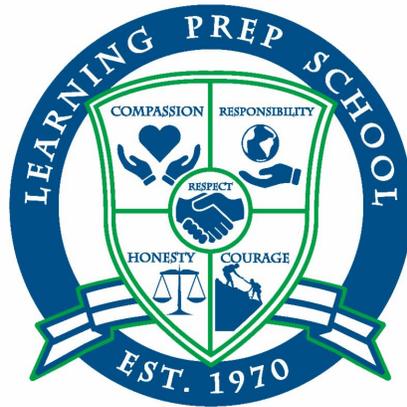


November 13, 2020



Family Newsletter



Check out our **now weekly** newsletter to stay informed about what is going on at LPS!

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Upcoming Events

Monday, November 16 - Wednesday, November 18: ALL SCHOOL REMOTE

Tuesday, November 24: HS Student Council event, 6:00 PM

Wednesday, November 25: Early Release, 11:00 AM

Thursday, November 26: No School, Happy Thanksgiving!

Friday, November 27: No School

Monday, November 30- Friday, December 4: ALL SCHOOL REMOTE

Wednesday, December 2: Free presentation on Psychological Testing, 6:00 PM

Monday, December 7: In-person school resumes

Wednesday, December 9: Parent Advisory Group meeting, 8:00 AM

Wednesday, December 9: All school Early Release, 11:00 AM

Wednesday, December 23 - Friday, January 1 : No School, Winter Break

Monday, January 4: Classes resume, ALL SCHOOL REMOTE

Monday, January 11: In person classes resume

To see the full School Year Calendar, [click here](#)

A message from Kurt

Dear parents,

Happy Friday! Even though we are coming up on a short week, I do have a few important announcements today. Please read through carefully and be in touch with me, Jen, or Amy with questions.

As you know, we are shrinking classes and slightly enlarging cohorts, changes that will go into effect when we return in person on December 7th. The updates here reflect implications of these changes that are important for you to understand.

1. Some faculty members will be changing cohorts as a part of this move. This is not happening often, but it is happening. Therefore, as of 12/7, your student may have a new faculty member with them or they might have a faculty member leave their cohort. Again, this isn't common, but it's possible.
2. Likewise, it is possible that with this move your student could have a new teacher or a new section. Because this is not ideal at this point in the year, we have done what we can to minimize these scenarios. However, if this happens, please know it was necessary in order to allow for smaller classes and more in-person instruction for some students.
3. Of course, you and your student will be getting the particulars of these changes in advance. Next Monday and Tuesday, teachers will be going over new schedules with students. Parents will be receiving these new schedules by 12/3 or 12/4 at the latest. If you have more immediate questions, please be in touch with Jen or Amy.
4. It remains critical that if you decide to move your student from remote to in-person or from in-person to remote, you let your principal know a few days in advance. This has been important all year, but it is even more critical now with these new changes. A remote student deciding to come in-person without letting us know first might find there is no room in the classroom because of our six-foot distancing protocols. Or an in-person student going remote without telling anyone in advance could find at class time that the teacher has not turned on the zoom because all the other students are in person. It is also important to let us know in advance because teachers plan these classes meticulously for the blend of students who will be in the room physically and who will be at home. It is hard for them to change on the fly.

That's all from me on this Friday. This will be my last update before Thanksgiving. With this in mind -- and while acknowledging this extraordinarily confusing and difficult time in the world -- I want to acknowledge that I continue to be grateful for many things. The health of this community and the opportunity to be on a team that makes a difference in your children's education are towards the very top of my list.

This will be an unusual Thanksgiving holiday for many of us. Regardless, I hope you find peace, safety, and rest with your amazing children next week.

Sincerely,

Kurt Moellering, PhD
Executive Director

All School News

General announcements:

Important info on remote learning

An email went out earlier today with information regarding our shift to remote learning for the next two weeks.

Bell Schedule

To see the bell schedule, [click here](#).

Schedule for Wednesday 11/25

As you are aware, Wednesday, 11/25 is a half day. This coming half day, students will be having periods 5-9. Please see below for the schedule:

Middle School

5th period- 7:50-8:33
7th period- 8:35-9:18
8th period- 9:20-10:03
9th period- 10:05-10:48

High School

5th period- 7:50-8:33
6th period- 8:35-9:18
8th period- 9:20-10:03
9th period- 10:05-10:48

Spirit Week next week

Show your spirit (virtually)!

Monday, November 23rd is Pajama Day: Wear your favorite BUT appropriate PJ's

Tuesday, November 24th is Sports Team Pride Day: Wear your favorite professional, local or your own sports team's shirt, jersey or hat.



Free Speaker Series event

Neuropsychological and Psychological Testing: Guidance for parents and professionals
By: Dr. David Stein, Psy.D., New England Neurodevelopment, LLC

Wednesday, December 2, 2020
6:00 - 7:15 PM

This presentation will guide families and professionals through the process of neuropsychological and psychological testing from when adults are first concerned about a child, through the testing process itself, and review the expected outcomes from an assessment. The presentation will focus on practical guidance as to how to engage in an assessment and to support children and families using evidence-based methods after testing is completed.

[Click here to RSVP](#)

Flu vaccine mandate

Nancy Ishkanian, School Nurse

The flu vaccine is now required for all children attending Massachusetts schools ages 6 months and up. **The deadline to receive the vaccine is 12/31/2020.** This new requirement is an important step to reduce flu-related illness and the overall impact of respiratory illness during the COVID-19 pandemic. If not already included in your child's immunization records already submitted, please submit your child's proof of vaccination to the school nurses via fax (Fax: 617-527-1514), email (nishkanian@learningprep.org) or provide us with a hard copy. Thank you!

An easy way to raise money for LPS!

Two-thirds of Americans purchase items on Amazon, do you? If yes, please consider using AmazonSmile for future online shopping. AmazonSmile is a separate website operated by Amazon that has the same products and prices as their regular website. The only difference is when you purchase on AmazonSmile .5% of your purchase goes to your favorite nonprofit of choice. That may not seem like much, but it can add up over time when an entire community like Learning Prep School takes advantage of the offer.

On your first visit to AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com), go to Account, Other Programs, and Change Your AmazonSmile Charity to "Little People's School" (LPS's legal name) to sign up!

Middle School News

No news to report!

High School News

Student Council Event

Join us on **Tuesday, November 24** from 6:00-7:30 pm for a ZOOM Thanksgiving Celebration! November themed Trivia- Win Prizes and a special viewing of a Thanksgiving TV special! Hope to see you all there!

ZOOM link :

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8058479802>

Transition Night

This week we hosted our Virtual Transition Night- thank you for all who attended! If you missed Transition Night and would like a copy of the handouts, [you can get a copy here](#).

Other information



Admissions Virtual Information Sessions

The best way to grow our wonderful community is by telling others! If you know someone who may be looking for a place like Learning Prep for their child, please encourage them to attend one of our weekly, Virtual Information Sessions!

Monday, 11/23- 12:00 PM
Tuesday, 12/1- 12:30 PM

RSVPs can be sent to **Korina Martin**,
Director of Admissions at
kmartin@learningprep.org



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