

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
DEPENDENTS SCHOOLS – PACIFIC SOUTH DISTRICT
LESTER MIDDLE SCHOOL
UNIT 35015
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Wildcat families,

We are looking forward to welcoming you back to school for the 2020-21 school year! This school year will begin remotely, as we are currently in Health Protection Condition (HPCON) Charlie. We are looking forward to seeing our students face to face and eagerly anticipate the day when they will return to campus. I know many of you have questions about what Remote Learning will look like this year and can assure you that the staff of LMS has been working diligently to ensure students will have rigorous and relevant learning experiences as they learn remotely and when they transition back to our facility.

Many of our back to school events, campus tours, and other events will not occur or will be occurring virtually during HPCON C. Additionally, starting the year remotely poses some unique challenges. These include the distribution of class schedules, student log-ins, technology tools, and curricular materials. In order to adhere to the current restrictions, LMS has developed a distribution schedule that will extend over 2 days from August 24-25 in order to maintain social distancing. The below table outlines the scheduled dates for materials collection:

Date	Grade
Friday Aug 21 st	Virtual School Students
Monday, August 24 th	6 th
Tuesday, August 25 th	7 th & 8 th
Distribution will be from 0800-1600 daily	

The materials collection process will take place in the LMS cafeteria and Front Office. Families will enter the building through the main office and proceed to the cafeteria. If a student needs to check out a computer for use during remote learning, the parent will need to come to LMS. The computer checkout form (attached) will need to be completed prior to collection. If possible, please complete the form prior to arrival to expedite materials collection. If you are unable to print at home, copies will be available on site.

Once materials are collected, our first day of classes will be **Wednesday, August 26th**. Students will attend their first live sessions on that day following the bell schedule below.

Lester Middle School Remote Learning Schedule							
Time	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
8:00 to 8:45	A1	B1	A1	B1	Flex Day <i>Teacher Meetings (Full Staff/Faculty Meeting 8-9am), Trainings, and Office Hours</i>		
9:00 to 9:45	A2	B2	A2	B2			
10:00- 10:45	A3	B3	A3	B3			
11:00-11:45	A4	B4	A4	B4			
	Math assignments due 23:59	Science assignments due 23:59		Electives (excluding foreign language) assignments due 23:59	Social Studies assignments due 23:59		ELA & Foreign Language assignments due 23:59

As we get ready to start the school year, your student’s team of teachers will reach out via email by August 22nd to welcome you and your student to their Google Classroom as well as share other important information about their courses. If the laptops have issues with functioning correctly please feel free to contact the front office during school hours. The laptops should be returned within 3 business days after DODEA reports we will be returning to brick and mortar schooling.

We are here to support you and your student’s learning. Our school counselors, psychologist, and nurse stand ready to provide assistance and support for your student.

We are looking forward to seeing you in person on August 24-25 for materials collection and remotely on Aug. 26th as we kick off the 2020-21 school year!

Nedra Jones
Principal
Lester Middle School