

## WELCOME BACK

Wednesday, September 6, 2017 for K- 5, UPK on September 7, 2017

### WHAT IS NEW AT LMS?

1) **Raptor System-** What is it?  
What do I need to remember when I visit school?

The Raptor Security System is a visitor management system that is used to protect the students, faculty and staff within the school building during school hours. The system will provide a consistent mechanism for tracking visitors and volunteers across the district. The system quickly prints visitor badges that include a photo, the name of the visitor, time, date, and purpose or visit destination. This badge is to be visible while in the building.

All visitors will need to present a valid driver's license or government ID to be scanned using this system for access past the main entrance. Your license will be scanned and compared to a national database that consists of registered sex offenders from all 50 states. If a match is found, school administrators can take appropriate steps to keep the school safe. Once you have presented your photo ID and have been entered into the system, you will not be required to present the photo ID in the future, as we will retrieve you from our system.

We appreciate your **understanding and patience** with the new system to ensure the safety of all students and staff in our building.

2) **Entering LMS-** Press the button, no need to knock- How do I enter school? What has changed?

When you visit school, you will continue to enter at the main lobby entrance, however instead of knocking, you will simply push the button to gain entry. Once the door is unlocked, and you enter the building, you will visit the main office. Please use the ramp entrance door with the welcome sign or the door closest to the main office. The middle set of doors is not equipped with the unlock mechanism. The doors are labeled to assist visitors.

3) **District Allergy Policy-** What is it? What do I need to remember when I visit school?

LMS has been proactive from the start with responding and implementing preventative steps to ensure safety for all students. Safety actions already in place include, and are not limited to, the labeling of 'nut free zones/rooms/tables' and 'mandatory hand washing'. We will continue to expect any food packages delivered to the office or classrooms to be labeled with contents. Classroom teachers will continue to communicate concerns and approve food items for their classrooms (snacks, treats). Before dropping food items off or bringing items in, please ask the classroom teacher if there are food concerns for the classroom. When you visit school, please refrain from eating in hallways or areas where food items are NOT allowed (auditorium, gymnasium, lobby). Thank you for your continued understanding.

## LMS PRINCIPLES: VALUE. SUPPORT. STRIVE

### LMS CELEBRATES STUDENT GROWTH!

**It is official- LMS is no longer a LAP school!**

What does that mean? First take a walk back two years to August 2015, when we were notified that our students had not made adequate yearly progress for over three years in ELA. We responded immediately collecting and evaluating information and data, then collaboratively designing a plan for improvement. Faculty and staff fully committed to the plan and have worked to ensure growth among all students over the past two years.

This amazing accomplishment in such a short time is attributed to the focus and efforts of our LMS faculty and staff. The team continues to focus on learning, supporting one another, and always striving for improvement within themselves, and offering

challenges to one another towards excellence. We model for our students- value, support, strive each and every day.

The entire staff and faculty along with you, at home and within the community, are responsible for the success of our students. When all stakeholders work together to support learning, we can accomplish anything.

Join me in celebrating this great accomplishment, it is important for us to take time to recognize and celebrate accomplishments. It does not mean our work is 'done', in fact, we are just beginning. Let us together make this 2017-2018 school year the best year yet. My best to you all, Ms. Lohret

MORNING PROGRAM 2017-2018 THEME:

**'DO LIFE BIG' –**

YOU ARE ENOUGH TO CHANGE THE  
ATMOSPHERE!

We believe in the potential of each and every student to have a positive impact on the world! Let's do life big this 2017-2018 school year and keep on going!

#### IMPORTANT DATES

DISTRICT EARLY DISMISSAL SEPTEMBER 8  
AND SEPTEMBER 15

LMS OPEN HOUSE OCTOBER 5 5:30 TO 6:30

At Lura M. Sharp, we *value, support, and strive* each and every day towards excellence.

1) We **value** each other.

We encourage **everyone's input** and recognize **each other's contribution** to the **team's success**.

2) We **support** each other.

We promote **collaboration, cooperating and planning**. We make **team decisions** with the **end in mind**.

3) We **strive** for continuous improvement.

We adopt and live with a **growth mindset**. *Whatever it takes.*



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