

# LYNNWOOD LEOPARDS

## Principal's Place

by Chris Lindblom

### New Daily Schedule

**8:50 Breakfast**  
**9:10 Classrooms Open**  
**9:20 Tardy Bell**  
**3:50 Dismissal**

Parents, please be aware that there is no outdoor supervision for students prior to 9:10 am and only students receiving breakfast should arrive on campus prior to 9:10.

In addition, students NOT riding school buses need to be picked up each day promptly at 3:50 pm.

Dear Families,

I hope all of you found some time this summer to rest, relax, and spend some time with your family – more than likely, not all at the same time! We have been busy preparing for the new school year and the return of our wonderful children. Below are a few pieces of information to help get things started:

**Bus & Car Drop Off/Pick Up:** You probably noticed the bulldozers and dirt filling our parking lot throughout July and August. Well, our summer construction is wrapping up just in time for the beginning of the school year. As a result, our bus and car traffic at school will flow very differently. It is important for you to review our new system before the start of school. Please look at the map on page 3 of this newsletter for details. If you are dropping off or picking up your child, you will need to enter the school off of 46<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

This new configuration separates the buses from the car traffic, creating a much

safer environment for our children. We are looking forward to seeing things in action the first days of school. It will take the cooperation of all of us to assure that this new system will work smoothly.

**Class Placement:** You will find your child's class placement for the coming school year on this page of the newsletter in the lower left corner. Because we are still receiving new student registrations and withdrawals there may be a need to re-configure class placements during the first week of school. We will keep you informed ahead of time if any changes are anticipated.

**Ice Cream Social:** I am looking forward to seeing all of you at this year's Ice Cream Social on Thursday, August 28<sup>th</sup> starting at 6:00 p.m. This is a wonderful opportunity for new (and not so new) families to visit the school prior to the start of the school year. Along with the free ice cream, we will have information about buses, the health room, volunteering, and our Parent Faculty Team. We hope to see you there!

Your Child's Classroom Placement for the 2008-09 school year is as follows:



**Ice Cream Social**  
**Thursday**  
**August 28th**  
**6:00-7:00 pm**

## Upcoming Events

- \* August 28, 6:00-7:00 PM Ice Cream Social
- \* September 11, Hearing & Vision Screening
- \* September 18, Curriculum Night
- \* September 19, Non School Day
- \* September 25, Fundraiser Kick-Off
- \* September 26, Picture Day

# Curriculum Night

**PARENTS.....**please mark your calendars for Curriculum Night:

**Thursday, September 18**

**6:00—7:30 PM**

You are invited to visit classrooms and listen to teacher presentations that will detail your child's classroom curriculum for the school year. This is a parent night and students are encouraged to remain at home.

There will be two sessions for parents with 2 students at LWE.

## Keep Your Child Safe To & From School

Regardless of whether your child walks or bikes all the way to school or just to a bus stop, you want them to stay safe. You can help your child stay safe on the way to school and back home by doing the following:

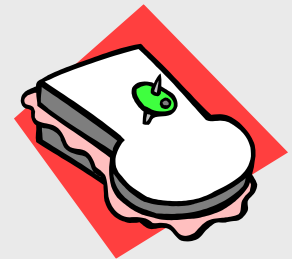
- \* **Plan ahead.** If your child walks to the bus stop or to school, figure out the safest route. Choose a way that has the fewest street crossings. Use crossings where there are crossing guards.
- \* If you can, avoid vacant lots or places where there aren't many people. Walk the route with your child.
- \* **There's safety in numbers.** If possible, arrange for your child to walk with a friend, neighbor or family member.
- \* **Play "what if."** Think ahead with your child. What if he/she gets a bloody nose? What if a large dog is in the path?
- \* Talking about these unexpected things will make handling them easier for your child.
- \* **Teach your child** never to ride with strangers. Remember, a stranger is anyone your child doesn't know well. Many families have a "secret code," If you had to send a friend to pick up your child, you would tell the person this secret word. It is a signal to your child that this person is safe to ride with.

