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Dear Families,

I want to thank all the students, staff, and parents from the bottom of my heart for helping to make the transition back to school a success. There have been a few questions about lunch time, book bags, Washington D.C., Election Day, etc. I will address each of these in this newsletter.

Thank you once again for your continuous support for our kids, staff, school, and district.

Sincerely,

Dr. Nuggud

### **Washington D.C.**

As communicated last spring, the 8<sup>th</sup> grade Washington D.C. trip has been postponed from October of 2020 to March of 2021. A final decision about the trip will be made at the start of the second semester.

### **Election Day**

Learwood Middle School is a designated voting site and the backup location is at Open Door, therefore there will be no school for ALL Learwood Middle School students on that day (11/3/20). Please reference the revised calendar on the district webpage

<https://www.avonlakecityschools.org/platform/cms/2020/2020-2021-PARENT-Calendar-for-Website.pdf?v=202009>.

### **Change in Open Door Dismissal Procedures**

Starting on Monday (9/14), all student athletes and bus riders at Open Door will get picked up from Open Door at 2:55 and transported to Learwood. Student Athletes will go to their practices/competitions, and bus riders will get on their designated bus home. This procedure should reduce the traffic in front of the two campuses, by having all the busses at one location for final dismissal. Please pay attention to the new patterns. Walkers, car riders, and bikers will be dismissed at 3:00 PM at Open Door.

### **Lunch**

Students may choose to purchase a hot or cold lunch each morning. To see what is on the upcoming menu please visit:

<https://www.myschoolmenus.com/instance/49/district/79%20/school/640/menu/12307>

Once students are finished eating and cleaning up their area, they are allowed to speak with others adjacent to them while wearing their masks. Students will still be required to maintain social distance at all times, by staying in their assigned seats, which are six feet apart.

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**TEMPORARY**

The waiver allows the Summer Food Service Program or Seamless Summer Option to continue with area eligibility waivers through December 31, 2020 if funding is adequate. If funding is not adequate, the USDA reserves the right to end the program extension at a date earlier than December 31, 2020. If this happens, the Office of Integrated Student Supports will contact school food authorities as quickly as possible with the new end date

**START DATE**

Free lunches will start on Wednesday September 16, 2020 Free lunches are for all ALCS students learning On-Campus or Virtual. Avon Lake City Schools is an open site for distribution for children, in the area, ages 1 to 18. Please note that this is temporary. The district will still be collecting Free and Reduced Meal applications as regular service will resume after December 31, 2020 or sooner if funding is not adequate to support the USDA program. Please contact Andrea Sokolow with any questions or concerns.

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The District will also provide meals to **All Virtual Students** who are not present during regular meal service by distributing boxed meals daily. This service will begin Wednesday, September 16, 2020. We will not be offering delivery at this time.

The District requests completion of the online pick-up order form (**this is for virtual students only**) through Google forms: <https://forms.gle/NiFG2xfEa1vqbapX7> by 7a.m. on Wednesday, September 16th for pick-up that day. This allows the cafeteria staff to be better prepared for distribution. You will only be required to complete the Google form one time to receive lunches on a daily basis (while school is in session - no holidays). If the lunches cannot be picked up for that day please notify Andera Sokolow by 8:00am that day at 440-930-8215 or [andrea.sokolow@avonlakecityschools.org](mailto:andrea.sokolow@avonlakecityschools.org)

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Distribution will be on a daily basis at your school of choice for pick-up. Vestibule/ Foyer pickup is available from 11:00 am to 11:30 am each day at the building you choose on your Google form with the exception of the High School. Pick up time at the High School is 9:15 to 9:45 at the North entrance lobby. Please make the onsite staff aware of non-school age or alternative school children in the household when you are picking up meals for students.

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### **SECOND ROUND OF P-EBT CARD**

Please note that there will be a second round of the P-EBT cards. The P-EBT program provides families eligible for free or reduced priced meals with SNAP benefits, formerly known as food stamps, additional funds added to their cards. The additional funds are for only virtual learning students. Please contact Andrea Sokolow with any questions or concerns.

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### **From our School Nurses**

Please remember to assess your children before sending them to school. If your child does not feel well, or is showing symptoms of an illness please keep them at home. The following links will help keep everyone healthy and safe.

<https://www.avonlakecityschools.org/platform/cms/A%20Note%20from%20the%20Nurse.pdf>

<https://www.avonlakecityschools.org/platform/cms/COVID-19%20decision%20tree%20graphic%20rev.%20090220.pdf>

### **Learwood Bands**

The Learwood Bands will be hosting a Drive-In to Donate at Swenson's in Avon on Wednesday, September 16 from 4-9 PM. Please show the server the attached jpeg image and 15% of your bill will be donated back to the Learwood Bands! You may use cash, credit, or gift cards to pay and donate back to the bands! This is a great fundraiser with social distancing built right into it.

Put it down on your calendars to have a meal at Swenson's Drive-In in Avon on Wednesday, September 16! See you there!



DRIVE-IN TO DONATE

**LET'S SWEN!**

Make donating to **LEARWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL BAND** delicious!

**WHERE:** Drive-in to the Avon Swensons  
36041 Main St. in Avon

**WHEN:** Wednesday, September 16, 2020  
between 4:00pm and 9:00pm



Present this image to your Curb Server when you order and 15% of the food & beverage sales will go back to the band. For everyone's safety, we ask that **NO ONE** gets out of their cars while visiting. Thank you!

Gift card and gold coin purchases don't count towards total donated sales, but purchases made with gift cards or gold coins will count toward the total.

### Book Bags

We understand that student book bags are heavy as they bring all of their materials to and from school. Individual grade level teams are working on reducing the necessary materials that students need to carry to and from school. Here are a couple of key points to review with your child:

- If your child has an online text book they are accessing, they can leave their physical text book at home
- Students do not have to take all of their materials when traveling between classes each period. Teacher teams have been and will continue to review when students should take their materials, and when they can leave them in the classroom



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- Teacher teams are designating specific spots, when possible, for students to store their materials during the day
- Have your child ask specific questions if they are not sure what materials are needed
- Students **MUST** have the appropriate calculator for their math course in school each day

We hope that by doing these things, students will have a lighter load to carry from class to class, and between home and school.

### **Avon Lake City Schools Foundation**

We hope you are able to support the ALCSF through their fundraising efforts, as they support our students and staff. Each year the foundation donates thousands of dollars to our schools. Get your car washed while giving back to a great organization.



**Support the  
Avon Lake City Schools Foundation  
by washing your car at  
Hometowne Laser Wash!**

**Sunday, September 13  
Monday, September 14  
Tuesday, September 15**



32721 Walker Road  
Avon Lake

Get a carwash during this time and a portion of the proceeds will be donated to ALCSF.

*Thank you for your support!*

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**Remembering 9/11**

Today, some of our staff shared their memories of 9/11 with our students. I encourage each of you to share your memory of that day. Where were you when you heard the news? How did you feel? Make History come alive through your experiences.

