Good afternoon LCA Parents,

We want to extend our personal thanks to you for a wonderful first week of school here at Lakeside Charter Academy! It has been an absolute delight to see the smiles on our students faces and the joy they exude when they are in all of their classes—both content and specials! We will continue to work on our end to ensure each day is joy-filled and that we are delivering high-quality instruction that meets the needs of our students.

As we go into Week 2, here are a few important reminders and notes. There's quite a bit here so please read this week's update thoroughly and carefully.

- 1. **Driveline:** Our effort is to always ensure the safety of our students and implement systems that are efficient and effective. We know that you have many things to do after you pick up your students from school and we want to help you get to those things quicker by reducing the time you wait in car line. Before the end of September we will be implementing a new dismissal system called Driveline that will make it safer for students and more efficient for all. You will keep your same car tag numbers so nothing changes there. Most of the work is on our end. We will just ask that once the new system goes into place you read the communication we send out about it and then follow the instructions of school personnel during the process. We will keep you updated as we get closer to the implementation of Driveline.
- 2. **Grandparents Day Breakfast:** Our first annual Grandparents Day Breakfast will be held Friday, September 6 in the Multipurpose Room. Please RSVP using this link https://forms.gle/nJ3kT6P4ashLjY3v8
- 3. **Oct 5 Charlotte FC Fundraiser:** We are excited to announce a partnership with Charlotte FC for a fundraising event for Lakeside Charter! Come on out and enjoy a Charlotte FC Soccer match at a discounted ticket rate and support Lakeside Charter Academy! Use this link <u>Charlotte FC Powered by Spinzo</u> to purchase a ticket by clicking on **"BUYING OPTIONS".** See you at the game on October 5!
- 4. **Chess and Photography Clubs:** There is still time to register for both our Chess and Photography Clubs sponsored by The Superlative Clubs Enrichment Program. These clubs will start the week of September 9. You may see the attached flyers for more information and you may register using this link----→ https://www.thesuperlativeclub.com/lakesidecharteracademy
- 5. **Labor Day Holiday:** Due to the Labor Day holiday, there will be **NO SCHOOL on Monday, September 2** at Lakeside Charter Academy. We look forward to seeing our students back in the building on Tuesday, September 3.
- 6. **Back to School Bash/Curriculum Night:** Our Back To School Bash will be held Thursday, September 19 6:00-8:00pm. Please come out and enjoy food trucks, games, music, prizes, and fellowship with our Lakeside Bears family and staff!
- 7. **Dismissal Procedures:** We want to provide some clarity around dismissal for the 24-25 school year. Our learning day ends at 2:50pm. Middle School students are leaving specials classes at that

time and transitioning back to their homerooms. K-4 students are preparing for dismissal at that time. At 2:50pm we will call for K-4 bus riders so that we can ensure our young ones get on the bus first and safely without disruption. At 2:55pm we will call for Middle School bus riders. Once our buses are dismissed we will begin our car Driveline at approximately 3:00pm.

- 8. **Bears Assemblies:** Our intention is to always preserve instructional time for our students and reduce the time that students are out of class. To that end, we have made an adjustment in our BEARS Assemblies. BEARS Assemblies will no longer be weekly in the multipurpose room. Teachers really need that time to teach their students. However, they will give out BEARS Awards in their classrooms so look forward to seeing your students come home with them. Additionally, we are adding BEARS Awards to our Quarterly Honors Assemblies which will be held at the end of each academic quarter to recognize all of our students who have academic and character achievements such as Honor Roll, Principal's List, and BEARS of the Quarter.
- 9. **Honors Assemblies:** We look forward to seeing you for our Quarterly Honors Assemblies here at Lakeside Charter Academy. If your child is receiving an academic or character award, teachers will notify you in advance so that you may attend. **Quarterly Honors Assembly dates are as follows:**

Quarter 1 Honors Assembly: Friday, November 8, 2024
K-2 8:30am, 3-8 10:00am
Quarter 2 Honors Assembly: Friday, January 31, 2025
Quarter 3 Honors Assembly: Friday, April 4, 2025
K-2 8:30am, 3-8 10:00am
K-2 8:30am, 3-8 10:00am

10. **Half Day Schedule and Dates:** This school year we have a few half-day/early release days on the calendar. These days are designed to provide our teachers time for professional development and intense data analysis and action planning. Our students dismiss on these days at

11:45am. Our early release/half-days this year are as follows:

- Wednesday, September 25, 2024
- Wednesday, October 23, 2024
- Wednesday, February 26, 2025
- Wednesday, April 2, 2025
- Tuesday, June 10, 2025

Thank you so much for all of your support of the Lakeside Charter Academy! Also, check out the link below for great things happening at Lakeside WEEK 1!

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GREAT THINGS AT LAKESIDE