



Week of December 7, 2020



Campus Updates

Winter Break

There is no school from December 21 through January 7. Due to the delayed start of the school year, our last day of school before break, Friday, December 18th, is no longer a half day. December 18 is a normal, full day of classes. On-campus classes will still have class parties, but no parents are permitted to attend classroom parties this year due to District Policy. Linked is the [District School Calendar](#).

Sock Drive Nov. 9 through Dec 17

Life School Carrollton has partnered with Metro Relief, a non-profit organization that serves underprivileged and homeless communities in and around Dallas-Ft. Worth, Texas. During the months of November and December, Metro Relief is conducting a sock drive to provide socks to those in need.

If you are interested in donating packages of New Mens Tube Socks, please bring the packages to school between November 9th to December 17th. Let's see which grade level can bring the most donations. Thank you in advance for your donations! Teachers are also welcome to donate to earn a jeans pass to be worn on Fridays.

Benchmark Testing for Grades 3-5

December 8 Grades 3-5 will take their Math Benchmarks.

December 9 Grade 3-5 will take their Reading Benchmarks.

If students are Face-to-Face, It is imperative that students are on time and ready to assess on December 8 and 9th. If students are remote, students must sign on to the online testing platform to complete their assessment. This is a great time to show all they know and will help our team prepare learning for the second semester to

ensure all students are making the appropriate academic growth. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask us. Students will have four hours to complete this Benchmark and will be provided all their testing accommodations, as if they were taking STAAR.

LifeHabits Parent Engagement Series: Reflection

Please click on the to participate in the [December Parent Engagement Series](#).

Cardinals of the Month

We will celebrate our Cardinals of the Month on Monday with a Cupcake Party. This Months Cardinals are:

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Lilah Foster Lilah exhibits all CHIRP qualities. She is caring and helpful. She shows integrity and she is respectful and positive. Self-Managed. Lilah is a great leader in and out of the classroom. She shows responsibility daily by following directions, making good choices, and turning in her best work. Lilah is kind and respectful towards her classmates and teachers. She always has a positive attitude and enjoys helping others. Good job, Lilah!

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Sophia Sicot Positive- Sophia always has a smile on her face. Collaborative- Sophia is always offering a helping hand to her classmates.

Ryan Pearson Ryan demonstrates ALL CHIRP values every day, but I would say especially helpful and integrity. She is someone I can absolutely always count on! Self-managed & ethical leadership. Ryan leads by example each and every day. She has great learning habits, always thinks about the right thing to do, and always tells the truth!

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Kalessai Aranda Positive/Respect Kaleesi is self-managed and an effective communicator. She exceeds my expectations in the classroom. I am super proud of her.

Payton Starling Positive, Respect, Caring, Citizenship, Goal-Oriented Payton is always prepared and ready to learn. She always participates and completes her online tasks on time. She is a great listener and has so much potential.

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Haiden Jennings Caring- he is one student who ALWAYS asks everyone how they are and genuinely cares. Resilient. Haiden always puts forth his best effort and when it gets hard, he doesn't give up.

Riley Young Positive: Riley is always a positive role model for the classroom. Goal Oriented: Riley is always striving to become a better reader. She loves to take books home and write summaries of what she is reading!

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Michael Teague Self managed - he always takes care of his business and is successful in his work.

Chuck Eluka Self managed - student is learning remotely and completes assignments successfully.

Aaliyah Veasey Aaliyah is showing how helpful she is in art class every time she enters by asking if there is anything she can help me with. She is also displaying integrity each time she enters into the art room. Self-Awareness. Aaliyah has shown so much improvement on her ability to be present in class and is showing how much of a leader she can be. She has been able to take and step back and reflect on her past to improve her future.

Micah Moseley Micah is a hard worker and goal oriented. He works hard, focusing on each task in order to achieve his goals. He is a wonderful positive leader in the classroom.

Teacher and Staff of the Month



Ms. Vitale, Instructional Aide, continually demonstrates the LifeLeader attribute of being Collaborative. No matter what we need or where she is asked to assist, she is always present and willing to help!
Collaborative & Humility - she is just plain awesome!
Ms. Vitale is amazing with the students and is willing to step in wherever she is needed. She is open-minded and has a great heart.

Mrs. Golden, Art Teacher, works well with others on a shared goal by being collaborative. Mrs. Golden is collaborative and steps up when she sees a need!



Grade-Level Newsletter Links

[Kindergarten](#)

[First Grade](#)

[Second Grade](#)

[Third Grade](#)

[Fourth Grade](#)

[Fifth Grade](#)

[Specials](#)

Upcoming Events

Dec 7- Jan 15	K-2 DRA Testing
Nov 16- Dec 11	K-2 Sight Word Assessment
Dec 8	Grades 3-5 Math Benchmark
Dec 9	Grades 3-5 Reading Benchmark
Until Dec 13	Learning Option Selection for Third Nine Weeks
Dec 18	Last Day of School before Winter Break (This is a FULL day)
Dec 18	\$1 Jeans day/Birthday Friday/Holiday Class Parties
Dec 21- Jan 6	Winter Break
Jan 7	First Day back from Winter Break

District Updates

Learning Option Form

The period in which you are able to change your child's learning option is now open. Please complete this [form](#) only if you wish to change your student's learning option for the third nine weeks grading period beginning Thursday, January 7, 2021. If you do not wish to change your student's learning option, no action is needed.

Hour of Code

Join Life School to participate in a live free family computer science learning event, Hour of Code. No coding experience needed! Click [here](#) to register!

Covid Dashboard

We recognize the importance of transparency and want to ensure our staff and families have access to important information regarding COVID-19. The district will be providing the numbers of lab-confirmed positive COVID-19 cases as well as the recovery status of those cases on a weekly basis in the COVID-19 dashboard located [here](#). Cases will also be communicated via email directly to the employees and parents of affected campuses.

Free and Reduced Lunch Applications

Completing the application for the Free & Reduced Lunch and Breakfast program not only ensures that your student receives a nutritious meal each day, but also allows the district to receive additional funding for essential resources for all learners. Click [here](#) to apply!

(Click to see Opportunities)



Goal Oriented

When you are ready for life, you focus on a particular goal and the task that is needed to achieve that goal. You think about who you want to be, what you want to be known for, what is meaningful to you, and what you can achieve. You are always thinking about what steps you can take to get you closer to your end goal. By doing these things, you are using the LifeLeader attribute, GOAL-ORIENTED.



