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Dear Parents,

Welcome to the 2020-21 school year! We know you have many questions as to how the start of school will look. I hope this letter provides you with all the information you and your child need to begin the year during this transitional period.

Classes begin August 3 through online learning. Please take a few minutes to watch the Distance Learning Overview video.

Distance Learning – ENGLISH Distance Learning - SPANISH

During the week of July 27, we will be distributing chromebooks and school materials for students to use at home while they are participating in the online instruction.

Vista del Sur drive thru material distribution. Enter by the lower grades playground and loop around the back of the building.			
Last Name	Day	Time	
A through F	Thursday, July 30th	8:00-10:00 A.M.	
G through L	Thursday, July 30th	10:00-12:00 P.M.	
M through R	Friday, July 31st	8:00-10:00 A.M.	
S through Z	Friday, July 31st	10:00-12:00 P.M.	

We will be providing several necessary supplies to each student, however there are a few additional items recommended.

Supply lists



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When you come to the school to pick up these materials, you will be asked to sign several documents, outlined below. These documents are attached to this message and are posted to our website, www.LaveenSchools.org/Back-To-School. Please take the time to read through these documents and consent forms prior to picking up your child's Chromebook and school materials so that you are informed and prepared to sign.

The <u>Annual Parent Consent Release Form</u> includes the following:

- Student Parent Handbook.
- Photo and Video Use
- Student Surveys
- Technology Use Agreement
- Online Instruction Agreement
- Student Technology Checkout

Due to the COVID Pandemic and current restrictions for in-person learning, we will not be able to host our traditional Meet the Teacher Day. However, your child's teacher will be calling during the week of July 27 to introduce themselves and welcome students.

It is important that our families have a good understanding of what to expect during this period of online learning. Please take the time to not only watch the Distance Learning Overview video highlighted above, but also to join your child on the first day of online school.

Student usernames and passwords will be distributed with the chromebook checkout during the week of July 27. On August 3, please have your child log into his/her chromebook at the scheduled time listed below. The first day of school will include a parent orientation and overview of what to expect during online learning. If you are unable to log in at the scheduled time, all live lessons will also be recorded for viewing at a later time through Google Classroom.

Schedule for August 3 *Each presentation will begin at the stated time, logging on prior is recommended		
8:00-9:00	K-1 Parent Orientation	
9:00-9:30	K-1 Meet & Greet	
10:00-11:00	2-3 Parent Orientation	
11:00-11:30	2-3 Meet & Greet	
12:00-1:00	4-5 Parent Orientation	
1:00-1:45	4-5 Meet & Greet	
2:00-3:00	6-8 Parent Orientation	
3:00-3:45	6-8 Meet & Greet	



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We look forward to kicking off the new school year and partnering together to educate our children.

Sincerely,

Jessica L. Epacs Principal

