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LION'S ROAR

News from Logan Elementary School

September 10, 2020

Principal's Corner

Logan Families and Community Members,

Welcome to a new school year. We miss your young lions very much, and it breaks our hearts to not have them here at school yet. But we are hopeful that it will not be long before we will be back together! In the meantime, let's work together to make the most of a challenging time for our neighborhood, country and world.

Beginning today, and continuing every Thursday of the school year, Logan publishes a weekly edition of the Lion's Roar Family Newsletter. This continues a tradition of communication going back six years. But unlike in earlier years, the newsletter is added to Peach Jar, an online "backpack" that will be how families receive all school district communications.

Please take the time to read the Lion's Roar each week with your child, as it will be full of information about the current happenings at school, celebrations of learning and ideas for how you can help support your child's learning at home.

On behalf of the entire Logan Elementary School staff, welcome back! We look forward to partnering with you in guiding the learning and growth of your child.

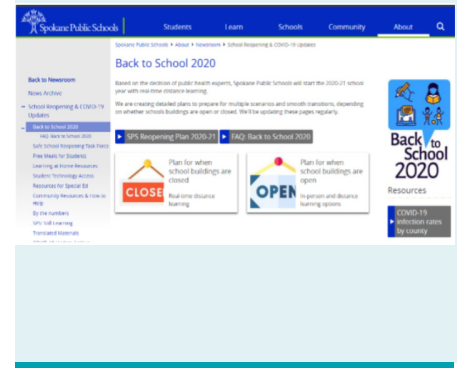
Sincerely,

Brent A. Perdue

Principal, brentp@spokaneschools.org

Support for Virtual Learning Available

School is challenging when scholars cannot be in the classroom with their teachers. Spokane Public Schools is working hard to provide supports for families while Logan Lions are needing to learn from home. Visit SpokaneSchools.org/backtoschool2020 to find out more. There you will find schedules, technology supports (including how to check out a laptop for your scholar), and a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) section.



Birthday Wishes

Logan announces birthday wishes for students during morning announcements. If you would prefer that your child's name not be announced in recognition of his or her birthday, please contact the office so that we can make a note of it.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



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.

peachjar Comes to Spokane Public Schools

Logan, and all of Spokane Public Schools, uses a free digital service, called Peachjar, to send home important information to families. No more lost or forgotten fliers buried in the bottom of the backpack.

Peachjar will send information right to your device via a free app. Digital school fliers will come directly into your virtual backpack and remain there until they expire for easy review and reference.

No action is required on your part beyond making sure that Logan has your email address. You will receive a welcome email from Peachjar that includes a username and password. This is provided to give you the opportunity to manage your account and flier delivery preferences. You do not need to login to receive or view school digital fliers. To ensure smooth delivery of this communication, we suggest you add "school@peachjar.com" to your email contacts. When you receive your first e-flier, be sure to click "always display images."

This system is used exclusively for distribution of school-approved fliers and Logan's Lion's Roar newsletters. Your email address will not be shared or used for any other purpose. You can also visit Logan's website to see school-approved digital fliers. Simply click the Peachjar button (eFliers) on Logan's homepage.

Note: Peachjar is free to our schools because community partners pay a small service fee to post and distribute digital fliers (typically much less than the cost to copy and deliver paper fliers).

New Faces at Logan

Logan is excited to introduce you to a number of new faces among the over 80 staff members who support the children of the Logan neighborhood.

Shannon Abernathy, *Oral Language Intervention Teacher*

Cindy Bjordahl, *Preschool Teacher*

Darren Cromeenes, *Principal-Assistant*

Mary Derby, *Mental Health Therapist*

Ikani Fakasiieiki, *Community Health Worker*

Rachael Lentes, *Preschool Paraeducator*

CC Parker, *Preschool Family Support Specialist*

Chelsea Pepper, *Kindergarten Teacher*

Andrea Perry, *Math Instructional Coach*

Traci Petrovich, *Grades K-3 Paraeducator*

Chandra Reiber, *Resource Teacher*

Darci Smulkowski, *2nd Grade Teacher*

Sharilyn Sorenson, *Assistant Secretary*

Julie Tyus, *Science Specialist*

Miriam Gonzalez, *Preschool Paraeducator*

Crossing Guards and Noon Supervisors Needed!

Once school re-opens for in-person learning, Logan will be in need of substitutes to serve as morning and afternoon crossing patrol guards, as well as substitutes for the lunchroom and playground during the noon hour when regular employees are away. Most regular employees get hired on after first starting as a substitute, and rarely do they have to work very long before being hired on a more permanent basis. The wage for these positions is \$13.50 per hour. And while a background and fingerprint check is required for employment with Spokane Public Schools, Logan will pay the associated fees for anyone after 10 hours of service. It is a great way to get outdoors, interact with students and become more involved in the school that your child or children attend. For more information, please call the Logan office at 354-3434 between the hours of 8 and 4 pm.



Free Breakfast and Lunch for All!

But We Need Your Help!

"Thanks to the USDA Community Eligibility Provision (CEP), Logan parents can cross lunch boxes off their back-to-school shopping lists," said Doug Wordell, the director of Spokane Public Schools Nutrition Services.

CEP aims to reduce both childhood hunger and administrative paperwork by providing a breakfast and lunch to all students free of charge. This option helps ensure that children at qualifying schools can eat healthy meals at school. Students are encouraged to enjoy a healthy breakfast and lunch every school day this year.

Parents are asked to fill out a Family Survey each school year to help ensure our school keeps the federal and state grant funds that help support our great school programs. These funds pay for counselors, math and reading interventionists, instructional coaches, training for teachers, books for students and much more! Not having all surveys returned places these funds at risk. **Family Surveys are due back by September 28.**

That's right, every child at Logan gets to eat free breakfast and lunch regardless of ability to pay!

