October 2019

Welcome to Lindbergh School!
School has begun and we are excited to have your children with us.

Congratulations! Charles A. Lindbergh Elementary School in Dearborn Public Schools has been designated an Exemplary High Performing Schools National Blue Ribbon School for 2019 by U. S. Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos. Our school is one of 362 schools in the nation and one of thirteen schools from Michigan to be recognized in 2019. A team will be traveling to Washington D.C. in November to attend an awards ceremony for this designation. This is the highest national recognition that can be given to a school.

In addition, toward the end of last year we attained Lighthouse school certification. This certification comes as a result of implementing The Leader in Me with fidelity and our commitment to teaching leadership principles, creating a leadership culture, and aligning academic systems within the 7 habits.

REMINDEERS
It would be greatly appreciated if you can go onto our blog and take our survey. This survey will help us target areas of improvement and areas that continue to be effective.

ATTENDANCE
It is extremely important that your child is in school each and every day. We do however understand that certain circumstances can keep them away therefore we want to remind you that if your child is going to be absent/tardy, please report it by calling our attendance line at 313-827-6301 before 9am. This is essential for the safety of your children. Also, please schedule doctor or dentist appointments for your children before or after school or on days off. If the only available time is during the day then advance notice should be given to the teacher/office. Without prior notice, please be prepared to wait. If you have other questions you can call the office at 313-827-6300.

SCHOOL HOURS
School starts at 8:40 AM and dismisses at 3:35 PM. The entry bell will ring at 8:35 AM. It is very important for children to be in school on time! After 8:40, students will need to enter the building from the main door and will need to be signed in on the green sheet before heading to class. Late Start days will begin at 9:35 AM. Half days will dismiss at 11:45 AM unless otherwise noted.

There will be no one available to supervise the children before school (unless you are participating in the paid childcare program here). Safeties will not be reporting to posts until 8:25 AM.
so no one should arrive prior to that time. Teachers will be picking up and dismissing students from the same doors. Please help us to establish a safe routine for the children. To help ensure an optimal learning environment, we kindly request that you remain outside the building and allow the teacher to transition your child inside and outside. If you need to visit the building for any reason, please come in through the office door and sign in as a visitor. If you need to speak to your child’s teacher, please send him/her an email or let the office know.

**BREAKFAST and LUNCH**
Breakfast will be served from 8:15-8:30 AM in the cafeteria. Safety is our number one priority so please remember not to drop off your child before that time. The breakfast and lunch calendars can be found online and through the app. The entire menu across the district is now halal. If your child is interested in purchasing only milk or snack, we ask that you have money on their account so that they are able to.

We are always looking for extra volunteers in the cafeteria, if you are able to come in and help out, please stop by the office to sign in as a volunteer. A valid background check is required.

**OPEN HOUSE**
We had an awesome turnout during our Open House last month. It was great seeing our leaders take parents around the building. We have a lot to be proud of and will continue to celebrate our achievements.

**PTA**
Our accomplishments and successful events wouldn't be possible without the great support of our community, specifically our PTA. If you have not joined, please do so.

The next PTA meeting will be **Tuesday, November 19 at 7:00pm**. Please come and show your support!

If you are wondering how you can support from home, please remember that we are still collecting Box Tops, join the Kroger Reward Program and if you already shop at Kroger, you can go to [www.krogercommunityrewards.com](http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com) to enroll or renew. Choose Charles A Lindbergh Elementary PTA as the organization and we also have Amazon Smile.

Our PTA officers are:
- President: Erin McNally
- Mother VP: Danielle Lewis
- Father VP: Eddie Mroczka
- Secretary: Sarah Neubauer
- Treasurer: Ghazala Khatri

**SAFETY FOR ALL**
It is essential that all families respect the safety of students, teachers, and community members at Lindbergh. Please remember to watch for others when dropping off or picking up students. Students should always exit their car curbside. We ask that students always use the crosswalks and wait for a signal from our Safeties. Our Safeties go through a specific training beforehand and we ask that parents allow them to perform their responsibilities/duties as directed. We appreciate your consideration in following these rules.

We know and understand that schedules often change so please send changes to your child’s schedule to their teacher. If teachers know when the student should be going on the bus
or Kid’s Club or going home with you or someone else, we can avoid any problems.

**LINDBERGH WATCHDOGS PROGRAM**

This continues to be a wonderful program for our school. We had several fathers volunteer to be a “WatchDog” for the day assisting throughout the building and in their child’s classroom. At the end of the day, our WatchDog Dads were impressed with seeing firsthand the learning process going on at Lindbergh. Please consider signing up to volunteer for this wonderful program. If you are interested you must first complete a background check. The first meeting will be October 8th from 6-7:30pm and there will be pizza.

**DRESS CODE REMINDER**

All students are reminded that even in warm weather they are required to dress appropriately. In an elementary school, clothing should be appropriate according to the age and physical development of the learner but still in a manner that contributes to maintaining an atmosphere of dignity and respect for everyone. **Tennis shoes or some sort of closed toe shoes are required for safety at recess time.**

Remember Michigan weather— at any given time the weather changes, please be cognizant of that and send a sweater/jacket if needed. Our goal is to have the students outdoors for recess all the time.

**DATES TO REMEMBER:**

Oct. 11 Half day 11:45am dismissal  
Oct. 16 Late Start 9:35am  
Oct. 18 Haunted School 6:30pm  
Oct. 25 Popcorn Friday

WELCOME BACK! Let’s work together to have a great school year!