

State Road Stars

State Road Newsletter

January 2021

Important Dates

Monday, January 1st
No School

Thursday, January 14th
No School

Friday, January 15th
No School
End of semester
Pupil Progress reports will be mailed home

Monday, January 18th
No School

Tuesday, January 19th
No School

Wednesday, January 20th
K-2 Return to In-Person Learning

January 20th-22nd
3-5 Continue Virtual Learning

Monday, January 25th
Pre-K and 3-5 Return to In-Person Learning
Virtual PTO Meeting at 6:30pm

No Name-Calling Week

Dress Up Days

January 25th
Mismatch Monday

Tuesday, January 26th
Team Tuesday

Wednesday, January 27th
Workout Wednesday

Thursday, January 28th
Thinking Cap Thursday

Friday, January 29th
Fancy Friday

GLSEN's No Name-Calling Week, is a week organized by K-12 educators and students to end name-calling and bullying in schools.

A Note from the Principal

Exciting news came from Dr. Engel, our School District of La Crosse Superintendent, last week. I am sure many of you have read his emails or somehow heard the news but we will be coming back to face to face instruction in January.

Kindergarten, first and second graders will start at 8:05 am on Wednesday, January 20th. The following week on Monday, January 25th the PREK, third graders, fourth graders and fifth graders will come back to school face to face. Virtual instruction will continue for grades PREK, 3-5 on January 20, 21 and 22. There will be no school on January 14, 15, 18 or 19th. The 18th and 19th were scheduled days off and the 14 and 15 will be last minute preparations for the students' return. More information about details will be forthcoming but I wanted to share the basics so you could prepare your family for this exciting return to school.

This decision probably brings joy to some and concern to others. Please be assured that we will work with you on your concerns. We are taking many precautionary measures to keep our staff and students safe.

I know these months of remote learning have taken a huge toll on many aspects of our lives. I hope that our return to face to face instruction will bring some stability to kids' lives and some relief to the family strain that has happened over this pandemic.

I look forward to having the kids back in the building.

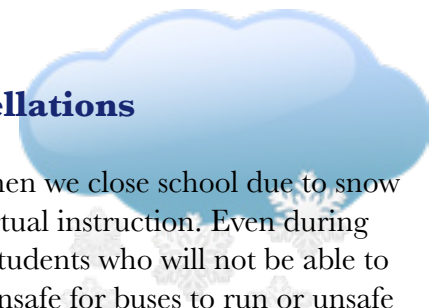
Happy New Year State Road families!

Mrs. Lyga

Inclement Weather Cancellations

We will be canceling instruction when we close school due to snow and cold this year, even while in virtual instruction. Even during virtual instruction, we have many students who will not be able to access their instruction when it is unsafe for buses to run or unsafe for travel to school. CRVA will still hold asynchronous instruction on inclement weather days.

Please help us check the spread of COVID-19 by staying home, physically distancing, wearing a mask, washing your hands, and getting tested if you feel ill.



2021-2022 Intradistrict Transfer Information

One of the many strengths of the School District of La Crosse is the variety of opportunities and choices offered to families, especially when it comes to school choice; we recognize that one size does not fit all. School enrollment occurs in a variety of ways, for example, every student is guaranteed enrollment in their neighborhood (boundary) school, which is determined by the student's home address. Families also have the opportunity to request something other than their boundary school through the intradistrict transfer application.

You do not need to apply for an intradistrict transfer if:

- your child has already been accepted to a choice or charter school, or
- your child has previously been approved for a boundary exemption, or
- you wish for your child to remain at their boundary school.

WHEN AND HOW DO I APPLY?-

Families may apply between February 1st and April 30th. Families must complete an online intradistrict transfer application at www.lacrosseschools.org/intradistrict-transfers/.

If you do not have access to a computer or internet access, you can fill out an online application at your current school, at the Hogan Administration Center in our Welcome Center, or visit your local public library computer lab.

HOW DO I KNOW IF MY APPLICATION IS APPROVED?

All applications are considered. The completion of an application is not a guarantee of placement. Your application may be approved, denied, or placed on a waitlist. Every effort will be made to communicate the status of your application by May 30th.

WHAT ARE THE OPTIONS?

