



Welcome to Open House 2023-2024

Information

Each Monday, students will receive the Parent Information Guide (PIG).

Please check the maroon communication folder nightly for notes from the school.

Each Friday, students will receive their **red** weekly progress folder. Please sign and return this folder the following week.

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Chromebooks

Each student is assigned their own Chromebook and charger. The charger should be left at home. We have chargers at school for them to use. Students may bring their Chromebooks home as needed, but please make sure they return them back to school charged.

*Chromebooks and chargers will not go home until the technology fee is paid.



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Google Classroom

Students are "assigned" to classrooms for each subject.

We use Google Classroom at school to upload in-class assignments, activities, videos, etc.

You can find your child's Google Classroom login information on the sticker located in their LWE planner or maroon folder.

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Edulastic

We will be using <https://edulastic.com/> to complete formative and summative assessments in class.

Students (and parents) can access their Edulastic account by signing in with their Google username and password. This can be done at school or home. See the handout for more information to access Edulastic.

When the teacher is done grading, you will be able to sign in to review the assessment.

[Edulastic Parent Note](#)

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Practicing Math at Home

Complete the daily spiral review homework. Use the class notes found in your child's binder to help assist. They are organized by module number and lesson number on the top of their notes. (Ex: M1, L4 for Module 1, Lesson 4.)

For now, both of the math textbooks will remain in class. We plan to use the "Apply" book during our small group instruction. If we decide to change this and send the "Apply" book home with students, we will send a message to let parents know.

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PhD Science

In-Sync has videos and materials uploaded that we can go through the lessons we use in the classroom.

[Module 1 Great Minds Video Links](#)

Students will log in with their Google account.

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ELA

ELA Guidebooks is an English language arts curriculum for whole-class instruction. The guidebook units ensure all students can read, understand, and express their understanding of complex, grade-level texts.

Unit 1: The Whipping Boy

Unit 2: The Lightning Thief

Unit 3: The American Revolution

Lessons will also include small group instruction and enriching activities, such as creative writing, handwriting, fluency practice, reading comprehension, and book clubs.

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ELA

ELA assessments will be given to assess student learning throughout each unit. The following types of assessment will be used and scored:

Comprehension Tests & Quizzes
Enhanced Culminating Tasks (ECT)
Common Formative Assessments
Guidebooks Unit Section Quizzes

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ELA Flex Groups

Our flex groups help us to ensure that all students learn at high levels. These groups are based on data collected from LEAP scores, assessments, CFAs, and DIBELS 8th Testing, which is conducted three times per year. In addition, your child will be pulled in small groups during their ELA class to meet their individual needs. Our goal at the end of the year is to have your child reading at or above grade level.

Focus during Flex Group time will depend on your child and his or her needs, whether it be working on phonics skills, fluency, or comprehension.

You will receive more information in your child's fluency folder as to how you can help your child at home. Just remember, read, read, read at home and always ask questions grounded in what you read. Additionally, ELA homework will focus on reading the same text over a week and answering questions about the text.

Literacy is a top priority at Lakewood!

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Reading at Home

Please have students read as often as possible from a variety of genres.

Students will have reading homework weekly.

Students are encouraged to always have a book to read.

Other resources that can be found in Google Classrooms:

- Lakewood Library- <https://www.stcharles.k12.la.us/lakewood>
- Lexia- <https://www.lexialearning.com/core5>
- Readworks- <https://www.readworks.org/>
- Common lit- <https://www.commonlit.org/en>

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Writing Revolution

Writing Revolution's evidence-based strategies ensure that all students at all levels can produce clear, coherent, unified, and structured writings.

It focuses on strategies that help students become better readers, communicators, and critical thinkers.

It also enables students to master skills that are essential to becoming competent writers. In turn, those skills equip students to become better readers, to communicate more effectively in writing and speaking, and most importantly, to elevate their thinking.



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Social Studies

After building knowledge in grades K-3 about their community, parish, state, and nation, students are ready to expand their historical horizons and begin an exploration of the ancient and classical world. In fourth grade, students are introduced to the story of human civilization and will examine key characteristics of society, government, and culture in the ancient:

- ❑ Near East
- ❑ Northern Africa
- ❑ India
- ❑ Greece
- ❑ Rome
- ❑ China
- ❑ Americas



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Social Studies

While we are waiting for the new curriculum, students will engage in Foundational Instruction for Reading Excellence (F.I.R.E.) lessons and The Writing Revolution skills.

Students will also learn about map skills and map features.

The students will **not** have a grade in PowerSchool for the first quarter. However, the students will still be assessed on the topics learned in class.

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Lakewood Elementary Counseling Team



Ms. Katie is one of the school counselors who meets with students individually and in groups. She will be teaching enrichment classes and will be teaching SEL lessons.



Ms. Kristen is the new mental health professional on campus and will be meeting with students individually and in a group setting based on referrals. She will also be teaching 5th grade SEL lessons.



Ms. Pepper is the school counselor who meets with students individually and in a group setting. She will also be teaching SEL lessons and facilitating SEL initiatives.

Our
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are located
in the main
building and
will be
working
with all
grade levels.

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As a reminder, please stop in the Tech Lab and fill out any Back to School Paperwork.

You will **not** be able to complete these forms on your phone.

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