

The Weekly Spark

LEAMAN JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Mike Semmler, Principal

October 10, 2020

Issue 5

Important Information

**Character Trait for
October
Respect**

Don't forget:

**Wear Blue every
Monday in October**
October 5, 12, 19, 26 Bully Prevention

Reminders:

October 6th & 12th

LCISD Virtual College, Career &
Military Nights

October 14

8th Grade Face-to-Face - PSAT
(Virtual will test in January)

October 19-23

Character Counts Week

October 26-30

Red Ribbon Week

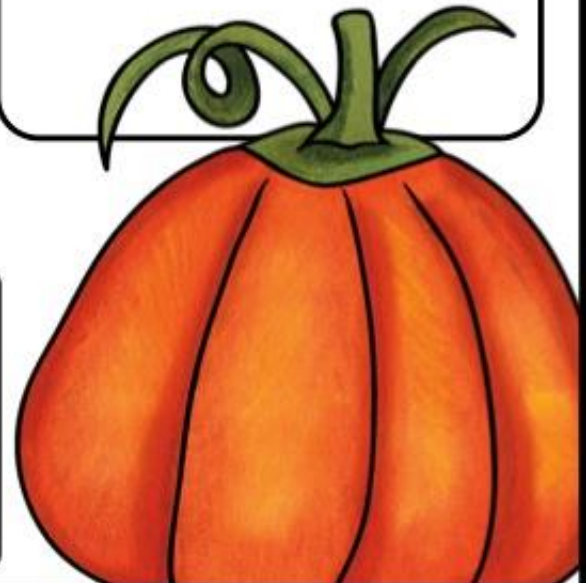
COVID UPDATE 10/09/2020: *In light of the improved Fort Bend County COVID-19 Risk Level, now at yellow, all LCISD junior high and sub-varsity football players will be guaranteed 2 tickets to home games beginning the week of October 12, 2020. To comply with UIL COVID guidelines, members of the same household should sit together and continue to leave 6 feet of space between groups. Thank you for your patience and support of our teams!*

Athletics

Football and Volleyball Schedules:
Visit DLJH's athletics website for game schedule

[Leaman Athletics](http://www.leamanathletics.com)

www.lcisd.org/campuses/leamanjh/athletics

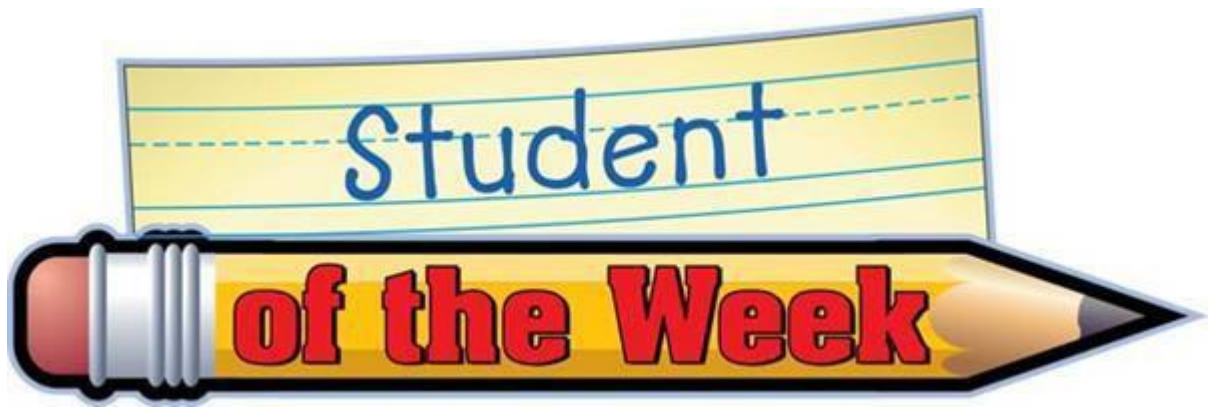


New

Information

This Week

NEW!



