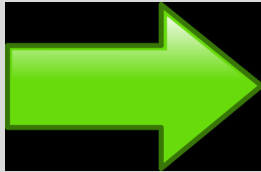




#### Welcome Back

#### Special points of interest:

- Picture Day, TBD
- Open House, TBD
- PSAT/NMSQT Testing, TBD



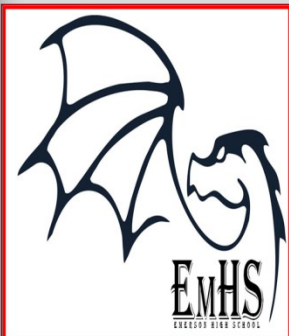
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### From the Principal

*Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year!*

I look forward to seeing both new and returning students (remotely or when picking up materials) as the year gets under way. Starting a new school year can present a range of emotions, especially when school continues to look and feel different than in pre-COVID times. While our hope is that every student will login and show up happy and full of excitement, we know that starting the year can also trigger anxieties and apprehension. In order to start the year as strongly as possible, please reinforce these messages at home.

- Attendance matters, even (maybe especially) in a virtual environment. Students should arrive to their synchronous (live) classes on time and attend regularly. Attendance is one of the most important predictors of academic and social success.
- Remember that *all* EmHS staff have chosen to work at our school and are dedicated to student learning and growth.

The 2020-2021 school year will look and feel different than even our remote model last spring and can be a fresh start. For students who have struggled in the past, now is the time to change habits and patterns. For students who've done well in the past, it is critical to practice consistency and stick-to-itiveness to ensure future success.

Enjoy the last few days of summer, see you soon!

-Nell

**First day of remote learning**  
**Tuesday, Sept. 1**

## EMERSON SCHEDULES

A couple of notes about our remote instructional schedules: All classes will meet live twice a week; teachers will be available during Intervention Time for live help and support; and teachers will be available by appointment during asynchronous learning time.

***The instructional schedules will be different during the first two weeks of the year due to 4 day school weeks, specific details below and attached.***

- **First Week Schedule** of remote learning for 9/1-9/4 is attached. No classes on 8/31.
- **Second Week Schedule** of remote learning for 9/8-9/11 is also attached. No classes on 9/7.

### Regular Schedule

Beginning September 14th, we will be following the **Remote Instructional Schedule**, which is also attached.

**Emerson  
Attendance Line**

**425-936-2306**

## ATTENDANCE LINE

Remember, students and parents are responsible for school attendance. The parent or legal guardian of any student living with them, even if over 18 years old, who is absent from class is requested to leave a phone message on the **Emerson Attendance Line at 425-936-2306 within 48 hours of** the absence to explain the circumstances of an absence.

If the parent is aware of an upcoming absence, please call to notify the school in advance. **For vacation or extended absences, the student must pick up a form in the office for teachers and parent to sign prior to the absence.**

If your student was absent from any classes during a particular day, you will receive an automated attendance call after 6:45 PM on that day. If that absence needs to be excused, please call and leave a message on the EMHS attendance line, via email to the Office Manager at [mosness@lwsd.org](mailto:mosness@lwsd.org), or supply a parent or physician note.

## STUDENT CLASS FEES

Normally if your student is taking art or photography classes, there are fees which are due each semester.

Since we are starting with remote learning this school year, we are putting a hold on all fees until we know better what the school year will look like.

## REGISTRATION PACKETS

Registration packets were mailed to all students and should have been returned on Check-Out Day, Friday, 8/28. All forms must be updated annually to ensure we have the most current residency address, parent emails, emergency contact information, etc.

If you did not receive or return a packet for your student, please contact the Office Manager, Mary Osness at [mosness@lwsd.org](mailto:mosness@lwsd.org).



**YEARBOOK**



## YEARBOOKS

**2019-20 Yearbooks will be available for soon. You will receive an email from Evelyn Vidal-Armour once they are ready.**

If you are interested in purchasing a yearbook from a previous year, we have limited quantities and the cost is \$15.00. You can also submit a special tribute for your graduating senior for the **2020-21** yearbook for \$15.00. *More information about the 2020-21 yearbooks to come later in the year.*

### PARENT ACCESS

The LWSD provides access to student information including student records, lunch accounts, and more via the Internet. This information is secure so that only you can see information about your student (s). The system through which you can view this information is called **Parent Access**.

When you are registered at school, you have secure access to the following types of student information:

- E-mail links to your student's teachers
- Volunteer Application
- Ability to make online credit card payments for fees/fines
- Family Access: the system that provides official student information on your student (s), including emergency contacts, attendance, end of term report card grades, immunization records, parent/guardian information, fees, etc.

### LWSD ORCA CARD UPDATE



Students who live within the LWSD boundaries and outside the one-mile radius from EMHS (as determined by the LWSD) usually will be issued a Metro Orca Card based upon determination of eligibility each school year once the EMHS registration packet is completed and returned.

