

September 30, 2022



Family Newsletter



This weekly publication is designed to keep you informed on upcoming events and important reminders.

Important Dates

Wednesday, October 5: No School, Yom Kippur

Thursday, October 6: Curriculum Night, 6:00-8:00 P.M.

Friday, October 7: Blue/Green Spirit Day (wear your shirt!)

Friday, October 7: Multi-Tiered System of Support Information Session, 12:00-1:00 P.M. (virtual)

Monday, October 10: No School, Indigenous People's Day

Monday, October 10: PIE Executive Committee Nomination Deadline

Thursday, October 13: Grade Level Parent Presentation for 11th grade, 6:00-7:00 P.M. (virtual)

Friday, October 14: Pajama Day

Friday, October 14: All School Bake Sale

Wednesday, October 19: All School Unity Day Wear Orange

Wednesday, October 19: Speaker Series event, 6:00-7:15 P.M. (virtual)

Thursday, October 20: Parent Advisory Group meeting, 9:00-10:00 A.M. (virtual)

Thursday, October 20: Grade Level Parent Presentation for 10th grade, 6:00-7:00 P.M. (virtual)

Friday, October 21: Multi-Tiered System of Support Information Session, 8:00-9:00 A.M. (virtual)

Wednesday, October 26: Grand Friends Day, 10:00-10:45 A.M. (virtual)

Wednesday, October 26: Early Release, 11:00 A.M.

Thursday October 27: Grade Level Parent Presentation for 9th grade, 6:00-7:00 P.M. (virtual)

Friday, October 28: Orange & Black Day

Friday, October 28: Middle School Halloween Social, 2:45-5:00 P.M.

Friday, October 28: High School Halloween Dance, 7:00-9:00 P.M.

Thursday, November 3: Grade Level Parent Presentation for 8th grade, 6:00-7:00 P.M. (virtual)

Tuesday, November 8: Transition Information Night, 6:00-8:00 P.M.

Announcements & Reminders

>>>[Weekly Lunch Menu](#)<<<

Curriculum Night

We are thrilled to announce that we will be having in person Curriculum Night. Please join us on **Thursday, October 6th from 6:00 to 8:00 P.M.** at Learning Prep School, where you will have an opportunity to follow your student's schedule, meet their teachers, and hear about the amazing things your student will be learning this year. Parents and guardians will follow their student's Thursday schedule and will have an opportunity to rotate through their day (see schedule below). Schedules will be given out that evening for parents and guardians to follow.

Lastly, we will be having middle and high school Student Council members available to be guides and help families find where they are supposed to be so please feel free to ask for help.

Period 1	6:05 - 6:15
Period 2	6:18 - 6:28
Period 4	6:31 - 6:41
Period 5	6:44 - 6:54
Period 6 (HS) / 7 (MS)	6:57 - 7:07
Period 8	7:10 - 7:20
Period 9	7:23 - 7:33

Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS) Information Sessions

The Learning Prep Multi-Tiered System of Support is our systematic, data-informed, multi-step process of providing instruction and support to promote the academic and behavioral success of all our students. We are thrilled to begin to implement this for our students this year. When we informed you of this program over the summer, we mentioned we would provide more information about it after the start of the year. With that in mind, we are pleased to invite you to an MTSS information session to parents/guardians over Zoom. There are two options for the same presentation listed below:

Zoom 1: Friday, October 7, 12:00 - 1:00 P.M.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83977384227>

Zoom 2: Friday, October 21, 8:00 - 9:00 A.M.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89853441600>

During this information session, we will discuss Tier I Accommodations offered to all LPS students as well as how we monitor progress and collect data to make proactive decisions about further instruction and intervention.

We look forward to seeing you there! Please email [Amy Plante](#) or [Amy Davis](#) if you have any questions.

LPS Grand Friends Day

Learning Prep School is thrilled to once again celebrate Grand Friends Day - a special day dedicated to the grandparents, families, and special friends of our students. **Join us on Wednesday, October 26 from 10:00-10:45 A.M** as we share school updates, activities, and honor the support you provide to LPS students each and every day.

Due to the positive response from previous years and ability for more Grand Friends to join from across the country, we will once again be holding this event via Zoom. [Click here to RSVP](#)

PIE Meeting Recap and Information

We had our first Partners in Education (PIE) meeting last week after our Parent Breakfast. Thank you to everyone who attended. It was so great to see you all in person. Please see the slideshow and notes from the meeting attached. If you have any questions please feel free to reach out to me and I'd be happy to set up a call.

