



2021 August Newsletter

Hello HomeLink Families,

I hope everyone had a great summer and truly enjoyed all of the wonderful sunshine that we had.

I am very excited to welcome everyone back and look forward to an amazing school year! As we prepare for the new year, I wanted to send out some important updates/reminders to get us well prepared to start the year.

Families are allowed back on campus with their student(s). Please remember that we continue to abide by 3 feet of social distancing as well as having to wear masks while indoors.

WSLP Meetings: Advisors will reach out the last week of August to schedule the WSLP meetings as WSLP meetings will take place September 1st-3rd.

First Day of School: The Lake Stevens School District will be starting school on September 1st, however, HomeLink will not start school until September 7th.

Building Safety: We will continue to socially distance ourselves here at HomeLink. Students and families will need to socially distance 3 feet in both the classrooms and in the common area. Students can sit together in a "pod" if they are siblings. We will continue to engage in best hygiene practices, such as hand washing/sanitizing throughout the school day and sanitizing areas after use. We ask that families do not bring in toys/activities to share with other students/families while at HomeLink and that all personal property remains with the family.

Please note that there is a maximum occupancy in our common area due to social distancing. We ask that if chairs/tables are unavailable during the school day, other seating accommodations are made by the family. We are unable to add additional chairs to our common area, making the table and seating situation more of a first-come, first-serve basis. We extend our apologies in advance and hope that this does not create an inconvenience for any family.

All students, staff, and families are required to wear masks throughout the entire day. Mask breaks can be provided throughout the school day as needed.

Families are able to use space outside of HomeLink. It is asked that we refrain from using the red round tables underneath the awning at Cavelero during their lunchtimes which is from 11:00-12:30 PM. Space is available for use outside of those times.

Lunches: We will continue to offer lunches through Cavelero to our students. All lunches are free for the 2021-2022 school year. Please see Jen McPhee for our lunch signup process when you return to HomeLink.

As we reopen our campus up to students and families, it is critical that all of our students and families sign in and out via SafeVisitor and also have a badge created for them for identification while they are on campus. Badges will be created at the start of school. In addition, parking passes will also be distributed during this time as well.

I want to welcome HomeLink's new shared Counselor, Elsa Leal! We will be sharing her expertise with Cavelero this school year. She comes to us with years of experience and we are very excited to have her work with us at HomeLink.

Returning student and new student Enrollment, immunization and ALE paperwork must be submitted to the office by August 25th to start classes on September 7th. Enrollment received after this date will be processed in the order received and the family will be notified when the student is eligible to start classes.

Are your child's immunizations current? Check with your doctor to make sure your children are up-to-date with this year's immunization requirements. You can also view and print your family's immunization records yourself by signing up for MyIR wa.myir.net. Current immunizations are required before students can attend school. This also includes Student Emergency Care Plans that must be on file with the school nurse to start school.

As always, please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions, comments, or concerns. Cheers to the new school year!

Respectfully,

Angela Menon

Director, HomeLink