NAAHII RIDGE



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April 2024 Newsletter

Important Dates:

April 5- School Climate Survey closes April 8 – PA Day April 29- School Council (Virtual)

Parent's Guide to Ontario's Education System

The Ministry of Education has launched the *Parent's Guide to Ontario's Education System.*

This new resource will provide parents with helpful information that allows them to have a stronger role and actively participate in their children's education. The guide covers a number of subjects such as knowing how their child is doing in school, learning about suspension and expulsion processes, attending a school council meeting or parent involvement committee meeting, and knowing about specialized supports to help all children succeed.

This initiative is part of the government's recent efforts to increase transparency and accountability in our school system.

The full guide, translated into 10 different languages, can be found on our Parent/Guardian Resource page: <u>Parent/Guardian Resources - Lambton Kent District</u> <u>School Board (lkdsb.net)</u>

Change of Phone Number and/or Address

If you have a change to your contact information during the school year, the office would greatly appreciate a phone call or a note with this new information. This allows us to stay up to date with your most recent contact information and allows us to quickly get a hold of you in case of an emergency.

April PA Day Date Change

A quick reminder that the LKDSB recently changed the PA Day in April from April 26 to April 8. April 26 will now be a regular school day while on April 8 the school will be closed to all students.

School Climate Survey

The Ontario Ministry of Education asks all school boards in Ontario to conduct an anonymous school climate survey on a regular basis so boards of education can help schools:

- Assess perceptions of safety, mental health and well-being from students, parents and school staff;
- Make informed planning decisions about programs to help prevent bullying and promote safe and inclusive schools;
- Determine the effectiveness of their programs on an ongoing basis; and
- Build and sustain a positive school climate.
- Continue to build parent voice/participation in survey

Lambton Kent District School Board's 2024 School Climate Surveys will be open from Thursday, March 21st until Friday, April 5th. The results of these surveys will be used by our Safe Schools team, as well as by the Board.

Information regarding each respective survey group can be found below:

LKDSB Parent/Guardian Survey

Parent/Guardian Survey

Please use this link to access the Parent/Guardian Survey any time between March 21st and April 5th.

Kindergarten Registration

There is still time to register your child for Junior Kindergarten or Senior Kindergarten for next year. Please follow the link below to register your child online: https://www.lkdsb.net/Elementary/Registration/Pages/default.aspx#/= Our next open house is Wednesday, April 3 from 4-7pm.

Playground Equipment

During the winter months, the playground equipment at the school remains closed. The reason for this is twofold. The first reason is because of the extra clothing which students wear gets caught and tangled on the equipment, posing a risk to their safety. The second reason is that with cold temperatures, the ground is much harder when a fall occurs, again, resulting in a danger to the child's safety. For these reasons, we ask

that all students remain clear of the equipment until the weather changes in the spring. As well, if you visit the school after hours or on weekends, we ask that you please follow the same expectations to keep everyone safe from injury.

Inclement Weather - Zone 6

Naahii Ridge Public School is in Zone 6. Please listen to local radio stations, visit <u>www.schoolbusinfo.com</u>, or download the My SBI Mobile App to receive updates on bus delays or cancellations due to inclement weather or other. Buses in the morning that have been cancelled in the morning <u>due to inclement weather (snow/ice)</u> *will not* return students to school in the afternoon. If parents drive students to school in the morning, they are responsible to pick their children up and take them home in the afternoon. Busses that have been cancelled in the morning <u>due to fog</u> *will* operate in the afternoon and to return students to their homes. *Please remember to call the school if your child will be absent due to bus cancellations.*