

# 7th Grade



# Newsletter

Lisle Junior High School

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## What's Happening in Class?

News You Can Use	<a href="#">Homework Hotline</a> <a href="#">PowerSchool Parent Portal</a>
Language Arts	Welcome to Seventh Grade Language Arts!  Ms. Braun and Mr. Smid are thrilled that school is back in session; even though this may not be a typical start to the school year, we are determined to make it just as engaging. We will be starting the year balancing grammar and narrative writing. Our first unit, memoir writing, will not only be a perfect opportunity for us to get to know each learner better, but also a chance for each student to reflect on impactful life experiences. Do not hesitate to contact us for any reason. We are excited to start this journey!
Literature/Honors Literature	Welcome to Seventh Grade Literature!  Miss Braun, Mrs. Oros, and Mr. Smid would like to welcome everyone back to school. We are looking forward to embarking on this new adventure with you. Though we may be at a distance, we are excited to dive into the diverse world of literature with our learners. We are having a great time getting to know each and every one of our students. Please reach out with any questions you may have. We are looking forward to a fabulous school year!
Math	Hello and welcome to this new school year! We began by making sure everyone is signed up for Classroom as I will use it as my primary source of communication this year. We are also going to do some getting to know you activities before we discuss sites Khan Academy, Edulastic/Affirm, Eureka, Assisments, and Google Meets. I also discussed, and modeled, how I have two screens up in my classroom and will be using my document camera as my primary instructional tool along with the Great Minds website.
Science	Welcome, scientists! We will be working together to unlock some of our world's mysteries this year, and I am excited for our journey. We are currently getting to know each other, and will go over some safety

	<p>procedures before we begin figuring out how our world works, starting with... well, you'll have to wait and see! :)</p> <p>Daily information for my classes (a little more detail than homework hotline) can be found in my Daily Posts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">7th Grade Science Resources &amp; Daily Posts 20-21 (Periods 1, 2, 4)</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">7th Grade Science Resources &amp; Daily Posts 20-21 (Periods 5 &amp; 8)</a></li> </ul>
Social Studies	<p>Hello Everyone!! I am Mrs. Miller, your Social Studies teacher!!</p> <p>Welcome Back!! I know there are many changes this year to school, but I am excited to try some new things with you and learn together! Below you will find the link to my Daily Post. This is a working document that will be updated daily. Each slide will have what we did for that day and any homework that was assigned. I have this linked on Homework Hotline as well. Please make sure to look at the column that has your class period, so you don't accidentally do the wrong work.</p> <p>Please contact me with any questions! Let's get this year started!!!</p> <p><a href="#">Social Studies Daily Post</a></p>
AT Math	<p>Hello and welcome back!!! We will be starting with Module 4 (Linear Equations) next week. This week, we will be reviewing and evaluating what you remember about solving Linear Equations. I put all my information on my website. The link to my website can be found on Homework Hotline and Google Classroom. I will also include it here as well. Click on your period on the calendar and a Daily Post will pop up. Please let me know if you have any questions. Thanks!!</p> <p><a href="https://sites.google.com/lisle202.org/mrkim/home">https://sites.google.com/lisle202.org/mrkim/home</a></p>
Spanish	<p>¡Hola estudiantes y padres! I am so excited you chose Spanish as an elective this year. Not only is learning a second language a valuable life skill, but it is also a lot of fun! I am looking forward to exploring the language and culture with you this year. Even from our homes, there is so much in the world for us to discover. ¡Nos vemos en clase!</p>
French	<p>Enchanté et Bonne Rentrée! <a href="#">Class Agenda</a></p> <p>I'm so happy you decided to join me this year to learn more about France and the other 28 countries who share a common language: French. I look</p>

	forward to meeting with you all this year as we explore the language and culture of the French-speaking world virtually. Hopefully, this offers you some escape during these days of quarantine. C'est parti!
Exploring Reading	Welcome to Exploring Reading! I know this year is starting out so strangely, but we will figure it out together and make it a great year! This week we spent time getting to know each other as well as defining our reading goals.
Exploring Writing	Hi and welcome to Exploring Writing! We have had a wonderful start to the school year. This week we worked on getting to know each other and discussing expectations in our remote learning environment. Next week we will continue to learn about each other and spend time reflecting on our writing identities.
Exploring Math	Hi and welcome to Exploring Math! It has been great to see and hear from students. I am looking forward to working with students as they grow their math knowledge and understanding. We will start discussing, asking questions, and solving math problems as students are provided opportunities to practice concepts learned in Mr. Schmidt's class.
Reading	Welcome back to school! This week we will spend some time getting to know each other. We will be completing a reading survey and exploring our Genre Book Challenge. Please reach out if you have any questions.
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Art	I am so happy to have you in Art this semester! I hope you are ready to think and create! I definitely am! If you are scheduled for 7th Grade Art Elective this semester, you should have picked up an art kit with your name on it. I have carefully and thoughtfully chosen art materials that we will use during our time together. Just as the note in your kit explains, please do not use any of the materials in your kit until instructed to do so by me. Please keep your kit in a secure place as not to lose it or damage it. We will continue to get to know each other more in the future, beyond our last few days...I am very excited for that! I miss being with my artists!
Technology	Hi everyone and welcome to the 2020-21 school year. I know this will be a year we will all remember forever for many reasons! I am confident that we are going to have an exciting and engaging year regardless of the medium we are using to teach. I really miss all of you and I was hoping we would be together in person. We will be soon but until then let's make the

