



Lakeview Union School

Educating children of Greensboro & Stannard

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Dear Parents,

It is that time of year again, when everything is snow covered, the weather is cold, and there are slick driving conditions outside. This letter is to remind caregivers of some old requirements and some new laws that have been passed recently that may affect how you drive.

- October 1st, 2014, **Vermont becomes a hands-free state.** This ban covers all portable electronic devices, including, music players, laptop computers, and cell phones. Hands-free use is permitted under the law, and hands-free means employing an internal feature—such as *Bluetooth*, for example—or as long as the device is in a cradle or otherwise securely mounted in the vehicle (attachments to the windshield are NOT allowed).
- July 1st, 2015, Changes to Vermont's hands-free law take effect July 1. **Drivers are no longer allowed to use their electronic devices while stopped at a red light, a stop sign or for some other reason.** You can get more information here <http://highwaysafety.vermont.gov/phonesdown/faq> .
- July 1st 2014, Act 135 went into effect and it gives secondhand smoke protection in workplaces, motor vehicles, public places, school grounds, and childcare settings. On January 1, 2015, the law also takes a first step in protecting children from e-cigarette liquids poisonings. **Act 135 allows law enforcement to pull over any car when someone in the car is seen smoking and a child 8 years old or younger is in the car.** There is more information here http://healthvermont.gov/prevent/tobacco/documents/act135_overview.pdf

In Vermont, to get out of a booster, a child must pass two milestones, which is, the child must be 8 years old to even consider leaving the booster and the child must pass the 5 step test to get out of the booster. The belt must fit them correctly so this test checks for belt fit. The 5 Step Booster Test:

1. Does the child sit all the way back against the vehicle's seat?
2. Is the lap belt below the stomach, touching the thighs?
3. Is the shoulder belt centered on the shoulder and chest?
4. Do the child's knees bend comfortably at the edge of the vehicle's seat?
5. Can the child stay seated like this for the whole ride?

If the answer is "no" to any of these questions, the child needs a booster seat in order for the shoulder belt and the lap belt to fit properly and provide the best crash

protection. A child may pass this test in one vehicle but not in another. This is due to the different configurations of seat belts, where they attach to the wall and vehicle seats. The child should remain in a booster in the second vehicle until he or she can pass the test in that car. Furthermore, for safety recommendations children under 13 years old should ride in the back seat and away from airbags. Go to <http://www.beseatsmart.org/index.php> for more information on the four stages seat safety.

Our intent at Lakeview is strive for student safety and to keep parents informed. These laws are in effect to also help protect our loved ones and decrease car accidents. Being properly buckled is important in the unfortunate event of an accident. If anyone would like more information feel free to contact me, Tammy Preston, Lakeview School Nurse or Eric Erwin, School Principal, at 533-7066.

Sincerely,



Eric Erwin, School Principal



Tammy Preston, School Nurse



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Dear Parents/Guardian:

There has been a documented case of chickenpox at Lakeview - your child may have been exposed. If your child has not had chickenpox before or has not been vaccinated against it, he or she could be at risk of contracting the virus. Chickenpox is a disease caused by the varicella-zoster virus.

What are the symptoms of chickenpox?

Symptoms include a blister-like rash, fever, runny nose, and cough. The small, red bumps will blister over in 3–4 days and then form scabs. Blister crops will come out over several days, so the person who has chickenpox will have some red bumps, blisters, and scabbed-over blisters all at the same time. The rash is more noticeable on the trunk than on exposed parts of the body and may appear inside the mouth and ears, on the genital areas and scalp. Chickenpox can be a devastating infection in people with a seriously weakened immune system (e.g. patients with leukaemia or after organ transplantation). In adults, chickenpox is a much more significant illness than in children and there is a greater risk of complications developing. Chickenpox in pregnancy may cause severe illness and, in the early stages of pregnancy, may result in abnormalities in the baby

How is chickenpox spread?

