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LILA Upper School Update: September 17, 2018

ADMINISTRATION UPDATE

Upper School Families,
Here is a link to this week's LILA Upper School Update. There's a lot of helpful information included.

Sincerely,
Nancy Hawkinson

LOOKING AHEAD: IMPORTANT DATES

Here are some important dates for your calendar:

Date	Activity
Monday, October 1	No school
Wednesday, October 3	Picture Day
Monday, October 8	LILA Spirit Gear Day
Wednesday, October 10	PSAT - Optional for 10 - 11 graders (Prior registration required)
Tuesday, October 16	PM Conferences - Arena Style Conferences
Wednesday, October 17	No School - Individually Scheduled Conferences
Thursday, October 18	No School



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Friday, October 19	No School
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THIS WEEK'S NEWS

Helping your student succeed at Upper School - 2 important tools

Dragon Binder

The **Dragon Binder** is required in **Grades 6 - 10**. This is the method that we are using to teach and practice organizational skills. We have begun organizing assignments, recording homework in a planner, and keeping resources for each class in an easy to access place. Attached is the [presentation](#) that students used to set up their binders. As you know, organization doesn't stop when the school day ends. We hope that this tool will be helpful in organizing homework, too! We are confident that our students will be successful, especially if we are partners in our efforts.

Technology

Students use their devices ALL day. They use it to submit assignments, complete online investigations, and access textbooks. **Students are expected to bring their fully-charged device to school every day.** It can be helpful to charge it in a common area of the house, so that it isn't easily overlooked in the morning.

Note from our academic counselor - Stacy Carpenter

Hello LILA families and thank you for welcoming me to the LILA community! My name is Stacy Carpenter and I'm the new Academic Counselor at LILA Upper School. I'm excited to be joining the staff at LILA and am looking forward to meeting each of your students. I have been a school counselor for almost 20 years, most recently for the last 11 years at Le Sueur-Henderson Middle & High School in Le Sueur, MN. My family moved from Mankato, MN to the Twin Cities area this summer and I am happy to have landed at LILA Upper School. As an academic counselor, I'm especially passionate about helping students prepare for college and careers, and I'm looking forward to helping your students plan their next steps after high school graduation. I look forward to continuing to meet more LILA families throughout the school year, and please reach out if there are ways that I can help your student or family!



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PSAT

10th & 11th grade families: If you haven't registered your student to take the PSAT on October 10, there are still openings! Taking the PSAT gives your student the opportunity to practice a standardized, timed test in preparation for their college admission tests. Juniors with exceptional scores could also qualify for the National Merit Scholarship. Cost is \$16, payable on FeePay. If you are not able to pay the fee but would like your student to participate in the test, please contact Ceci Delbene at cdelbene@mylila.org.

Notes from the front office

Contacting the HW front desk

Please send all important notes as well as any messages that need to reach your student during the school day to us.frontdesk@mylila.org.

MCA Information

The 2018 Minnesota Comprehensive Assessment (MCA) reports will be distributed during conferences on October 16th and 17th. During that time, please stop in to retrieve them from your student's advisory teacher.

Day 1, Day 2, Events, Athletics and Activities!

To stay up to date on all things "Upper School" make sure to visit our calendar. [Click to view.](#)

***Important calendars to check often are the: Academic Calendar, LILA Upper School Events, and LILA Number Day Calendar and any additional activities or sports in which your student participates.*

Picture Day is Coming - October 3

Order before picture day at mylifetouch.com

Our school's picture day ID: MI198128Y0

Retake Day: Tuesday, November 6, 2018

SEPTEMBER 2018						
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26	27	28	29	30	31	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	1	2	3	4	5	6

VIEW BY TYPE

- Academic Calendar
- Anime/Otaku Club
- Archery Camp
- CASVI
- Garden Club
- Genders and Sexualities Alliance
- Karate
- LILA Number Day Calendar
- LILA Upper School Events
- Marching Band



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Get ready to ROAR, Dragons!
Plan now for LILA SPIRIT DAY, Monday October 8!

** If you need LILA gear for Spirit Day, we have a SPECIAL WEEKEND OFFER on ALL-NEW DESIGNS in our Team Store; but hurry – you must order by 11:59 pm on Monday, Sept. 17 for delivery before Spirit Day **

Use code: SUNNY18 to save 10% plus FREE shipping to LILA in time for Spirit Day - October 8th!

Shop here: <http://www.mylila.org/sports-activities/team-store>

Soccer Girls: Girls Varsity Game Special Event

Tomorrow, Tuesday, September 18th, come to Hanifl fields to cheer on the LILA/NLA girls' Varsity soccer team in their last home game of the season! They will be doing a special event called Kick Gold, showing their support for those who are fighting cancer and remembering those who lost their battle to childhood cancer! Kick Gold shirts, bracelets, necklaces and more available at the game! Come on out to support our girls' Varsity soccer team and a great cause!

Event Details:

Tuesday, Sep 18, 2018 Time 5:00pm
vs. Brooklyn Center @ Hanifl Fields Athletic Park
Homecoming and Kick Gold Event

Location: Hanifl Fields Athletic Park
7032 137th St N
Hugo, MN