

Paw Prints

This newsletter will be sent out on an as-needed basis to keep our families informed of upcoming events and other information. If you know someone not receiving this email, please forward them this email and have them contact Melissa.Laudani@scps.us Office hours are Monday - Thursday from 8 am-4:30 pm. Appointments are encouraged. Please call 407-871-7050.

Important Dates

2/15 – Current student registration due

STEM & Literacy Night – see below

2/16 – Volleyball vs. Milwee – Boys @ home

2/21 – No School

2/22 – Tutus, Ties & Tennis Shoes Spirit Day – PBS Dress Up Day

2/23 – Volleyball vs. JHMS – Boys @ home

2/24-25 – Band Solo & Ensemble

2/25 – Monday (even day) Bell Schedule

2/26 – SCPS District Volleyball Tournament

3/5 – Pantherettes MA Competition

3/5 & 3/6 – Lake Mary/Heathrow Festival of the Arts

3/7 & 3/8 – C9As (Common 9 week Assessments) – ELA/SS

3/9 & 3/10 – C9As (Common 9 week Assessments) – MA/SCI

3/14 & 3/18 – Spring Break

3/21 – Teacher Workday – No School

April & May FSA Dates have been added to the website calendar for your planning purposes *Subject to change.

***Please visit the school calendar on the LCMS website for more information. Events can be downloaded and saved to your personal calendar. <http://www.lcms.scps.k12.fl.us/calendar/>

Dear Panther Families,

We hope to see all of our current and future Panthers at STEM/Literacy Night on February 15 from 6-8. Backstreet Pizza, Tao Te Cheese and Crooked Cow Creamery will be on site so eat dinner while you listen to performances from our Band, Drama, and Dance programs. Have fun playing games at the interactive booths featuring STEM and Literacy themed activities. Check out the 6th grade Think and Design lab, including our new hydroponics. Run in the Hamster Wheel to make your own icee, and more!!

Have a great weekend!

Dr. Melissa Laudani

Principal

No Valentine's Drop-offs or deliveries

We are aware that Valentine's Day is Monday. However, in order to maintain an academic environment, we ask that nothing is dropped off or delivered to students throughout the day. Additionally, please refrain from sending in large packages of candy or other goodies to be shared. Any gifts brought in should be small enough to fit in a backpack.

Parent Snapshot Survey

Lawton Chiles Middle School parents in collaboration with Seminole County Public Schools will have the opportunity to take part in the Snapshot Survey. Results from this survey will help us to improve our school and will be used to create a more transparent school report card called the Snapshot Report. The Snapshot Report features a snapshot of parent and student perceptions as well as other critical data points.

Parents, please assist us by participating in this very short survey that will allow you to provide input in your own words about Lawton Chiles Middle School. The survey will ask how likely you are to recommend our school to others and will provide an opportunity for you to tell us about your experience.

Please click on the link below to access the survey.

https://scps.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0D36SkcF1SaXznM or scan



All responses are collected anonymously, and no personally identifiable information will be included as a part of the survey. The survey is open from February 1st to March 4th.

8th grade ONLY

Gradventure

8th graders are invited to participate in Universal's Gradventure on Friday, May 6. Please see the flyers and forms below:

8th grade Privileges Letter

Gradventure Flyer

Gradventure Information and Form

Field Trip Release and consent form

8th grade Dance

Save the Date!! The 8th grade Dance has been scheduled for Saturday, May 21 from 6:30-9:30 pm in the Growl Grill. Students will be voting on the theme next week in WIN.

*****Repeated but Still Relevant*****

Literacy and the Arts & STEM Night – February 15 6-8 pm

All current Panthers, incoming Panthers (current 5th graders), and their families are invited to come visit Lawton Chiles and see performances from all our performing arts groups as well as participate in fun interactive activities. Please see the flyer below for more information:

Current LCMS Student Registration Now Open

Current LCMS registration is open. The registration window will run through February 15. You may find the Registration Website on the Homepage of the LCMS Website. Parents should go through the website, view the videos and complete the registration with their student at home.

Hagerty HS Registration

After spring break, HHS Counselors will visit to help students enter their courses for next year.

Click [HERE](#) to view the current Hagerty Curriculum Guide for next year. And, click [HERE](#) to view all things registration including counselor presentations and FAQs.

Click [HERE](#) for our Incoming Freshman Video.

Quarantine & COVID Policy Updates

If your child tests positive for COVID during school hours, please call the main office at 407-871-7050. If after hours, please email Dr. Laudani at Melissa.Laudani@scps.k12.fl.us Please tell us when and where the test was taken (if at home, was it reported via the app or website), what are your child's symptoms and when did they start. Once we have that information, we will provide you with a return date. We will notify their teachers.

If your child is exposed to someone with COVID on campus, you will receive a COVID Notification Letter. This is just to inform you of the exposure. If you choose to quarantine your child, you need to notify the school via the Attendance Email at LCMS_Attendance@scps.k12.fl.us You will also need to notify your child's teachers if they will be missing school as you would with any other absence.

The updated guidelines can be found on the school website:

<http://www.lcms.scps.k12.fl.us/core/fileparse.php/11303/urlt/Student-Quarantine-and-Isolation-Protocols.pdf>

Parent Info Page

Do you know how to view your students' grades in Skyward?

Do you know how to set up notifications so Skyward can send you alerts?

Do you know how to be an Observer in eCampus so you can find out when assignments and grades are updated?

Visit our Parent Page for info: <http://www.lcms.scps.k12.fl.us/get-involved/>

Additional info can be found on the SCPS Website:

<https://www.scps.k12.fl.us/parents/electronic-school-resources/>

Want to know what's happening at Lawton Chiles?

Check out our school website: <http://www.lcms.scps.k12.fl.us/calendar/>

Follow us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ChilesMiddle>

PTSA Facebook Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1703248110064670>

Follow us on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/ChilesMiddle>

Follow us on Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/chilesmiddle/>

Need to report an absence?

Email lcms_attendance@scps.k12.fl.us