	<p>best of our situation because you know something? It could always be worse! Imagine if we did not have the technology that we have and we were trying to learn remotely. Yikes!</p> <p>Speaking of technology, do you know what the definition of technology is? We will discuss this in class and I hope you are ready for a great semester doing all sorts of fun stuff. We will start the year with a great time learning about Drones. This is an online course that I will be taking you through that I am super excited about which will include some coding as well. We will also have some take home engineering units that I will be providing you with which are going to be a ton of fun.</p>
Band	<p>Welcome back! Mr. Schraub and Mr. Meyer are looking forward to a great year of band. <b>We will have class Wednesdays and Fridays during 9th period.</b> In addition, students will have a 15 minute lesson in a group of 2 every week. To give everybody time to adjust to online learning, we will not start those lessons until the week after next week (September 7th). The schedule will be sent out soon! If you have any more questions, or need help securing an instrument or supplies, please feel free to email Mr. Schraub at <a href="mailto:dschraub@lisle202.org">dschraub@lisle202.org</a>. You can also check out our back to school <a href="#">virtual band flyer</a>.</p>
Choir	<p>Welcome back to school, and welcome to choir! While your classroom right now looks a little different than we expected, I still cannot wait to see each one of you during our remote rehearsals. I have spent the last week looking through music, developing new activities, and thinking about how our upcoming performances will look. We have class on <b>Tuesdays and Wednesdays during 9th period.</b> Make sure to find a quiet space for our classes, and headphones might be really helpful once our rehearsals get going. I cannot wait to get this year started!</p>
Physical Education	<p>Welcome back! We will begin the year with some activities to get to know each other better. The first is a fun one called Quarenthings where you'll get to think about what comforted you throughout the quarantine, surround yourself with those items and take a photo. Have some fun with it! I was surprised at how well this activity illustrated what I really enjoy with a single picture. The next activity is one to let us know what kind of space and what kinds of equipment you have available to use for physical activity. It's great to see all of you again and I know we'll make the best of our current situation!</p>

<p><b>ELL</b></p> 	<p>If you need translations, join this group with your cell phone number:  <a href="https://www.remind.com/join/fb8d39">https://www.remind.com/join/fb8d39</a></p> <p>Si necesita traducciones, únase a este grupo con tu número de celular:  <a href="https://www.remind.com/join/fb8d39">https://www.remind.com/join/fb8d39</a></p> <p>Students, join my <a href="#">ELL Help Corner</a>. I am online through this Google Meet on M-F at 8-9AM and 2-3PM to help with your school work.</p> <p>Parents, please join my <a href="#">Remind</a> text group for information or translations. You can quickly text me questions too.</p> <p>If you are need help with technology, food, clothing, supplies, please contact me.</p> <p><b>Estudiantes, por favor únase a mi <a href="#">ELL Help Corner</a>. Estoy en línea a través de este Google Meet de lunes a viernes de 8 a 9 a.m. y de 2 a 3 p.m. para ayudar con su trabajo escolar.</b></p> <p><b>Padres, por favor únase a mi <a href="#">grupo de texto Remind</a> para obtener información o traducciones. También puedes enviarme un mensaje de texto rápidamente con tus preguntas.</b></p> <p><b>Si necesita ayuda con tecnología, comida, ropa, suministros, comuníquese conmigo.</b></p>
<p><b>LRC</b> Library Resource Center</p> 	<p>Welcome back! I am excited for the new year, and I'm working on ways to get books out to you guys at home. We will start a curbside pick up service after Labor Day, and I am building our digital book collection. I look forward to seeing you in your Lit classes!</p> <p>In the meantime, don't forget about <a href="#">Lisle public library</a>. <a href="#">I also made a list of free or cheap options for digital books and audiobooks. Check out the Google Doc here!</a></p>
<p><b>Student Services</b></p>	<p>Welcome back to school! We know this can be a stressful time as we begin the school year remotely. If you need to speak with someone, please remember you can use your <b>Student Services Request Form</b> on Symbaloo.</p>

## Troubleshooting Technology

### Chromebook Fix

There have been instances in which students have experienced Chromebook lags, Meets not opening, etc. If this happens, please try the following:

1. Open Chrome,
2. Hit Ctrl+H
3. In the left hit Clear Browsing Data
4. Change the time range to All Time.
5. Leave all other settings alone
6. Hit clear data.

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