

WOLF NEWS

Liberty Pines Academy



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Message from Mrs. Hemingway

Liberty Pines Academy Families,

COVID 19 – Let me begin by saying how much we miss our students. We are concerned for our students' health and well-being, as well as our families and staff. None of us have experienced a pandemic before; however, the students, families, educators, county and community leaders, and all other stakeholders have quickly risen to the occasion. I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone for your kindness and support through this challenging time.

You can protect yourself and help prevent spreading the virus to others if you:
Do:

- Wash your hands regularly for 20 seconds, with soap and water or alcohol-based hand rub
- Cover your nose and mouth with a disposable tissue or flexed elbow when you cough or sneeze
- Avoid close contact (1 meter or 3 feet) with people who are unwell
- Stay home and self-isolate from others in the household if you feel unwell

Don't:

- Touch your eyes, nose, or mouth if your hands are not clean

Online Learning – A HUGE thank you to our teachers, parents, and students. We are in the full swing with our Schoology Conferencing and online learning. It has been a pleasure joining sessions and watching the innovative lessons our teachers are providing and hearing the excitement in the students voices as they talk to their classmates and teacher throughout the lesson. The administration team wants to thank all our families for their support, patience, and understanding as we tackled the online learning platform and all the challenges we encountered. We truly are an amazing community that supports one another. We miss our students and are looking forward to students returning to our building.

LPA Learning Leader,
Traci Hemingway

Counselor's Corner

Hello to our LPA community! Hope this newsletter finds you well and that everyone is safe and healthy in your home. We wanted to check in and let you know we are hard at work putting resources together for your students to use while working at home virtually. We would like to invite you all to look at our Counselor's Corner Schoology page. Our access code is: 6457-75J4-WB2JQ

We have posted a lot of resources and videos the students will love, many are focused on social emotional learning. Please reach out if we can help support your students or your family in any way.

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FYI ...

April 10th and 13th remain holidays. Schoology will not have any live sessions.

Schoology Conferences are all recorded so students not able to participate live can view it at a later time. Reminder that they only last for 7 days.

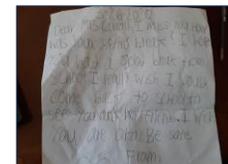
PTO UPDATES

Spring Carnival:

The Spring Carnival is cancelled, and plans to refund families that have already purchased tickets (and for remaining PTO events) will be announced on the PTO Facebook page soon.

LPA Rocks:

LPA Rocks, scheduled for April 9th, is postponed. Families are welcome to starting painting their own rocks at home until we know when they can be placed at school.



LPA misses our Wolf Pack too!

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ONE WORLD, ONE HOPE!
NOW MORE THAN EVER!

While Relay isn't cancelled, but rather postponed, the mission isn't postponed. We can't imagine being a cancer patient or a caregiver during this incredibly trying and complicated time. We also can't imagine giving up on them. The reality is, cancer diagnoses won't slow down. Calls to our 1-800# won't stop. Hope Lodges will still need to keep the lights on. People will still need rides to life-saving treatment. In truth, they'll need us more than ever.

Community won't stop.
Conversations won't stop.
The American Cancer Society can't stop.
We are One World, One Hope
and our mission won't stop.

What Can I Do To Help?

- Logan Weinstein

We at LPA hope this newsletter finds you and your family safe at home. This section of the newsletter has the sole purpose of cheering you up during this difficult time. You and your family may find yourselves with lots of new free time you have never had before. The best way to fill this time and feel happy is to help out. Help meet a need in society and be rewarded with a joyful heart. Here's a list of ideas:

- Help the elderly in your neighborhood. Call or text older neighbors and relatives to check in. Since individuals over age 60 are considered high-risk, it's recommended that they practice even more stringent social-distancing, but you can chat with them on the phone or by FaceTime
- Consider fostering a pet. Animal shelters are reducing services and cancelling fundraisers. By fostering or adopting a pet you can help reduce the strain on the shelters. Some shelters also offer pet support services for low-wage families who may not be able to afford caring for their fostered pet. Check with your local shelter to see if there are ways you can donate or help.
- We Are Family Senior Outreach Network connects with seniors to provide services, companionship and help with grocery deliveries. The group is working to bring necessities and food to low-income, older adults in the District who need to stay home during the crisis. Find ways to get involved with this company.
- Making gifts for the infected. Making gifts like quilts or cards for these people just to show you care is a great idea, but first contact hospitals to be sure they agree and allow what you are planning to do. Make sure to show the elderly love the same way. Sending them gifts is just one of the ways to make them feel better when they're cooped up at home.
- Chalk art work for your driveway. Getting children involved in this one is a great idea. This is a great way to stay safe and show people you care. Mosaics and original artwork are just a few ideas. This will add cheer to the neighborhood walkers in your area.

We hope this gives you and your families some ideas of what to do! We hope you are all doing well and getting a strong start to the online learning program.

LPA Drama Corner

Mrs. Herkel and her wonderful cast and crew were very sad to cancel production of the Sound of Music. Hopefully they will host an online sing a long that will be posted on line! Stay tuned!

