

# LAKE FOREST

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January 26, 2024

Greetings Spartan Family and Welcome to 3<sup>rd</sup> Marking Period!

I hope everyone had a great start to the new year and are settled back into the weekly routine. We have just finished the 2<sup>nd</sup> marking period and are entering a long stretch of school. Please keep your students motivated and engaged as this is the time of year we need to keep the optimism flowing and our patience high!

As usual, most of our students did very well in the 2<sup>nd</sup> marking period. The holidays and other distractions make the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter difficult but our students persevered. If your student did not return the sort of results you are used to, please contact your student's teacher, administrator, or school counselor for extra help.

I want to take this opportunity to send blessings to our African American staff, students, and community members as we are about to celebrate Black History Month. I encourage everyone to take time to celebrate with us the many lasting and unique contributions of the Black community this month and always. Schools will be sending information out about Black History and Mrs. Jackson along with the Black Student Union from Lake Forest High School are planning a great event for February 23. We look forward to seeing everyone there for what is always a great celebration.

It is time again to nominate deserving staff for Teacher of the Year. Last year we had a record number of teachers nominated and I am confident this year will be the same. Nominate your student's teacher for this prestigious award by clicking [here](#).

I pray everyone made it through the latest weather emergencies with minimal effect. As you know, these conditions impacted our normal routines, but despite the interruptions our teachers and students were able to continue with relevant, rigorous learning. Hopefully, the impact is negligible. Since we have a limited number of extra school days built in to our schedule, we need to be ready for remote or virtual learning if bad weather persists. I will be sure to give you plenty of notice if we are forced to do this.

Something great is always happening here in Lake Forest and I invite you to be part of it. Please feel free to contact me any time at 302-284-3020. As always, I thank you for the honor of serving as your superintendent, and I look forward to seeing you on a Lake Forest campus soon.

Sincerely,

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