

LORAIN HIGH SCHOOL

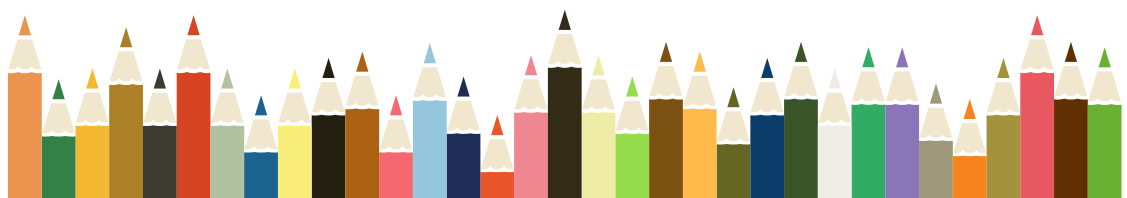
From the corner of 26th & Ashland | Principal's Update | Mr. Patrick Coleman



Lorain HS - January Parent Newsletter - Welcome back!

Dear Families!

I hope this update finds each of you healthy, safe, and enjoying time together as a family resting and recharging your batteries before the start of Semester 2. Here at LHS, we are excited to finally be able to safely welcome students onto our campus! As was shared recently at our Town Halls, whether your students opted in hybrid in-person instruction, or they are remaining remote, second semester will involve a number of scheduling changes. In addition to welcoming hybrid in-person students back, we will





The Fortnite (2 of them) in Preview!

1/4 - Teacher work day - Teachers return to LHS to complete Public School Works requirements

1/5 - Beginning of Semester 2 - All students begin remote instruction. Students who sit for the ELA II EOC test will test on campus.

1/5 - 1/15 - EOC Testing window
*Detailed day-by-day breakdown contained in this newsletter

1/18 - MLK Day - No school for students or staff.

1/19 - Hybrid in-person instruction begins.

be implementing our January “End of Course” testing window (January 5th - 15th), migrating to a new instructional schedule (AA/BB), as well as implementing a new bell schedule. Everything is outlined in this newsletter, but please don’t hesitate to reach out to our guidance counselors or myself (pcoleman@loraincsd.org) if you have any questions!

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Best,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, likely belonging to Mr. Patrick Coleman.

Mr. Patrick Coleman
Principal – Lorain High School



January Restart Details

As a reminder, we will be hosting in person EOC testing beginning on January 5th. This in-person testing will run through our first two weeks of semester 2, culminating on Friday, January 15th. During this time, all LHS students will be in remote instruction, with hybrid in-person instruction beginning on Tuesday, January 19th. A day by day January playbook can be found below:

- **January 4th** - Teacher work day, teachers will be working to complete their Public School Works professional development requirements.
- **January 5th** - Testing begins (ELA II). Semester 2 begins via remote instruction for all staff and students who are not proctoring, buddying or taking the ELA II EOC test. [Our semester 2 bell schedule can be found here.](#)
- **January 6th - 15th** - Remote instruction continues - Students report to the building for in-person EOC testing. All other students are receiving instruction remotely. Letters have been mailed home indicating any EOC testing requirements for your son or daughter. If you have any questions, please reach out to your student's guidance counselor.
 - **January 6th - Algebra I end of course test**, these students report to school for testing, all other students are receiving instruction remotely.
 - **January 7th - Geometry end of course test**, these students report to school for testing, all other students are receiving instruction remotely.
 - **January 8th - Government end of course test**, these students report to school for testing, all other students are receiving instruction remotely.
 - **January 11th - ELA I end of course test**, these students report to school for testing, all other students are receiving instruction remotely.
 - **January 12th - Biology end of course test**, these students report to school for testing, all other students are receiving instruction remotely.
 - **January 13th - US History end of course test**, these students report to school for testing, all other students are receiving instruction remotely.
 - **January 14th - Make up end of course testing**, students in need of a make up test report to school for testing, all other students are receiving instruction remotely.
 - **January 15th - Make up end of course testing**, students in need of a make up test report to school for testing, all other students are receiving instruction remotely.