Information about all charter, choice, and boundary schools can be found on the School District of La Crosse Intradistrict webpage, www.lacrosseschools.org/intradistrict-transfers/. Should you have any questions about a specific school, contact that school's principal. What is a charter school? Charter schools are public, nonsectarian schools created through a business-like contract or "charter" between the charter governance board and the sponsoring school board or other chartering authority.

Charter School Options:

Elementary - Coulee Montessori, School of Technology & Arts (SOTA I), Coulee Region Virtual Academy
 Middle School - Coulee Montessori Adolescent Program and School of Technology & Arts (SOTA II)
 Middle/High School - La Crosse Polytechnic School (Virtual Option Available), Coulee Region Virtual Academy

What is a choice school? Choice schools include students from the boundary attendance area as well as students that choose to attend through the choice and charter process. These schools deliver curriculum using a thematic approach or have a unique calendar.

Choice School Options:

Elementary - Hamilton Early Learning Center (Year-Round), Northside Elementary School (Year-Round), North Woods International School, and Summit Environmental School
 Middle School - Logan Middle Spanish Partial Immersion

What is a boundary school? Boundary schools are based on your home address within the School District of La Crosse.

WHAT IF MY FAMILY LIVES OUTSIDE OF LA CROSSE AND WE WISH TO ATTEND THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LA CROSSE?

We welcome all students and families! If you do not live within the School District of La Crosse boundary or have moved outside the district but wish for your child to attend the School District of La Crosse, please watch for information regarding the Wisconsin Open Enrollment Application Period, starting at the beginning of February through the end of April. If you have previously applied and been approved for open enrollment, you do not need to reapply. Transportation is the responsibility of the parent for open enrolled students. For more information, contact Michelle Wozney, 608.789.7651, or mwozney@lacrossesd.org, or visit <http://dpi.wi.gov/open-enrollment>.

IS TRANSPORTATION PROVIDED?

Transportation is provided for choice programs and charter schools. As previously mentioned, for all other intradistrict transfer requests, transportation is the responsibility of parents/guardians.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LA CROSSE

4K Preschool



2021-2022 Preschool Registration

New Student Online Enrollment for the 2021-22 school year will open on November 16 2020.

Preschool site selection will be done online starting Jan. 18, 2021 at 7 AM. This will still be a first come first serve sign up.

Families are welcome to come into Hogan to complete the enrollment process on a computer if needed. Students must be 4 on or before Sept 1 2021 to enroll into 4K Preschool.

Step 1– Starting Nov 16, enroll your 4 year old for the upcoming school year. Please visit Lacrosseschools.org and click on “Enroll In Our Schools” button. Follow the prompts to create an account and complete the New Student Online Enrollment process. You may upload or email a picture of the student’s birth certificate and your proof of address. If these documents are not submitted during enrollment, they will need to be submitted by Jan 22 to hold your spot.

Enrollment needs to be completed by Jan. 14 if you wish to complete step 2.

Step 2— Starting Jan 18 at 7AM– Log into Skyward family access and click on the Arena Scheduling button on the left side of the screen. Under the preschool heading, click on 2021-2022 year. You will then see the list of preschool classes. Select your class and click on the **Add** button. The **Add** button will not be available if that class is full. If you decide to change classes, click on “Remove” under the Option column. Arena scheduling will close on Jan. 22. Please call the preschool office for any changes after that.

Preschool Office

Preschool@lacrossesd.org

608-789-7006



HARVEST OF THE MONTH
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JANUARY



FUN FACTS

- Cabbage is one of the oldest known vegetables! Red cabbage is one of the many varieties grown around the world.
- Cabbage is Russia's national food. Russians eat about seven times as much cabbage as the average North American.

NUTRITION INFO

One cup of raw cabbage has 22 calories and provides fiber and vitamins A & C.

PICK

Choose firm, heavy cabbage heads with unblemished leaves. Cabbage can be found as whole heads or shredded near bagged salad mixes.

STORE

Store cabbage tightly wrapped in the refrigerator and use within a few weeks. Once cut, place the remainder in a plastic bag or covered container and use within a few days.

PREPARE

To prepare cabbage, remove the thick outer leaves, slice in half, and remove the hard white core. Wash thoroughly and slice into desired thickness.

USE

Cabbage can be steamed, microwaved, boiled, roasted, or made into coleslaw or sauerkraut. Cabbage is a great addition to casseroles, stews, salads and soups.



