



Loranger Memorial School

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Good morning Loranger Families,

It has been a very different week here at Loranger. We are so thankful for your patience, flexibility, and understanding as we worked through some heating issues on Monday. I know and understand the incredible inconvenience that an early dismissal can be. I would like to publicly thank our maintenance team who sprung into action immediately to help address the issue as well as Siemens for their hard work at the beginning of the week to get us back up and running. Thanks to Rob Kierstead, Kevin Girard, and Alex Bergeron for their immediate response and great work!

BAND STUDENTS AND PARENTS

After a long wait, we will shortly be able to start playing some instrumental music indoors! The CDC guidelines have been modified recently for band but sadly not for chorus. All wind instrument players will wear masks with a slot for their mouthpiece, and the bells of the instruments will have cloth covers. Students will be placed 10 feet apart facing the same direction. This may limit the size of the group – larger ensembles may have to practice in smaller units for the time being. Careful attention to safety protocols will be observed. Please contact us if you have any questions; we are excited to get our groups back in action!

Fresh Fruits & Vegetables Program

Our Fresh Fruits & Vegetables Program had to be suspended until after February vacation. There will not be any fruits or veggies coming home today or next Friday, but it will resume when we return from vacation.

School Nutrition Program

Breakfast and lunches are available daily at school and are free to all students throughout the entire school year. We ask that you still complete a Free and Reduced Application. These applications help us to receive funding and programming that helps all students district-wide. In addition, if you qualify, you can get Spectrum internet for only \$14.95/month! Applications are available at the front office and on our website at: <http://rsu23.school lunchapp.com>. School breakfast and lunch menus are also posted on the RSU 23 Website on the [Food & Nutrition Page](#). Please feel free to contact Caroline Trinder, Food & Nutrition Services Director, with any questions at ctrinder@rsu23.org or 934-4461 ext. 1239. We are looking forward to serving healthy and tasty meals all year!

Free Breakfasts and Lunches are also provided every Wednesday behind Loranger Memorial School between 10:15-10:45am, no need to RSVP, just show up!

Outdoor Recess

Please be sure to send students with proper clothing and outdoor gear for recess times. All students must have proper boots, snow pants, coats, hats, and gloves to access the playground when there is snow on the ground. If anyone is in need of these items, please reach out to our School Counselor, Judy Milligan at jmilligan@rsu23.org for assistance.

Morning Drop Off and Afternoon Pick up

Thank you all for your efforts to assist with keeping morning drop off and afternoon pick up times as safe as possible. We'll continue to monitor and communicate with you any needs, and we appreciate the efforts you're taking to create a safe transition during those times.

Snow Day Information

Please take a moment if you haven't already to read Superintendent Suttie's snow day [memo](#). Teachers and grade level teams will keep you and your child updated with specific snow day plans. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher.

A reminder of a few upcoming dates:

- Monday, February 15 to Friday, February 19 - February Break
- Friday, March 19 - No school for students, Professional Development Day

Please contact us if you have any questions,

Thank you,

Matthew Foster
Principal