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LION'S ROAR

News from Logan Elementary School

January 28, 2021

Principal's Corner

Greetings Logan community,

Voters received ballots earlier this week, and one item on that ballot is the replacement levy for Spokane Public Schools. One question voters have is this: Why can't the district use the money saved during the COVID school closures to fund the programs and services paid for by the levy. The best answer to that can be found on the district's website in the Levy Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) section:

While SPS is saving some money due to this year's partial closure, the district also faces many new, pandemic-related costs in areas such as technology, intervention services, staffing to meet COVID-19 safety requirements, personal protection equipment, and health services.

While any savings during partial school closures may help the district a little in the immediate term, the levy will help support the district over the next three years. Any funds being saved now would in no way cover more than \$36.6 million (2020-21) in funding that the local levy provides the district to operate our schools.

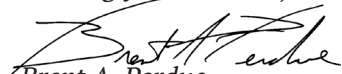
Remember that our schools have not been fully closed. Students in kindergarten through second grade have been attending in person since the fall, and many teachers of all grade levels have worked in their classes since the start of the school year. Low COVID-19 transmission rates in schools recently led the Governor, Washington Department of Health, and Spokane Regional Health Department (SRHD) to issue new guidance that will allow schools to bring more students back into classrooms. On Jan. 6, SPS announced a new plan to phase-in all students by this March, pending SRHD approval.

Teachers are also working harder than ever to make distance learning a successful experience for our students. Distance learning takes many more hours of effort to make personal connections and provide instruction when students are at home and not attending our schools. In many cases, our teachers are putting in longer hours – often on weekends – to keep up with the demand and time-intensive nature of supporting our students. Spokane Public Schools has received national recognition for our collective response to the pandemic.

For other FAQ's about the Levy, please visit <http://bit.ly/39aQzJ5>.

Please remember to exercise your right to vote by February 9th.

Wishing you a wonderful week,


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No School February 1

There is a semester break day on Monday, February 1 to provide secondary schools a day to prepare for changing class schedules for the start of the second semester.

Morning Drop-Off

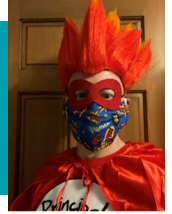
Before the coronavirus changed so many things about school, scholars would arrive at school at 8:00 for breakfast and then line up in the hallways for the start of school. This year, to prevent students from coming in to close contact with scholars from other classrooms and grade levels, students are coming directly in to classrooms and eating there. There are no lines outside, and parents are asked that their youngsters not come on school grounds until 8:25. The 8:25 bell signals that the exterior doors by classrooms will be held open by staff members for kids to go directly to their rooms. A staff member will remain at each door until 8:30, when the tardy bell rings.

**Attendance Hotline:
354-3496**

Spokane Public Schools complies with all federal and state rules and regulations and does not discriminate on the basis of age, sex, marital status, race, color, creed, religion, national origin, the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical disability, or the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with a disability, sexual orientation including gender expression or gender identity, or honorably discharged veteran or military status. This holds true for all students who are interested in participating in educational programs and/or extracurricular school activities, and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. Inquiries regarding compliance and/or grievance procedures may be directed to the school district's officers listed on our website at www.spokaneschools.org/nondiscrimination.

CAPTAIN COVID'S CAVE

Watch New Episodes of Captain COVID each week on Logan's YouTube channel: <https://bit.ly/2YURtUC>



Good day COVID Cadets!

Your parents may be wondering what will happen when a student presents symptoms of illness while at school, that may be related to COVID-19.

The updated process outlined below is in place in all Spokane Public Schools locations.

First, let's look at what symptoms will lead to a parent being asked to pick up their scholar.

Any of these:

- Cough
- Shortness of breath
- Fever
- Chills
- Nausea/vomiting/diarrhea
- Muscle or body aches

- Headache
- Sore throat
- New loss of taste or smell
- Congestion/runny nose
- Unusual fatigue

If a scholar presents symptoms as detailed above, they will wait in a designated location in the school away from other students until they can be picked up.

The scholar will not be allowed to return to school until one of the following has occurred:

- A doctor's note is received indicating the illness is not COVID-19
- Proof of a COVID-19 test is received showing the scholar tested negative

Remember Captain COVID's 3 W's:

- W**ear a Mask
- W**ash Your Hands
- W**atch Your Distance

OR

- It's been 10 days since onset of symptoms, and the scholar has been symptom-free for 24 hours without Tylenol/Advil.

Logan takes the health of your scholar, your family and your Logan extended family here at school very seriously. Thank you in advance for understanding the need to take extra precautions to keep Logan open and kids learning!

ROAR Drawing Winners:

As part of Logan's Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) incentive program, students can earn Roar-O-Grams for meeting and exceeding expectations for Logan's four school-wide expectations: **R**espect self and others, **O**vercome problems, **A**ct safely, and be **R**esponsible. When students earn 10 of them, the Roar-o-Grams are stapled together and turned in at the office for a small prize. Then, on the last day of each week, 10 names are drawn from all of the students who turned in Roar-O-Grams that week and those students get to select a book to take home. As an added bonus, the first two names drawn get to select an extra book to add to their classroom's library as well!

