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September 2019 Edition

Office hours 7:30-4:00 (279-2192)

Morning Arrival--Afternoon Dismissal

7:30 Buses Unload
7:30 OMS & BNL Buses Depart
7:50 First Bell
8:00 Tardy Bell (Plan to arrive no later than 7:55)
Students should arrive as close to 7:50 as possible.
**Supervised drop off begins at 7:30 each day. Mrs Wright is our morning safety monitor.
2:50 Car riders dismissed
2:55 Bus riders dismissed
2:55 Aftercare dismissed

Student Pictures

Student pictures were taken on Tuesday, August 27th.
Retakes will be Tuesday, October 1st.

Upcoming Dates

9-6 Midterms go home
9-9 Fundraiser kick off
9-20 Fundraiser money due
10-1 Picture retakes

Mid-Term Progress Reports

Watch for mid-terms to be sent home on September 6th. See what area your child needs help with and then work with them to improve. Please check nightly for any homework assignments and set aside uninterrupted quiet time for your child to complete their assignments. Sign the agenda each evening and check the PURPLE folder each week. Working Together Works! We will be conferencing with parents in October.

Physicals

All girls and boys trying out for the 4th & 5th grade basketball teams must have a physical on file before October 1st. Forms are being passed out to students. You may also download and print a copy from our website. The IHSAA Pre-participation physical evaluation must be filled out by a physician. Tentatively, basketball try-outs will be held during the week of October 1st. Families have about five weeks to get the physical form completed.

Wellness Policy

Recent legislation has required all school corporations to establish a "Wellness Policy." This policy encourages healthy foods and snacks, physical exercise, and nutritional education. The entirety of the wellness policy can be found on the Documents page on the NLCS website.

Medication

Any student who needs medication must have an authorization form on file (NLCS-130). All medication must be in its original container. We cannot administer medication unless these guidelines are strictly followed.

Title I Website

Parents are encouraged to visit the NLCS Title I website. The Website contains a calendar, information about Title I, NLCS Title I staff, and other helpful information. The website address is: <http://www.nlcs.k12.in.us/title1/index.htm>.

Homework

Please call the office when your child is absent by 8:15am. Homework will be available for pick up after 3:00pm, if requested.

Book Rental

Book Rental charges are:
Kindergarten - \$132.91; Grade 1 - \$148.65; Grade 2 - \$142.75; Grade 3 - \$151.72;
Grade 4 - \$147.78; Grade 5 - \$150.83.
Make checks for Book Rental fees only. Do not include any other fees on this check. Checks must include Social Security Number, Driver's License Number, or birthdate.

Absences

Please call us on the morning of the absence. All absences must be accompanied by a note from the parent, guardian, or physician. If you have taken your child to the doctor or dentist, have the office give you an excuse or fax one to school at 277-1624. Parental notes will be accepted for the first 5 absences each semester; however, we will require a doctor's statement for any days over this amount.

Tardies

Over the past few years we have seen a dramatic increase in student tardiness. When a student is late to class it creates a number of problems. Tardiness causes a disruption in the classroom activities, instruction is stopped and must be started over and it also sets a less than desirable example if a student is constantly tardy. Students who are tardy to school lose out on a lot of instruction and connectivity to their classmates. Please make every effort to see to it that students are at school on time.

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Attendance

Studies show that there is a direct relationship between success and attendance. This holds true in any undertaking, at any time in a person's life. We all want our children to grow into adulthood with every opportunity to become successful. It is while they are young that they formulate the attitudes and learn through examples the skills they will need for a successful future. Please make every effort to get your children to school daily and on time.

From NLCS Food Service

*Due to the fact that we are having more and more children with this severe allergy, the NLCS kitchens will be peanut/tree nut free facilities. For the safety and protection of our children, NLCS kitchens became peanut/tree nut free facilities beginning September 7, 2010. There will be signs posted on serving lines and doorways of cafeterias stating that our kitchens are peanut/tree nut free facilities.

**The Food Service Office would like to remind all households that breakfast is offered to students daily at all North Lawrence Community schools. The full price for the student breakfast is \$1.35, and .30 cents if the student qualifies for reduced meals.

Free - Reduced Meal Program/Textbook Assistance

If you would like to apply for free or reduced meals and reduced book rental: Go to www.lunchapp.com to submit your application online, available July 1 for the 2019-2020 school year. Applications can be submitted throughout the school year. Computers are available in every school and the Bedford Public Library.

Please remember you will only need to complete **one Free/Reduced Meal application online per household, no matter how many students and different schools are in your household.

First time free/reduced applicants will owe the full price for meals until their application is processed at the Food Service Office. Students who have an application on file from the previous school year should be aware that their assistance will expire on September 21st and will need to immediately complete a new application. Students will continue their same status of free

or reduced until they process another application for the current year with personnel at the Food Service Office, or until September 21st, whichever comes first. After September 21st, if another application has not been submitted to renew a student's status, the student will move to "Full Pay" status, because the family did not renew their application. Status letters or emails will be sent home when applications are processed at the Food Service Office. If you have any questions please contact Stacie Green at the Food Service Office – 277-3220.

School Reach Broadcasts

Since school closings and school delays are normally determined at times when the NLCS Administration Building and the NLCS schools are not open, anyone who receives a School Reach Broadcast message for NLCS, regardless of the time of day, can call the Message Retrieval Line number at 885-955-8500 from any phone that received the message to listen to the last broadcast message that was activated. This unique feature of the School Reach Broadcast is designed to be an added convenience for parents and staff. Please make sure we have a current number on file.

Topper Tips

Safety tip--A roomy backpack may seem like a good idea, but the more space there is to fill, the more likely your child will fill it. Make sure your child uses both straps when carrying the backpack. Using one strap shifts the weight to one side and causes muscle pain and posture problems. Help your child determine what is absolutely necessary to carry. If it's not essential, leave it at home.

Wellness Tip--Check out free websites like GoNoodle for fun movement activities set to fun music. <https://www.gonoodle.com>. The Wii system has a program called Just Dance. You can Google search *free movement to music for kids*. There are a lot of fun videos to choose from.

Nurse Tip--September is Childhood Obesity Awareness Month...

- One in 3 children in the United States is overweight or obese.
- Childhood obesity puts kids at risk for health problems that were once seen only in adults, like type 2 diabetes, high blood pressure, and heart disease.
- The good news? Childhood obesity can be prevented. Communities, health professionals, and families can work together to create opportunities for kids to eat healthier and move more.
- Children need **60 minutes** of physical activity per day. This, balanced with healthy eating habits can help your child maintain a healthy weight.