

Board of Education Superintendent Report

August 10, 2026

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Countdown to the #FirstDayin497

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DAYS

HOURS

MINUTES

SECONDS

3rd Annual Kids Expo

Lawrence Schools Foundation



- **2,500–3,000** students & family members served
- **75+ community partners and vendors** provided FREE shoes, supplies, haircuts, health screenings & more



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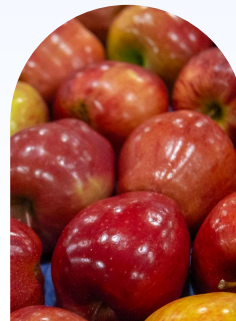
Best part about Kids Expo 2026?



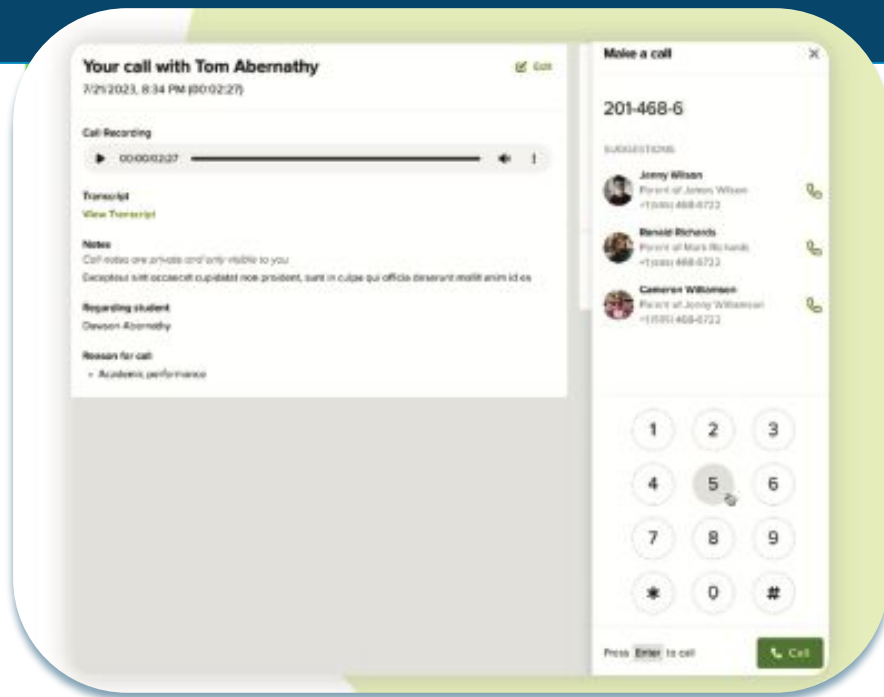
Summer Meals Program 2026



- **112,787 meals served** this summer:
 - **49,777 breakfasts**
 - **63,010 lunches**
- **↑2.8% from 2025**



ParentSquare Virtual Phone



- New feature add-on to ParentSquare tool
- Dedicated calling number for each staff member to **call or text families through the ParentSquare app** on any device with a single-click
- Build-in Privacy Controls
- **No cell-phone required**

Welcome Back, Team Lawrence!

- **Team Lawrence is ready!**
- *Together in partnership,
with intention & by design*
- **10,000+ students** will return this week!



FIRST DAYS OF 2026–27

Welcome back, students & families!



Wednesday Aug. 12

K, 6, & 9 Transition Day
(Grades K, 6, & 9 — A.M. Only)

Thursday Aug. 13

K–12 First Day of School
(Grades K–12)

Tuesday Aug. 18

Preschool & EC First Day
(Early Childhood/Preschool)