## A Message From the Kitchen

Ensure your student has "fuel for learning"

*Breakfast and lunch changes for 2008-09 school year*

Please watch your mailbox this month for a letter from our district's Food Service Department pertaining to some important changes in the 2008-09 school year, including meal price increases, a change in our IOU policy, and qualifications for free and reduced-price meals. Details are included in the letter, but here is a brief summary.



### Meal Prices Increase

Just as the increase in food and fuel prices has likely impacted your family at home, it has also greatly affected our district's Food Service program. For the first time in five years, the price of breakfast and lunch must be increased. For elementary schools, they are now:

**Breakfast: Full cost: \$1.75**

Free and Reduced: no charge to eligible families

**Lunch: Full cost: \$3.25**

Reduced: free for grades K-3, 40 cents for preschool and grades 4-6

Free: no charge to eligible families

**Milk: 50 cents**

### IOU \$10 limitation set

Students who go through the cafeteria line and do not bring money or have money in their account will receive a full breakfast or lunch until their balance reaches negative \$10. Students who owe more than \$10 and do not bring money to purchase their meal will receive either a muffin for breakfast or a cheese sandwich for lunch. Please help us ensure your child receives full meals by paying in advance.

### Does your family qualify for free or reduced-price meals?

Also included in the letter mailed to your home, and available online at [www.edmonds.wednet.edu](http://www.edmonds.wednet.edu), will be the qualification requirements for free and reduced-price meals and an application for the program. We encourage everyone who is eligible to allow their child to receive the benefit of this important nutrition program by sending in the application.

Questions about these changes? Please contact Sara Conroy, interim director of food service, at 425-431-7076 or Marla Miller, assistant superintendent, at 425-431-7036.