Savory Roasted Cabbage

Serves 5

Ingredients:

- 1-pound cabbage, roughly chopped with core removed
- 2 Tbsp. olive oil
- ½ tsp. salt
- ¼ tsp black pepper

Directions:

Preheat oven to 400°F. Place cabbage in a large bowl. Add olive oil, salt and pepper; toss until evenly coated. Spread seasoned cabbage onto a sheet pan and place in oven for 10-15 minutes, stirring occasionally. When edges begin to brown, remove from oven and serve warm.

Per serving (1/2 cup): 70 calories, 6g fat, 1g saturated fat, 1g protein, 5g carbohydrate, 2g fiber, 250mg sodium

for more information visit www.laxf2s.org

Coulee Region Farm to School is a partnership between La Crosse County Health Department, Mayo Clinic Health System – Franciscan Healthcare, Gundersen Health System, and the School Districts of Bangor, Holmen, La Crescent-Hokah, La Crosse, Onalaska, and West Salem.



MAYO CLINIC
 HEALTH SYSTEM

GUNDERSEN
 HEALTH SYSTEM.

In-Person School Days

Students should not arrive at school prior to 7:55am.

7:55am	Breakfast and morning supervision begin. Children will go straight to their classroom upon arrival.
7:55am	First bell rings
8:05am	School day begins
10:35am	AM preschool dismissed
2:45pm	Dismissal

Student Mask Use

Masks should be worn at all times on school grounds for all staff and students (PREK students will be exempt from this expectation as will staff when they are working alone in their workspace). Students will be provided 2 cloth face masks at the start of face to face instruction. These two masks will be left at school to be washed. Students and families can use face masks that they provide as long as they adhere to the school district appropriate dress policy. Students and families should be sure to consider that a mask must be worn on district transportation and upon arrival to school before receiving their school mask in the classroom each day. Parents are asked to provide students with their own face mask from home for times arriving at school and leaving school at the end of the day. The school provided face masks will stay at school.

Students with underlying medical, behavioral health, or sensory concerns that impact their ability to wear a facial covering will be exempted from this expectation with either a note from their medical provider or if agreed upon by an IEP team or building administrator.

Symptom Screening

In order to ensure that anyone entering our buildings is not displaying symptoms to COVID 19 and has not been in contact with anyone who has tested positive for COVID 19 all students, staff and visitors will be required to complete a symptom screening survey. This survey will be accessible through a daily email, text, or QR code. This survey **MUST** be completed prior to entry every day. Anyone who has symptoms of COVID-19 or who has been in close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 will not be able to enter school buildings and should stay home.

Any visitors to the building will be directed to conduct their business over the phone or through email or to re-schedule to a time in which they are cleared to enter school buildings. Any students will stay home or if they are already at school will be sent home as soon as possible.

The following are the questions asked for the daily symptom screening survey:

- 1) Have you had close contact (within 6 feet for at least 15 minutes) in the last 14 days with someone diagnosed with COVID-19, or with someone who is awaiting results of a COVID-19 test?
- 2) Within the last 24 hours, have you experienced the following symptoms above your baseline: Cough, fever, vomiting, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, new loss of smell or taste, or taken medication to reduce a fever?
- 3) Within the last 24 hours, have you had at least two of the following symptoms: Congestion, Runny Nose, Fatigue, Muscle and/or Body Aches, Sore Throat, Chills, Nausea, Diarrhea, Headache?

Staff and students with questions can contact the Covid line at Gundersen – (608)775-4450 or Mayo – (507)293-9525 or the La Crosse Health Department at (608)785-6240.

In The Classroom

- Instructional plans have been developed to prioritize and revisit standards that may have been missed during the fourth quarter of the 2019-2020 school year due to moving to a remote learning environment. Also, instructional plans have been developed that will allow a seamless transition and delivery of the current year standards necessary for successful student progress.
- Classrooms will be set up and instruction will be designed to maximize the distance between students in accordance with social distancing guidelines.
- Breakfast and lunch will be eaten in the classrooms
- Proper disinfecting procedures will be used before and after each mealtime
- Each student should bring a water bottle labeled for their personal use.
- Classroom snacks will be distributed by an adult wearing gloves. Snacks will be placed on a paper towel/napkin or distributed in a prepared snack bag.
- Desks will be sanitized before and after snack.
- Caregivers may bring in bulk snacks
- At this time, homemade treats and snacks will not be allowed.
- Students will have their own supplies and will not share a community set.
- All student supplies, clothes, outerwear, etc., should be labeled with their name
- There will be markings on the ground that will assist children to know where to stand a safe distance from each other
- There will be no field trips except walking to a nearby outdoor space. Masks must be worn and social distancing practices will be implemented on walking field trips.
- Assemblies or large group gatherings will be conducted virtually
- Children will have minimal movement in the building throughout the day. They will stay mostly in their classrooms in order to minimize contact with students outside their classroom.
- Specialist teachers including art, music, PE, library and guidance will teach in the homeroom classrooms to lessen student travel in the building
- Title, English Language and Special education teachers will teach in the homeroom classroom or in a resource room as needed
- We will move to a temporary virtual learning environment delivered by your child's teachers using their individual iPad if necessary