- Amy Davis

Links:

[Notes from the meeting](#)

[Slideshow](#)

Call for PIE Executive Committee Nominations

Here is information and a timeline on our nomination process for our PIE Executive Committee. **We are looking for 2 Middle School parents/guardians to join our team.** Please let me know if you have any questions.

Please see the attached slideshow with detailed information on the nomination process to become a member of the PIE executive committee.

Please note: nominations are due by October 10.

- Amy Davis

Link:

[PIE Executive Committee Nomination process](#)

Dismissal Reminders

As we have been in school for a month, it is a good time to remind parents of dismissal procedures. To ensure student safety, if you plan on picking your child up from school, please be sure to:

1: Contact either Clara for Middle School or Dawn for High School by 8:00 A.M.

2: Call your cab driver/company and inform them of the change of dismissal for the day.

Even though some of the cabs pick up other students, it is a courtesy to let them know that your child is not riding home with them.

We appreciate your cooperation to help dismissal run smoothly.

LPS Special Olympics Basketball

In partnership with LPS and Special Olympics Volunteer Coaches

Start Date: November 9th - the 2022/23 season lasts for 15 weeks.

Practices are Wednesdays 2:45 – 4:00 P.M. at the LPS Gym.

Cost is \$25.00.

This is a program that is offered to HS students. All HS students are welcome! No prior sporting experience needed. Space is limited and offered on a first come basis.

For questions, please contact Katya Farrell at katyagard@gmail.com or via cell at 617-306-9322

Speaker Series Event

"Understanding Anxiety in Children and Adolescents: Recognizing Symptoms and Helpful Strategies"

Wednesday, October 19, 2022

Chromebook Memo

LPS's goal is for each student to reach their full potential. LPS believes technology allows for educators and schools to adapt to their students' needs - creating a more engaging and accessible environment. The

6:00 - 7:15 P.M.
Virtual event via Zoom

By: Meredith Sullivan, LICSW, Counseling Supervisor, Learning Prep School & Katrina Keenan, M.Ed., School Adjustment Counselor, Learning Prep School

Anxiety in children and adolescents is at an all-time high. It's no surprise - in addition to living through a pandemic, students still face the attentional demands of 24/7 digital connectivity and the stressors of growing up. In this Speaker Series event, Meredith Sullivan, LICSW, and Katrina Keenan, M.Ed., cover the common symptoms of anxiety and how to recognize them in children and adolescents. They also discuss helpful strategies for coping with symptoms and review how to start looking for effective professional support when strategies at home and school are not enough.

All Speaker Series events are free and open to the public.

[CLICK HERE TO RSVP](#)

school loans a Chromebook, charger, headset (optional) and mouse (optional) to each student.

We have reminded our students this week that Chromebooks belong to LPS and should be used with care. The LPS Chromebook is being lent to students for school purposes only (homework and schoolwork). LPS email is only to be used for school work or to contact teachers regarding class. The Chromebook is not to be used for any other purpose such as games, video calls, social media, and emailing friends). At home we ask that Chromebooks only be used for homework.

Please feel free to refer to the LPS Parent Handbook for more information regarding our policy or feel free to reach out to your child's counselor, Susan Smith Powers (MS) or Amy Plante (HS) if you have questions or concerns. Thank you for your continued support.

2022-2023 School Year Calendar

The full [2022-2023 School Year Calendar](#) is available [here](#).

Get Involved

The next Parent Advisory Group (PAG) meeting is: **Parent Advisory Group on Thursday, 10/20 from 9-10 A.M.** (virtual)

Family Directory

Is available via DIRECTORYSPOT. To access:

- Download DirectorySpot from the app store.
- Enter your email address as the username.
- Click RESET PASSWORD

Know someone who would benefit from LPS?

If you know someone who may be looking for a place like LPS, please encourage them to attend one of our weekly, Virtual Information Sessions - encourage them to reach out to [Pat Pingeton](#)!

School Store

Here's a great way to show your Panther Pride!

Check out [The School Store](#) today!



Parent Facebook Group

To foster connections among our current LPS families we have created a private Facebook group just for you called: **LPS Panther Parents & Families Group.**

[Click this link to join!](#)

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