

August 2026

Welcome Back to School!

Dear LCS Elementary Families,

Welcome back to another amazing year at LCS Elementary! We hope you had an incredible summer. We are thrilled to get back into the work that we love - partnering with you in pouring God's love into all the students here at LCS.

As September approaches, our administration, teachers, and support staff are all working hard, readying themselves to welcome and care for your children. We are committed to being a place where we equip students for generations to thrive with purpose and faith.

In order to make this vision possible, we need your support and ongoing partnership with our school procedures to ensure the safety and wellbeing of each child. Please refer to the information in this letter and stay connected with us through our website/social media for updates throughout the year. We appreciate your support with our efforts.

Included in this letter is information on:

- September start up
- Pick up, drop off, and office procedures
- Nut aware information
- Parking lot information

September Start Up

Class lists

Class lists will be posted on the LCS website on Friday, September 4 at 3:00pm. As a team, we invest a considerable amount of time, thought, effort, prayer, and discernment into composing the class lists. Many factors such as balancing learning support resources, gender ratio, academic ability, learning style, previous classroom experiences and student friendships each play a significant role in class placements. Your loving encouragement and positive support will help your child if they experience uncertainty about the coming year.

Friday Chapel

Our chapel will feature sessions led by individual classes, speaker-led events, and praise & worship. We hope this shift will offer a broader range of spiritually-formative experiences for our students and community.

We invite parents to join us for chapel each week. Additionally, once a month, we will host a time of connection with coffee and cookies following chapel.

Bussing

If you signed up for your child to ride the school bus you should be contacted in the fourth week of August, or the first week of September. If you have not heard anything by September 1, contact the CCSTA at admin@ccsta.net or call 778-986-9011. For those who are new to the bus system, please be aware that it often takes a few days for the routes to fall into a rhythm so you may choose to make alternate arrangements for the first day or two of classes.

Please note there will be no bus service on Tuesday, September 8th.

Office Procedures

The school day starts at 8:30 am and ends at 2:50 pm.

Office hours are 8:00 am- 3:15 pm.

- On Tuesday, September 8, Grade 1 - 5 students will attend for a half day and will need to be picked up at 12:00 pm (no buses). **For those of you with a child entering Kindergarten, you will have received a separate email about the transition into the Kindergarten school year.
- On Wednesday, September 9, the regular schedule commences.
- Every Friday we have a later start for students with the day beginning at 9:10 am. Staff members, on the other hand, have an earlier start so that we can devote the 75 minutes before school to Professional Learning Communities that ultimately benefit student learning.

School starts with one bell at 8:30 am and we thank you for the effort it takes to develop routines with your family to bring children to school to start their class at 8:30 am. All students are asked to line up at their designated outside door. This allows for a positive transition to the start of the day for the class as a community. Students arriving late are to sign in at the office.

We are required to document students that are absent or arrive late. Please use the [Attendance Form](#) on the LCS website. Now is a good time to bookmark this on your mobile device. It really helps our office staff if you can submit this form in a timely manner before 8:30 am.

Supervision

Outside supervision begins at 8:15am Monday through Thursday. Fridays are a late start (9:10 am). If your child needs to be dropped off at the regular time on Fridays we do have supervision at the back of the school starting at 8:15am.

Please note that we are unable to provide child care before this time.

Students are dismissed at 2:50pm at the end of the school day. They are to exit through their regular doors and immediately make their way to the front of the school (i.e. no playground) where there is supervision.

In order to maintain the safe flow of traffic, we ask that students be watching and waiting for their rides. After school, students may only be behind the school if their parents/guardians are with them. Students need to be in the direct supervision and within eyesight of parents/caregivers.

Students are required to be picked up by 3:15 pm as after school supervision is provided until that time. After that point, any students whose rides have not arrived will wait in the office. Please pray that God will bless our communal effort to make LCS a place where He is honoured, each person is valued, and where students are invited into a thriving Christian learning community serving together to empower students to have impact in a changing world.

We are looking forward to the first day of school on Tuesday, September 8! Blessings on the remainder of your summer and we hope you are able to soak up every last sunshine-y (or cloudy) day!

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Lori Van Dop,
Principal

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David Jackson'.

David Jackson,
Assistant Principal/Teacher

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Anita Wood'.

Anita Wood,
Assistant Principal/Teacher

IMPORTANT

Nut-Aware & Safety Information



Langley Christian Elementary School is a community where parents, students, and teachers all work together to provide a positive, happy, and safe learning environment for all. In order for all of our students to attend school safely, every classroom from Preschool – Grade 5 is designated as NUT-AWARE. We have some students at almost every grade level with very serious LIFE THREATENING NUT ALLERGIES. We kindly ask that you do not send any lunches or snacks that contain any type of nuts or nut oils. We recognize that this may make packing your child's food a little more challenging, and we truly appreciate your efforts. This policy is an important and tangible way we live out our vision of Christian community—caring for one another and ensuring that everyone feels safe and included.

Thank you for partnering with us in creating a welcoming environment for all of our students. If your child eats any nuts as part of their breakfast (e.g. peanut butter, nut-based cereal, etc.), it is very important that they thoroughly brush their teeth and wash their face and hands before coming to school.

For some of our students with severe nut allergies, even trace amounts of nut residue—such as from a classmate's hands or face—can cause a serious and potentially life-threatening reaction.

FOODS TO AVOID

- peanut butter/almond butter etc.
- Nutella-type chocolate/nut spread
- trail mix
- anything prepared with peanut oil
- breads that contain nuts/pine nuts
- potato chips (if fried in nut oil)
- granola bars with nuts

Please read all labels on packaged foods carefully before sending them to school. If you're ever unsure whether a product is nut-free, we kindly ask that you choose an alternative and leave it at home.

Thank you for helping us keep all students safe and included.