

Welcome, New LCA Families AND Welcome Back, Returning LCA Families!

I hope you've enjoyed a relaxing summer and are ready for the new school year! The administration team has been buzzing with excitement, preparing fantastic activities, field trips, and organizing everything needed for a successful year at LCA.

To ensure a smooth start, please take note of the important dates and activities outlined below. Your attention to these details will help us all begin the school year on the right foot.

Uniform Updates:

- We're refreshing our inventory of uniform polos in LCA's school colors. For this year, students may continue wearing older LCA polos. If you need to purchase any items, please visit our central office.
- Our field trip polo for this year will be a black crested polo. Feel free to reach out to the central office with any questions.

Important Date Information:

 Please be aware that this year our fall and spring break schedules do not align with Rutherford County Schools (RCS). This was mentioned in your enrollment packet and summer mailer, but it's easy to overlook. We've strived to align our breaks with RCS in the past, yet we were not able to this year. If this change affects existing plans you cannot change, please contact me directly. I'm happy to work with you to make accommodations.

You truly have the most incredible children! We're excited about the year ahead and believe it will be full of meaningful experiences for your children. Thank you for your continued support and prayers.

Looking forward to a fantastic school year!

Warm regards,

Mrs. Vonda Coble Headmaster vonda.coble@lcaknights.com



Orientation Notes

Non-Traditional School Dates: The Tennessee Association of Non-Public Academic Schools allows their schools to create unique experiences that count toward the attendance records and total number of school days within a school year. You will notice that LCA will take four-day weekends at times and also will always be closed on Good Friday when public schools are still in session. We reserve the right to plan differently than the traditional public-school calendar. Staff and students are expected to report on the noted days. We want to give ample time for families to plan. The following dates are counted as school days for LCA students as a part of our program:

7th-12th Grade (**Overnight Retreat**)
K5 Readiness-12th Grade (**L.A.M.P.**)
K5-12th Grade (**L.A.M.P.**)

Thursday, August 29th Monday, May 19th Tuesday, May 20th

<u>Backpacks:</u> Due to the proximity of lockers and classrooms (and to avoid congestion in the hallways) students in grades 7th-12th will NOT be allowed to carry backpacks on campus. Exceptions will be made for students on individual education plans that solicit a need for a backpack.

<u>Locker Lock:</u> All students in grades 3rd-12th will be issued a school locker at LCA. Students are required to purchase a lock from the school so that school officials have access. Locks are \$35. The same lock CAN be used each year. Locks may be purchased at orientation. The fee for a lock is covered for 3rd-12th grade families who have chosen the all-inclusive tuition package.

<u>Uniform Shirts:</u> Students in grades Kindergarten Readiness through 12th grade must purchase a LCA uniform polo shirt for our dress code. The fee for two uniform polos is covered for K-12th grade families who have chosen the all-inclusive tuition package. Students will be able to wear all colors of uniform polos this school year! A summer sale will be announced soon, and you will be able to stop by the central office to make purchases from the existing stock. As inventory is replaced, new uniform polos will be replenished in LCA's school colors. For this school year, you may wear any of the polo colors we have offered previously.

<u>Parking Passes:</u> Student drivers must purchase a parking permit if they drive a vehicle to school. This purchase also provides the student with an off-campus lunch pass. Parking permits are \$75 and may be purchased at our back-to-school orientation. The fee for the parking pass is covered for families who have chosen the all-inclusive tuition package.