

Updates from Superintendent Radeke

November 16, 2023

HAPPY THANKSGIVING EVERYONE!

May your Thanksgiving holiday be filled with countless reasons to be grateful and with abundant love from those you hold dear.

Most sincerely,
Supt. Melissa Radeke



HAPPY
Thanksgiving

GRATITUDE PROMPTS

1. A **strength** of mine for which I am grateful is...
2. Something **money can't buy** that I'm grateful for is...
3. Something that **comforts me** that I'm grateful for is...
4. Something that's **funny** for which I'm grateful for is...
5. Something **in nature** that I'm grateful for is...
6. **A memory** I'm grateful for is....
7. Something that **changes** that I'm grateful for is....
8. A **challenge** I'm grateful for is....
9. Something **interesting** that I'm grateful for is...
10. Something **beautiful** I'm grateful for is...

SCHOOL CLOSING/eLEARNING INFORMATION

Dear Lester Prairie Families,
Winter weather is just around the corner and I want to remind you of a few key details about delays, school closings, and eLearning information.



School Closings, delays, and eLearning days are announced through our School Messenger system, sent out on our social media sites, and posted on our school district website. The information is also relayed to television stations WCCO, KSTP, Fox 9, and KARE 11 as well as radio stations KDUZ/KARP and KNUJ.

The district will use eLearning time when possible. ELearning days are considered student contact days and therefore eliminate the need for make-up days at the end of the school year. Districts are allowed to use up to 5 eLearning days per year. Attendance WILL be taken on eLearning days.

- **PreK-3 students** - marked present by completing assigned Choice Boards in Google Classroom or Take Home Folders. Teacher Office Hours = 8:30-12:00 and 12:30-2:00.
- **Grade 4-6 students** - marked present by attending classes through Google Meets and completing assigned work according to the following schedule:
 - 8:30-9:00 Morning meeting
 - 9:30-11:00 Math

- 11:00-12:00 Teacher Office Hours
- 12:00-12:30 Lunch
- 12:30-2:00 English Language Arts
- **Grade 7-12 students** - marked present by attending and participating in classes through Google Meets according to the following schedule:
 - 1st Period: 8:15-9:05
 - 2nd Period: 9:10-10:00
 - 3rd Period: 10:05-10:55
 - 4th Period: 11:00-11:50
 - Lunch: 11:50-12:20
 - 5th Period: 12:20-1:10
 - 6th Period: 1:15-2:05
 - 7th Period: 2:10-3:00

Please visit the District Website>Technology Tab>eLearning page for additional information regarding eLearning days.

As always, please contact us with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,
Dr. Melissa Radeke
Superintendent
Lester Prairie Schools

Ruff Ruff Report ~ Media Communications Class with Mr. Machemehl

Click here: [Ruff Ruff Report](#)

NEWS FROM PRINCIPAL LEE:

Elementary and High School officially start at 8:15. Elementary students should begin entering their classroom to prepare for the day at 8:05. The warning bell rings at 8:10 signaling to students they have 5 minutes to be in their classroom ready to begin for the day. All students are expected to be in their classroom ready to begin no later than 8:15.

Student tardiness can have various effects on both the individual student and the overall school environment.

Missed Learning Opportunities: Tardiness can lead to students missing important information or instructions at the beginning of a class, which may affect their understanding of the material.

Disruption of Classroom Environment: Late arrivals can disrupt the flow of a lesson and disturb the concentration of other students who arrived on time.

Impact on Academic Performance: Chronic tardiness may result in lower academic performance as students consistently miss key parts of lessons, assignments, or assessments.

Development of Poor Habits: Regular tardiness can contribute to the development of poor habits and a lack of discipline, which may affect a student's overall work ethic and success in the future.

Consequences for Punctuality in the Workplace: Punctuality is a valuable skill in the professional world. Chronic tardiness in school may contribute to a lack of punctuality in future workplaces, potentially affecting career success.

**Tardiness does not just affect the student who is late. It affects the entire class!
Show Bulldog Pride and be on time.**

ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR UPDATES:

Fall sports seasons have come to an end and we are making preparations for the winter sports seasons. Girls Basketball started practice this past week with boys basketball and wrestling starting on Monday, Nov 20.

The Knowledge Bowl team has also begun practice sessions for their upcoming competitions.

Community Education programs are in full swing. Community Ed Basketball practices will begin next week with wrestling starting the week of November 27th. Check the school calendar for times and locations.

Also check out the website for our updated registration and hours for winter walking.



Does the School District have your most current contact information?

The School District uses the School Messenger Alert System to inform parents of school closings, late starts, early outs, and emergencies. Please make sure we have your current contact information so you receive our communications!



Community members can sign up to receive our inclement weather and emergency messages using a form on our website under the Community tab or [click here](#).



November 20 - Regular School Board Meeting
November 23 and 24 - Thanksgiving Break - No School
January 8th - PTO Meeting 6pm Commons Area (Dec. mtg cancelled)
(PTO=second Monday of the month. Please consider joining!)

Next Regular School Board Meeting: Monday, November 20th at 5:45pm in the Media Center

Please visit the School Board tab on our website to view upcoming Board Meeting agendas.

<https://www.lp.k12.mn.us/page/2452>



Do you have any comments or feedback to share?

We would love to hear from you because your voice is important to us. Please click on the Google Form below. Thank you!



Comments and Feedback

We would love to hear your thoughts and/or feedback about our school district. Please include your contact information so we can follow up with you.

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 * Indicates required question

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