

Lombardi Middle School

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Dear Lombardi Families,

As we wrap up the first half of the 2020-2021 school year, I want to point out some important information that you should be aware of regarding grades. We will be printing report cards this year and mailing them to your primary address listed in Infinite Campus. Please keep in mind that in a typical year, all grades would become final at the end of the first semester. This year due to our current circumstances, there are a couple of different options each family can request once the semester grades are posted. The school board voted to extend the option of *Incomplete* until the end of August 2021 which allows an opportunity for learning from the first semester to continue. There was a communication that was sent out towards the end of December highlighting the options. If you have additional questions please do not hesitate to reach out to the Lombardi Main Office and or your student's grade level counselor for clarity. Additionally, we will be sharing a presentation with each student next week Monday during homerooms. To be clear, the options for requesting a change in grades are not the same as they were at the end of last school year.

On January 19, 2021, students will be starting a new semester at Lombardi. We are planning on another "School Distribution of Materials" on January 19, 20 and 21. More information and times are highlighted in this newsletter.

Scheduling is underway for next year. Proper programming of learning is not only a key to individual success at Lombardi, it has been key to our entire school's success. Please make sure that you and your student have filled out the appropriate Google Forms so we can ensure that proper classes are ready to go for next year. Additionally, all questions can be answered by reaching out to your student's grade level counselor at Lombardi Middle School.

The Lombardi staff is always looking for new and engaging ways to reach each of our students. On January 25, all Lombardi students will be working on a catapult project in their respective homerooms. Materials will be provided by the school and will be distributed through the bags that each of you will be picking up during the week of January 19. In an effort to create a collaborative and engaging virtual environment please consider having a conversation with your student regarding their level of participation with this project as we are always so impressed with the creativity that each of our students possesses.

On Monday, January 11, the GBAPS School Board will be conducting its monthly meeting. As all of you are aware, there are big decisions that are being discussed regarding how and where your student is to be educated. If after the meeting you have specific questions please do not hesitate to reach out to me and I will attempt to provide clarification where possible.

I hope everyone had an enjoyable break and a Happy New Year. I appreciate all of your efforts in partnering with the school and look forward to a successful second semester at Lombardi.

Sincerely,



Lucas Lechnir
Principal

SECOND SEMESTER MATERIALS DISTRIBUTION

Lombardi Middle School will be having another student materials distribution. The distribution will take place on:

Tuesday, January 19 7:30 AM - 3:00 PM
Wednesday, January 20 7:30 AM - 3:00 PM
Thursday, January 21 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Please enter the front driveway from West Point Road and drive up to the front of the building. Have your child's name written on a piece of paper to assist the workers who will retrieve the materials.

If you have books or items that need to be returned to the school, please have those materials in a bag with the student's name and grade marked on the bag. Many 6th grade students were given books to read at the distribution in November. It would be greatly appreciated if the books that students are done with from previous units would be returned. Thank you.

LOMBARDI WAY

Over the past month and a half, students have transitioned from Google Meets as a virtual platform to Zoom. The transition, at first, seemed a bit cumbersome for all involved but within a few days it seemed like teachers and students alike were back to normal in their respective classes. At the time of the transition, we reviewed **online learning expectations and the do's/don'ts of virtual learning**. Students who are regularly present in classes have transitioned easily and seem to be doing well.

As a Lombardi Way Team, we have decided that since January is the start of a new year and the wrap up of the first semester, we want to challenge families to participate in two tasks: First, create new goals with your children (potentially school or health related) that will allow them to positively move forward into the second semester. Second, continue to be diligent in your weekly or biweekly Infinite Campus grade checks prior to the end of the semester, January 15, making sure your son/daughter has worked to receive the grade they are hoping for.

WEDNESDAY SOCIAL ZOOM MEETS

Student Services will continue to offer the opportunity for students to socialize each Wednesday from 9:40 AM to 10:10 AM. On January 13, we will begin using Zoom for these meetings. The links will be available on Lombardi's Student Services website: <https://sites.google.com/gbaps.org/lms-student-services/home> There will be one link for 6th grade students and one link for 7th and 8th grade students. Student Services staff along with Lombardi's Student Learning Advocate, Mr. Niko, and YES Advocate, Mrs. Stevens, will be there each week with fun activities to get students engaged. Please encourage your child to attend!



SCHEDULING FOR 2021-2022

6th & 7th GRADE

In December, current 6th and 7th grade students began the process of scheduling for the 2021-2022 school year. Your child should have registered for classes in their science class. If they have not yet completed their course requests, there are videos and other scheduling materials that can be viewed on our Student Services website: <https://sites.google.com/gbaps.org/lms-student-services/scheduling?authuser=0>

Students are asked to select eight (8) courses and rank them in order of preference. Please know that options five (5) through eight (8) are considered alternate choices to allow for flexibility in scheduling. We encourage parents to be a part of this important process by discussing course options with your child.