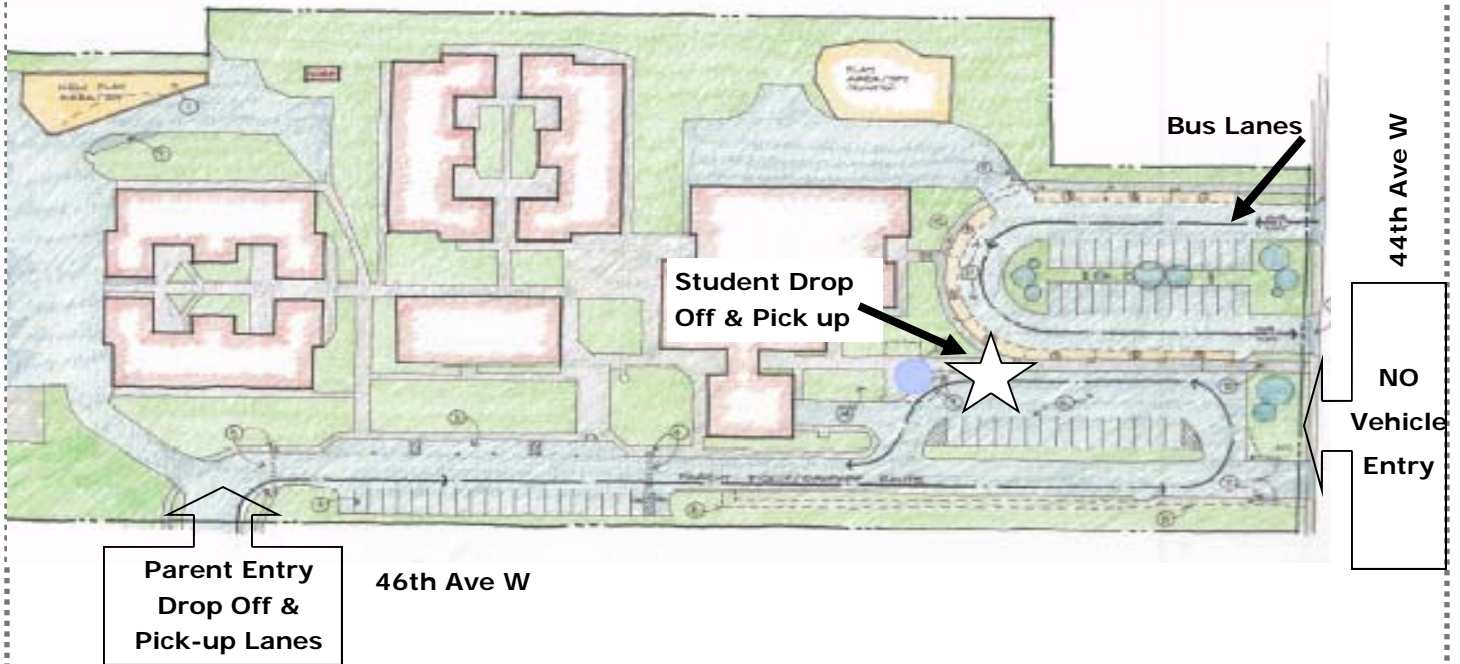
# Parent Drop Off & Pick Up

Please carefully read the following plan for parent drivers. It is critical that traffic flow move smoothly and safely through the parking lot. The plan for parent drivers is as follows:

**All parents who drive their students, must use the entrance on 46th Ave W. The school entrance off 44th Ave W will be restricted to bus traffic only.**

**Important:** Please train your student(s) to exit and enter your vehicle using the passenger side (curb side) door.

**Thank you for helping us establish a safe traffic pattern for our students!**



## THE CHARACTER EDUCATION PROGRAM

AT LYNNWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL...

- ⇒ is a comprehensive program that involves home, school, and community.
- ⇒ uses a common character language.
- ⇒ implements classroom and school-wide character programs.
- ⇒ is visible through posters, bulletin boards, and banners.
- ⇒ has everyone focusing on Character Education and they make a deliberate effort to teach character directly and to integrate it into the existing curriculum.
- ⇒ uses modeling as an important tool to develop character. (i.e. people caring about people)
- ⇒ involves ALL students and gives them leadership positions in the school and provides them with opportunities to do good things.



### Anti-Bullying Pledge

We do not bully others  
We help students who are bullied  
We include students who are left out  
We tell an adult at school  
and an adult at home when  
somebody is being a bully.

The character theme for the month of September is Anti-Bullying. Students will be reciting the Lynnwood Elementary Anti-Bully Pledge and learning about how to recognize bullying and how to stop bullying. This year's emphasis will be on the team work between adults and children to stop bullying. We want students to know that trusted adults are part of a team and it is the student's job to stand up against bullies and tell a trusted adult when bullying occurs.

# 2008 - 2009 Calendar

**September**

M	T	W	Thu	F
H	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	N
22	23	24	25	26
29	30			

**October**

M	T	W	Thu	F
		1	2	3
6	7	8	9	N
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
(27)	(28)	(29)	(30)	(31)

**November**

M	T	W	Thu	F
3	4	5	6	N
10	H	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	H	H

**December**

M	T	W	Thu	F
1	2	3	4	N
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
B	B	B	B	B
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**January**

M	T	W	Thu	F
			B	B
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	14	15	16
H	20	21	(22)	N
26	27	28	29	30

**February**

M	T	W	Thu	F
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	N
H	N	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27

**March**

M	T	W	Thu	F
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	N
16	17	18	(19)	20
23	24	25	26	27
B	B			

**April**

M	T	W	Thu	F
	B	B	B	B
6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	

**May**

M	T	W	Thu	F
				1
4	5	6	7	N
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	N
H	26	27	28	29

**June**

M	T	W	Thu	F
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	(16)	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30			

- H = Holiday
- N = Non-Student Day
- B = Break
- ☐ = Non-School Day
- = Early Release
- ☆ = First Day of School
- ☼ = Last Day of School
- ☼ = Early Release

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