Student
of the Week

7th *Grade*

Keaton Williams
Nominated by: Ms. Gray



8th *Grade*

Savannah Lacks
Nominated by: Mrs. Lewis

No Photo
Available

The Counselor's Corner



Character Trait for October

RESPECT

Character Building at Home:

How Parents Can Promote Respect:

- Treat your child with respect, and insist on respectful treatment from your child.
- Insist that your child treats everyone with respect and models respectful behavior at all times.
- Model good manners, and insist your child use good manners.
- Embrace diversity by respecting social customs of others.
- Respect privacy unless suspicious behaviors necessitate otherwise.
- Model and encourage respect if you disagree

How Can I Help My Child be Successful in School?

1. **Communicate.** Read and respond to communication from your child's teacher.
2. **Inform.** Let your child's teacher know of things going on at home that could distract your child.
3. **Set goals.** Work with your child to create goals for the year and affirm them when they accomplish the goals.
4. **Say thank you!** Send a note to a teacher to let her know she is appreciated.
5. **Have a game plan.** Establish a schedule and stick to it - for bedtime, homework time, etc.
6. **Work smart.** Create an appropriate workspace for kids to complete their homework.
7. **Gather feedback.** Ask your child how things are going

What does Respect mean?

Treat others with respect; follow the Golden Rule • Be tolerant and accepting of differences • Use good manners, not bad language • Be considerate of the feelings of others • Don't threaten, hit or hurt anyone • Deal peacefully with anger, insults, and disagreements

Important Dates and Events:

- October —7th and 8th grade Respect Character Lessons
- October 14th – 8th Grade PSAT
- October 19-23 Character Counts Week
- October 26-30– Red Ribbon Week

