

Emerson Chalk Talk

February 5, 2021

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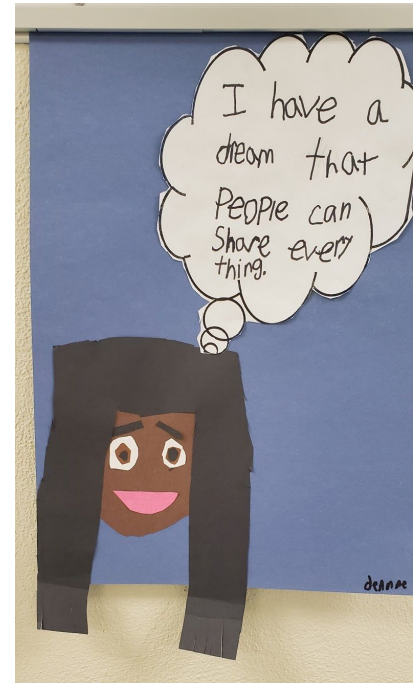
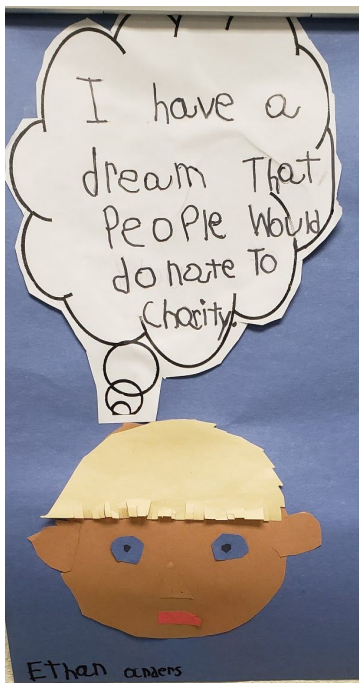
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Absence Line 216-529-4309

MESSAGE FROM EMERSON'S PRINCIPAL, MRS. LEDDY

We are now well into quarter three and our transition to our latest school model choices with very few bumps. When you think about it, this is truly quite a feat! Thank you, Emerson families! Thank you, Emerson staff! Our village has once again pulled through in support of our students. Most of our students have joined us at Emerson and are doing an amazing job in our partial return model. I am getting

very good feedback from our Remote 2.0 teachers about the great transition our students have made to their semester two remote classrooms as well. Additionally, our students engaged in the eLearning Lincoln Learning Program have continued to show what they know. No matter what learning choice has been made, we appreciate the hard work of our students and the ways in which they go over and above and seek to find learning that they love. Our students are incredibly thoughtful and offer such hope as we press through this pandemic.



Thank you for sharing your children with us!

-Mrs. Leddy

Important Upcoming Dates:

- Wed. 2/10 & Thurs. 2/11 PICTURE DAYS: Read on for more info
- Wed. 2/10 & Thurs. 2/11 VALENTINE'S DAYS: Plans modified due to COVID-19
- Fri. 2/12 No school for students. Professional Development Day for staff
- Mon. 2/15 No school for students. Presidents' Day
- Tues. 2/16 Now a home learning day, even Purple.
- Tues. 3/9 Now a home learning day, even Gold.
- Mon 3/22-Fri 3/26 Spring Break

LUNCH NEWS FROM MISS LEANNE & MISS STEPHANIE

All students of Lakewood City Schools receive **FREE** lunch for the rest of the year!
How do you take advantage of this amazing fact you ask? Simple.....



IN PERSON LEARNER

- When attending school in person, come through the lunch line to get a hot meal! AND.....You can also take home a bagged Breakfast and Lunch for the next day. We will deliver it to your classroom right before you leave.
- Still want to pack? You can still visit us in the lunch line if you want to bring money in to get a snack.

E LEARNER and REMOTE STUDENTS

- Call Mrs. Carlson in the office before 10:00am to let her know you would like to pick up a hot lunch & we will have it ready when you arrive. (Includes breakfast for the next day!)



Wednesday, February 10th (Purple Day)

Thursday, February 11th (Gold Day)

Here are some options for you:

1. Check book bags for the order form
2. [Download the flyer](#)
3. [Order online](#)

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VALENTINE'S DAY

Protocols are different this year due to COVID-19. Follow your classroom teacher plans. It will be different but we will still have fun! We will be using the birthday procedures and avoiding the exchange items touched by others and not quarantined. Expect things like art projects this year and a more traditional exchange for the next school year.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION PROCEDURES

- Treats should be store bought and individually wrapped. Treats that need to be cut into pieces or portioned cannot be accepted.
- Check with the teacher to see if any students in the classroom have food allergies.
- For the health and safety of all, treats will be sent home in student bookbags. They will not be consumed at school.

HERE TO SUPPORT YOU!

Please know that we are here to help with anything you or your child may need as we navigate school this year. This year is unlike any other and we want to be a support system for you.

Molly Reising - Family Resource Coordinator (M,W,F):

molly.reising@lakewoodcityschools.org

Erica Intihar- Student Wellness Specialist (M-F):

Erica.intihar@lakewoodcityschools.org

Miss Reising, our Family Resource Coordinator, is here to help families as needs arise and help students deal with troubles that arise. Miss Reising also spends half of her time in a substitute role, which helps her to get to know the students! Students can make requests for appointments with Miss Reising & parents can reach out too.



