

8/25/2020

Good Afternoon LHS Families,

On the eve of the 2020-21 School Year, I cannot say how excited the team at Laramie High School is to get this year started. After a lot of preparation and flexibility we know that this will be a year of opportunity for growth for all of us. Thank you for all of your continued flexibility and patience as we work to fix and modify what this school year looks like. We will do the very best we can to address the multiple topics for the start of the year. If there are any other questions that you may have please feel free to email me.

First Day of School

Our first day of school will be staggered to accommodate our A/B Schedule as follows:

- Wednesday August 26th all students that are in the "A" Cohort or Hybrid Group will have their first day of direct instruction at school.
- Thursday August 27th all students that are in the "B" Cohort or Hybrid Group will have their first day of direct instruction at school.
- Friday August 28th all students will have a virtual day. During this day all students will be asked to login to their CANVAS classes and familiarize themselves with the different technology that they will be using throughout the year. The intent for this day is a no-stakes, dress rehearsal of technology use that students will be expected to use during the year and an opportunity to identify any potential problems that we can help solve. Assignments and check-ins for all classes for our Friday August 28th Virtual Day are due by 3:00pm, so we can run reports of students that may be having technical difficulty, so we can address those problems the following week.

Classes will start at 7:55 and students will be dismissed at 11:20. Once dismissed all students must either board the bus, be picked up, or leave campus immediately after dismissal to ensure that students are maintaining social distancing and not gathering. This will allow us to begin our building- cleaning protocols. During those three days students will have to opportunity to purchase a Grab-&-Go lunch.

During your child's first day of school we will be distributing Chromebooks and talking a lot about class and school expectations. **Please note that students will not be given a Chromebook if their online registration is not completed.** Many families still need to do this. To complete this please follow the instructions on our district website. This has to be done every year and is a separate process from the other survey's you have completed.

From the LHS Counselors

Our counseling team is still working on filling holes in schedules. If you want a schedule change please go to the counseling office starting on Monday August 31st to fill out a form or schedule an appointment. Students will not be allowed to change their A/B designation of "Hybrid Group". If you are attending LCCC or UW please get a copy of your schedule to the counseling office. LCCC schedules can found in your "myLCCC" account.

From the Nurse's Office

There will be significant changes to how students are supported in the Nurse's Office. Please understand with our heightened safety precautions, students will be sent home if deemed appropriate by the LHS Nurse's Office. Also, no over the counter as needed medications will be distributed or stored in the Nurses' Office without prior authorization from our nurses. ***Please complete students' online registration, so our nurses can best support the medical needs of your child.***

Student Expectations

Our biggest priority is the safety of our students. Students and families who choose to attend in-person are also agreeing to follow all school and district safety, health, and hygiene procedures that have been established in accordance with state and local health officials. This includes the following:

- Students and Staff are required to properly wear face coverings at all times
- Washing/sanitizing hands frequently and whenever entering/exiting classrooms
- Adhere to physical distancing between students (minimum 6 feet whenever possible)
- Avoid congregating in large groups within hallways
- Social (physical) distancing—Facilities and classrooms have been set to maintain 6 feet physical distance, and face coverings are required for students and staff.

Classroom Based Virtual Instruction (CBVI)

Students and families planning to use ACSD #1's Classroom Based Virtual Instruction (CBVI), please remember to attend the Zoom meeting tomorrow night at 6:00. The link is on the front page of the [district website](#). Laramie High School students can pick up their Chromebooks during the following times Wednesday the 26th – Friday the 28th using the last name of student through the main doors of LHS:

A-J 12:30p-1:30p

K-R 1:30p-2:30p

S-Z 2:30p – 3:30p

Currently all students that have chosen the CBVI option are being assigned to all of their core academic classes (Examples: Math, English, Social Studies, Science), and we are building elective opportunities that students will be able to take online. These classes will be assigned and started after next week. We are also providing alternative opportunities for ***most*** of our Advanced Placement and Advanced Placement Prep classes that would include synchronous instruction.

Reminder: LHS Website:

We are keeping the LHS website up-to-date with all of our information regarding how LHS will open this year as we get it. You can also print off the current Fall Activities schedules for the programs that have finalized their schedules. Below is the address to the LHS website: <https://www.acsd1.org/lhs/>

I apologize for all of the information and the constant change that is happening. We will continue to communicate frequently with the community, and please feel free to communicate with me or the other members of the Administrative Team here at Laramie High School. Again, thank you again for all of your patience, flexibility, and understanding as we work through the process of opening our school in the safest possible manner.

Sincerely,

Jeffery D Lewis

Principal

Laramie High School