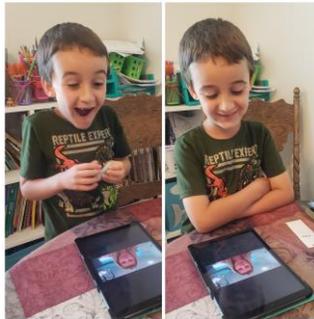
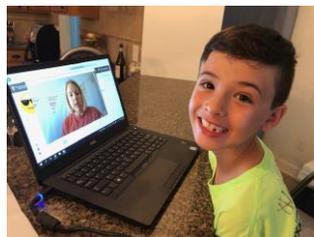
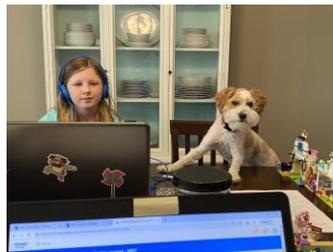


Media Matters

- Book Flix is now setup with a user/password so kids can access from home. Students can access by going on the student links page and click on BookFlix (icon in the middle)
Username: libertypines
Password: wolves
- eCards were launched yesterday at SJCLPS! The St Johns County Public Library System is now offering county residents instant online eCard signup. If you don't already have one, you can get a temporary library card, good for 60 days, to access the library's online collection of eBooks, eAudiobooks, streaming movies, music, digital magazines, and more.
- Signing up is easy right from the link below. Make sure you write down the card number after you register. You can use your new eCard number to log in Hoopla, OverDrive, and RB Digital online library collections. Once the library reopens we encourage all county residents to come into any St. Johns County Public Library System branch to get your permanent card.
<https://sjcpls.org/sjcpls-now-offers-an-instant-ecard-for-online-collections/>
- Also, students can check out eBooks from Destiny at LPA. (Also located on the LPA Student Links page).



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Creating ... Collaborating ...
Exploring ... Journaling ...
Baking ... Exercising ...
Investigating ... Connecting ...
these Wolves have got it covered!



IN THE SPOTLIGHT AT LPA



STAR STUDENTS

SPANISH CLASS UPDATE

Intermediate Spanish students will be writing letters in Spanish to be sent to Spanish speaking elders that are not allowed visitors now and might be feeling lonely and worried.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Mrs. Andrea Clark, middle school math teacher, would like to recognize Kelton Sparks. Kelton is an LPA 7th grader who took the initiative and organized our school's first Dungeon's and Dragons Club.

SJMSAA SPORTS UPDATES:

Outlined below is a list of spring sports and where they currently stand in relation to their season.

Golf – Uniforms printed, matches not yet played

Tennis – Uniforms printed, matches not yet played, tennis pros paid

Softball – Uniforms Delivered, two weeks of season played, County Parks paid

Baseball – Uniforms Delivered, no games played

As of now, sports commissioners have been directed to look at the latest possible start time that will still get their season finished before the 2021 school semester begins in August. If we can return to action safely, we will do so to complete the season (even if over the summer months). We will not make any final decisions on closing these sports down for the year until after our April 18th update.

Our fall sports offerings of Football, Soccer, and Cheerleading are currently looking at their options should this event continue into their seasons. As of today, SJMSAA has taken two measures to mitigate any possible issues for fall.

First, SJMSAA Football will forgo a spring season for 2020. Our goal is to focus on our fall season, and we will be incorporating a "Fall Jamboree" in lieu of a "Spring Showcase". With this said, registration for football will remain open until mid-July. At that time, should we be back to operational status, we will contact all registered members with information regarding tryouts, and the fall season. Should this scenario play out, we will be able to offer the same football experience we always have, we will just move our spring session to early fall.

Registration for Cheerleading will remain open until April 1ST. At this time the plan for Cheerleading is to hold virtual tryouts. With our partners in the cheer world we were able to utilize a format for tryouts that has been utilized in the collegiate level for some time with great success. Our cheer commissioner and coaches have been hard at work designing a virtual cheer tryout that will allow our members to tryout from the safety and comfort of home. Student Athletes will receive a tryout email if they are registered for Cheer on or about April 3rd. In this welcome email it will have directions on how to create, perform, and prepare for their upcoming cheer tryout. Student Athletes will submit their completed tryout to their coaches for review and team selection. The purpose for moving to a virtual format for tryouts for cheer is because we are up against some deadlines for deciding on our annual cheer camp. Should we decide to hold our annual cheer camp, we need to put down a sizeable deposit ASAP. This requires us to continue forward with collecting registration funds for cheer. Soccer is still several months away and is not an immediate concern.

In closing, I want to thank all of our wonderful members for their continued support; and understanding as we navigate these new waters with an abundance of caution and optimism. SJMSAA as mentioned earlier will provide the next update on April 18th 2020. Until such time, please stay safe, stay well, and stay fit!

Stay tuned next month for more updates from SJMSAA!

Congratulations to Pranavi Nagpal!

We are very pleased to announce that LPA student, Pranavi Nagpal, was selected for the American Association of University Women's 2020 Tech Trek Florida STEM camp for girls at Stetson University from June 14th to June 20th. Pranavi will be one of only ten girls from the school district and ninety-eight girls state-wide to be chosen for this outstanding opportunity and she is to be heartily congratulated! While the camp status is still up in the air due to COVID 19 restrictions, this is still quite the accomplishment and we are honored to have Pranavi represent LPA in the STEM field and the St. Augustine AAUW is happy to encourage her in a STEM career

In home work outs
are always an option
to stay fit!



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