Mrs. Intihar is our Student Wellness Specialist and she is currently working closely with staff to provide lessons about social emotional learning (SEL) wellness, mindfulness and student recognition. Our first round of recognition has a focus on empathy and kindness.

A parent resource: Video on SEL & why it matters at home and at school, created by CASEL.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y2d0da6BZWA&t=187s>

A couple short videos about kindness for kids

[Explain Kindness Video](#) / [Kindness Dance](#) / [Kid President Kindness](#)
[WAYS TO PROMOTE SEL AT HOME POSTER](#)

LCS DISTRICT MESSAGES

1. TUESDAY 2/16 & TUESDAY 3/9 REMOTE INDEPENDENT LEARNING DAYS

We have received the dates for our staff to receive COVID-19 vaccinations. To allow for all of our staff to receive their shots, we will need to adjust our instruction schedule on the vaccination days. **Tuesday, February 16** and **Tuesday, March 9** will be a remote independent learning day for all students, including Remote 2.0 students. Teachers will prepare assignments for students to work on at home on these days.

2. D.A.R.E. POSTPONED THIS YEAR

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the D.A.R.E. program has been postponed for this year. We will be looking for opportunities to bring the program back in the future. Thank you for your understanding and patience.



MESSAGES FROM EMERSON PTO

Your PTO is working to keep the Winter Doldrums away and we need your help! We'd like to try and organize a Zoom Family Bingo Night. In order to do this, we need some information from you. If you could fill out this quick **Google Survey by Friday, February 5th**, that would be great! Watch for more information to come at a later date to RSVP.

<https://forms.gle/BQkNSi45uxcpQKXqZ>

We know it's been difficult for parents and students, but it's also been a challenge for our staff members! Our Emerson staff has gone above and beyond during remote and hybrid learning, so let's show them how much we appreciate their hard work. Let's celebrate our staff all month long and flood our Emerson halls with love! At any time this month (as many as you can!) have your child cut and color a heart with a message for any and all Emerson staff members! If you need some hearts, here's a link with lots of hearts to choose from:

<http://www.supercoloring.com/coloring-pages/arts-culture/hearts>

Speaking of appreciation, Staff Appreciation week will be coming up this Spring! If you'd like to make a donation that we will use for a delicious lunch, you may send in a check or via PayPal @emersonelementarypto44107@gmail.com.

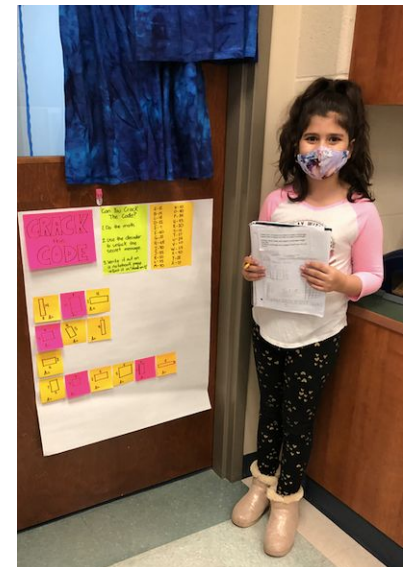
Finally, now is a great time to learn more about our PTO, what events and fundraisers we normally sponsor at Emerson, and help us plan things in new ways! While we may be able to do more next year, things still may look different, so if you have any ideas or are interested to learn more, give us a shout @emersonelementarypto44107@gmail.com or send us a message via Facebook (Emerson Elementary PTO).

ATTENDANCE

- Please call for every absence [216-529-4309](tel:216-529-4309)
- Attendance will be taken and reported on in-person school days.
- Students have independent work to complete when not in-person which will be provided by the teachers
- Please communicate to the main office and your child's homeroom teacher if they need to be out for an extended period of time

i-READY GRADES 2-5

There is a district expectation that students will complete practice lessons each week. The number of lessons will vary based on the needs of each student and be determined by the classroom teacher. These lessons are targeted to the specific skills the student needs to be successful at the next level of learning. YOU CAN DO IT :)



**GOING THE EXTRA MILE IN
MRS. SYKORA'S ROOM**

ARRIVAL

- **Arrive 8:45-8:55.** Instruction begins at 9:00.
- No arrival before 8:45 please as there is no school supervision.
- Students will report to breakfast or their classroom upon 8:45 bell.
- Flow of morning traffic,
 - Walkers can enter at the Jackson glass doors to avoid cars in the lot
If eating breakfast, the Jackson glass doors provides the fastest route to the cafe'
 - Car riders exit cars at 8:45 bell & enter the main entrance, off the parking lot.
 - Clifton playground circle reserved for contracted vans, Preschool and special needs. Permit required.
 - Please do NOT turn left in to the parking lot (arrival & dismissal)
 - Please do NOT block neighbors in so that they can get to work (arrival & dismissal)

RECESS



We go outside for recess almost every day. Please Dress for the Weather!

If your child needs help with cold weather clothing, please contact the office.



KINDERGARTEN & PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION ARE OPEN FOR 2021-2022

- Students must be 5 years old on or before September 30, 2021.
- Kindergarten information can be found on the district's [Student Registration page](#).
- See the Kindergarten informational video and register for your appointment.
- For PK, visit the district's [Early Childhood Education Department page](#).