If your child did not complete the Google Form to register for classes in science class, please have them go to their Google Classroom for science and find the link posted on December 17. Students who have not completed the form have also received an email from their school counselor with the link to the Google Form. This should be completed no later than Friday, January 15.

If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Grunwaldt (jgrunwaldt@gbaps.org) for 6th grade or Melanie Carrigan (mecarrigan@gbaps.org) for 7th grade.

8th GRADE SCHEDULING FOR HIGH SCHOOL

Our current 8th grade students are scheduling for high school courses. Southwest counselors will be available to students to answer questions during science classes on January 12 and 14.

For more information, please visit the Southwest Career Center website: https://southwest.gbaps.org/students/career_center/scheduling

Contact information for the Southwest Counselors can be found here: https://southwest.gbaps.org/students/career_center



Battle of The Books

Battle of the Books is a fun activity that is done every year across the nation. The Battle of the Books competition revolves around book content knowledge in the form of questions such as *"In which books does the neighbor own a dog named XXX?"* This year, it will be a little different but the Battle will continue! All the middle schools in the Green Bay Area Public School District will be participating together in a unique way. We have picked 12 books for our Battle. We haven't nailed down all the details, but we will let you know soon how teams will be made and how it will all work. In the meantime, talk to your friends about it and here is the list of books . . . so start reading and prepare to battle! **Readers are Leaders!**

<u>Title</u>	<u>Author</u>
Surviving the City	Tasha Spillett & Natasha Donovan
For Every One	Jason Reynolds
The Night Diary	Veera Hiranandani
New Kid	Jerry Craft
Family Game Night and Other Catastrophes	Mary E. Lambert
No Fixed Address	Susin Nielsen
How It Went Down	Kekla Magoon
Zenobia July	Lisa Bunker
This Is Your Brain on Stereotypes	Tanya Lloyd Kyi Drew Shannon
Children of Blood and Bone	Tomi Adeyemi
Ghost	Jason Reynolds
Ghost Boys	Jewell Parker Rhodes



Spelling Bee

Lombardi Middle School hosted its first ever virtual spelling bee. Congratulations to the following winners of the 2020-21 Spelling Bee:

- 1st Place - Donald Long (grade 7)
- 2nd Place - Sara Kamkar (grade 7)
- 3rd Place - Noah Lewis (grade 6)

Donald Long will now advance on to the CESA 7 Green Bay/Kewaunee Regional Spelling Bee in February.

SPARTAN SPORTS



7th Grade Girls Basketball

Virtual Practices - 3:00 PM - Tuesdays & Wednesdays
Contact Coach Dederich at cjdederich1@gbaps.org to join.

8th Grade Girls Basketball

Virtual Practices - 3:00 PM - Tuesdays & Wednesdays
Contact Coach Pasiewicz at ampasiewicz@gbaps.org to join.

6th - 7th - 8th Grade Wrestling

Virtual Practices - 4:00 PM - Wednesdays & Thursdays
Coach Sam Mixon
Contact Amy Hogan at amhogan@gbaps.org to join.



SNOWFLAKE DESIGN CHALLENGE



Lombardi Middle School is a STEAM school. STEAM stands for science, technology, engineering, art and math. During homeroom, students participate in various STEAM learning opportunities. In December, students participated in a snowflake design challenge as part of their STEAM education. Congratulations to the winners of the 2020 Snowflake Design Challenge and thank you to everyone who participated!

Landon Sonderegger	Homeroom - Ms. Couch
Zoe Lukasik	Homeroom - Mr. Short
Casey Huntington	Homeroom - Ms. Yunk
Jonathan Best	Homeroom - Mrs. Joepeck
Evan Leapley	Homeroom - Ms. Leahy



ART CLUB

Art Club will meet on Tuesday, February 2, from 2:45 PM to 3:45 PM. February's project will be paper weights. Students

will need to plan ahead and save a water or drink bottle of some kind for this project.

WELLNESS CORNER

Winterize your exercise. When the weather permits, walking and jogging are great cardio activities year round. When the snow comes and the temperatures drop, cross-country skiing, ice skating and snowshoeing are fun alternatives.

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January 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 New Year's Day Winter Recess School Closed	2
3	4 Day 1 Classes Resume	5 Day 2	6 Homeroom FFA Meeting 7:20 AM	7 Day 1	8 Day 2	9
10	11 Day 1	12 Day 2	13 Homeroom FFA Meeting 7:20 AM Earth Club 12:30 PM	14 Day 1 End of 1 st Semester	15 Teacher Workday School Closed	16
17	18 Martin Luther King Jr. Day School Closed	19 Day 2 Materials Distribution 7:30 AM - 3:00 PM	20 Homeroom Materials Distribution 7:30 AM - 3:00 PM	21 Day 1 Materials Distribution 12:00 PM-6:00 PM	22 Day 2	23
24	25 Day 1	26 Day 2	27 Homeroom FFA Meeting 7:20 AM	28 Day 1	29 Day 2	30
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