7th and 8th Grade Counselors

Anita Oliphant- 7th Grade

Contact information: Anita.oliphant@lcisd.org

832-223-5209

Office Hours M-F 7:15-3:15

Latoya Session— 8th Grade

Contact information: lsession@lcisd.org

832-223-5269

Office Hours M-F 8:15-4:00

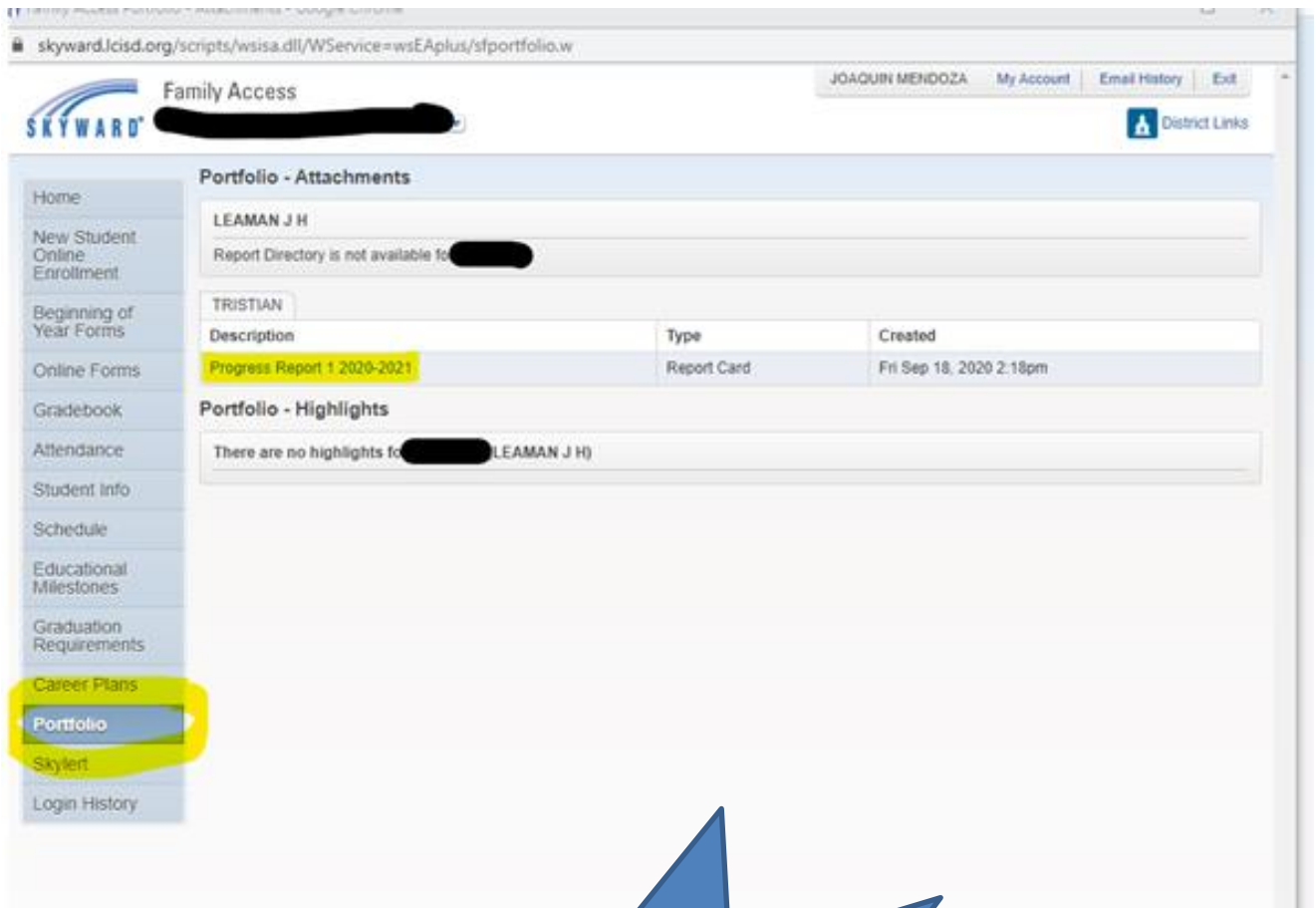
Progress Reports & Report Cards

To access your student's Progress Report and Report Cards:
Log into Skyward with your Parent Login, from a computer or laptop.

<https://skyward.lcisd.org/>

In the lower left column, click on Portfolio.

Click on "Progress Report 1" link and save the document to your computer.



The screenshot shows the Skyward Family Access interface. The top navigation bar includes the Skyward logo, the user name "JOAQUIN MENDOZA", and links for "My Account", "Email History", and "Exit". A "District Links" icon is also present. On the left, a vertical menu lists various options: Home, New Student Online Enrollment, Beginning of Year Forms, Online Forms, Gradebook, Attendance, Student Info, Schedule, Educational Milestones, Graduation Requirements, Career Plans, Portfolio (highlighted with a blue arrow), Skylet, and Login History. The main content area is titled "Portfolio - Attachments" and shows a student named "LEAMAN J H". Below this, a message states "Report Directory is not available for [redacted]". A table lists attachments for "TRISTIAN":

Description	Type	Created
Progress Report 1 2020-2021	Report Card	Fri Sep 18, 2020 2:18pm

Below the table, the "Portfolio - Highlights" section shows a message: "There are no highlights for [redacted] LEAMAN J H".

Report Cards are posted
(no paper copies will be handed out)

Character Counts and Red Ribbon Week Dress Up Days

Character Counts Week

Oct. 19-23

“Be Happy Be Brave and Be Drug Free”

