

Greetings and welcome to the 2020-2021 school year as a member of the Lincoln Heights family! It is my honor and pleasure to enter my seventh year as principal of Lincoln Heights Elementary. I am ready to lead us through what will be an amazing year, as we face challenges that we have never experienced before.



I am pleased to announce that our staff has had minimal changes, so the familiarity of our faces and teaching styles will add a layer of comfort to our families as we work through this year together. Our staff has been working diligently over the summer, planning and learning in order to be better prepared for remote learning than we were in the spring. This month teachers are working daily in teams, doing course work online and will be making contact with families in order to get off to a good start.

Whether or not your family chose to send your child to school or to keep them at home for remote learning, I guarantee you that our staff will do nothing but their best in order to provide optimum learning opportunities for all of our learners. Please look for more information to come home over the next few weeks as to what that will look like.

For those of you who opted to send your children to school, here are a few reminders:

- Parents are required to take students' temperature each morning before they depart for school. If the child had a temperature of 100 degrees or higher, he/she may not come to school on that day. The district is providing thermometers to each family.
- Parents must have an updated Emergency Medical Form on file in the event of a student taking ill during the school day.
- Students are to be sent to school wearing a mask and the mask must remain in place throughout the day, other than during breakfast and lunch.
- Students are expected to practice social distancing at all times.

On the first day of school, teachers and staff will go over routines and procedures with regard to social distancing for arrival/dismissal, restroom breaks, cafeteria use, etc. Bus drivers will do the same as students board and unload the buses.

Our theme this year is **TOGETHER OR APART WE ARE LH STRONG!** To us this means that we will conquer all challenges that we will face this year in a different learning environment. With your help, our students will continue to thrive! I appreciate you and value your role in the lives of our students and look forward to us forging our way together through the 2020-2021 school year.

Please look for information to come regarding **VIRTUAL BACK TO SCHOOL** celebration and other opportunities for engaging with our staff on this journey.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Dawn Bailey
Principal

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