



LFP REPORTER



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News from the Principal

Dear LFP Families,

I want to thank you for all of the incredible work you are doing at home to set your child/ren up for success with remote learning. We value our partnership with guardians, grandparents, and childcare providers to support our students to log on and access Seesaw and Zoom successfully. Please call me at 206.393.4136 if your child ever has trouble logging in. My goal is to have 100% of students accessing their learning each day! If you have not downloaded the Seesaw family application yet, please do so.

Happy First Day of Kindergarten: I am so happy to welcome all of our newest LFP Dolphins to LFP today for their first day of Kindergarten. We are so excited to meet you!

Assessment: At the beginning of each year, Shoreline administers several universal screeners to students as a way to determine what students know and what support they might need as we begin this school year. This year we will be administering the assessments remotely. Remote assessment will look and feel different than in classroom assessment. We will give the students a few days to get comfortable with navigating the remote learning environment before we start screening, however we do need the data we collect to determine where students are with their learning and which students might need additional services. **For 1st-2nd grade students**, LAP staff will be visiting classes in the first weeks of school to administer the DIBELS reading screener. A staff member will join a class Zoom meeting and then pull students one at a time into a breakout room to do the testing. This means your student will be in a 1:1 situation with a Shoreline staff member. **For 1st-5th grade students**, we will also be administering the iReady assessment in reading and math. Students will log in to the testing site for the first time while online with their teacher so that we can ensure every student can log in and knows the process.

Materials Pick up #2: On Friday, September 25th, we will have a second school materials pick up by grade level. More details to come, but please mark your calendars.

Back to School Night Sept. 17th:

You are invited to build community with your child's/ren's teacher and other classroom parents and learn about curriculum / standards in remote learning. More details to come, but please mark your calendar.

Feedback about remote learning: If you have any feedback that you want to share about remote learning, please contact me at aimee.miner@shorelineschools.org. Thank you.

The LFP staff is so grateful to have such wonderful families to partner with. Thank you!

Principal Miner

Staying Healthy and Safe During Covid

Wash your hands frequently with warm soapy water for a minimum of 20 seconds. How do I know when it is 20 seconds? Just sing the Alphabet Song. If your not able to wash your hands, use a 60% alcohol base hand sanitizer all over your hands and rub until dry.

When you are not in your home, put 6 feet between yourself and others.

Wear a clean/new mask when out of your home. You can't tell if you are sick at first so to protect others by masking up. You also can't tell if other around you are sick, so mask up to protect you.

Cough in your elbow, or cover with a tissue. Never spit.

Wash frequently touched areas daily. This can be door knobs, handles, table/counter surfaces, light switches, phones and keyboards to name a few.

Watch your own symptoms. Fever, cough and shortness of breath are some of the symptoms to watch for.

Please be safe,
Nurse Sue [+:]

We are very proud of our highly qualified staff at Lake Forest Park Elementary and would be pleased to share any information regarding the professional qualifications (teaching certificates, endorsements, college degrees) of your child's classroom teacher, Title I teacher, or instructional assistants. As part of the ESSA, parents have the right to this information. Please contact the principal if you would like to request these facts.

EQUITY AT LFP

Dear Dolphin Community,

My name is Paul Miller, and I am the dean of students as well as the LFP Equity Lead this year. The LFP Equity Team will be continuing ongoing work to make our school community safe and supportive for all students.

As a white professional male, I was long blind to the difficulties faced by our students of color and other historically oppressed groups until a decade ago when I watched a kindergarten peer of my son's begin to fall behind academically due to factors beyond his control. I was forced to reckon with not only my own privilege, but systemic barriers that hindered his success. This was the beginning of my own journey, sometimes uncomfortable, humbly exploring the roots and results of a system that proclaims equality while accepting predictable academic discrepancies year after year.

I am proud to be a part of a team that refuses to accept the way things are, instead taking purposeful steps to promote culturally relevant teaching in our classrooms, restorative practices in addressing student behavior, and purposeful and thoughtful methods of reducing the achievement and opportunity gaps experienced by many students. As a parent of multi-racial students, it pains me to consider that my two boys, who present differently racially, might have different educational experiences due to factors no more in their control than my son's childhood friend's.

My purposes for writing this are twofold. First, to make sure that you know that LFP has such a team, and that we strive to ensure that equity is considered at every turn. It is work we are seriously committed to, and while I don't want to speak for my team, I would count it among the most important things I have done as an educator. Second, should any of what I've written resonate with you, I would like for you to consider joining us in our work, especially if you are a member of an underrepresented group. If you are interested, please let me know and I will provide you with more information and an application to do so.