Red Ribbon Week

Oct. 26-30

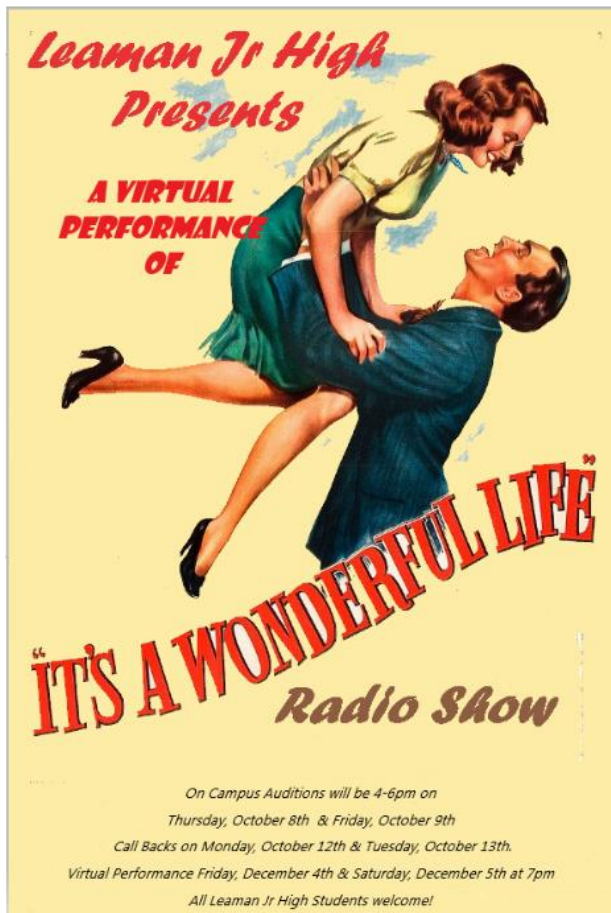
Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
Oct. 19	Respect Day 	Oct. 20	College Apparel 	Oct. 21	Wear PINK 	Oct. 22	Wear Tie-Dye 	Oct. 23	Team Shirt/Jersey 
Wear Blue to Show RESPECT for others and Stomp Out Bullying.	Wear your college gear . A Successful Future Starts with Good Character.	Show Character and support those fighting against Breast Cancer.	Wear tie-dye today to support peace in our schools, homes, and communities.	Wear your favorite Team Jersey to show that you know how to work as a trust-worthy team!					
Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
Oct. 26	Wear Red! 	Oct. 27	Camo Day 	Oct. 28	Hawaiian Day 	Oct. 29	Wear Boots 	Oct. 30	Twin Day 
Help us kick off RED Ribbon Week!	Wear Camouflage today, and be all that you can be... BE DRUG FREE!	Wear your Hawaiian apparel to help send a message to Lei Off Drugs!	Give Drugs the Boot and Say NO to Drugs!	Twin with a friend or two. Friends don't let friends use drugs!					

Ongoing Information/ Notices



Dean Leaman Jr High Theatre is finally back in business! We have been cleared to perform a play and will have AUDITIONS next week.

On Campus Auditions will be 4-6pm on Thursday, October 8th & Friday, October 9th with Call Backs on Monday, October 12th & Tuesday, October 13th.



The play will be performed virtually on Friday, December 4th & Saturday, December 5th at 7pm.

(A virtual performance is where we perform the show on our stage at school and film the performance so that it may be streamed out to the public. This will be a "live" performance with no stopping. PERFORMERS WOULD HAVE TO BE AVAILABLE FOR THE PERFORMANCE DATES)

Regular Rehearsals will be held Monday through Friday from 4-6pm on campus. We will check temperatures, wear masks and social distance throughout the process. We will need lighting & sound technicians, as well as a Stage Manager and ASMs.

The first Monday of every October is World Day of Bullying Prevention™

An initiative of STOMP Out Bullying™

On this day students, schools, and communities all over the world go **BLUE** together against bullying.

It also kicks off National Bullying Prevention Awareness Month every October.

Join us on **Monday, October 5, 2020** for the 14th Annual World Day of Bullying Prevention™

Let's **#BlueUp** together!

We are asking our Leaman Chargers to **#BlueUp** and **CHANGE THE CULTURE!**



DLJH Online Testing Information

Online Assessments

Virtual and Face-to-Face Chargers will be taking major grade assessments online.

Online assessments can be done through Canvas or Eduphoria Aware Online Testing (as designated by the teacher).

Both sites are accessed through [LCISD's Classlink](#) page.

