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A message from LOWELL HIGH SCHOOL

Dear LHS parents, guardians and students,

We are in full swing here at the high school, the first five weeks of school have flown by and we are off to a fantastic start. Students are happily involved in music, dance, sports, clubs, activities, JROTC, and much, much more! Please know that we are grateful to be working with your child each and every day! Today we had our annual lockdown and evacuation drill. This drill went off seamlessly, our staff and students did an outstanding job following our procedures for this type of drill. I feel confident that should an emergency occur, we are prepared.

Believe it or not, it's time for the first progress reports of the new school year. We have distributed reports this morning during advisory; please have a follow-up discussion with your child regarding their progress especially if they are not where they'd like to be. If they need additional support, please encourage them to speak directly with their classroom teacher and/or their advisory teacher – we are here to help in every way possible. Also, please remind your child about before school tutoring (starting at 7:00am) and after school tutoring (until 3:30pm) in the library.

As a reminder, I hope you will join me for a meet and greet in the main lobby on Tuesday evening, 10/10 from 5:00pm-6:00pm before open house begins. We will have light refreshments and it will be an opportunity for informal conversation – I am looking forward to meeting all of you.

Freshman Parents are invited to the Freshman Academy Cafeteria for 5:30pm prior to Parent Teacher Conferences, which begin at 6:00pm. Ms. Rothschild and Freshman Academy Staff will be there to welcome parents and provide information on academic programming, student support services and the extracurricular activities offered at LHS. Informational tables will be set up from 5:30 to 7:00pm in the freshman cafeteria for parents to gather additional information about the high school. Additionally, the Maker-space will be open for parents who wish to tour this area.

Open House is an opportunity for parents/guardians to come to LHS, connect with teachers, and get a snapshot of your student's progress so far this year. You will have an opportunity to visit LHS teachers in their classrooms and discuss your student's grades on the most recent progress reports, including areas of strength and strategies for improvement. We encourage students to attend Open House with you to engage in this conversation together. Studies show that the more parents/guardians participate in and understand their child's educational progress; the more successful and happy their child is school. If for some reason you cannot attend next Tuesday, please feel free to reach out by phone or email at any time. Your voice is important to us and we welcome your feedback and questions.

I hope you have a nice long holiday weekend with family and friends. We hope to see you on Tuesday evening!

Best,

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