All the best, for all students,

Paul Miller
paul.miller@shorelineschools.org

"It is the paramount duty of the state to make ample provision for the education of all children...without distinction or preference on account of race, color, caste, or sex."

Washington State Constitution: Article IX, Section 1, Preamble

For more information about the Shoreline School District's work around Equity and Family Engagement, please take a look at the department's website: <https://www.shorelineschools.org/domain/1090>



News From Your School Library

Your School Library Welcomes You!

Welcome back to a new year of learning, LFP Dolphins and families! As your school's Teacher-Librarian, I look forward to connecting with students and families through the Seesaw app and weekly library lessons. During this remote learning period, Shoreline School District librarians are collaborating on our weekly lessons. Thus, one week, your child may have a lesson delivered by librarians from different schools. We will be rotating our collaboration, so that we are all able to connect with our own school's students.

Below, I will detail our current vision for providing "curbside check out" of LFP school library books. As we wait for this to begin, it's crucial that all of our students have access to eBooks, audiobooks, and books in print format. If you are having trouble finding reading materials for your child, please do not hesitate to contact me and/or your child's teacher and we will work together to help you.

Curbside Check Out of KCLS Library Books and Access to KCLS eBooks and Electronic Resources

Shoreline School District Librarians are working with the school district to establish state approved safety protocols that will allow for the curbside check out of school library books. At present, our school is not able to provide curbside check out of library books.

The good news is that KCLS Libraries are now checking out physical paperback and hardcover books for students and adults to pick up and take home to read. KCLS also provides eBooks and electronic resources that are available to our students through our district technology platform. Visit the link below to learn how to access these resources and check out some books.

<https://tinyurl.com/kclsdolphins>

Please contact me (frank.kleyn@shorelineschools.org) if you have further questions.

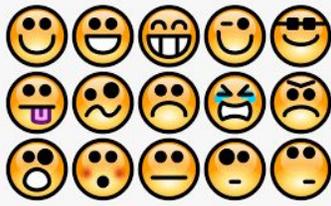
Have a great start to your year!

Frank Kleyn
Teacher-Librarian

LIFE SKILLS FOR SEPTEMBER

Cooperation: To work together toward a common goal or purpose

Patience: To wait calmly for someone or something



Counselor's Corner

Hello, LFP Community,

I just wanted to take the time to (re)introduce myself - my name is Tom Doggett, and I'm the school counselor. I consider myself extremely lucky to get to work with kids for a living - and further, that my role is simply to offer support when they need it.

A few things about me:

**I am passionate about social justice*

**I love to read - non-fiction mostly, at the moment*

**My favorite activity is backpacking in our local mountains*

This will be a trying year, but I think LFP's staff is fantastic, and is uniquely equipped to navigate it (and to help you navigate it as well).

Please reach out to me if you have any questions.

Thanks - Mr. Tom

(thomas.doggett@shorelineschools.org)

(206) 393-1356



The Dean Department

Welcome back Dolphins! We are so proud of the way you showed up last week – eager and ready to connect and learn!

There is so much to do this year as we figure out how to keep our Dolphin spirit burning bright by figuring out how to do the fun things we do over Zoom. Just because we're learning remotely doesn't mean we can't be building community, connecting with friends, and serving others – we just need to get creative with how we do it! Start thinking about it – I'll be asking students for their ideas really soon.

But before we do that, we need to make sure that everyone is able to make it in to make it into their classrooms as easily as they do when they are at school! I know many of you are working really hard at it right now – waiting for things to connect, to be let into rooms, and searching for passwords – and I want to give you all 50 Promise Awards! Each! Promise me this – if you think the issue is with the hardware or technology (laptops and internet), please have your grown up let me know by emailing paul.miller@shorelineschools.org. After all, my job has always been to make sure students feel connected to Lake Forest Park!

Our first Spirit Week is coming – who's ready?!?!?



Family Support Resources

Below is a list of resources that may be helpful for your family during the summer. If you have any questions on these, or are looking for other resources, please contact our Family Advocate, Susie Moore, at susie.moore@shorelineschools.org or 206-393-1177.

FOOD RESOURCES

Free Student Meal Service to Resume on Temporary Basis

The government is now allowing school districts to resume **FREE** meal service for all students on a temporary basis through December 2020. Please use the [electronic pre-order system](#) to ensure we produce enough meal boxes and order enough milk. Meal box orders should be placed each Wednesday for pick-up the following Wednesday. You can now order food for all children in your household ages 1-18. For assistance in filling out the order form or if you do not have internet access, call the Meal Order Hotline at 206-393-4103. Calls will be responded to on Wednesdays from 7:30 am to 3:30 pm.

