

Wednesday, November 19, 2025

Good afternoon LCUSD#9 families,

We are now over halfway through the second quarter of the 25-26 school year. Our students and staff have been working hard, and I am hopeful they will all finish the second quarter strong. Please continue to remind your students of the importance of being at school on time every day and completing the necessary work to learn, grow, and pass their classes.

We only have four (4) school days left between now and Thanksgiving Break, as there will be no school November 26-28. Believe it or not, when we return from Thanksgiving Break it will be December! With that in mind, I wanted to remind families of how the Lebanon School District will deal with inclement weather if/when it occurs in the coming months.

First and foremost, please know that the safety of our staff and students is always at the forefront of our decision making processes, and I will always do my best to inform families as soon as possible when school is canceled. This year, we will once again have up to five (5) E-Learning Days available to use. As a reminder, traditional snow days with no form of student attendance are called “emergency days” and need to be made up at the end of the school year. E-Learning Days, on the other hand, count as school attendance days and do not need to be made up at the end of the school year.

When an E-Learning Day is announced, attendance for that day of school will be taken; however, there will be procedures in place if students miss school due to special circumstances (i.e. lack of internet availability, childcare issues, sickness, or other excused absence). Students and staff will be prepared to follow our [E-Learning Plan](#) on any inclement weather E-Learning Days. Please familiarize yourselves with the plan in advance of any inclement weather and reach out to your child’s teacher or principal with any questions.

For the 2025-2026 school year, Lebanon CUSD#9 will plan to conduct E-Learning days on the first five inclement weather days. The Illinois State Board of Education has set a maximum number of five E-Learning Days for a school year, so any inclement weather days beyond the first five will need to be emergency days with no student attendance and added to the end of the school calendar. As of today, our last day of student attendance is on May 21st, but May 22nd-May29th are listed on our [district school calendar](#) as “Emergency Days.”

Finally, I have attached a preview of my [November Superintendent's Report](#) to the Board of Education for families and staff members to see. As of right now, this is the information I will be

communicating at our November 20th Board of Education meeting. The third slide of my report highlights both our board of education and our education support personnel (ESPs). November 15th was School Board Members Day, and today, November 19th, is ESP Day. Please join me in thanking both groups for their tireless efforts in supporting our students and staff members. We appreciate you and all you do!

HELP WANTED: Please reach out to District Secretary, Lisa Hardy (lhardy@lcsd9.org) or one of our building principals (jeeseely@lcsd9.org or kemrick@lcsd9.org) if you are interested in joining our team. We are looking for both volunteer and paid part-time and full-time assistance in the following areas:

- Paraprofessionals - \$15.00/hour
- Food Service Workers and Subs -\$15.00/hour
- Custodial Subs -\$15.00/hour
- Substitute Teachers - \$120/day

Email Lisa (lhardy@lcsd9.org) or give her a call at 618-537-4611 to learn more about joining the team!

I'll continue sending monthly updates throughout the school year to keep you informed about district-wide news, highlights, and important dates. You should also be hearing regularly from your child's teachers and building principals with more timely and specific updates. As always, if I can ever be of assistance to you or your student, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Go Greyhounds!

Educationally yours,

Matt Noyes, Ed.D.

LCUSD#9 Superintendent

Important Dates & Information

- [LCUSD9 Sports Reminder](#)
- 11/15 - School Board Members Day - Thank you, board members, for your service!
- 11/19 - Education Support Professionals (ESP) Day - Thank you, ESPs, for all you do!
- 11/20 - 6:00PM - November Board of Education Meeting @ LES Library
- **11/26-11/28 - No School - Thanksgiving Break**
- 12/1-12/5 - Santa's Kottage @ LES
- 12/3 - 6:30PM - LES Holiday Musical
- 12/6 - 9:00AM - NHS's Santa Breakfast @ LES
- 12/8 - 6:00PM - LES PTO Meeting @ LES Library
- 12/12 - 7:00PM - District Bands Holiday Concert

- 12/18 - 6:00PM - December Board of Education Meeting @ LES Library
- 12/19 - 7:30AM - 4th Grade Breakfast @ LES
- 12/19 - End of the 2nd Quarter / Early Dismissal
 - 11:00AM - LJHS/LHS Dismissal
 - 11:15AM - LES Dismissal
- 12/22-1/2 - No School - Christmas Break
- 1/5 - No School for Students - Teachers' Institute
- 1/6 - First Day of Student Attendance for the 3rd Quarter/2nd Semester
- 1/8 - Dental Safari @ LES
- 1/12 - 6:00PM - LES PTO Meeting @ LES Library
- 1/19 - No School - Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Repeat Information / Reminders

Lebanon CUSD#9 2025-2026 School Information

- [25-26 School Calendar](#) - daily dismissal times are listed at the bottom of the calendar.

School Times for the 2025-2026 School Year

- LJHS/LHS - 7:45-2:38 (**7:45-1:15 on Wednesdays**) - 11:00am on ½ Days
- LES - 8:00-2:45 (**8:00-1:30 on Wednesdays**) - 11:15am on ½ Days

School Fees

- School fees for the 2025-2026 school year have changed and are found on the registration page on the district website. **These fees should be paid on My School Bucks or by dropping a check off in the office at your earliest convenience.**

Important Health Information & Reminders

- All Kindergarten, Sixth Grade, and Ninth Grade students (along with any students who are new to the district) will need to have a current physical and immunizations on file for the 25-26 school year.
- All Kindergarten, Second Grade, Sixth Grade, and Ninth Grade students will need to have a current dental exam on file for the 25-26 school year.
- **Please make sure to get all physicals, immunization records, and dental exams to the school nurse as soon as possible!**
- School Nurse - Mrs. Kelli Hilmes, khilmes@lcusd9.org
 - 618-537-4423 (ext. 441 at LES & ext. 202 at JH/HS)