Logan had their first drawing for books last Friday after working out a plan to have book selection meet safety protocols. Unfortunately, this will mean a group picture of book winners will not be taken each week like has happened in the past.

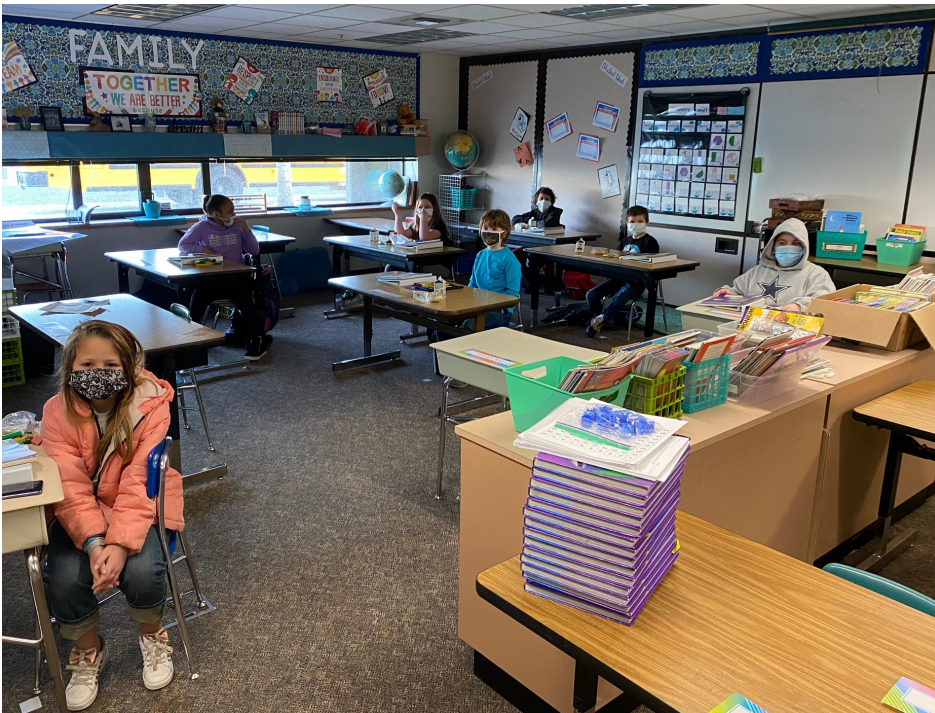
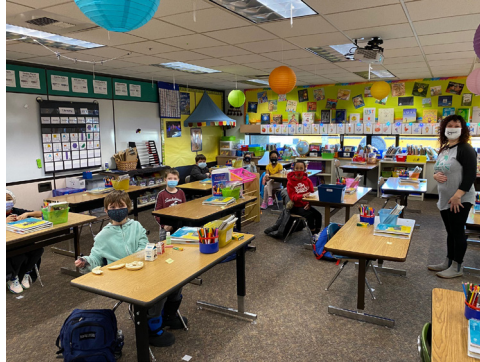
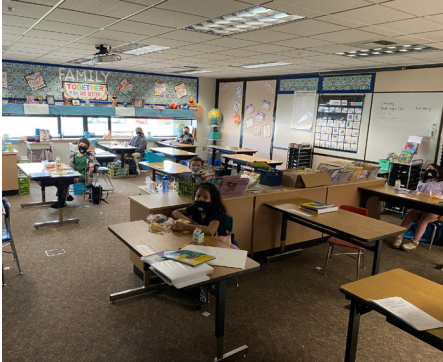
Winners this week include:

- Kaeyden Jackson
- Viorica Wallace
- Sadie Floyd
- Zane Alpine-Portillo
- Nicki Greensky
- Kaydence Richards
- Jolit Timothy
- Rebecca Gomez
- Cadan Norwood
- Tavin Lewis



Welcome Back Third Graders!

Logan was excited last week to welcome back 3rd graders to in-person instruction. That means preschool through 3rd grade classes are back in person. 4th grade will be back in-person starting at the beginning of February and 5th and 6th grade will return mid-February.



Meal Kit Distribution Changes Coming Feb. 2

To best serve and support our students as they transition to in-person learning, 5-day meal kit distribution sites will be streamlined starting Feb. 2 to the following locations:



- Chase MS, 4747 East 37th Ave.
- Garry MS, 725 East Joseph Ave.
- Glover MS, 2404 West Longfellow Ave.
- Sacajawea MS, 401 East 33rd Ave.
- Salk MS, 6411 North Alberta St.
- Shaw MS, 4106 N. Cook
- Lewis & Clark HS, 521 W. 4th Ave.
- North Central HS, 1600 N. Howard St.
- Rogers HS, 1622 E. Wellesley
- Shadle Park HS, 4327 N. Ash
- Ferris HS, 3020 E. 37th

Pick-up days and times will stay the same. As a reminder, 5-day meal kits are available at these sites to all children 18 and younger who are not attending school in person.

Download the Spokane Public Schools app today.

A quick and easy way to so submit your student's daily health check.



Daily Health Checks Required



All students attending school in person must have a daily health check completed each morning. Parents are encouraged to complete the health check before the child leaves home. This helps create a routine, and also gives time for the health check to be registered in the SPS reporting system.

The easiest way to complete the health check is through the Spokane Public Schools app, which is available on Google Play and the Apple App Store.