

Lisbon Elementary Families,

As of today - We are back in action! It was a great first day back with kids/staff and it will be a short sprint until Winter Break! Below is our family update for the month of December. I have also attached a description of our grading scales for the academic progress reports that you will receive in early January. As always - Thank you for your partnership and support!

General Elementary Information

- Just as a reminder - Compulsory Attendance is a law that we are required to monitor and enforce in our school. There have been quite a few changes to this in the last two years, so I wanted to give you a reminder of that information as we are approaching the end of the first semester. The letter containing this information is attached [HERE](#).
 - The main thing to note is that you are allowed 8.2 absences in the first semester that are considered “non exempt.” Please see the link above for all other information and definitions.
- Winter clothing is a necessity at this point outside if your child wants to play in the snow at recess. Listed below are the guidelines for being outside in the winter:
 - We will be outside for recess unless the windchill is below zero, as listed in our handbook. The only exception to this would be conditions that are unsafe for students to be outside such as ice, sleet, rain, etc.
 - Students that are wearing boots but no other snow gear will be allowed to play in the snow. However, they will be strongly encouraged not to get their clothing soaked so they are comfortable in class for the remainder of the day.
 - Students that are not wearing boots will have to stay on hard surfaces.
 - These guidelines are put in place to keep students comfortable at school and not prohibit them from learning in wet clothing. Thanks for your understanding.
- Semester 1 progress reports will be sent home in student backpacks during the second week of January. Linked [HERE](#) is a description of our grading scales, as mentioned above.
- We hope to see you at our holiday concerts and PBIS assemblies this month!

Technology Office Information

- Our iPads are struggling with compatibility issues between headphones and microphones for some of our applications. If you were looking to get your child a new pair of headphones or need an idea for a holiday present, USB-C with a microphone attached would be a great idea for students. Listed [HERE](#) is a link to a pair that would work for reference.

Nurse Julie's Office Information

- Just a reminder of our school policy in regard to the following:
 - Students experiencing a fever of 100 or higher need to stay home. They need to be fever free without medication for 24 hours to return.
 - Students experiencing vomiting or diarrhea will need to stay home. They need to be free of these symptoms without medication for 24 hours to return.

- Please be sure to dry out your child's snow gear before sending it back with them the following day.

Transportation Information

- As a reminder, please do not park in or block the bus lot. We've had a couple of afternoons that bus drivers struggled to get buses backed out and pulled around front due to parents being parked in the lot. I know we have limited parking at dismissal, so thank you for your flexibility on this.
- Please be mindful of snow removal in district lots outside of school hours. If there is a large snow event that removal is required, please do not park in the lot before it is plowed unless you have been communicated with otherwise by a coach or administrator for a specific event.
- We are near capacity on some of our bus routes. To stay in compliance with State and Federal Law, we will continue to ask families not to have courtesy riders with our regular bus riders. Some examples of this would be: (Students attending a birthday party that don't normally ride, weekend sleepovers that are not regular riders, sports game extras that are not regular riders, etc.) Thank you for your help with this!

Food Service

- Please be sure to check your lunch account to be sure there is money in your student's account! Thank you for your help with this!

Important Dates

- December 10th- Early dismissal for students at 1:10 PM for teacher professional learning.
- December 10th- School Board Meeting in the Pride Room at 6:00 PM.
- December 15th- Holiday concerts for 1st, 2nd and 3rd grade in the auditorium. Please look for specific information about arrival time/location and attire from your classroom teacher.
 - 6:00 PM- 1st Grade
 - 6:45 PM- 2nd Grade
 - 7:30 PM- 3rd Grade
- December 16th- Holiday concerts for 4th, 5th and 6th grade in the auditorium. Please look for specific information about arrival time/location and attire from your classroom teacher.
 - 6:00 PM- 4th Grade
 - 6:45 PM- 5th Grade
 - 7:30 PM- 6th Grade
- December 19th- AK/Kindergarten holiday concert in the auditorium at 2:00 PM.
 - If you plan to take your child home with you after the concert, please make sure that you notify your classroom teacher.
- December 22nd- Preschool holiday concerts. The AM session will have their concert at 10:00 AM. The PM session will have their concert at 2:00 PM. These concerts will be hosted in the auditorium.

- December 22nd- PBIS Award Winners Assembly. If your child is selected for a PBIS award in the first semester you will get an invitation to this assembly from your classroom teacher. Please see the details in that letter for timing and location!
- December 23rd- Early dismissal for students at 1:10 PM for teacher professional learning. **This is also the last day of the first semester!**
- January 5th- No school for students due to all-day staff professional learning.
- January 6th- **First day of the second semester** for students and staff.

As the holiday season is approaching I wish you all a great finish to 2025 and blessings to your family for 2026. Thank you for trusting us with your children and supporting our work with them. We are a kids first organization and you are a huge part of why this approach is so effective in our community and school. As always - Please reach out with any questions or concerns you may have.

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