

Loranger Memorial School

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Good morning Loranger Families,

March is officially here. We've had some warmer weather and some colder weather this week. Today is on the colder side. I have also noticed the increase in the hours of daylight, which I particularly enjoy as that helps to remind me that spring is almost here!

Just a couple of notes for you today.

Parent Teacher Conferences

Our spring parent teacher conferences are coming right up. As in the fall, they will be virtual, and we will be holding sign ups through the Virtual Paragon online system. Our first conference night will be on Thursday, March 18th from 3:30 to 7:00, and our second conference night will be Wednesday, March 24th from 3:00 to 7:00. Sign ups will open Monday, March 8th and remain open through the 24th. Once scheduled, teachers will be communicating with parents to provide links to attend the virtual conference. To schedule your conferences using our digital scheduler, please click on the following link to sign up: Loranger Memorial School 2021 Spring Conferences. The link is also posted to our website under the "Parents and Students" tab. The master password is OOB3to8. Once you have entered the master password you will need to login. If you created a login last spring, click the login button, and proceed from there. If you do not remember the login you created, click either the "I forgot my user name" or the "I forgot my password" link and you will be provided with assistance. If you have never used this system, you will need to click "Create New User Name" and follow the on screen instructions. Sign ups will open this Monday, March 8th. If you have any questions or need assistance please reach out to the main office at LMS.

Reminder of Student Support Services

As we approach one calendar year to significant school impact from the pandemic, I want to remind families of some supportive adults here that can assist if your child may be struggling with pandemic related things or any social/emotional, mental health, or health needs in particular. Judy Miligan, our school counselor can be reached at <u>jmilligan@rsu23.org</u>, and Matt Michaud our school Licensed Clinical Social Worker can be reached at <u>mmichaud@rsu23.org</u>. Also, our School Nurse, Karen Michaud, can be reached at <u>kmichaud@rsu23.org</u> with any health related questions.

End of Trimester 2

The end of trimester 2 is fast approaching. The last day of the trimester will be March 19th, and staff will be preparing report cards the following week to be sent digitally when they are complete.

RSU 23 2021-2022 Transportation Questionnaire

In an effort to do our best planning for the upcoming school year, we are asking that you complete this brief <u>Transportation Questionnaire</u>, regarding transportation for next year. The pandemic has

changed our transportation routine significantly, and we would like to be prepared for next year by gathering this information from you. If you could please find time to complete the questionnaire, that would be much appreciated. Please DO NOT submit a second response if you have already completed it once.

Outdoor Recess

Even though the weather is warming up, 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.

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: <u>http://rsu23.schoollunchapp.com</u>. 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!

Snow Day Information

Please take a moment if you haven't already to read Superintendent Suttie's snow day <u>memo</u>. 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:

- Friday, March 19 No school for students, Professional Development Day
- Wednesday, March 31 8th grade family night with OOB High School Information coming soon.

Have a great weekend!

Matthew Foster