

*The vision of the Lake Forest School District is to be the model of excellence in education.* April 6, 2023

Greetings Spartan Families and Happy Spring!

Thankfully, the weather seems to have turned and there is warm sunshine to remind us what we have to look forward to over the next several months. On the topic of the weather, I would be remiss if I did not ask for everyone's prayers and support for our neighbors who were affected by the recent tornadoes. While the worst of the weather occurred out of our school district, many of our residents had friends or family impacted by the storms and we wish them the best as they clean up and recover.

There are a lot of great things going on throughout the District so I'll take a minute to mention just a few. First, Odyssey of the Mind had a great State meet at Lake Forest High School last month and many of the competitors qualified for the World Championships at Michigan State University May 24-27. We wish them the best of luck and safe travels. Next, the High School FFA held their annual banquet April 4<sup>th</sup>. Congrats to outgoing senior officers Cole Murphy, Sydney Messick, Briana Hammond, and Ryan Deputy and best of luck to next year's FFA President Kailyn Pippin.

We have some big events coming up in the next few weeks of which I would like you to be aware. When we return from Spring Break on April 17, the Superintendent will be leading community information events at five of our schools between April 17 and 26. At these events, the Superintendent will share information about the upcoming referendum. May 6, we invite you to *I Love Lake Forest Day* at Lake Forest High School. There will be games, entertainment, touch a truck, a petting zoo, helicopters, and more. This free event is open to the public and sure to be a great time. After *I Love Lake Forest Day* on May 6, don't forget to go right over to one of the District polling places and cast your vote in favor of the referendum. Polling will take place at Central, North, and South Elementary Schools, and the Frederica Firehouse. For more information, click on this link, attend one of the community information sessions, or give me a call here at the Central Business Office.

I wish you well during this wonderful time of the year and pray you have a safe and enjoyable break. Whether your family is like mine and celebrates Easter, or your family celebrates Passover, Ramadan, or other special time, I wish you a blessed and joyous holiday. I thank you for the privilege of serving as your Superintendent, and look forward to seeing you on a Lake Forest Campus soon.

Sincerely,

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