Chickenpox is spread from person to person by direct contact with the fluid from the blisters and through the air when an infected person coughs or sneezes. A person with chickenpox is most contagious 1–2 days before the rash appears until right after it appears. An infected person no longer spreads the virus when all the blisters have scabs and no new blisters are forming. **Children with chickenpox need to be excluded from childcare or school until all the blisters have formed scabs.**

How is chickenpox diagnosed and treated?

A health care provider can identify chickenpox based on the appearance of the rash and exposure history. General comfort measures are all that are needed for most cases of chickenpox. Adults usually get very ill, though a person of any age may develop complications from chickenpox. Treating the symptoms include the use of calamine lotions and soothing baking soda baths to help alleviate the itching. **Do not use aspirin or any products that contain aspirin to control fever if your child has chicken pox, as this has been associated with the development of a rare but serious disease called Reye's syndrome.**

How do you control the spread?

Chickenpox may be prevented through vaccination. Two doses of varicella vaccine are recommended for all children over 12 months of age without evidence of immunity. Vaccination given within 3–5 days after exposure may help to prevent or lessen the disease.

Have your child vaccinated against chickenpox:

If your child has never had chickenpox disease

If your child has never been vaccinated against chickenpox

If your child has had only one dose of vaccine

How do I get more information?

For more information about chickenpox, contact your healthcare provider or feel free to call Tammy Preston, Lakeview School Nurse (generally in on Tuesdays)

Preschool & Kindergarten Registration 2016
FOR ALL
Orleans Southwest Supervisory Union Schools
Craftsbury, Hardwick, Lakeview, Woodbury, Wolcott

Beginning February 1, 2016

1. **PreK** – Parents must apply for enrollment at the chosen site (Headstart, MudCity, Four Seasons, etc)
2. **PreK** – Parents must bring acceptance letter/proof then go to the school to register in 'residing town' school
3. **Kindergarten** age 5 by Sept 1, 2016
4. **PreK** Children must be age 4 by Sept 1/age 3 by Sept. 1

Contacts:

Greensboro and Stannard residents

Lorelei- Lakeview Union School - 533-7066

Craftsbury residents –Nan or Jane - 586-2541

Hardwick residents – Tess – 472-5411

Wolcott residents –Dawn - 472-6551

Woodbury residents - Heather or Amy – 472-5715

ALL Parents/Guardians also

Please BRING with you:

- a. Child immunization proof (no exemptions)
- b. Birth certificate
- c. Parent/guardian ID
- d. Any custody papers/court orders verifying custody
- e. Proof of residency- tax bill/landlord certificate

ALL children:

Preprinted update forms are available if the child has ever attended OSSU schools or a Pre-K programs (*pre-populated information on annual enrollment update form*)



Public Notice
Important information on
Preschool Registration 2016

Under Act 166, the supervisory union (OSSU) no longer coordinates and funds the preschool programs. Instead, individual school districts must fund 10 hours of universal prekindergarten for all children within their district who are age 3 or 4 by September 1, 2016. Parents are now responsible for identifying and applying to the highly qualified preschool program of their choice, but transportation to/from programs is still not provided by the school district. For 2016-17, the tuition is equal to \$3,092 per child.

As of February 1, 2016, parents/guardians may seek enrollment in any which is available at . Parents/guardians should contact programs of interest to learn about the enrollment and registration processes, which may vary from program to program. Enrollment at any given program is not guaranteed. **Parents/guardians are now responsible for registering their child at the prequalified program of their choice and also registering at the elementary school in their town of residence.**

Some of the school districts (Wolcott, Hardwick and Craftsbury) will have school-operated programs and it is anticipated that they will be prequalified programs. These 3 programs are not required to accept children from other districts and may choose to serve only 4 year olds or both 3 and 4 year olds. They may limit enrollment solely to resident children or decide to accept resident children first and then add non-resident children who apply depending on space.

