International Community School News

Principal Update

Dear ICS Students and Families,

As you know, Dr. Holmen announced that secondary students will continue with their current remote learning model. With this decision came the mandate for schools to ramp up their efforts to design and implement in-person experiences for students. At ICS we are working on the following experiences:

- Continuing to grow our Wednesday Academic Support sessions.
- Addressing social, emotional, and mental health needs of students.
- Providing opportunities for in-person clubs and activities.
- Providing time on campus to recognize and celebrate our Senior Class.
- Providing opportunities for social time on campus.
- Partnering with PTSA to expand our opportunities.

Please look for additional information over the next two weeks.

I am very hopeful that we can create opportunities for all ICS students to be on-campus, connect with friends, and feel connected to our wonderful school community. We will spend the spring months breathing life back into our building and drawing inspiration from one another.

Thank you for being the best school community to lead through a pandemic! May we never, ever, do this again! More to follow soon.

Margaret Kinney



Leap Day

Leap day will be coming up next week. Please see the attachment for the <u>bell</u> schedule for the week of March 8-12.

Unofficial Transcripts

Unofficial transcripts are now available for grades 9-12 in Student Access and Family Access. They can be found in Attachments under Portfolio. They will be updated again after year-end grades are posted.

AP Exam Schedule Update

College Board (CB) recently released a revised AP exam schedule. AP exams will be administered in three windows this year. I have worked with our AP Coordinators and our College Board representative to draft an exam plan for all our LWSD students.

A few key points to share:

- All language exams (Spanish, French, etc.) and music theory are required by CB to be in-person.
- The majority of the exams will be held in the second (5/19-5/28) or third (6/1-6/11) administrative windows.
- Except for very specific documented accommodation requirements, all exams will be administered in the digital format for all subjects except languages/music theory.
- The remote testing platform will be <u>different</u> than last year and released April 8 (per CB), allowing for over a month for student exposure prior to exams begin. (Last year, students had less than a week!)
- CB had a 'big' release of information on March 2, 2021. Once we have that information and can make any adjustments to our draft plan, we will release an official district-wide plan by the end of the week.

Attendance in Remote Learning

To report an absence, please contact health-room secretary: Ms. Ruiz via email druiz@lwsd.org.

Need Tech Support?

Please email Mrs. Peterson if you are having issues with your laptop. Depending on the problem, we may be able to troubleshoot for a fix or submit a HelpDesk ticket for you. If you need immediate assistance, contact Family technology access support - available seven days a week starting from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. for student laptop, passwords and other technology questions. ftaccess@lwsd.org

425-936-1322

LWSD Text Message

Would you like to receive important announcements by <u>text message</u> from the District? Please text 'Y' to the number 67587.

Free Meal Plan

Learn more about <u>student meals</u> through the District website.

ICS Daily Schedule