



Lewiston-Porter Central School District

One Purpose, Your Pathway, Our Promise.

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Superintendent of Schools

Dear Lancer School Community

Welcome Back! I hope this message finds you and your family well as we begin the 2022-2023 school year together. Our buses are ready to roll and our classrooms look great. We are ready for the 2022-23 school year to begin Tuesday, September 6th.

Summer Work

This has been a busy summer on campus as we continue with our \$17.25 million capital project and the \$1.2 million solar project. Work will continue into the Fall as the larger capital projects wrap up Phase 1 at the Middle School and High School and the solar project comes online in December. We are both proud of the positive changes to our physical district and the positive impact the solar project will have on the environment. Thank you to the community for your support.

2021-22 Celebrations

Looking back at the 2021-22 school year there were many things to celebrate. Students soared to new heights academically, and athletically our sports programs across all seasons did exceptionally well with many teams advancing deep into the sectional and state competition. The High School, Middle School, and IEC students displayed their talents through school musical performances including musicals and concerts in ways that were extraordinary too. Lewiston-Porter also had the distinct pleasure of hosting the International Student Science Fair in late May/early June. As a school community we should be very proud of all of the accomplishments of our talented students.

Coming Out of COVID

Though last year marked a return to a more normal school environment compared to previous years, we still had to navigate the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. I am truly proud of the grit and determination our staff, students, and families demonstrated throughout the pandemic. I want to thank our school community for the tremendous support shown to all students. For this year COVID-19 will not be managed by the school district. COVID-19 will be handled by individual families with advice and recommendations from our school nursing staff at each building when needed. We are no longer required to report COVID-19 activity to New York state and all guidance from the CDC and NYSDOH can be characterized as recommendation for best practice. The link for 2022-23 COVID protocols can be found [here](#).

Despite making positive academic strides with student learning in the 2021-2022 school year, the pandemic created learning gaps with some students and has significantly impacted student social and emotional learning, which we must overcome going forward. With this in mind, we have determined to keep our Board and District goals very similar to last year's goals adding in a key focus on district-wide communication (please click this [LINK](#) to view the Board and District Goals). As we move into the 2022-23 school we have expanded and enhanced key intervention strategies for student learning and student social emotional support, including restorative practices, a focus on diversity, equity and inclusion practices and academic support for K-12 students.

Dedication to Student Welfare and Learning

In 2022-2023, we will continue to build our relentless culture of literacy and numeracy success, ensuring all students can read and compute at grade level or beyond. At the secondary level, we will continue focusing on courses that ensure our students graduate ready for college, the military, or the workforce as well as helping our students become well-rounded, caring, and community-minded people. Finally, we will continue our focus on Restorative Practices at all schools and grade levels ensuring students learn and grow as positive, contributing people.

Looking toward the future, one of the many strengths at Lewiston-Porter Central School District is the uniqueness of our student population. We are committed to serving all our students in a fair and equal way, honoring who they are and what they bring to the table humankind. If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out at any time. It is vital for families to stay connected to their child/children's education.

Sincerely
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