



LARRY G. MEEKS

ACADEMY

August 2026

Dear Meerkat Families,

Welcome to the 2026-2027 school year! Whether your family is returning to Larry G. Meeks Academy or joining us for the first time, we are excited to partner with you in supporting your child's educational journey.

At Larry G. Meeks Academy, we understand that families choose virtual learning for a variety of reasons. Our goal is to provide a flexible, supportive, and engaging learning environment where every student can thrive academically while receiving the individualized support they need to be successful. This year, we are focused on strengthening the systems and supports that help students and families navigate our unique program successfully. We are committed to improving communication, streamlining processes, and providing consistent support to ensure families have the resources they need throughout the school year.

Our primary academic focus this year will be **literacy across all grade levels and subject areas**. Strong literacy skills are essential for success in every area of learning, and we are committed to helping students develop as confident readers, writers, communicators, and critical thinkers. Our youngest learners in 2-3 will benefit from additional support and instructional coaching focused on early literacy development, ensuring they build strong foundations for future success.

As a virtual school, family partnership is especially important. We recognize the vital role families play in supporting student learning, and we are committed to maintaining strong communication and collaboration throughout the year. Together, we can create a learning experience that meets the unique needs of every student and helps them achieve their goals.

The first day of school for students is **Thursday, August 13**. Additional back-to-school information, including classroom assignments, schedules, and school procedures, will be shared before the start of school. Back to School Night will be on **Tuesday, August 18**, from **5:30 to 7pm**.

Attendance matters! Every day of learning is important, and we're here to support your child in making the most of every school day. **Instruction begins promptly at 8 AM**. Please ensure your child arrives on time—being present and ready to learn from the start of the day is essential to student success.

- **Dismissal Times:**
 - **1st–3rd Grade:** 1:51 PM
 - **4th–6th Grade:** 2:06 PM (Wednesdays 2:04PM)
 - **7th–8th Grade:** 2:37 PM (Wednesdays 2:03PM)

Thank you for choosing Larry G. Meeks Academy and for entrusting us with your child's education. We look forward to working alongside you and making this a successful and rewarding school year for all students.

Sincerely,

Colleen Perry