These are our plans now but as we learn how we all interact at school in a face to face environment while trying to prevent the spread of Covid, our procedures may change.

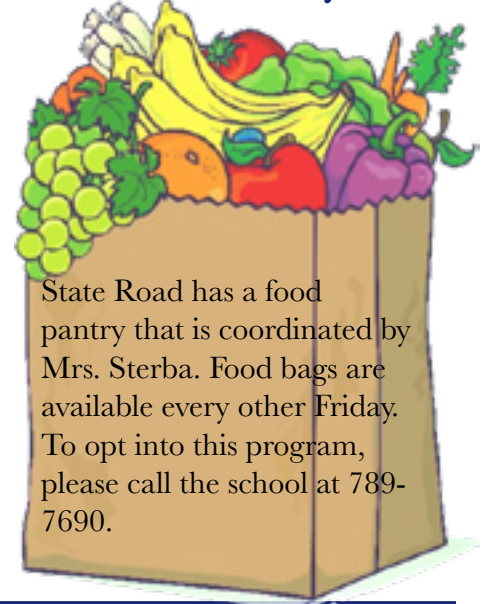
Arrival and Dismissal

- Caregivers are not allowed to enter the school with their children
- Children can be dropped off no earlier than 7:55am. If caregivers and children arrive before that time, they must wait in the car or outside away from the door of the building (remember to maintain a safe social distance from others)
- Playgrounds are off limits before and after school
- Children will go straight to their classroom upon arrival at 7:55am
- At dismissal, caregivers will be reminded to approach the class outside one at a time using appropriate social distancing
- Caregivers will be reminded to wear masks when they pick up and drop off their child
- Students will be screened for COVID-19 symptoms as they enter the building and when they enter their classroom. If a student shows signs/symptoms of illness, they will be referred to the health room
- Caregivers should contact the Boys and Girls Club if their child(ren) will be attending after school for information on transportation to the club
- Students will enter through the entrance closest to their classroom when possible (signs will be posted to assist)

Entrances/Exits

Grade/Teacher	Door Letter	Entrance Description
4K	J	Playground Entrance
Kindergarten	Mrs. Fox: G	Staff Lot/East Entrance
	Mrs. Frost: H	Playground Entrance
1st Grade	Mrs. Healy: H	Playground Entrance
	Mrs. Quick: K	West Entrance
	Ms. Irwin: G	Staff Lot/East Entrance
2nd Grade	K	West Entrance
3rd Grade	J	Playground Entrance
4th/5th	A	Main Entrance

Food Pantry



State Road has a food pantry that is coordinated by Mrs. Sterba. Food bags are available every other Friday. To opt into this program, please call the school at 789-7690.

Health Information

All prescription and over the counter medications require a form. Visit the district website at: <https://www.lacrosseschools.org/programs-services/school-health-services/> for copies of the required paperwork.

Doctors may fax over orders to 608-789-7084. You must have a new form/order on file every year. This includes EpiPens and inhalers. Prescriptions must come in the original container and be delivered by an adult to the school office.

NUTRITION

School meal distribution during virtual school happens at State Road 11am-12pm on school days.

Breakfast and/or lunch are provided on school attendance days Monday through Friday. Meal order forms will be emailed out weekly during virtual school and must be submitted by 8AM on Wednesday for the following week. If you do not have access to the internet/email, but would like to order meals, please call the Meal Order Call Center at 608-789-5880 Monday - Friday 8am-1pm.

Congratulations to all the 5th grade DARE graduates!

D.A.R.E. envisions a world in which students everywhere are empowered to respect others and choose to lead lives free from violence, substance use, and other dangerous behaviors.