Teachers who are proctoring tests will be providing asynchronous instruction for students during our testing window. Details on this will be shared with our students via our teachers Google Classrooms.

- **January 18th** - No School - MLK Day
- **January 19th** - Cohort A students are in person. Cohort B students are remote, along with fully remote students.
- **January 20th** - Cohort A students are in person. Cohort B students are remote, along with fully remote students.
- **January 21st** - Cohort B students are in person. Cohort A students are remote, along with fully remote students.
- **January 22nd** - Cohort B students are in person. Cohort A students are remote, along with fully remote students.
- **This week is a modified week - we will not be implementing an asynchronous day on Wednesday in order to accommodate the observance of MLK day on Monday, 1/18.
- **January 25th** - Cohort A students are in person. Cohort B students are remote, along with fully remote students.
- **January 26th** - Cohort A students are in person. Cohort B students are remote, along with fully remote students.
- **January 27th** - Asynchronous day, there will be no in-person or synchronous instruction on this day.
- **January 28th** - Cohort B students are in person. Cohort A students are remote, along with fully remote students.
- **January 29th** - Cohort B students are in person. Cohort A students are remote, along with fully remote students.

Additional EOC Testing Details

Why are we testing? Linked here are some FAQ's with respect to general testing requirements, statewide.

Will we be providing transportation? Yes, we will be running our typical bus loops. If you ordinarily qualify for bus transportation, we will be running our typical bus loops. More details will be forthcoming shortly on specific times.

Will we be providing meals? Yes. Doors will open for testing at 9:00 am. Students will have an option to grab breakfast (socially distanced seating in the cafeteria) from 9:00 am - 9:15 am. Testing will begin promptly at 9:30. Lunch will be provided “grab and go” style as the students leave the building.

What will our daily bell schedule look like beginning on January 5th?

The bell schedule below will be what all LHS students (remote or in-person) will follow beginning on Tuesday January 5th. The only exception will be on Wednesday's that are designated as asynchronous days.

7:30 AM - Doors open for students, begin breakfast service.

7:50 AM - Breakfast Service ends

1st Period 8:00 - 8:36

1st Block 8:00 - 9:16

2nd Period 8:40 - 9:16

3rd Period 9:20 - 9:56

2nd Block - 9:20 - 10:36

4th Period 10:00 - 10:36

Lunch Skinny #1 (6/7) - 10:40 - 11:16

3rd Block - 10:40 - 11:56

Lunch Skinny #2 (7/8) - 11:20 - 11:56

9th Period - 12:00 - 12:36

4th Block - 12:00 - 1:16

10th Period - 12:40 - 1:16

Lunch will be served to students “grab and go” style as they leave the building.

Bus Pass Information!

First Student provides busing to Lorain High School for students who purchase a bus pass.

As Lorain High School prepares to return to school on January 19, 2021 through a hybrid learning model, bus passes are now available for sale, to Lorain High School students, for the remainder of the 2020-21 school year.

- Passes for the remainder of the 2020-21 school year are \$10
- Passes are sold Monday through Friday, from 10am to 1pm, by First Student
- First Student accepts cash only
- First Student is located at 1800 Colorado Ave. Lorain, OH 44052
- First Student can be reached, by phone, at 440-288-2222

Due to COVID-19, First Student notes that masks are required upon entrance to their facility.

Students do not need to be present if they currently have a picture on file, with First Student.

If a student does not have a photo on file, with First Student, they must show up in person to take a photo for their pass.

All bus passes will be mailed to the student's address on file with First Student.

Important to note, while we want to be as flexible as possible with respect to requests to modify instruct

I need to request a shift from hybrid in-person to remote (or vice versa), how to I go about seeing if this is an option? Quarter 1 Academic Excellence at Lorain High School! Key Club 2020-2021!

Important to note, while we want to be as flexible as possible with respect to requests to modify instructional placements for your student, we will be limited in our ability to accommodate these changes. Before we can make any changes, we will need to determine whether those changes can be made safely, not only here at LHS, but also at any schools where your student might have a sibling that attends. This process will take time. All student placements for the start of January have been determined by our family commitment survey. Since that survey closed, we have received a number of requests for changes. We will be investigating the practicality of those changes once our team is back from the holiday break, and will be reaching out as we can confirm that we can safely accommodate your request.