To learn more about Act 166, visit the Vermont Agency of Education website:

- Heather Freeman -OSSU/Student Services director

Lakeview Union
~ February /March Calendar of Events 2016 ~

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
1	2	3	4 Early release -- noon	5 No school PD
8	9	10	11	12
15	16 Carousel School Board 5:30- @ Wolcott	17 OSSU Band Day @ Hazen Concert @ 6 PM	18	19
22 No school	23 No school	24 No school	25 No school	26 No school
Feb. 29 No school	March 1 No school Town Meeting	March 2	March 3	March 4

~ Basketball Calendar for February 2016 ~

NEW_2/1/16

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Gr 2/3/4 practice 3-4:30 PM	2 Gr 4/5/6 Girls Home vs Wolcott 4:15 PM	3 Gr 2/3/4 Basketball party 3-4:30 PM	4 Early release – noon Gr. 4/5/6 Home vs Hardwick 4:15 PM	5 No school	6
	8	9 Gr 4/5/6 team practice 3 PM – 4:30 PM	10 Gr 4/5/6 Boys Game @ Wolcott 4:15 PM	11	12	13 Gr 4/5/6 team practice 3 PM – 4:30 PM
	15	16 Gr 4/5/6 Game @ Woodbury 4:15 PM	17 <i>Band Day @ Hazen & Concert 6 PM</i>	18 Gr 4/5/6 Home vs Walden 4:30 PM	19	20
	22 vacation – no school	23 vacation – no school	24 vacation – no school	25 vacation – no school	26 vacation – no school	27 vacation – no school
	29	<p>Notes: All games have an after school study hall unless noted. Players should bring their own snack. Players must come to school on game day prepared to play – no calling home for forgotten equipment. The bus to away games is one way – no return trip. Families are responsible for arranging return transportation.</p>				



January 4, 2016

Dear Lakeview Families:

Lakeview has begun to support students by sending food home with them on Fridays to help feed them through the weekend. We started this project the week of Thanksgiving and it seems to be going well. It is helping families with growing kids/hungry kids on a tight budget.

We recognize that some families might find it difficult to ask for help, and other families might want to help by donating food. We are committed to maintaining people's privacy. Any donations made will be anonymous; the names of families accessing this program will also remain strictly confidential. We are partnering with the local sources to help families access food supplies more conveniently.

If you and your family would like to participate, please let us know by filling out the attached form and sending it back to school in the sealed envelope included.

_____ YES my family would like to participate by having food come home with my child on Friday afternoons.

_____ My family would be interested in helping out by donating
TELL US HOW! Please contact me for more information.

Name _____ Contact number _____

My student's name _____

Lakeview Union

~ February /March Menu 2016 ~

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
1 Bean Burrito, Veggie, Fruit, Milk	2 Chicken Nuggets, Veggie, Fruit, Milk	3 Sloppy Joe, Veggie, Fruit, Milk	4 Early release – noon Taco Salad, Veggie, Fruit, Milk	5 No school PD
8 Macaroni & Cheese, Veggie, Fruit, Milk	9 Chicken Quesadilla, Veggie, Fruit, Milk	10 Shepard’s Pie, Rolls, Veggie, Fruit, Milk	11 Hamburger, Fries, Veggie, Fruit, Milk	12 Pizza, Veggie, Fruit, Milk
15 Tomato soup, Grilled cheese sandwich, Veggie, Fruit, Milk	16 Honey lemon chicken, Veggie, Fruit, Milk	17 Ham & cheese hurdles, Veggie, Fruit, Milk	18 Spaghetti, Veggie, Fruit, Milk	19 Ham sub, Veggie, Fruit, Milk
22 No school	23 No school	24 No school	25 No school	26 No school
Feb. 29 No school	March 1 No school Town Meeting	March 2 Lasagna, Veggie, Fruit, Milk	March 3 BBQ pork sandwich, Veggie, Fruit, Milk	March 4 Pizza, Veggie, Fruit, Milk

USDA and Lakeview Union School are equal opportunity providers and employers. Local foods are used whenever possible. Menus are subject to change based upon availability.