Dear 5th Grader and Family,

Welcome to the 2025-2026 school year! My name is Mrs. Smith and I am looking forward to a wonderful year of learning with you. I am excited to meet you and your family so that we can begin to build a positive partnership that will help you become the best student you can be. I can't wait for the school year to start!

Our classroom is C-5 this year. School begins at 8:30 on Tuesday, July 29. Breakfast is available before school in the cafeteria and is free for everyone. Students will be released from the cafeteria at 815 and will be sent to the playground. For students not eating breakfast on campus, the front and back gates to campus will open at 8:15 and they will go to the playground. I will pick them up next to the C5, which is painted on the playground.

You may bring a healthy snack to eat in the classroom before the mid-morning recess. Due to the heat, you may want to bring a water bottle as well. The school day ends at 2:41. Please make sure you pick a meeting spot for yourself and any siblings.

Each student will be given a planner on the first day of school. At this point students do not need to provide anything other than a backpack. I will provide you with many of the supplies that you will need at school like a binder, pencil box, notebooks, erasers, pencils, colored pencils, markers, scissors, glue sticks, ruler, pencil pouch, lined paper, and post-it notes. If other items are needed later in the year I will let you know.

For the first couple of days, the students will be learning about my expectations for classroom behavior and classroom routines. Please ask your child about this and reinforce the importance of doing their personal best every day.

Please feel free to contact me through the school office at (209) 953-8106 or by email at masmith@lodiusd.net. I am looking forward to the start of a great school year!

Sincerely, Mrs. Maria Smith

Returning LUSD students need to bring their charged Chromebook on the first day of school.