

Monday, July 13, 2020

Hello Lexington students and families,

I wanted to take this opportunity to formally introduce myself as your new Lexington Junior High Principal. I want to first say how privileged I am that I was given the opportunity to be your leader and Principal for the 2020-2021 school year. I don't have to remind you how special Lexington Junior High is and how wonderful of school we have. I have spent the last four years in the Cypress community as an administrator at Cypress High School and have created long lasting relationships with students, families, and community members here. Outside of my personal home with my family, Cypress has become my second home, and I'm looking forward to starting a new adventure here with you.

Now more than ever there is a need for strong leadership and champions for both students and staff. Over the past few months, we have seen extreme changes within the educational system, and as we work through these new times, preparing and ensuring the safe return of students and staff, evaluating our instructional practices, and continuing to be a place in the community that is safe for all, I want you to know that Lexington is here to support you. Our goals for next year is to continue the pride and academic standards that are already well established while at the same time ensuring the safe and well-being of all of our students and staff in regards to the on-going safety challenges with COVID-19 and continue to grow and understand our cultural differences and similarities that makes Lexington the most diverse junior high in our district.

As I end my first of many letters to you, I want to thank the Lexington staff for making the transition here a smooth one and Ms. Houston for all of her dedication and hard work here at Lexington growing its strong tradition of pride. I wish her the best of luck at Oxford Academy...She's going to do great. As we get closer to the school year, our weekly communications will begin to come out on a more regular basis. Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any questions. Continue to be strong throughout the summer, be well, and if you are dropping off or picking up items this week, please wave hi through your window.

I'm blessed to be here with you next year. Be well!!!

Daniel Klatzker

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Lexington School Items collection and distribution – July 13-15, 2020

The following items need to be returned to Lexington:

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| 7th and 8th grade History Books | Guitars |
| 7th and 8th grade English classroom novels | Cameras |
| Library Books | Chromebooks for non-returning AUHSD students |
| Sports Uniforms | Health books |
| Band Equipment | Lion Awards & 8th grade promotion certificates |

Please follow the schedule below for picking up and dropping off school materials. Students will need their ID cards or ID numbers.

Parents will need to drive through campus with their child and follow all social distancing guidelines of the school.

All returning AUHSD 8th & 9th grade students will keep their borrowed chrome book.

Please look at the following schedule for your collection time:

July 13th- Drop off time periods--- Last Name

A-C--- 8:00-8:30
D-F--- 8:45-9:15
G-I---9:30-10:00
J-L---10:15-10:45
M-O-11:00-11:30
P-R--11:45-12:00
S-U-- 1:00-1:25
V-Z-- 1:30-1:55

Parents will drive on campus and enter the gate by the bike racks. Families have 5 stops to make at different tents.

1. Tent 1- Locker Room- Parents will park on the field, students will enter the locker room, get items and then get back in their cars.
2. Tent 2- Students will drop off textbooks.
3. Tent 3- Students will drop off library books, classroom novels and sports uniforms.
4. Tent 4- Former 8th grade students who borrowed Chromebooks and Hotspots will drop off here.
5. Tent 5- Any student who received a Lion Award or needs to pick up Home Economics items stop here.

July 14th- Band/Choir Instrument Drop Off and Make-up Day for school material Drop Off

Drop off time periods--- Last Name

A-F--- 8:00-8:30
G-L--- 8:45-9:15
M-R--9:30-10:00
S-U---10:15-10:45
V-Z---11:00-11:30

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- Tent 2- Students will drop off textbooks.
- Tent 3- Students will drop off library books and classroom novels.
- Tent 4- Former 8th grade students who borrowed Chromebooks and Hotspots will drop off here.
- Tent 5- Any student who received a Lion Award or needs to pick up Home Economics items stop here.
(Band/Choir instruments will be dropped off in front of room 101 or 102)

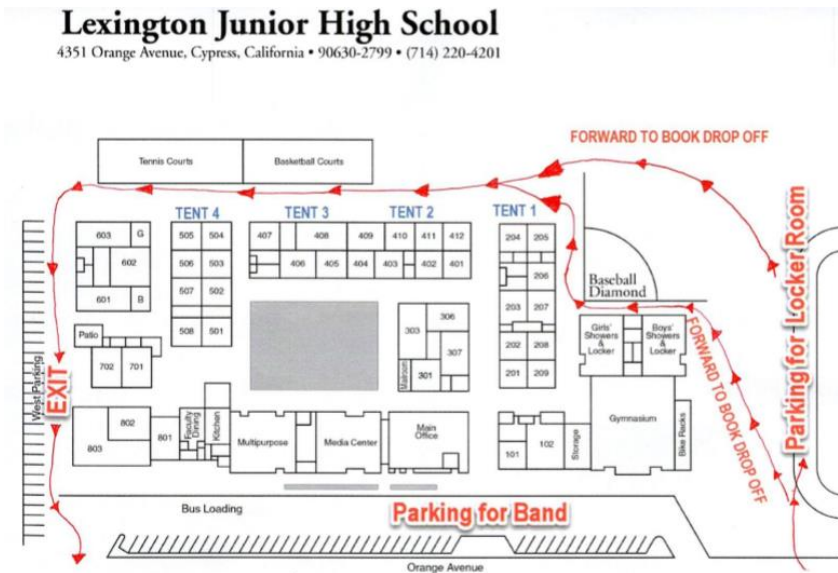
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July 15th- Yearbook Distribution

