

The vision of the Lake Forest School District is to be the model of excellence in education.

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## **Greetings Spartan Family!**

As we bring 2020 to a close, I wanted to send out a note of encouragement and holiday greetings. While this year has been difficult for most of us and disastrous for some, I believe we live in the greatest country ever created and enjoy wealth and blessings which could never have been imagined by those before us.

I would also like to take this opportunity to send out congratulations to our entire school community for a great start to the school year. Everyone from our parents to teachers, administrators to support staff, and of course our students, have had to face challenges we could never have predicted. Despite this, everyone has stepped up and did their jobs. Kudos to all of you in a big way.

I usually like to send out a few reminders in my newsletters, so here goes.... December 22 is the last day for remote learning before the holiday break, and January 4<sup>th</sup> is our first day back in remote learning. January 11<sup>th</sup> is our target to return to hybrid learning and the "B" cohort will be the first students back in school on that day. January 18<sup>th</sup> schools are closed in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Junior.

I want to close things out by encouraging everyone to take advantage of free Covid testing which will be coming to our area the week before we return to hybrid learning. Free testing will be available Tuesday December 29<sup>th</sup> at Lake Forest East, Monday January 4<sup>th</sup> at WT Chipman, and Friday January 8<sup>th</sup> at Lake Forest North. I ask everyone to report any incident of students testing Covid positive to their home school even if no one else was exposed. We have to maintain accurate data in order to manage risk so please let us know if your student is out because of Covid or quarantine.

As always, if you have any questions I encourage you to call your home school principal or the Central Office at 302-284-3020. Over this break, I urge you to rest, restore, and reflect. Please take time to enjoy family, friends, pets, and all the little things we often take for granted. I wish you health and happiness over the holidays, and look forward to seeing you on a Lake Forest School campus soon.

Sincerely,

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