Eduphoria Aware Online

Eduphoria Online is newer platform for our students.

It includes many features to aid students as they test, as well as allows better data tracking for our teachers to gauge student progress.

Student View

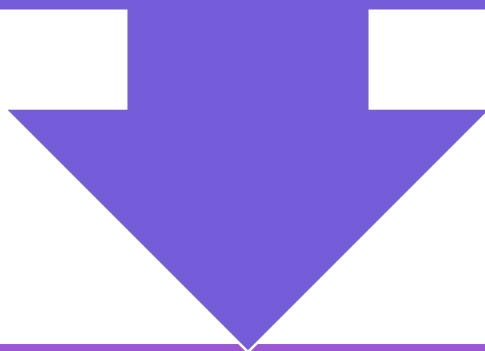
To view the platform from the student perspective, as well as see the features available to students while testing, please view this video demonstrating [Eduphoria Online Testing](#).

DLJH Online Testing Information

Testing Procedures & Integrity

All tests are timed to keep testing equitable for both our face-to-face and virtual learners.

Extra time is given as an accommodation when needed.



Virtual students need to log in to take online assessments during the class period they are assigned.

If this does not fit with a virtual student's schedule, **they must make contact** with their teacher to schedule a test time between 8:00-4:15 on the day of the test. Teachers may adjust the time frame if needed.

Eduphoria Online tests must be started and stopped by the teacher. Please be respectful of their time.

Late points may apply if a student does not log in on the day of the test. For more information on grading, see [LCISD's Secondary Student Handbook](#) (p. 56-70)



PSAT 8/9

Students signed up for **face-to-face** learning for the 2nd six weeks will test at Leaman Junior High on October 14, 2020.

Students signed up for **virtual learning** for the 2nd six weeks, will test in January (*date TBD*). These students will need to fill out the [PSAT Opt-In Survey](#) to sign up for testing. <https://www.lcisd.org/students-parents/testing-information>

For more information about the PSAT, please visit the [College Board site](#). <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-8-9>

For more information about testing in LCISD visit the [Students & Parents site](#). <https://www.lcisd.org/students-parents/testing-information>

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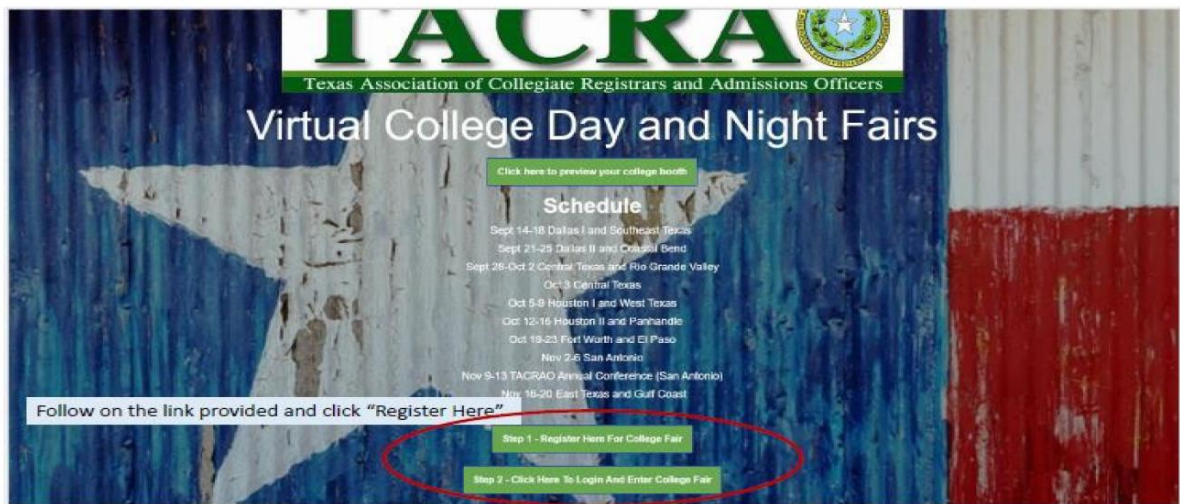
Password: _____

