

Loranger Memorial School

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Dear Parents, Families, and Friends,

Welcome to the 2021-2022 school year at Loranger Memorial School! We are excited to begin working with you and your students and want you to know that we look forward to a very successful year. As always, we are driven by our mission statement; to provide a high quality education for all students by meeting them where they are and inspiring them and supporting them until they experience success.

With this letter I'd like to welcome our new third grade students, the class of 2031, as well as our returning 4th through 8th grade students! I'll also provide you with the information necessary to begin the school year.

I'm thrilled to announce to you our new staff members for 2021-2022, as well as update you on some staff who have shifted positions.

- Jackie Hayes is our new Dean of Students. She brings with her a variety of experiences from OOB High School and has already made great contributions to our team this summer.
- Kayleigh Knox is our new grade 6 science teacher. She joins us from Oxford Hills Middle School and is excited to be a part of our dynamic middle school group.
- Kate Shaw will be joining us from Jameson in a split role as our grades 3-5 music instructor.
- Trevor Lavenbein will round out music instruction in grades 6-8.
- Laura Seaver is moving from grade 6 science to grade 5 and is excited for the new challenges and opportunities.
- Brooks Bowen will be joining us from Massabesic. He will be teaching Industrial Arts to our grade 7 & 8 students, and will also be at the high school.
- Rebecca Nyanutse will also be in a shared role with the high school. She will be teaching French to students in grades 6 & 7.
- Jen Provencher started with us this summer as our new administrative assistant. She is very excited to work in her local community school.

Please help me in welcoming all of our new Gulls!

RETURNING STUDENT REGISTRATION

ALL returning students must have the 2021-2022 "Returning" student registration completed prior to the start of the school year. Returning student registration will open up on August 23. The parent/guardian will receive an email with instructions on how to update their child's information. (This process replaces the paper process.) This should take 15 minutes and it is vital that we get this updated information from you prior to the start of school.

This online process will also have the following information:

- Device Forms
- Medical Emergency Forms
- Student Information

CLASS PLACEMENT LETTERS

For students in grades 3-5, class placement letters were mailed home this past Monday, August 13th. If you have not received a letter yet, please contact the school at 207-934-4848. Ms. Cote or Ms. Provencher will assist you. Students in grades 6-8 will receive their schedules on the first day of school.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

The 2021-2022 school calendar can be viewed by visiting our school web page or following this link.

START/END TIME - DROP-OFF & DISMISSAL

The start and end times for Loranger remain the same as last year. Grades 3-5 student school day begins at 8:00 with drop off starting at 7:45. The 3-5 school day ends at 2:15. Grades 6-8 student school day begins at 8:30 with drop off starting at 8:15. The 6-8 school day ends at 2:45. All students who walk or are dropped off by parents should enter our building from the main entrance located off of Jameson Hill Road. To improve safety, we are working on changes to our grades 3-5 pick up routine, and I will be sharing separate communications regarding what those procedures will look like as the start of school approaches.

SCHOOL NUTRITION PROGRAM

Breakfast and lunch are offered daily and are free for all students, all year long. Breakfast for all students will be served before the school day starts; 7:45-8:00 for grades 3-5 and 8:15-8:30 for grades 6-8. Although school meals are free this year, we still need your help. Free & Reduced Meal applications, available at http://rsu23.schoollunchapp.com, help our district receive funding for all students and take less than 5 minutes to complete. Every application received before September 15 (regardless of outcome) is eligible to win \$250, \$150, or \$100 to Hannaford. Please feel free to contact Caroline Trinder, Food & Nutrition Service Director, with any questions at ctrinder@rsu23.org or 934-4461 x 1239.

STUDENT SUPPLIES

We will be following the process we used last year to assist families in the pandemic by purchasing all necessary school supplies for students. This means you will not be receiving a school supply list from your child's teacher, and there will be no trips to Wal-Mart or filling an Amazon cart for notebooks, pens, or pencils!

OPEN HOUSE

Our open house this year is scheduled for Wednesday, September 15 from 5:00 to 6:00 PM. We will be sharing more information as this date gets closer. This night will be a great opportunity for

students to show their parents their new classroom, meet our wonderful staff and for you to hear more about what your student will be doing in class this school year. We look forward to seeing you there!

Thank you for taking the time to read this communication. Don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions. We are all excited for another successful year at Loranger Memorial School!

Matthew C. Foster

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IMPORTANT & UPCOMING DATES

• Thursday, September 2 First Day LMS Students

• Friday, September 3 No School

• Monday, September 6 Labor Day, No School

• Wednesday, September 15 Early Release Day/LMS Open House 5 PM

• Tuesday, September 21 Picture Day