In order to request a “change of placement” for your student (hybrid to remote - vice versa), please call or email the appropriate guidance counselor. From there, we will investigate whether we can safely accommodate your request.

Of note, until you are notified from the school that a placement change can be made, do not send your student to school for in-person instruction. In order to ensure we have a safe number of students in the building, we can only admit students who are approved for hybrid in-person instruction.

Needin a little help in Math?

Is your Math class is feeling a little bit overwhelming? For anyone needing a little extra support, please reach out to our Title I Math Teacher extraordinaire, Airyn Hunter! Mrs. Hunter is available for 1:1 or small group Zoom sessions. She also holds regular office hours on Tuesday's and Thursday's, from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm. Use the following Zoom credentials to connect with Mrs. Hunter during her office hours.

<https://lorainschools.zoom.us/j/84021804727?pwd=T3FTLlRFYUE5MytDNmIieE1RNzVRZzo9>

Meeting ID: 840 2180 4727

Password: 824670

You can also email her at ahunter@loraincsd.org anytime in order to get something set up!

LHS Key Club 2020-2021

If you are interested in your child joining LHS's Key Club 2020-2021, we are back in action this year, regardless of how hard COVID is trying to change up our lives! Please have your child email me at lzimmerman@lorainschools.org to get started 😊

*Clubs like Key Club have a reputation for being a great club to have on college applications!

*Key Club establishes friendships and opportunities to give back to society by volunteering!

*The core values of Key Club International are leadership, character building, caring, and inclusiveness!

*SCHOLARSHIPS ARE POSSIBLE when it becomes time to start thinking of college!

We work closely with Second Harvest, Catholic Charities, Clothing Drives, Canned Food/Holiday Donations, Clothe a Child, Anchor Lodge of Lorain and are sponsored by Lorain and Elyria Kiwanis! (and when allowed back in-school, much more!)

LHS's Key Club would love to have you join us!

LEO Club

Do you want your child to hone their leadership skills? Does your child need activities to include on their job applications and college applications? Have them consider joining Leo Club, supported by the Lorain Lions Club. Members of the Leo Club will have the opportunity to participate in leadership workshops, learn more about career opportunities, participate in virtual community service projects, and serve as mentors to other students in the district. Students who are seniors and are actively engaged in Leo Club activities can apply for college scholarships offered through the local and national Lions Club. If your student is in 9-12 grade and is interested in becoming a Leo Club member, have them complete the [Leo Club Registration Form](#). Questions?? Email Ms. Molly Tyson at mtyson@lorainschools.org.

Lorain High School Student Council

Are you interested in being a leader among your peers? Are you interested in providing service to your community? Please consider joining the Lorain High School Student Council.

If you are interested in joining, please email mcooper@lorainschools.org or ccorrethers@lorainschools.org.

Help, I'm having technology or laptop issues??!!

Problems with your laptop? - Call the Help Desk at 440.830.HELP. They will walk you through some basic troubleshooting steps. If these are unsuccessful, they will refer you to our Main Office to come in and swap out your device. We will again have staff available in the LHS Main Office from 11:00 am - 3:00 pm for swapping hardware. Important to note, you need to be referred from our Help Desk prior to swapping your machine. Make sure you've already connected with the Help Desk prior to coming into the Main Office.

Internet Issues? - Call the Help Desk at 440.830.HELP, they will work with you to determine which options can be utilized to support you.

Cash for College!!

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid/FAFSA is now available for completion. By completing this document, most Lorain seniors will receive free money from the government called a Pell grant. This Grant could be worth as much as \$6,300. For more information and assistance completing this document, email Mr. Newman/the College Guy at dnewman@loraincsd.org or text him at 440-308-7851.

College Now Resources!

