Greetings Lincoln Heights Family,

TACO week is upon us. I hope you got a chance to spend some time outside and enjoy this wonderful weather. I have enjoyed seeing all the tweets related to all the outdoor activities everyone has been apart of, keep tweeting them out this week. I don't have many updates this week so this memo will be kept short. Please take a moment to review the items below as we want to ensure you are fully informed.

Announcements and updates for the week:

**T.A.C.O.** Week – Sept. 24-30 Take A Child Outside Week. Be on the lookout for information for different events.

## **School Updates:**

**Carpool:** We have been able to get our carpool times down to around 30 minutes in both the morning and in the afternoon. Thank you for your patience and working with us on expediting the process. Since we were able to get the times down, we will begin asking parents to sign students in at 8:30a.m. which is the late bell in the morning. We will also ask parent to sign out in the afternoon starting at 3:30p.m. Please plan accordingly. Lastly, use Coefield St. to stack up for carpool. Go to the end of the Coefield St. do a U-Turn and line up along the church side of the street. Please review the map attached.

**Dismissal Time:** Beginning Monday Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>, we will not dismiss students after 2:30 PM. This is a 15-minute change. We are making this change to protect instruction time and maintain a safe/orderly learning environment for all students.

**Staff Shout Outs:** Words of affirmation are so important to the staff during this unique school year. I encourage you to use <u>this platform</u> to share a few words of affirmation for any staff member who has gone above and beyond. These affirmations will be shared with staff members in our weekly staff newsletter, Thursday Tidbit, that goes out to all staff on Thursday afternoons.

## **Repeated Updates:**

**NC Green Power Solar Array Grant: WOW!!!** We are so close; we have raised over \$6900. Every bit helps. Please reach out to Laura Wood if you are interested in the Company Matching possibility. Donation Link

## **PTA Updates**:

Join the LHECMES PTA!: The LHECMES PTA is accepting new members. Please consider joining.

## **COVID**

**Safe Return to School Plan (COVID-19 Guidelines):** It is our priority to ensure your well-being, health, and safety. Therefore, before school begins, please make sure you have reviewed the <u>Safe Return to School Plan</u> to ensure the health and safety of our students, staff, and school community.

That is all I have for you. I hope everyone has a great week!

Sincerely,

Scott Gaitan, Principal