Yearbook Distribution Times ---- Last Name

- A-F--- 8:00-8:45
- G-L--- 8:45-9:30
- M-R--- 9:30-10:15
- S-U--- 10:15-11:00
- V-Z--- 11:00-11:45

- All school returnable items will need to be dropped off on either July 13th or 14th before students receive their yearbooks.
- Students will need their ID card or ID number on a sheet of paper.
- Yearbooks will be picked up in the front of the school by the MPR.
- Families will stay in their cars during pick up.



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On Behalf of AUHSD Superintendent Matsuda:

Dear AUHSD Families,

I hope this letter finds you and your families healthy and safe. It has been over three months since we closed traditional schools and pivoted to distance learning. Shortly after we closed, the AUHSD initiated an **Opening of Schools Task Force** consisting of nearly fifty stakeholders including teachers, classified employees, association representatives, administrators, parents, and students. At a special meeting to the Board of Trustees on July 2, the committee recommended a “hybrid” model for reopening schools to the Board of Trustees which will 1) **have the highest standards of safety for students and staff**, and 2) **ensure delivery of quality instruction to every child in the District**. These are non-negotiable issues for the District and the Board of Trustees.

To compound matters, recently researchers from the UCI School of Public Health and the Orange County Health Care Agency have alerted us to an alarming spread of COVID-19 positive cases in three Anaheim zip codes. A fourth zip code with higher than average spread borders our western cities, including Buena Park, La Palma, and Cypress.

The health and safety of students and staff are paramount in our opening of school plans. **To ensure adequate physical distancing of six feet at all comprehensive schools, our hybrid model will cap student physical presence in schools at no more than 33% at any one time.** This will limit class size to approximately between eight and thirteen students assuring compliance with California Department of Public Health Guidelines. **Additionally, at this time, it is our expectation that all staff members and students will wear face coverings at school. These two requirements (physical distancing and face coverings) are vital and will ensure that AUHSD has the highest standards of safety in the county.**

For those parents who would rather enroll their student in a 100% distance learning option, please consider enrolling in our new virtual school, Cambridge Virtual Academy (see auhsd.cambridge.us). Due to a surge in interest, the application deadline has been extended to July 17.

The second issue I want to address is that hybrid **distance learning in AUHSD will be different than this past spring**. Parents across the state have expressed concern that their children have fallen behind academically and indeed in a recent survey of parents in the District, many parents, while appreciative of teachers’ focus on the emotional well-being of students, felt that students were becoming disengaged with their educational experiences.

The District has responded to these concerns and is training our teachers in the **National Online Teaching Standards**, crosswalked to the California Standards for the Teaching Profession (CSTP), which focus on **student engagement, teacher presence, and rigorous project based learning** through the 5Cs - collaboration, creativity, communication, critical thinking, and compassion. Teachers will also be supported with on-going staff development and “learning labs” to support engagement and professional growth. Additionally, the District will re-purpose aides to assist teachers in ensuring students who fall behind are identified early and communicated with. Students with mental health issues will be provided additional support through our extensive network of social workers and mental health professionals including psychologists and counselors. Fall distance learning will therefore look different than Spring instruction.

I want to assure parents and all stakeholders that not only will we have the safest schools, but also the highest standard of distance learning instruction, and that all AUHSD students will continue to be college, career, and life ready upon graduation.

On behalf of all our staff, teachers, counselors, social workers, psychologists, and administrators, it is truly a privilege and an honor to educate and mentor your children. Although these are difficult and uncertain times, and plans may change as local, state, and federal guidance evolves, I am confident that together, we will emerge a stronger community, more resilient, hopeful, and loving than ever.

Sincerely,

Michael Matsuda

Superintendent
Anaheim Union High School District

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Lexington JH registration for 2020-2021

Lexington Families,

In an effort to keep our families safe, our Summer Registration events will be scaled down and optional for families that need extra support with three essential activities: Completing online enrollment, clearing immunizations, and applying for the free and reduced lunch program. The support will be by appointment only during the scheduled Registration times: [Registration Schedule by site for support only](#). All other activities will be completed once school is in session.

Here is the information to complete each of these activities online:

Support for Online Enrollment: [Aeries Parent Portal Resources](#)

Immunization Clearance--Please email the [Registrar/Records](#) at your site and the Health Tech a scanned copy or a picture of your immunization card.

Registrar: Gilbert_t@auhsd.us

Health Clerk: Fox_p@auhsd.us

AUHSD – 2020-2021 Online Meal APPLICATION NOW AVAILABLE!

[Free and Reduced Lunch Application link](#) (videos are posted on the [Aeries Parent Portal Resources](#) if assistance is needed)