College Now provides college access and financial aid support directly to LHS students. Specifically,

- ACT prep waivers (if student meets economic criteria)
- College application fee waivers
- College visits
- College and career exploration
- Summer Program opportunities
- Scholarships

Additional services available to all students and parents

- Help with test registration forms and access test prep materials and workshops
- Career assessments
- Assist with college admissions and financial aid applications
- Show students how to access local and national scholarship opportunities
- Explore financial aid resources and compare financial award letters from different colleges
- Hosting application and scholarship workshops during the school day
- FAFSA (Federal Student Aid) workshops

For more information on College Now and how you can access these resources, please reach out to our College Now Advisor, Dave Newman at dnewman@collegenowgc.org

ACT Support!

Even though many colleges are "waiving" the ACT/SAT as an admission requirement for next year, these test scores will be used to determine merit scholarships. Schools will also be asking for letter of recommendation and essays in order to determine your worthiness if you choose not to submit test scores. So, start thinking about who you will ask and thinking about the elements of "your story" for the essay part.

Colleges are also beginning to accept applications and the FAFSA becomes available on October 1. If you need help selecting a major, determining colleges to apply for or ACT registration, text at 440-308-7851 or email at dnewman@collegenowgc.org. Remember, HE IS ON YOUR SIDE!

LHS Athletics are getting going! Covid Testing on Thursdays moved to Southview Middle School

Our boys and girls basketball teams are gearing up to begin interscholastic play next week. Our boys basketball team will take on Garfield Heights on January 8th at 7:00 PM and will play against Shaw High School the following evening (January 9th) at 7:30 PM. Both of these games are home games. Our lady hoopsters get going on January 4th, where they will travel to Vermillion for a 7:00 pm tip and then will be at Shaker Heights on January 9th at 1:30 pm.

As always, please call the LCS athletic department (440.830.4008) or visit lorainathletics.org for more information!

Student Support Team Structure at LHS

Student Support Teams - Often in large comprehensive high schools, Assistant Principals, Guidance Counselors and in many instances Social Workers, serve students according to their current grade level. This results in students being re-assigned a new Assistant Principal, Counselor, etc.. at the start of each school year. We believe that the relationships that we develop with our students and families are as important as any other aspect of our work. To this end, we are going to be servicing students by alphabetical breakdown, whereas an Assistant Principal, a Guidance Counselor, and a Social Worker will serve as the leadership foundation for each of these *Student Support Teams*. Your child's Student Support Team assignment will remain consistent for their four years at Lorain High. This means students and families won't need to rebuild relationships with new AP's, Counselors and Social Workers each year. Additionally, our teams will sharpen their synergy and collaborative approach to supporting kids and families, as they develop deeper professional relationships over time. [Click on this link to view our Student Support Team breakdown](#),

Last Name	AP/Director	Counselor	Social Worker
A - E	Diane Rollins	Dennis Owen	Amy DiTullio
F - Man	Takisha Jackson	Mark Stimecz	Elisha Neely
Mao - Ri	Nancy Lecorchick	Melissa Clark	Laura Gooch-Brown
Ro - Z	Bryan Hilko	Trena Falencki	Markia Boone
Early College	Amanda Haney	Stacey Yee	Same as above by alpha
Success Academy	Linda Coad	Rick Washington	Same as above by alpha

Social Worker Referral Links

Social Worker: Amy DiTullio (A - E)

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfJlKERsc3IXEFiTOPIyGi6YkBZPI644VeYOP5QOFMu_Wxzcfw/viewform)

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Social Worker: Elisha Neely (F - Man)

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Social Worker: Laura Gooch-Brown (Mao - Riv)

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Social Worker: Markia Boone (Ro - Z)

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Daily Bell Schedule - Attendance Guidelines

We will be facilitating synchronous (live) instruction on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Students need to attend these virtual (or hybrid in-person) classes on these days or they will be marked absent. Wednesdays will be asynchronous (work at your own pace) days. On “asynch” days, teachers will be available for extra support via office hours, and students will have the time and space to progress on assignments and projects.

*****It is a violation of Ohio Revised Code/Child Labor laws for students to be scheduled for work during school hours. In alignment with the law, working during school hours is not permitted.*****