Lake Shore Schools Title VI Program News



This has been quite a year. In March things flipped and suddenly education as we knew it had to be re-invented. Families, schools, businesses and institutions were thrown into a new way of doing things, frequently from behind closed doors. We learned a lot from March through the end of June; our experiences during this unprecedented time will make us stronger.

Continual work and preparation have taken place all summer on the Lake Shore campus to get us to the place we are now, re-opening our doors in a Hybrid Model, Sept. 8, 2020. We warmly welcome you back, be it remote or in person, and hope that the information contained herein will ease your way through the beginning of school, Fall 2020. In these new-normal times we are so excited to see our students again, your children and grandchildren. We look forward to a productive and positive year.

Please do not hesitate to contact us with questions or concerns, Your Title VI Team.

<u>Title VI Home-School Liaisons</u>
Nancy Klemens, K-5th grade Liaison,
926-2367
Lindsay John, 6-12^{th grade} Liaison,
926-2382

Native American Support
Stacey Purpera, High School Support &
Title VI Coordinator
926-2447
Melissa Hummel, Middle School
926-3724



SN Dept Education Academic Support and Wi-Fi Access

The Seneca Nation Department of Education is formulating plans with the tri-District schools, Silver Creek, Gowanda and Lake Shore, to provide onsite academic support with JOM staff as well as access to Wi-Fi internet at ECLC and CCC.

The academic support will come through *referral* from each students' school. JOM academic assistance will occur on the remote learning days for that District, which for Lake Shore is Mondays. Students in the program must be referred by school staff.

The Department of Education is also working on plans to provide reliable internet service for families inside the facilities of ECLC and CCC. (This is not to be confused with the JOM academic support.) Hours and days for students to utilize onsite Wi-Fi are currently being determined depending upon the two facilities' hours of operation and staff availability to monitor those areas.

Once information is finalized it will be shared with all school Districts as well as through communication with families on SN websites, social media and other means of communication.





Musical instrument assistance

As in year's past, SN Department of Education is offering a financial assistance program for students' musical instruments. It is a rental reimbursement program. Parents must first rent the instrument from any music store, then provide the original receipt to SN Department of Education and fill out an application form. Reimbursement is granted through a first-come, first serve basis. The deadline for instrument rental reimbursement is September 30, 2020.





Culture and Celebrations

Normally at this time of year we would be finalizing cultural integration programming, working closely with the SN Language Department, SN Department of Education and other resources. Also, plans for November Native American Heritage month would be crystalized, securing speakers and presenters and scheduling times for Social Dances across the District. Due to the uncertainty of Covid, the restrictions of social distancing and crowd limitations, our normal activities will not be taking place. However, we are still looking for creative ways to celebrate and promote Native American Heritage Month! We welcome your suggestions. We will keep families apprised of programing and activities





Things to Know for Upcoming School Year: Elementary, MS, HS

IMPORTANT; Student accountability will be emphasized!

* Work will be graded.

* Attendance will be taken.

We are incorporating a **Hybrid Model**

GENERAL EDUCATION STUDENTS; Two-team approach: students attend two days each, home instruction for 3 days.

Green Team: Tues/Wed White Team: Thurs/Frid

SELF-CONTAINED ACADEMIC OR DEVELOPMENTAL PROGRAM

STUDENTS; Gold Team: Attend 4 days, Tues-Frid.

Staff is in 5 days.

MONDAY will be a day for educational material prep, reaching out to families, connecting with other staff members, etc.

Lake Shore buildings will be continually and thoroughly cleaned EVERY DAY. Monday is NOT a day set aside just for cleaning, we are cleaning EVERY DAY.

Students will be socially distanced in the classroom, mask-wearing will be required by staff and students whenever social distancing is not possible. PPE and protective measures will be utilized.

The school year will begin with more of an emphasis on paper-based learning when students are at home, with some virtual learning incorporated where feasible.

Technology equipment will not initially go out to families as paper-based learning will start us out this year. We know online learning is not always equitable, we remain aware of this in our planning as we move forward.

Where to Find Information!

There is an abundance of information on the LS website lakeshorecsd.org. You will find several key informational documents and answers to common questions pertaining to re-opening of school this Fall.

On the Home page scroll down to "Coronavirus (COVID-19)". Or click on the red circle bottom right of the home page. If you have questions or need additional information, please contact your building principal or email reopening@lscsd.org.

