Dear Students, Parents and Families,

On behalf of the staff at Lake Erie International High School, I am happy to welcome you to the 2020-2021 school year! We are looking forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure our students can achieve their highest potential. The first day back to school is **August 17, 2020**. As concerns for the COVID-19 virus continue to increase, we want to assure parents and families that Lake Erie International High School is doing all that we can to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all of our staff and students.

Since this year is unprecedented, Lake Erie International High School has developed a plan utilizing three options of learning for our students. Option A is our normal five days per week schedule, Option B is a hybrid of both in-school and remote learning from home and Option C is remote learning from home. In light of the rising number of coronavirus cases in Cuyahoga County, Lake Erie International High School has decided to start out this school year remotely. We will be participating in remote learning for the first quarter, which will end on October 20, 2020. At that time, we will reevaluate and make a determination on if we will continue with remote learning, or move towards bringing out students back into the building. Below is some important information on our remote learning plan. Please pay close attention to our attendance policy as it relates to our remote learning plan, since this will highly affect you or your student’s participation. This plan is subject to change.

**Option A: Normal 5-Day All Student Schedule**
This option consists of all students in school for 5 days per week with safety protocols and 3’ distancing. This option will be implemented as long as we can safely provide instruction within the school building.

**Option B: Hybrid**
This option consists of 1 day in the building and 4 days remote learning each week. The student body will be split into 4 groups as determined by session (first and second) and last name (A-L and M-Z)

- **Group A:** (First Session, A-L)
  - In-building on Mondays from 7:30 am to 12:30 pm, remote learning Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays
- **Group B:** (First Session, M-Z)
  - In-building on Tuesdays from 7:30 am to 12:30 pm, remote learning Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays
- **Group C:** (Second Session, A-L)
  - In-building on Wednesdays from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm, remote learning on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays
- **Group D:** (Second Session, M-Z)
  - In-building on Thursdays from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm, remote learning on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays

Teachers will be available to assist students during the day via Google Classroom from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm which will allow the student to physically interact with the teachers. Teachers are also available any time during the day via email or by phone.

**Option C: Full Remote Learning**
This option consists of learning from home Monday through Friday. The remote learning will be using the Apex and Achieve3000 curriculum. Teachers will be available on Google Meet between 10:00 am – 12:00
pm and 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm. Google Meet will allow students to physically interact with their teachers via web video.

**Attendance for Remote Learning**

- Students must login in to Apex or Achieve 3000 during their scheduled session
  - First Session: 7:30 am – 12:30 pm
  - Second Session: 11:00 am – 4:00 pm
- A minimum of 4 assignments must be completed daily to be counted as present
- If a student does not complete at least 4 assignments that day, then the total number of minutes logged into Apex or Achieve3000 will be used to determine the number of hours that will be counted towards a present day
  - Student must be logged into Apex or Achieve3000 working on studies or assessments for a minimum of 4 hours to be counted as present
- Students working on offline assignments and not completing at least 3 assignments can be awarded a present day through teacher discretion
- Teachers will be available via phone and email from 7:30 am – 4:00 pm
- Teachers will be available via Google Meet/Classroom from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm
- Any student who does not have a present day for 14 consecutive school days will be considered truant under the 72-Hour Rule and will be automatically withdrawn
- To report a student’s absence, you can call (216) 539-7229 or email Marileny Pedraza at marileny.pedraza@leihesedu.org
  - Student absences must be reported within two hours of session start time

While students are remote learning from home, there will be teachers available in the building to assist students that may need additional assistance. The building will be open from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm, Monday through Friday. Due to COVID-19, there have been some changes implemented for all students and visitors entering the building to ensure the safety of all. Please review the changes outlined below:

- Any student or visitor exhibiting the following symptoms should stay home:
  - Fever or chills
  - Cough
  - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
  - Fatigue
  - Muscle or body aches
  - Headache
  - New loss of taste or smell
  - Sore throat
  - Congestion or runny nose
  - Nausea or vomiting
  - Diarrhea
- If any student or visitor exhibits the above symptoms when they arrive to school, they will not be permitted access into the building
- All students and visitors will be required to get a temperature check prior to entering the building. If a temperature 100 degrees or above is detected will not be permitted access into the building
- All students and visitors will be required to wear a mask upon entering the building
  - Visitors will be limited to those enrolling new students or for emergency situations
- Students and visitors should maintain social distancing of 6 feet at all times
While we are unable to see all of you in person on August 17th, we are still dedicated to providing you with the best educational experience possible under the circumstances. Staff are available via phone and email from 7:30 am – 4:00 pm to answer any questions or assistance you with your needs. It’s important that we support you during this remote learning time and help you to stay motivated and determined to continue to progress through your coursework. We will remain in constant communication with all of our students and parents during this time. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the school at (216) 539-7229. I have attached the email addresses of all staff for your convenience. We look forward to beginning the new school year with you!

Best Regards,

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