2020 LCISD--Virtual College, Career, and Military Nights

October 6th, 6-8pm and October 12th, 6-8pm

***Students must register to attend the event(s)**

Step 1: go to <https://falltacrao.swoogo.com/2020virtual> and click "Register Here"



Step 2: Select "Student" as Registrant Type (email is your username—make sure to save your password)

TACRAO

Register Here | Modify Registration

1 Begin Registration | 2 Confirmation

Registrant Type *
 College
 Student/Family Member ← Students must select "Student" as Registrant Type.
 Counselor

Email Address * TACRAO@yahoo.com

Choose A Password *
Creating a password lets you log back in to modify your registration, and speeds up your next registration.

Repeat Your Password *

First Name * KrystalTACRAO

Last Name * MarquesTACRAO

The email they use will be their username and they will create their password here.

Continue

Already Registered? View or modify your existing registration

Event created by software powered by Swoogo

Step 3: Fill in all the boxes, on the registration page

TACRAO Register Here Modify Registration

Begin Registration Student Registration Confirmation

Street Address *

City *

State *

Zip *

Date of Birth * MM/DD/YYYY

Student Type *

High School *
Start typing your school and select from the list. If your school is not listed, type My school is not listed.

Academic Interest *
Type a major and select from the list.

Grad Year *

When do you plan to begin college *

Please read GoToCollege's [Terms and Conditions](#) and [Privacy Policy](#) prior to submitting your registration.

Check this box to accept our terms and conditions and privacy policy * Accept

I certify that I am 16 years of age or older, or that I have the permission of my parents/guardian to fill out this form. * Certify

Back Continue

Step 4: Screenshot/print your registration confirmation (present to your Campus College and Career Facilitator to receive your registration gift)

TACRAO Register Here Modify Registration

1 Begin Registration 2 Student Registration 3 Confirmation

Thanks For Registering

We look forward to seeing you at the event.

Registrant Details

Full Name	Email Address	Registrant Type	Price
Krystal TACRAO Marroquin	TACRAO.kmmmbf@yahoo.com	Student/Family Member	\$0.00

Selections

Selection	Quantity	Unit Price	Total
Student/Family Member	1	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total			\$0.00

Transactions

Date	Transaction Type	Amount
August 28, 2020	Order Amount	\$0.00
Balance Due		\$0.00

Modify Registration

Add To Calendar

Receipt/Invoice

This is the Confirmation page. The price should be zero. If there is a dollar amount of any kind, please check Registrant Type as they may have selected something else.

Step 5: Explore

This screenshot shows the 'Confirmation' step of the registration process. At the top, there are buttons for 'Register Here', 'Modify Registration', and a 'Menu' icon. A callout box with a blue background and white text says: 'Once student has verified all information is correct on the confirmation page, they should select "Menu"'. Below the buttons are social media icons for Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn. Further down are three green buttons: 'Modify Registration', 'Add To Calendar', and 'Receipt/Invoice'. A second callout box with a blue background and white text says: 'If student needs to correct information, you can select "Modify Registration"'. The main content area shows a registration summary for 'Student Registration' with a table of details.

Email Address	Registrant Type	Price
UT.CRAO kmrmbf@yashoo.com	Student/Family Member	\$0.00

Quantity	Unit Price	Total
1	\$0.00	\$0.00

This screenshot shows the home page of the virtual fair. The navigation menu includes: Home, View Info Sessions, Live College Fair, Thank You, Register, and Logout. A green 'Register Here' button is prominently displayed. A callout box with a blue background and white text says: 'These are the options that will appear when you select the "Menu". To start visiting the Virtual Booths they can select "Live College Fair"'. The background features a large graphic for 'Virtual College Day'.

