## LANE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 71

Lowell/Fall Creek

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Dear Parents and Students,

Right when we think the year will be somewhat normal, Covid throws us a curveball. That being said, we will have some normalcy this year at Lowell Jr/Sr High School as we return to a 5 day week with students being in school all day. School will start at 8:00 am and end at 3:01 as it had before Covid. We are all very excited to have the kids back full-time.

As you all know by now, there will still be some restrictions. At this time, students will need to wear masks while indoors, but do not need to wear them outside. This may change as the number of Covid cases in Oregon continues to be high. We will be sure to update everyone with new information as we receive it.

The first day of school is September 8<sup>th</sup>, but we do plan on holding orientations for 7<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> graders before the first day of school. Orientation will be conducted by Toni Beckett and the Link Crew. The Link Crew is group of dedicated students that work hard to provide a sense of community for all incoming students. Through our planned activities, the Link Crew will provide your student with information about the year, answer any questions they might have, build relationships, ensure a smooth transition to middle school or high school, and get your student excited about their future at Lowell. More information is below about the orientations.

## 7th Grade:

We feel that it is very important that the transition from elementary to junior high to be as smooth as possible. There is bound to be a few bumps in the road, but we would like to give your student several tools they can use to make the transition a little bit easier.

When: 9am on Thursday, September 2nd

Where: Cafetorium (Old gym inside the main building)

## 9th Grade:

Even though your 9th grade student might be a professional at finding their way around our building, there are quite a few changes that happen now that they are an official high school student. To help make sure they are prepared for the next 4 years we want to give them a few pointers that can help keep them on track.

When: 12:30pm on Thursday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>

Where: Cafetorium (Old gym inside the main building)

## **How to Register for Orientation:**

So that we can have an accurate count of students, please confirm your child's attendance by filling out the Google Form that can be found on our school webpage (www.lowell.k12.or.us) and the Lowell School District Facebook group. If you have any questions regarding the upcoming orientation, please feel free to contact us at 541-937-2124 or you can e-mail Mrs. Beckett at tbeckett@lowell.k12.or.us.

We are looking forward to the school year beginning, and the kids coming back. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at 541-937-2124.

Respectfully,

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