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Dear LHS students and families,

We are writing to once again welcome you to Lowell High School and to extend our best wishes for a rewarding first year! We know it is unlikely that any of you imagined virtual classes and social distance to define the start of your high school experience, and that this causes frustration and anxiety for students, families, and staff. However, we want to assure you that it is our goal to safely come together as an in-person school community as soon as possible and, in the meantime, to provide everyone opportunities for excitement and connection in spite of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Chromebooks will be available and distributed to all students next week. We will begin chromebook distribution for all students. Parents/guardians can pick up their chromebooks on the following dates.

Date	House	Time
Tues, Sep 8	B	9:00am-3:00pm
Wed, Sep 9	C	9:00am-3:00pm
Thurs, Sep 10	D	9:00am-3:00pm
Fri, Sep 11	E	9:00am-3:00pm
Mon, Sep 14	FA	8:30am-2:30pm

Additional information about Chromebook distribution is on the last page of this letter.

As you know, your first day at Lowell High School is now **Thursday, September 17, 2020 (in-person or virtual)** If you are planning on attending LHS remotely (not in person) we want to notify you that we are hosting virtual Zoom presentations to welcome you back.

LHS Orientations for Virtual Learners Grades 10-12:

- Thursday September 10th at 5pm or
- Friday, September 11th at 11:30 am

Our welcome back to school orientations will provide students with information on Lowell High School, an opportunity to tour the buildings (virtually), and a chance to gather more information on the various clubs, activities and athletic programs LHS has to offer. Additionally, we will spend considerable time discussing our **remote learning platform**, students' schedules, daily expectations, LHS Grading Policy, and Student Support Services.

Please note, we will hold an additional orientation for those students returning to our in-person learning environment on Monday, September 14th.

We are doing our best to provide students with their schedules, but we continue to work on these and recognize that this remains difficult for students and families. Please trust that we will provide schedules as soon as we are able to and that we will build in the necessary time for students to effectively transition into their new learning environments.

Despite the circumstance, this should remain an exciting time for you and we remain committed to helping you thrive in all the opportunities Lowell High School affords.

While it is our hope that all of you can, and will, feel safe and comfortable walking the halls of LHS in no time, there is no reason you should wait until we are all physically together to get involved in the community. All students will be provided opportunities to engage in extracurricular, athletic, and civic opportunities. We will share additional information regarding these touchpoints provided to all students within our orientations and continue to communicate opportunities for engagement within our LHS community.

Please check the LHS website <https://www.lowell.k12.ma.us> for Zoom links for the Orientations and for continual updates regarding school opening.

Sincerely,

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Important Information Regarding Chromebook Distribution

Chromebook Distribution Message to Students/Parents:

Every student at Lowell High School will receive a Chromebook. The distribution is occurring over the course of five days by house office. You can find the schedule below.

A parent/guardian needs to accompany the student. You will need to bring your ID badge. If you do not have an ID badge please write your Full Name and ID Number on a piece of paper. You will also need to **bring your own pen** to fill out the necessary paperwork. **You must wear a mask.**

When you receive your Chromebook you will fill out a receipt and update your student information. You will also receive information on how you can insure your device.

On your scheduled day and time, you will drive up to the main entrance of Lowell High School on Fr. Morissette Blvd. You will not get out of your vehicle. You will show your ID. Your device will be brought out to your car and you will fill out the two forms. You will drop the forms into a box and drive away.

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