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Dear Leesville Road High School Students and Parents:

I hope that all of you are having a restful and relaxing summer. Preparations for the upcoming 2016-2017 school year are well underway, and we are looking forward to an outstanding year.

The purpose of this communication is to help facilitate a smooth opening of school on August 29 for our students. This packet includes important information for the start of the 2016-2017 school year. Students will also receive information specific to their grade levels. Freshmen will receive information pertaining to Pride Launch, our freshman orientation. Sophomores will receive their student parking form. Juniors and Seniors will receive both a student parking form and off-campus lunch form. Please read all forms carefully and note that all fines and fees must be paid prior to obtaining an off-campus lunch or parking pass. This entire packet is posted on the school's website at <http://www.wcpss.net/leesvilleroadhs>.

We will continue to utilize SMART Lunch as a structure to combine lunch with opportunities for students to receive help from teachers, utilize the media center, and participate in clubs and intramurals. However, we will closely analyze participation data this year. If we don't see increases in student attendance in tutorials, we will strongly consider abandoning SMART Lunch for other options. Please help us by talking with your child about the importance of using SMART Lunch for more than an extended lunch period.

We will host our fall Meet the Teacher Open House on August 25 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The evening will begin with a general information session in the gymnasium, and then parents will be given the opportunity to follow their child's schedule and learn about specific class curriculum and procedures. In order to have enough space in the classrooms for parents, students should not attend. They will hear this information at Freshmen Orientation or when school begins. If you are unable to attend the Open House, all information will be distributed on the first day of school.

Families will receive a second summer email during the first week of August that will include information on accessing class schedules, drop/add procedures, and information from parent groups. If you have not already signed up for our Yahoo email group, I highly encourage you to do so as soon as possible. This is the main way we communicate information. You can sign up via our website under Parents and PTSA at <http://www.wcpss.net/domain/5715>.

I look forward to working with all of you during the 2016-2017 school year.

Warm regards,

Anthony J. Muttillo

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Summer Hours

June 14-August 18, 2016

Main Office 870-4250	Monday – Friday	7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Student Services 870-4260		

Important Calendar Dates

Early August	Schedules will be available to parents and students for viewing via PowerSchool/Homebase in early August. While every effort is made to provide students the courses that they desire, some popular courses fill quickly so we must utilize available alternates or unfilled courses to complete schedules. For students who have an error in their schedule or have been assigned a class that they did not select as a primary or alternate, we will hold a drop/add session on August 4, 8:00 am - noon in the Media Center. Please note that requests will not be granted to accommodate teacher changes. Also, changes will not be made because a student "changed his/her mind" about a course, since staffing decisions have been made based on students' course selections during spring registration.
August 24 8:00 AM – 10:30 AM	Pride Launch (Freshman Orientation) for students and parents
August 25, 6:00-8:00 PM	Fall 2016 Semester One Open House

Bus Transportation

All families should have received a postcard from the Transportation Department in June stating your child's bus service for the 2016-2017 school year. If you did not receive a postcard or you need to request a change to your bus service, visit the transportation website at <http://www.wcpss.net/Domain/30> by July 25th. Requests submitted after July 25th may not be processed prior to the first day of school.

Fall Athletic Tryouts *

Fall sports begin prior to the first day of school. In order to participate in tryouts, athletes must receive a ticket to play to ensure proper eligibility. Tickets to play for fall sports will only be given out July 11-13 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in Room 1301 in the Murphy Building. Prior to receiving a ticket to play, athletes must complete all nine pages of the WCPSS/LRHS Athletic Participation Forms. The packet can be accessed through our website at <http://bit.ly/29HH0VF>.

Part of this packet requires all athletes to have a completed physical exam form. The physical exam must be current within one year of tryouts and athletic participation. **Athletes without a ticket to play will not be able to try out for a sports team.** If you have questions, Mr. Jack Rogers, Athletic Director, can be contacted at jjrogers@wcpss.net.

Cheerleading (JV & Varsity)	August 1	8:00-11:00 AM & 5:00-8:00 PM (Multipurpose Room)
Cross Country	August 1-4	7:00 AM (Track)
Football	August 1	6:15 AM (Locker Room)
Women's Golf	August 15	4:30 (Falls Village Golf Course)
Men's Soccer (JV & Varsity)	August 1-5	8:00-10:00 AM and 4:00-6:00 PM (Practice Soccer Field)
Women's Tennis	August 1	9:00 AM (Location TBA)
Volleyball (JV & Varsity)	August 1	7:30-10:00 AM and 6:00-8:00 PM (Main Gym)
	August 2	8:00-10:00 AM and 6:00-8:00 PM (Main Gym)

*** Dates are subject to change. Please refer to the LRHS website for the most current information.**

Class of 2017 Senior Portraits

Prestige Portraits is communicating information about 2017 Senior Portraits through a new text messaging campaign. If you are interested in receiving occasional reminders, information, and special offers from Prestige, you can text "Leesville" to 99000. Also, you can go to prestigeportraits.com to schedule your session now. Portraits need to be taken by mid-November in order to be included in the yearbook.

2017 Yearbook Information:

The 2017 *Menagerie* will be available for pre-order through jostensyearbooks.com beginning in early September. The price will start at \$70 and will increase as the year progresses. Distribution will take place at school during the final week of May. Families of seniors will receive senior ad information in the mail during September; recognition ads range in price from \$125 (eighth of a page) - \$375 (full page). The deadline for ads is November 15. Business ad space is also available in the yearbook. Contact Joni Amerson at jamerson1@wcpss.net if you are interested in advertising your business.

