



The vision of the Lake Forest School District is to be the model of excellence in education.

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Greetings Spartan Families and Happy Spring!

I pray everyone is well and you are starting to see and feel the first signs of Spring. The third marking period is almost in our rear-view mirror, Spring Break is nearly upon us, and we are about ready to forge ahead to the final quarter of the year. Please take a minute to read through this message and reach out to me directly if you have any questions or concerns about anything happening in the District.

As always, there are a lot of great things going on throughout the District so I'll take a minute to mention just a few. First, Odyssey of the Mind had a great Regional tournament last month and many of the competitors advanced to the State Finals in April. We wish them the best of luck. Next, the High School FFA will hold their annual banquet March 26th. Congrats to outgoing senior officers and best of luck to next year's FFA Team. I know they will do a great job.

I want to send a huge congratulations to the many successful Winter athletes. Chipman Cheer defended their state championship winning their third consecutive title and the high school cheer team finished as state runners up. Both Nurrideen Ahmad-Statts and Case Dempsey won state championships in wrestling. Ahmad-Statts is now a two-time champ. Swimmers set numerous school records en route to a successful season and both boys' and girls' basketball teams from LFHS qualified for the state tournament. Great job and thank you to all coaches, parents and athletes!

We have some big events coming up in the next few weeks of which I would like you to be aware. When we return from Spring Break next week, we will be full-steam ahead towards the Spring testing season. Our annual assessments are so important as they help to gauge the progress of our students and tell us how well we are doing at meeting state and federal standards. Please be aware of when your student is taking part in testing and be sure they are well-rested, well-nourished, and encourage them to do their very best every day.

Saturday, May 4, 2024, we invite you to *I Love Lake Forest Day* at Lake Forest High School. There will be games, entertainment, touch-a-truck, a petting zoo, K-9 demonstration, student showcase and more. This free event is open to the public and sure to be a great time. Based on your feedback from last year's event, we will offer more games and opportunities for kids this year as well as additional food options. I know this year is going to be the best *I Love Lake Forest Day* ever and encourage you to come.

There is still time to tell us how we are doing in this year's climate survey! Please click this [link](#) for access. We thank you for your time and your feedback. Survey closes March 29, 2024.

I wish you well during this wonderful time of the year and pray you have a safe and enjoyable break. Whether your family is like mine and celebrates Easter, or your family celebrates another special time, I wish you a blessed and joyous holiday. I thank you for the privilege of serving as your Superintendent, and look forward to seeing you on a Lake Forest Campus soon.

Sincerely,

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