

Hello Lowell Families and Community!

We hope you are staying warm during this chilly weather. We are definitely looking forward to sunshine and brighter days ahead!

This year has taken a toll not only on our students and families, but on both our teachers and classified staff. Because of this, we have worked with both groups of employees to create some time for mental health and preparation for the everchanging demands of this school year. Friday, February 18<sup>th</sup> will be a no school/no workday for the Lowell School District. This will allow all staff and students to have a long weekend to decompress and recharge! Two other date changes are Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup> and Friday, April 29<sup>th</sup>. These dates will now be half-days for the students and give our staff some days for mental health or classroom preparation. Please see the website for the updated calendar.

Also, this Friday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, is a grading day so there is no school for our students. Report cards will be mailed out next week. Be on the lookout and let your child's school know if you don't receive it soon.

Unfortunately, we have had to suspend concessions at all athletic events for the remainder of the winter sports season. Please remember that masks are required the entire time our spectators are in our facilities. We are working extremely hard to make sure our students can participate in the sports that they love. While your personal opinions may differ from the mandates imposed upon us, we are still required to abide by those mandates. We want to keep our doors open to spectators and athletes alike! Please help us to make this happen.

The previously cancelled basketball games against Oakridge have been rescheduled for Saturday, January 29, 2022. Boys' JV will play at 3:00pm, Boys' Varsity will play at 4:00pm and Girls' Varsity will play at 5:30pm. There will be no JV Girls' game.

Do you have a question for the district or a department? Do you have a question about a bus route or a final? Our directors and principals are here for you. We always want to make ourselves available to provide information about our schools and programs. If it isn't on our website or you can't seem to find an answer, please feel free to reach out. Our phone/email directory is on our website at Lowell.k12.or.us. Don't know who to direct your inquiry to? Email us at <a href="mailto:info@lowell.k12.or.us">info@lowell.k12.or.us</a> and we will take care of the rest.

As always, be safe, healthy, and kind!