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Happy Spring!

We hope that you and your family are safe and healthy!

As we enter April, the uncertainties are slowly becoming clearer in our goal to finish out the school year. We continue to receive direction from the State Superintendent and the District in regards to continued learning opportunities and connections with students. Continue to check parent and student email for any and all information related to continued HomeLink student contact and learning requirements through the end of the school year. Use this link to view HomeLink [Instructions to access Skyward and student gmail](#)

STAFF NEWS:

- HomeLink staff is still working at home and together, through video-conferencing. These are busy and strange times for us. We so miss seeing you!
- Please welcome Becca Malean to our team. Becca comes to us with a variety of skills, including a background in Alternative Learning and safety training. She is already proving her flexibility and desire to be an integral part of HomeLink.

COURSE SURVEY:

Thank you to those of you who completed the interest survey in March. If you were unable to complete previously, we have kept it open, click [here to complete the form](#). This will help us continue to plan classes for next year. We will capture your interests and develop an initial schedule that we will share in May.

CHOICE TRANSFER ANNUAL RENEWAL:

HomeLink is *not* included in the suspension of out of district waivers. Families continuing with HomeLink need to complete a Choice Transfer request for the coming 2020-21 school year. Parents may use the new [Washington State Choice Transfer Request Portal](#) to process a request or visit your child's resident school district office or website. Applications will be reviewed in the order they are received beginning May 15. The District shall provide all applicants with an email notification of the approval or denial of the application. Please file your variance for next year with your resident district by June. This will help you beat the rush and help us further with planning.

2020-21 ENROLLMENT

Enrollment packets are posted on the HomeLink website for Kindergarteners and new students. Returning families will need to complete annual forms and provide immunization records based on new laws for the coming school year. Jen McPhee will be communicating how enrollment paperwork will be shared with families and eventually a plan to collect documents.

OUTREACH:

Please feel free to contact me or our amazing counselor, McKenzie for assistance. Jen McPhee is fielding questions about [accessing gmail/Skyward](#) and 2020-21 student enrollment/registration. The district will continue to provide updates and resources as they become available.

Wishing you an "otterly" amazing April!



<https://www.seattleaquarium.org/animals/sea-otters> - Otter Cam Fun!

<https://www.lkstevens.wednet.edu/HomeLink> - HomeLink Webpage

FAMILY RESOURCES:

LAKE STEVENS SCHOOL DISTRICT COVID-19 CLOSURE:

The Lake Stevens School District is making every effort to keep families informed and supported during the statewide closure.

- Blackboard, a mass notification system is used to send automated phone calls, emails, text messages and mobile app notifications about school and district events, activities and emergencies.
- The LSSD Mobile App is available free for Android, iPhone and iPad. Download it now by searching "Lake Stevens School District" in the Apple App Store or Google Play Store. Once you download the app, you can choose to receive notifications, and then select which schools you want to receive information from. The app pulls information straight from our school and district websites, social media sites and Peachjar e-flyers.
- The [District website](#) has updates and learning resources for all grade levels.

Please be sure that your contact information is current. If changes are needed, email jen_mcphee@lkstevens.wednet.edu or update the information in Skyward Family Access.

MEALS FOR STUDENTS:

We have free grab-and-go meals for any person 18 years or younger, and persons 19- to 21-years-old with a physical or mental disability, as defined by the state, between 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. at the following locations:

[Lake Stevens Middle School, 1031 91st Ave SE](#)

[North Lake Middle School, 2202 123rd Ave NE](#)

- **Students must be present to receive a meal.**
- Each student will receive two meals, lunch and breakfast for the following morning.
- No adult meals will be available for purchase.

For more information, please contact foodservices@lkstevens.wednet.edu or call the Nutrition Services office at 425-335-1561. If you are in need of meals, and are unable to get to one of the middle schools, please call 425-335-1500.