to offer. However, like many of you, I have learned more about Google Classroom and Google Hangouts than I ever even knew existed. Through this whole experience, I am reminded that I am always a student.

Quite a bit of uncertainty has been thrust upon you as parents, our students, and our staff. I am so incredibly proud of the learning, willingness to grow, and support being shared. I also want to emphasize that we all need to give grace to ourselves and those around us. In some ways, we are 'building the plane as we are flying.' In other ways, we have been forced to re-examine and re-prioritize what is most important in our learning journey.

Next week, Wednesday, starts the first official day of Remote Learning that can (and will) include new content. **At this point, every child should have connected with their classroom teacher, typically on Google Classroom.** Many classes have already been engaging with each other, getting used to how Google Classroom works, supporting one another, and setting expectations for instruction moving forward. **If you have not yet joined a Google Classroom or connected with your child(ren)s teacher, please reach out immediately.** It is crucial that we connect with everyone!

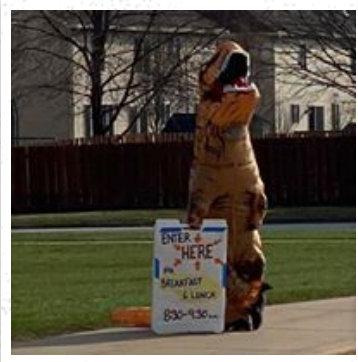
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Below is the schedule for Monday-Thursday next week.

Elementary Remote Learning: OPTIONAL "Live" Meeting Days/Times

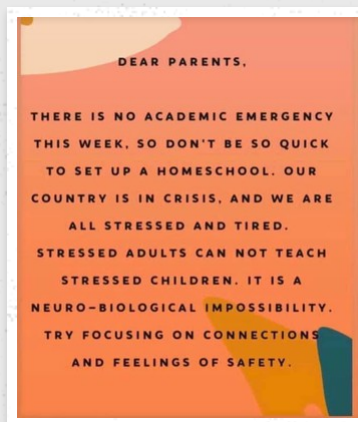
Here is the ABCDE schedule for the OPTIONAL "Live" meeting days/times. Please remember that teachers are not required to hold live meeting times. However, if they choose to, they will be done according to the schedule below.

	A Days Wednesday, 4/8/20	B Days Thursday, 4/9/20	C Days	D Days Monday, 4/6/20	E Days Tuesday, 4/7/20
9:00	9:00 Grade 1	9:00 Kindergarten	9:00 Grade 1	9:00 Kindergarten	9:00 Elementary Staff Meetings
10:00					
11:00	11:00 Grade 2		11:00 Grade 2		
12:00					
1:00					
2:00 2:45	2:00 Grade 3 2:45 Grade 4	2:00 Grade 5	2:00 Grade 3 2:45 Grade 4	2:00 Grade 5	



MEAL PICKUP

A dinosaur helped distribute meals this week. Next week, we switch to Monday & Wednesday pickups only.



ALLOW YOURSELF SOME GRACE

We're in this together.
#WeGotThis



SOCIAL DISTANCING

#StayHealthy

GOOGLE HANGOUTS VS. ZOOM MEETINGS

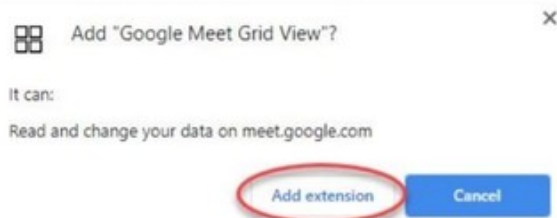
Some have wanted Google Hangouts to "look" more like Zoom Meetings. This extension allows Google Hangouts to show a 'grid' of participants. See the instructions below.



Using the Google Meet Grid View Extension for Google Chrome

Note: You must use the Chrome Browser. This tool does not work on tablets or mobile devices. Steps 1-3 only have to be done once.

1. Click on or type in bit.ly/gmgridview in Chrome
2. Click on the "Add to Chrome" button.
3. Click on the "Add Extension" button.



4. You will now see the Google Meet Grid View extension to the right of your Chrome url bar.



5. In a Google Meet you will now see a grid button in the upper right hand corner that toggles to turn it on or off as you click it.



When you turn it on you will see all participants in a grid view.

Note: The host can mute people in grid view.



PLAN AHEAD!

No students in schools until further notice. All dates listed are subject to change.

May 4-8: Teacher Appreciation Week

Thursday, May 7: HSO Meeting, 7:00

Saturday, May 9: Lakewood Creek Cougars Game

Monday, May 11: Alma Mater Monday - wear college/career/tech/military clothes

Friday, May 15: Alumni Walk, 2:00

Thursday, May 21: Tentative Last Day of School

Monday, August 17: Preview Night, 5:30-7:00

Wednesday, August 19: First Day of School!

Thursday, September 3: Curriculum Night 6:00-7:30

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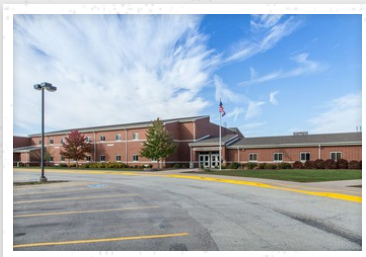
<https://facebook.com/lakewoodcreek308>

Give us a positive review while you're there!

HSO MEMBERSHIP TOOLKIT:

Did you sign up for the Membership Toolkit yet? Our amazing HSO will use Membership Toolkit this year for room parties, spirit wear sales, sign ups, volunteers, school directory, news, updates, and much more. Be sure to create your account at

<https://lakewoodcreekhso.membershiptoolkit.com/>



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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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