

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

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Greetings Spartan Family!

I hope this letter finds you well and you are excited for another great school year in Lake Forest. As we race to the start of school, I wanted to send out a quick message to welcome you back to school and point to where you may find information or assistance.

If you were not aware, hundreds of students participated in some form of summer learning this year. Numerous students participated in the on-line Spartan Summer Success Academy and over 100 students participated in face to face summer school at Lake Forest High School. Central Elementary School hosted an extended school year program, and we had about 60 students participate in high dosage tutoring. East Elementary School and WT Chipman also hosted summer learning opportunities. Congratulations and thank you to all the staff, students and families who took advantage of keeping students learning over the summer.

Each year it is our expectation students are in school every day unless they are personally ill. We know we have limited opportunities to make a difference in our student's lives and we need every chance to do so. We also know every child has the potential to succeed at the highest level and we intend to help every child get the most out of their experience here in Lake Forest. To do this, we appreciate every student in school ready to learn as many days as possible. Please be sure to take a minute to review our District Attendance Policy and ask your school principal if you need anything clarified.

Of course, to give every student the best possible chance at success we also believe in a strong partnership with families. To that end we want you to know we are always open for input, suggestions, and participation. So, I challenge you to be a part of your student's school year as much as you can and feel free to contact any member of the staff if you have questions or feel like your child has needs which are not being met.

I never want to share a message without passing on some very important functional information, so here goes....

Thursday, August 31 Transition day for grades K, 4, 6, and 9

Meet your Teacher Day- Check with your school for

details.

Friday, September 1 and Monday, September 4

Schools Closed for Labor Day

Tuesday, September 5 First official day of school for all students

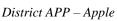
• Due to the success of the 2023 *I Love Lake Forest Day*, we have decided to have the event in May again this year.

The final thing I want to remind everyone about is the importance of staying connected digitally. While we are always willing to send things to you in paper, our primary means of communication are done electronically through our District web-site, email, and text messaging. This year we are moving to *Remind* for all District communications to reduce the number of apps you will need. I have included a couple of QR codes at the bottom of this letter to make accessing our website and smartphone app easier. Please take advantage of these resources to stay informed about happenings around our schools and our District.

Here in Lake Forest we believe strongly we are the *Model of Excellence in Education*. Our goal is that everything we do is consistent with the highest standards of our community and public education. I know I speak for every District employee when I say we look forward to serving you this year. Thank you and I look forward to seeing you on a Lake Forest Campus soon.









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Sincerely,

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