School Portraits and ID Cards:

Lifetouch will be on campus Thursday, September 8 for underclassmen portraits. Students are scheduled throughout the day according to their last names. Lifetouch provides Leesville ID cards for all students who have their photos taken.

Seniors will have the opportunity to have retakes taken on campus Wednesday, August 31. Lifetouch will be back on campus February 23 for cap and gown photos for seniors.

Graduation Announcements, Caps, and Gowns

Seniors should order their graduation announcements, caps, and gowns on September 16 during lunch. There will also be an opportunity for parents to place orders on September 15 from 5:30-7:00 PM in the front lobby. The make-up order day will be September 22, also during lunch. A \$60 deposit is required to place an order, and seniors will receive a packet from Jostens during their senior class meeting on September 3. Questions regarding graduation items should be directed to Jostens at 919-789-8500.

Class Ring Orders

Jostens will be on campus during lunch on September 15 to accept ring orders. There will be an opportunity for parents to view the selections and place orders on September 15 from 5:30-7:00 PM in the front lobby. Questions regarding rings should be directed to Jostens at 919-789-8500. The make-up day to order rings will be September 22, also during lunch.

AP Assignments

AP summer assignments are posted on the school's website at <http://bit.ly/29P5BHy>. If you have questions regarding AP summer assignments please contact Student Services at 919-870-4260.

Band News and Notes

The Ninth Grade Band, Concert Band, and Symphonic Band enjoyed a very successful year! All three bands were awarded "superior" ratings in the NC Music Performance Adjudication Festival and all gave outstanding concerts throughout the year!

The 2016-2017 LRHS Band Program is well on its way to another truly outstanding year. The Symphonic Band had its first summer rehearsal on June 9th and will meet at school for Pre-Band Camp during the week of July 18-22 at 5:00pm. During these rehearsals, the seniors will teach marching fundamentals. The 22nd Band Camp for the Symphonic Band will be held from July 25th through July 31st at Lees-McRae College in Banner Elk, NC. The purpose of Band Camp is to learn the Fall Marching Show and to prepare for the upcoming season. The Ninth Grade Band and Concert Band will begin their rehearsals once the school year begins.

Those who might be interested in becoming a member of the LRHS Band Program need to speak with Ms. Alyssa Montgomery to schedule an audition. You may call 919-870-4297 or email amontgomery@wcpss.net to do so. To find out more about the activities of the Band Program, please visit our website, leesvilleband.org.

Parents of Freshmen or Transfer Students New to LRHS

Pride Launch Freshmen Camp will be Wednesday, August 24 from 8-10:30 and you must register if you or your student(s) plan to attend! Please visit the LRHS homepage for the registration link or enter it from below. Questions can be directed to mprice5@wcpss.net.

https://docs.google.com/a/wcpss.net/forms/d/1jvf28xpGTD6z8nRVdoNy3IUkQ30I3_0Pm7PNVehabHk/viewform

Booster Clubs

If you wish to have an informational table at Pride Launch Freshman Camp for the parents and students to visit, please contact Mr. Price at mprice5@wcpss.net.

SAT Registration Deadlines

2016-17 Test Dates	Test	Regular Registration Deadline (postmark/submit by)
October 1, 2016	SAT & Subject Tests	September 1, 2016
November 5, 2016	SAT & Subject Tests	October 7, 2016
December 3, 2016	SAT & Subject Tests	November 3, 2016
January 21, 2017	SAT & Subject Tests	December 21, 2016
March 11, 2017	SAT Only	February 10, 2017
May 6, 2017	SAT & Subject Tests	April 11, 2017
June 3, 2017	SAT & Subject Tests	May 9, 2017

Students may register for the SAT via the College Board at www.collegeboard.com. Please note that LRHS is an SAT testing site.

AP Test Registration

AP test registration dates will be announced at a later date, but they typically begin in mid February. AP tests will be free again this year unless students are taking a test for a course not offered at LRHS. The fee is \$92, but is subject to change per the College Board. AP testing begins May 1, 2017.

State ACT Test Date

All juniors are tentatively scheduled to take the ACT at LRHS on February 28. The make-up date is March 21. Any change of date will be communicated. No other grades are eligible to take the ACT during this test administration.

National ACT Test Dates

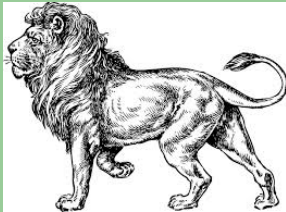
The ACT test dates are September 10, October 22, December 10, and February 11. More information about this test can be obtained from the Student Services office.

Launching to Leesville...

PRIDE LAUNCH for the Class of 2020

Pride Launch is a camp for Freshmen and transfer students to gather information about Leesville, tour the school, and meet friends.

It is also a time for parents to hear from administrators, staff, and the PTSA about what to expect as part of the Leesville community



We hope you will
join us!

Welcome to Leesville, Home of the
Pride!

August 24

8:30 a.m.—10:30 a.m.

(Registration from 7:30-8:15)

Parents are invited to stay for a parent-only informational session

Breakfast provided for students by LRHS PTSA!

Register at:

www.leesville.org

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