Pandemic EBT

Due to the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), children who are eligible for free or reduced-price meals at school will get extra food benefits. These food benefits are called Pandemic EBT (P-EBT): Emergency School Lunch Program, or P-EBT benefits. P-EBT benefits help families in Washington buy food when school is closed. The deadline to apply is **Friday, September 11, 2020!** Submit your application by 5pm! Apply online at WashingtonConnection.org or by calling DSHS at 877-501-2233.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Shoreline Community Care – www.shorelinecommunitycare.org. Support for Shoreline residents for utility, rent, food and gas. Residents can call 206-496-3116 to schedule a phone interview. No eviction notice or utility shut-off required.

[Hopelink](https://www.hopelink.org/hopelink-coronavirus-response-update)- <https://www.hopelink.org/hopelink-coronavirus-response-update>

Food support, energy assistance, financial assistance, housing, employment services, adult education. Shoreline Service Center: 206-440-7300

[North Helpline](https://www.northhelpline.org/) - <https://www.northhelpline.org/>

Financial assistance has limited funds available to provide up to the last \$200 to prevent evictions and utility shut offs. To find out how to apply for these funds call our financial assistance office at 206-365-8043. You may also email our Community Connector, Roger, directly: roger@northhelpline.org.



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July 30, 2020

Re: Optional Insurance for Student Injuries and Accidents
2020-2021 School Year

Dear Parent/Legal Guardian:

The safety of our students is one of our most important concerns. Even so, accidents do happen and resulting medical treatment (ambulance transport, surgery, hospitalization, etc.) can be very expensive.

Please know that the District does not assume responsibility for these costs. However, as a service to you and your child, your school has joined with 1,000s of others by offering you access to a low cost, voluntary purchase student accident/health insurance program. The program is arranged and administered by Myers-Stevens & Toohey & Co., Inc. a firm that has specialized in such coverages for over 40 years.

Several plans are offered and rates for the entire school year start at around \$21 (*Dental Accident Plan*). You can limit coverage to school related injuries only (including sports) or opt for 24/7 protection. As families' needs differ, you may also choose between Low, Mid and High levels of benefits. Also offered are a *Student Accident & Sickness Plan* and a *Pharmacy discount program* for your entire family. While you can seek care from any doctor or hospital, you'll also have access to an extensive network of medical providers with discounted charges.

Please note: coverages have been updated due to the nova coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic. Please review the information carefully to fully understand the insurance being offered.

To enroll, visit their website at www.myers-stevens.com (you can also find the link on your school's website) and complete the enrollment form for your child. If you prefer to mail your enrollment form, please let the school office know and they will provide you with a form that you then mail directly to Myers-Stevens & Toohey & Co. While your child is eligible to enroll at any time, you are encouraged to consider early enrollment to get maximum value from the plan(s) selected.

Note - Once processing is completed, an ID card verifying coverage will be mailed to your home.

If you have any questions, please call Myers-Stevens & Toohey at (800) 827-4695. Bilingual representatives are available for parents who need assistance in Spanish.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Marla S. Miller". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "M".

Marla S. Miller
Deputy Superintendent

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SHORELINE SCHOOL DISTRICT CHECK ACCEPTANCE PROCEDURES

Checks are a welcome form of payment at our schools and departments.

Our school district has established the following procedure for accepting checks. It must include your full and accurate name, current address, telephone number, and be written in English.

In the event the bank returns your check for non-payment such as Non-Sufficient Funds (NSF) or a Closed account, the District will assess a \$20.00 fee. The \$20.00 fee and face value of the check will create a fine against your student's account. When we receive the bank notice, you will be notified by the District's Accounting Office and will have two weeks to make your check good in our office.

If your check is returned for non-payment, the district has the right to no longer accept this form of payment for the remainder of the school year. Alternative forms of payment may be used, such as cash, a cashier's check, a money order or payment by credit card. We ask that ALL NSF and Closed Account payments are paid in the District's Accounting Office at the Shoreline Center, 18560 1st Ave NE (206-393-4101), and NOT at the school office or at the Children's Center.

The District Accounting Office will also accept VISA, MasterCard, and the Discover Card to cover the non-payment. You may call 206-393-4101 to make this payment over the telephone. We do not collect or store your credit card information and only the last 4 digits of your card number shows on the receipt. Once payment has been made, the fine will be removed from your student's account.

We will work with you, but if we haven't heard from you or payment hasn't been made in 2 weeks, the check(s) will be sent to Transworld, a private Collection Agency. Any charges associated with the Collection Agency will be the responsibility of the check writer.

Kind regards,

**Shirley Kamm
Accounting & Business Manager**