



LGPS CARDINAL CONNECTION

Sunday, November 17, 2024

Principal Message

Dear Cardinal Families,
This week is packed with exciting events, including **picture retakes**, **Tuesday's PTA Dine & Donate** night, and a viewing of "Screen Out." We're especially excited for **One District, One Family Day on November 21**, where all students will receive a special t-shirt to celebrate unity.
Please take a moment to remind your child of our school expectations: being safe, respectful, and responsible in all settings. Your support helps create a positive learning environment for everyone.
Thank you for partnering with us in your child's education!

Mr. Finger

Home Resources

Learning begins and ends with our children's first and most important teacher; their family. We are so pleased to partner with you in your child learning and development.

Reading

Sound Out Words Together

When reading with your child, pause on simple words and encourage them to sound out each letter. For example, "c-a-t" becomes "cat." This practice helps build confidence in blending letter sounds and boosts early reading skills!

Math

Count & Compare

While at home, pick two groups of items—like apples and bananas or toy cars and blocks—and ask your child which group has more or less. This simple activity strengthens counting skills and helps them understand the concept of comparing quantities.

Picture Retake Day Rescheduled for Monday, Nov 18

If you did not like the pictures you purchased families will need to return them on Monday for the retake. They will also take photos of any students/staff that were absent or are new. They will be here from about 8:30- 10:30

- 11/18 - Rescheduled Picture Re-Take Day
- 11/19 - PTA Dine & Donate @ Mama's Pizza
- 11/19 - LGPS Hosting Viewing of Screen Out in LGPS Cafeteria from 6:30 - 8:30
- 11/19 - 11/21 - Cardinal Cart Visits to Classrooms
- 11/21 - One District One Family Day - All kids will receive a t-shirt to wear today!
- 11/27 - 11/29 - Happy Thanksgiving Break!
- 12/2 - PTA Snow Flake Gram Kick Off (

Upcoming dates:



Your chance for picture retakes is coming up Mon, Nov 18

ABSENTEE & RETAKE PICTURE DAY



**BACKGROUNDS MAY VARY
- MORE CHOICES ONLINE!**

RETAKE:

For a no charge retake, return the entire package to the photographer on retake day.

ABSENTEE:

Please Order Now!



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Build Your Own
You can select multiple backgrounds & build your package.
MUST PURCHASE ONLINE TO SELECT MULTIPLE BACKGROUNDS!

LOCUST GROVE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Absentee/Retake Picture Day is

November 18, 2024

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order code for online purchases
(password expires 24 hrs. after picture day)

CLICK TO ORDER

THIS IS A PREPAY EVENT. PAYMENT IS DUE ON PICTURE DAY. *Este es un evento prepagado. Pago se debe entregar el dia de las fotos.*

Unsure? Call the LGPS school nurse

540-661-4420 x 4010



SEE YOU IN CLASS

Runny nose or a mild cough but no other symptoms
Temperature below 100.4 and no fever reducing medicine in the last 24 hours
No throwing up or diarrhea in the last 24 hours

BEST TO STAY HOME

Fever of 100.4 or higher in the last 24 hours, with or without fever reducing medicine
Persistent Cough
Vomiting or diarrhea
Instructions from a doctor to isolate from others

Heading to school! What should I know?

By coming to school every day they're not sick, your child is:

Building positive habits and a solid foundation for success

Staying engaged in learning and on track for graduation

Gaining valuable social skills

Less likely to feel stressed and anxious

Supporting the success of all

My Child is staying home. What should I do next?

Notify the school by phone or email at 540-661-4415
lindahopkins@ocss-va.org

If possible let us know before 9:30am on the day of the absence

Repeat this checklist every morning.

We hope to see your student in class soon!!

Please use this guidance to help you decide if we should see you in class or if your child should stay home.

We want you to get better when needed but need you in school as often as possible.

¿No estás seguro? Llama a las enfermeras de la escuela.
540-661-4420 x 4010



TE VEO EN CLASES

Secreción nasal o tos leve pero sin otros síntomas

Temperatura inferior a 100,4 y sin medicamentos para reducir la fiebre en las últimas 24 horas.

Sin vómitos ni diarrea en las últimas 24 horas.

¿De camino a la escuela!
¿Qué debo saber?

Al venir a la escuela todos los días y no estar enfermo, su hijo:

Desarrollar hábitos positivos y una base sólida para el éxito

Mantenerse comprometido con el aprendizaje y encaminado hacia la graduación

Adquirir valiosas habilidades sociales

Es menos probable que se sienta estresado y ansioso.

Apoyando el éxito de todos los estudiantes

LO MEJOR ES QUEDARSE EN CASA

Fiebre de 100.4 o más en las últimas 24 horas, con o sin medicamento para reducir la fiebre.