Lake Shore Central School District Contacts:

Lake Shore High School (Grades 9-12) 959 Beach Road Angola, NY 14006 (716) 926-2301/2307 Principal: Ms. Christine Koch; Assistant Princ.: Mr. Christopher D'Anna

Lake Shore Middle School (Grades 6-12) 8855 Erie Road Angola, NY 14006 (716) 926-2400/2401 Principal: Mr. Erich Reidell Assistant Principal: Ms. Katy Berner-Wallen

Anthony J. Schmidt Elementary (Grades K-5) 9455 Lake Shore Road Angola, NY 14006 (716) 926-2350 Principal: Ms. Jill Clark

<u>Highland Elementary</u> (Grades K-5) 6745 Erie Road Derby, NY 14047 (716) 926-2460 Principal: Ms. Colleen Politowski

John T. Waugh Elementary (Grades K-5) 100 High Street Angola, NY 14006 (716) 926-2370 Principal: Ms. Paula Eastman

William T. Hoag Educational Center (houses Universal Pre-K. program, District Special Education Department and the Central Registrar) 42 Sunset Boulevard, Angola, NY 14006 (716) 926-2480 Building Administrator (716) 926-2210 Ms. Christine Starks. Special Ed. Director of Pupil Personnel: Ms. Jill Benedict 926-2231

Athletic Director Daryl Besant 926-2313











Morning Entry Times and Breakfast Protocol:

Elementary Buildings:

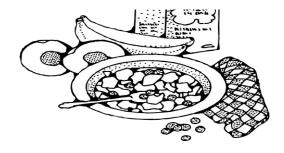
Kindergarten through 5th grade students may enter the building at **8:35** am, *no* earlier. There will be no early entry for walkers. Breakfast is grab and go; students will eat in the classroom.

Middle School:

6th grade through 8th grade students may enter the building at **7:25 am**, *no* earlier. There will be no early entry for walkers. Breakfast will be eaten in the cafeteria.

High School:

6th grade through 8th grade students may enter the building at **7:20 am**, *no* earlier. There will be no early entry for walkers. Breakfast is grab and go; students will eat in the classroom.



Temp Checks:

Each building of LS Central Schools will be checking temperatures using Thermal Scanners. Students and staff will walk through the scanners. Every individual entering a Lake Shore building will have to be scanned. If anyone has an elevated temperature that person will be asked to sit for 5 minutes, then their temperature will be tested again with a hand-held thermal scan. If the temperature is still elevated that student will be sent to the nurse where proper Covid protocol will be followed.

All students are encouraged to bring their own labeled water bottles. Water fountains are turned off but water bottle filling stations are on.

Technology Questions:

If you have a technology—related problem or question related to a Lake Shore educational situation please call 716-926-2217. Your issue will be routed to a member of the Lake Shore technology department who can reach out and help you as soon as possible.





Parent Committee Meetings

The parent committee meets four times throughout the school year. The committee's goal is to share information and have input from parents regarding relevant programming that will best benefit students. Please like *Lake Shore Title VI Parent Committee* on Facebook for important dates and information. And contact any Title VI person to find out how you can become involved in the Parent Committee.

We value your input!

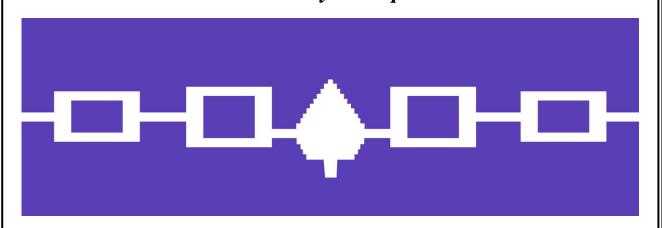


PHOTO NOTICE

The Title VI program will be taking pictures throughout the year. Pictures may be used for possible publication in future newsletters and informational fliers.

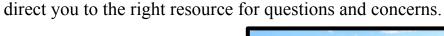
If you do **NOT** want your child's picture published, please contact Nancy Klemens, Title VI Home School Liaison, 926-2367. Unless we hear from you your child's picture may be printed in a Newsletter or published on a school website. Thank you.



Some things to Remember......



Nya:wëh to parents and grandparents. You became teachers, counselors and working-at-home persons last Spring and now the world is asking you do a little more. We thank you, encourage you, and are here to support you. Please reach out. Call the school and we will









Children need a space to study and think. Use these last days before school starts to give them a sense of control by decluttering an area and making it theirs for school work. Empower your children as they head into the school year, so they may work comfortably and

productively.





Parting Thoughts

One thing we know for certain is that change is certain. Our school plans may have to alter should COVID numbers and state directives change. We will keep families informed through a variety of communication tools if our District educational plans change. Thank for you for your understanding during unpredictable times.

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