Welcome to Landis Run Parent Orientation



Tuesday, August 8, 2023

Orientation Schedule

- Welcome
- Curriculum & Academics Info
- Building Schedule/Operations
- Intermediate School Expectations
- Question/Answer Session



MISSION

The mission of Manheim Township School District is to nurture and challenge for success.

• The mission of Landis Run Intermediate School is to provide a rigorous educational experience where students reach their true potential. We will create a caring and connected environment of mutual respect and collaboration. As a learning community, we will nurture healthy relationships in which we each take responsibility for our own choices.





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TO CREATE A WELCOMING AND SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENT WHERE ALL STUDENTS, STAFF, AND FAMILIES FEEL A SENSE OF BELONGING.

LRIS Guiding Beliefs

The staff at Landis Run Intermediate School believe:

- Students learn at different rates using different styles and need to be reached at their different levels and interests.
- Students need to be challenged through rigorous expectations, be successful academically, and be able to learn from failure.
- Students need clear guidelines, expectations, and limits in order to feel safe and to be successful. They need the freedom to make choices and to accept the consequences of those choices.
- Students need to be involved in a learning environment that includes the support of connected and caring community members, families, and school staff in order to be successful.

LRIS Guiding Beliefs

The staff at Landis Run Intermediate School believe:

- Students can become well-rounded citizens who are lifelong learners through authentic experiences.
- Students desire peer acceptance and need opportunities to collaborate effectively and to demonstrate respect for others.
- Students need a chance to be children.

The Raptor Values: Respect, Responsibility, Safety



Curriculum & Instruction

- Each grade level delivers instruction in teams:
 - Falcons
 - Hawks
 - Ospreys
- Within both grade levels, each team is comprised of six homerooms.
- Landis Run transitions from the SeeSaw learning platform at the K-4 level to Schoology learning platform.



Curriculum & Instruction

- Students will participate in:
 - English/Language Arts (ELA)
 - Social Studies
 - Science
 - Math
 - Related Arts (Art, Music, Physical Ed. & Health, STEM)
 - Homeroom and REM
 - Daily Morning Meetings



Progress Reporting

- Student grades are reported using report cards 4 times per year, after each 9-week quarter.
 - Related Arts courses are graded on a semester basis.
- Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences will be held in November.
- Parents are urged to create an account on the Sapphire Parent Portal **and** Schoology learning platform to stay informed regarding your student(s) academic progress, attendance, and assignments.



Daily Schedule

Homeroom/ Morning Meeting 8:10 - 8:40

REM 8:40 - 9:10

Dismissal 3:15

Language Arts 95 minutes

Math 95 minutes

Science/Social Studies 45 minutes every other day

Related Arts 45 minutes

Lunch 30 minutes

Recess 20 minutes

A modified schedule is followed on days when there is a delay or early dismissal. Students will still have all of their classes on those days.



"R.E.M."

- Remediation, Enrichment, and Make-up
- REM at LRIS is an academic period and students are expected to use the available time wisely to complete assignments and tend to other school responsibilities.
- Musical groups (i.e., Chorus, Band, or Orchestra) meet twice a week during the REM period.
- Students who are not involved in musical groups have access to most teachers to get help/further their studies during REM time.

Lunch Information

- Students eat during one of three lunch periods.
 - 10:45-11:15 Falcons
 - 11:35-12:05 Hawks
 - 12:20-12:50 Ospreys
- 5th and 6th grade common teams will eat at the same time (ex: 5 Hawks AND 6 Hawks will eat at the same time).
- Students are expected to clean up their table and surrounding area and are dismissed by tables once their area is checked.
- Check the website for information about how to apply for Free/Reduced Meals.

Transportation Information

- MTSD provides bussing for students who live outside of the walk zones.
- LRIS students will only be transported with other students from LRIS.
- Students may also be transported to school by parents, other family members, friends, etc.
- Please review with your child that all school rules apply while on district transportation.

Transportation Information

- AM Parent Drop-Off Using the Blue Streak Boulevard entrance, students are to be dropped off outside the main entrance. At the end of the main driveway parents will turn right to access the student car rider loop. Students should not be dropped off before 7:50 AM
- <u>PM Parent Pick-Up</u> Students should be picked up outside the main entrance in the car rider loop on the west side of the building.
- If your child's transportation plan changes mid-day, please contact the Landis Run Office.

LRIS Extracurricular Activities

Musical Ensembles:

- Band
- Chorus
- Orchestra

Other Possible Extracurriculars:

- Odyssey of the Mind
- Quiz Bowl
- Envirothon
- Math 24
- Girls on the Run
- FOR Club
- Leaders of Future Generations



Expectations: Academics

- High Expectations for all students!
- Our teachers provide instructional experiences and strategies that promote the development of well rounded learners who understand their unique blend of learning styles, intelligences, skills, and interests.



Expectations: Attendance

- Students are expected to arrive at school in time to report to homeroom by 8:10 AM. Students who arrive at or after this time must report to the office to sign in before reporting to homeroom. This is necessary to ensure attendance is accurate.
- All absence notes must be turned in within 3 days upon returning to school or the absence is considered unlawful. A School Attendance Improvement Conference will be initiated after the 3rd unlawful absence.
- After the 10th school day missed, parents will receive a letter requiring a note from a doctor for any future absences. Any absence after the 10th day may be considered unlawful if a note from a doctor is not provided.

Expectations: Attendance

- Vacations are not a lawful excuse in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. We do recognize Educational Trips and Tours limited to 5 days per school year. Any days past 5 days will be coded as unlawful.
- Students participating in an educational trip during the year that results in absence from school must request approval, in writing, from the school at least two days in advance of the first day of the requested trip in order for the absences to be excused. The Educational Trip and Tour form is available on the district website. Students must also ask teachers for any work they will be missing.

Expectations: Student Dress

- At LRIS, we recognize that students' choice of clothing can be an important way for them to explore or express their sense of identity.
- Just as most businesses and industries establish guidelines for dress in the workplace, LRIS is a place of business for staff and students; therefore, expectations for appropriate dress will be upheld.
- LRIS exists to provide all students with the best education possible; when student dress interferes with the teaching and learning process, materially or substantially disrupts the school's educational climate, or presents a health/safety hazard, the issue will be addressed.

Home-School Partnership

- In order to successfully meet the needs of our adolescents, parents/guardians and school staff need to work together.
- If you have a concern or question regarding your student(s), please start by contacting the school staff member closest to the source of the concern or question.



Home-School Partnership

• We recommend that all parents/guardians take time during the first week of school to review the Student handbook with their child so everyone understands the expectations and procedures that guide the operation of our school.

• The handbook will be available online by using the "Schools" link – LRIS, as well as in your child's agenda book.



Home-School Partnership

- Please keep an eye out for our Landis Run Monthly Newsletters! Lots of information and exciting news about Landis Run events is included.
- We encourage you to visit the MTSD website frequently for information regarding LRIS and district events.

www.mtwp.net (click on "schools" then "Landis Run")

• Finally, we hope you consider getting involved in our LRIS PTO. Please check out the PTO website: www.lrispto.home.blog

On behalf of the entire Landis Run Intermediate School Staff, we wish you and your students a fantastic school year!