This screenshot shows the 'Welcome to the UTRGV 2020 Virtual Fair!' page. It features a search bar and a grid of virtual booths. A callout box with a blue background and white text says: 'Once "live" the virtual fair will look something like this. * Note: if a student registers before the event is live, this page will be blank.' The grid contains various booths such as 'Alumni Relations', 'Ambassadors of Christ', 'American Criminal Justice Association - Iota Kappa Chi', 'American Marketing Association', 'ASCE', 'Army ROTC', 'ASL Club', 'Bilingual Education Student Organization', 'Campus Stores (Bookstore)', 'Career Center', 'Catholic Campus Ministry', 'Center for Diversity & Inclusion and DREAM Resource Center', 'Christians at ROTC', 'College of Education & Professional Integration', 'College of Engineering and Computer Science', 'College of Fine Arts', 'College of Health Professions', 'College of Liberal Arts', and 'College of Sciences'.

Step 6: What to expect during the virtual fair (students may attend one or all of the fairs)

This is what a virtual booth will look like.

Student can watch video and click on links to learn more about initiations the visit.

PRESENTATIONS
Vaquero Squad at-a-glance

PRESENTATIONS hosted by the institution will be available here

Quick Links

- UTRGV Edinburg Campus Map
- UTRGV Brownsville Campus Map
- Info about getting a job on campus
- Counseling Services
- IT Central
- Get Involved!
- Parking
- Cell Involvement
- Study Abroad
- Student Accessibility Services

Learn More

- Vaquero Live Round Table Talk Schedule

Hi there! We are the Vaquero Squad. Click here to chat with us!

Chat to us!

If they want to chat with someone Live they can do that here!
*Note: Reps will only be live during times your scheduled times.

***If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your building College and Career Facilitator for assistance. Or, for Junior High Students, please see your campus counselor for assistance.**

Welcome to Leaman!

Frequently Asked Questions



Attendance

Excuses for absences must be submitted within 10 days of the absence. These can be e-mailed, faxed, or dropped off in the attendance office.

Michelle O'Brien april.obrien@lcisd.org
Fax: (832) 223-5201

Behavior Expectations

Students follow the P.R.I.D.E. matrix for expected behaviors. The LCISD student code of conduct can be found in the LCISD Secondary handbook at this link:

<http://www.lcisd.org/students-parents/general-information>

P.E. Uniforms

All P.E. and Dance students must dress out every day. P.E. uniforms are available for purchase from the coaches for \$25.00 (shirt and shorts). Lockers are available to store items in the dressing rooms.

Extracurricular/Clubs

Leaman has a variety of fun organizations. Check out our website for more information at this link:

<http://www.lcisd.org/campuses/leamanjh/extracurricular>



Homework

Each teacher's Canvas page will include homework information for their course.

Uniform/Dress Code

Leaman Junior High follows the dress code policy in the LCISD Secondary handbook at this link:

<http://www.lcisd.org/students-parents/general-information>

When a student is out of dress code, he or she will be required to change.

Birthdays

Gifts, cakes, cupcakes, balloons, treat bags, and flowers are not to be sent to school. Invitations to individual parties are not to be distributed at school, during class time.

Lockers

Lockers are optional. There is a mass check out at the beginning of each year. At any other time, if your student wants a locker, they will contact Jennifer Leslie jleslie@lcisd.org

Transportation changes

Submit all changes by 3:15 each day. Students cannot ride the bus home with other students due to limited seating.



Lunchtime

A parent can only provide lunch for his/her child. Students are not allowed to pop popcorn for lunch. Drinks must be in a bottle.

Communication

A weekly newsletter will be sent out each Friday. This newsletter contains important information about our upcoming events and current programs. You will receive a phone reminder about this e-mail each Friday as well.

Cell Phones

Students can only use their phones when permitted by a staff member. If a phone is taken, there will be a \$15.00 fee.

Textbooks

Consumable workbooks and textbooks will be provided in the classroom. Textbooks (for home usage) can be checked out from Delana Jones djones@lcisd.org (if available)

Conferences

To set up a conference with a teacher, counselor, or principal, please contact them directly via e-mail or phone.