***Since the current school year is starting remotely, Metro Orca Cards are not being issued at this time.***

Parent Access

Log In

**To Register, visit:**

[http://  
www.lwsd.org/  
Parents/Parent-  
Access/Pages/  
default.aspx.](http://www.lwsd.org/Parents/Parent-Access/Pages/default.aspx)

If you have any problems registering for Parent Access, send an e-mail to: [parentquestions@lwsd.org](mailto:parentquestions@lwsd.org) rather than calling the school.

### FREE/REDUCED LUNCH PROGRAM

LWSD Nutrition Services will be providing meals for students qualifying for Free/Reduced status at numerous sites across the district.

You must reapply for the 2020-21 school year. Please return the **2020-21 LWSD Household Application for Free and Reduced Price Meals** form which was included in the EMHS Registration Packet to see if you qualify. If you do not return the application or do not qualify for a free or reduced-priced meal, you will be charged for meals based on grade level.

Interested in putting money on your student's lunch account or the **Automatic Withdrawal System for 2020-21 School Meals Program?**

**Contact Nutrition Services at 425-936-1394.**



## LWSD Text Message Approval Campaign

**Are you a Lake Washington School District parent/guardian or staff member who wants to receive announcements from LWSD by text message?**

If so, text the letter "Y" to the number 67587. If your phone number is already on file at your child's school, or in Skyward for staff members, this text will confirm that you want to receive text messages on your cell phone. LWSD cannot text you important updates unless you have confirmed that you want to receive these messages. If you aren't sure what phone numbers are on file, visit your Skyward Family Access account, then go to "Skylert" to see the list of phone numbers and email addresses we use to contact you.

You should receive the following message back:

*You're registered 4 SchoolMessenger notifications. Reply STOP to cancel, HELP for help. Msg&data rates may apply. Msg freq varies. [Schoolmessenger.com/txt](http://Schoolmessenger.com/txt).*

**¿Es usted un padre/tutor del Distrito Escolar de Lake Washington o un miembro del personal del distrito que desea recibir anuncios de LWSD por mensaje de texto?**

Si es así, envíe un mensaje de texto con la letra "Y" al número 67587. Si su número de teléfono ya está archivado en la escuela de su hijo, o en Skyward para miembros del personal del distrito, este texto confirmará que desea recibir mensajes de texto en su teléfono celular. LWSD no puede enviarle mensajes de texto importantes a menos que haya confirmado que desea recibir estos mensajes. Si no está seguro de qué números de teléfono están en el archivo, visite su cuenta de Skyward Family Access y, a continuación, vaya a "Skylert" para ver la lista de números de teléfono y direcciones de correo electrónico que utilizamos para ponerse en contacto con usted.

Debe recibir el siguiente mensaje después de mandar el texto:

*You're registered 4 SchoolMessenger notifications. Reply STOP to cancel, HELP for help. Msg&data rates may apply. Msg freq varies. [Schoolmessenger.com/txt](http://Schoolmessenger.com/txt).*

**Staff Emails**

<p><b>Nell Ballard-Jones</b> Principal nballard-jones@lwsd.org</p>	<p><b>Sally Jenkins</b> Registrar/Secretary sjenkins@lwsd.org</p>	<p><b>Justin Ochsner</b> Math/CTE/ASB Student Store jochsner@lwsd.org</p>
<p><b>Tracy Bumgarner</b> CTE/Child Lab tbumgarner@lwsd.org</p>	<p><b>Dan Kaufman</b> CTE/ASB Leadership dakaufman@lwsd.org</p>	<p><b>Mary Osness</b> Office Manager/Bookkeeper mosness@lwsd.org</p>
<p><b>Annette Fechenbach</b> School Nurse afechenbach@lwsd.org</p>	<p><b>Timothy Lee</b> Security tilee@lwsd.org</p>	<p><b>Courtney Rayburn</b> Infant Daycare Specialist IA crayburn@lwsd.org</p>
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<p><b>Michelle Fraley</b> Math/Morning LC &amp; Night School mfraley@lwsd.org</p>	<p><b>Andrew Nisargand</b> Library IA/Webmaster anisargand@lwsd.org</p>	<p><b>Lorrie Thomas</b> Infant Daycare Supervisor IA lthomas@lwsd.org</p>
<p><b>Catherine Fredenburg</b> Associate Principal cfredenburg@lwsd.org</p>	<p><b>Emily Mitchell</b> Social Studies/English/Night School emitchell@lwsd.org</p>	<p><b>Evelyn Vidal-Armour</b> Art/Photography evidal-armour@lwsd.org</p>
<p><b>Will Gardner</b> IEP Case Manager wgardner@lwsd.org</p>	<p><b>Stephanie Monaghan</b> English /Social Studies/Psychology stmonaghan@lwsd.org</p>	<p><b>Daniel Weiss</b> Science/CTE dweiss@lwsd.org</p>

Emerson High School's main office number is:  
**425-936-2300**  
 with office hours of  
**7:30 AM – 4:00 PM**  
 daily.  
 If you are calling before or after office hours, you may leave a message for the main office by pressing 2.

**Please communicate late arrivals and absences on the EMHS Attendance Line at: 425-936-2306**



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