

# Learn Here~Exceed Anywhere

Dear Lewis Family Member,

We are excited to welcome you to the 2020-2021 school year. As your child embarks on their educational journey at Lewis, please know we take your child's health and safety as seriously as their education. Our district has been working closely with the Hillsborough County Health Department to monitor the spread of COVID-19 cases in our community as just one way to stay in front of our decisions.



Reopening our schools during COVID-19 is critical for our students' development. The decision to reopen schools is not one we take lightly. Our commitment is to the students and families we serve and to our employees.

We are following a coordinated and comprehensive plan to address the health, safety and well-being of our students and staff. Please know our plans are fluid and can change depending on new recommendations from the CDC and local medical experts.

Our theme this year is "Uniting our Exceptional Minds." This theme encompasses kindness, collaboration, and innovative thinking as we prepare our students for the 21st century. As the school year begins and goals are set, we look forward to a year of academic excellence during which each child will strive to reach her or his full potential. It takes the combined efforts, staff, parents and business partners to continue to make Lewis an outstanding school.

## **Open House**

Open House will take place virtually before school begins to provide detailed information on curriculum and expectations. Dates and times will be communicated by the teacher during the week of August 3rd.

#### First Day of School

Please complete the intent survey on your preference for your child's education (traditional or eLearning). The link for the survey can be found on the district web page. I look forward to being part of your child's education in any format you choose. During the week of August 3, you will be contacted regarding your child's teacher placement

## **Bell Times**

Arrival: 7:10 AM-7:35 AM

School begins promptly at 7:40 AM

Dismissal: 1:55 PM

Early Release Days are to be determined.

# **First Day Packets**

On the first day of school, your child will bring home a white envelope containing important information. Please read all papers carefully and return the forms that need to be signed. The information included contains all of the Hillsborough County procedures regarding medication, academic expectations, safety, devices, and other important policies.

We will continue to be responsive to the needs of the community and the most current recommendations of the health experts. As the recommendations change, we will regularly update you. We look forward to a monumental year!

With Anticipation and Appreciation,

Debbie Fitzpatrick, Proud Principal



**Uniting our Exceptional Minds** 

Home of the Panthers