Tos persistente

Vómitos o diarrea

Instrucciones de un médico para aislarse de los demás.

Mi hijo se queda en casa.
¿Qué debería hacer después?

Notifique a la escuela por teléfono o correo electrónico al 540-661-4415
lindahopkins@ocss-va.org

Si es posible, avísenos antes de las 9:30 a. m. del día de la ausencia.

Repita esta lista de verificación todas las mañanas.

¡Esperamos ver a su estudiante en clase pronto!





Help Your Child Succeed in School: Build the Habit of Good Attendance Early

DID YOU KNOW?

- Starting in preschool and kindergarten, too many absences can cause children to fall behind in school.
- Missing 10%, or about 2 days each month over the course of a school year, can make it harder to learn to read.
- Students can still fall behind if they miss just one or two days every few weeks.
- Being late to school may lead to poor attendance.
- Absences and tardiness can affect the whole classroom if the teacher has to slow down learning to help children catch up.

Attending school regularly helps children feel better about school—and themselves. Start building this habit in preschool so they learn right away that going to school on time, every day is important. Eventually good attendance will be a skill that will help them succeed in high school and college.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

- Set a regular bedtime and morning routine.
- Lay out clothes and pack backpacks the night before.
- Keep your child healthy and make sure your child has the required shots.
- Introduce your children to their teachers and classmates before school starts.
- Develop backup plans for getting to school if something comes up. Call on a family member, a neighbor, or another parent.
- Try to schedule non-urgent related medical appointments and extended trips when school isn't in session.
- If your child seems anxious about going to school, talk to teachers, school counselors and other parents for advice on how to make your child feel comfortable and excited about learning.
- If you are concerned that your child may have a contagious illness, call your school or health care provider for advice.
- If your child must stay home due to illness, ask the teacher for resources and ideas to continue learning at home.

When Do Absences Become a Problem?



Note: These numbers assume a 180-day school year.



Ayude a su niño a tener éxito en la escuela: desarrolle el hábito de la buena asistencia escolar desde los primeros años

¿SABÍA USTED?

- A partir de preescolar y kinder, demasiadas ausencias pueden hacer que los niños se retrasen en la escuela.
- Faltar un 10%, o aproximadamente 2 días al mes durante el transcurso de un año escolar, puede dificultar el aprendizaje de la lectura.
- Los estudiantes aún pueden quedarse atrás si faltan solo uno o dos días cada pocas semanas.
- Llegar tarde a la escuela puede provocar una baja asistencia escolar.
- Las ausencias y tardanzas pueden afectar a toda el aula si el docente tiene que retrasar el aprendizaje para ayudar a los niños a ponerse al día.

Asistir a la escuela con regularidad ayuda a los niños a sentirse mejor con la escuela y con ellos mismos. Comience a desarrollar este hábito en el preescolar para que aprendan de inmediato que es importante ir a la escuela a tiempo, todos los días. Con el tiempo, la buena asistencia escolar será una habilidad que les ayudará a tener éxito en la escuela secundaria y la universidad.

LO QUE PUEDE HACER

- Establezca una rutina regular para la hora de dormir y una rutina matutina.
- Elija y disponga la ropa y empaque las mochilas la noche anterior.
- Mantenga a su niño saludable y asegúrese de que haya recibido las vacunas necesarias.
- Presente a su niño a sus docentes y compañeros de clase antes de que comience la escuela.
- Desarrolle planes de contingencia para llegar a la escuela si surge algo. Llame a un familiar, vecino u otro padre.
- Trate de programar las citas médicas y los viajes largos para cuando no haya clases en la escuela.
- Si su niño parece tener ansiedad por ir a la escuela, hable con los docentes, los consejeros escolares y otros padres para que le aconsejen cómo hacer que su niño se sienta cómodo y emocionado por el aprendizaje.
- Si le preocupa que su hijo pueda tener una enfermedad contagiosa, pida consejo a su escuela o proveedor de atención médica.
- Si su niño debe quedarse en casa debido a una enfermedad, pídale a los docentes recursos didácticos e ideas para seguir aprendiendo en casa.

¿Cuándo se convierten las ausencias en un problema?



Nota: Estos números se basan en un año escolar de 180 días.

BUDGET DEVELOPMENT CALENDAR



Superintendent's Budget Roundtable
6:00-8:00 PM



Public Comment Dedicated to FY2026 Budget
Regular Board Meeting



Presentation of Superintendent's Budget Priorities
Board Work Session



Public Comment Dedicated to FY2026 Budget
Regular Board Meeting



Presentation of Superintendent's Proposed Budget
Board Work Session



Public Hearing on FY2026 Budget
Regular Board Meeting



Tentative Approval of Proposed Budget OR Budget Work Session (as needed)



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