

Lineweaver Elementary – TUSD

OMA Gold & Kind School

461 South Bryant Avenue
Tucson, Arizona 85711

July 2021

Dear Lineweaver Families:

Welcome to the new school year! We hope that you have had a safe and enjoyable summer break. Before we know it, the first day of school, August 5th, will be here. In order to prepare you, please see your child's classroom/teacher assignment information enclosed, as well as essential information for a smooth start of the school year.

1. School Communication

Messages and communications from school will be predominantly electronic. Please be sure to maintain current email addresses and phone numbers in Synergy ParentVUE so you receive important Parentlink robocalls and email blasts. Teachers will send information, including supply wish lists, via email. Our teachers will utilize school folders for papers or student work as they see fit.

2. Return to In-Person School Protocols

As we return to in-person learning this year, student and staff health and safety remains a priority. TUSD's COVID Task Force and district leadership worked with input from our Governing Board to update our health and safety protocols. In the coming days, we will share more detailed information about our In-Person plans as they are updated from last year's 4th Quarter Re-Entry plan, which we will send via Parentlink. Please know that our school district plans evolve and we are committed to providing updates as they do. An overview is provided here:

- Masks/face coverings are recommended by CDC and local health agencies, but are not mandated
- Daily disinfecting in all areas with frequent handwashing/hand sanitizing will occur
- Classroom instruction/set-up will have a variety of learning engagement strategies with social distancing to the degree possible
- Students will have scheduled recess and play breaks throughout the day
- Students will eat meals with staggered schedules with social distancing to the degree possible

Parents/guardians who prefer the remote option for their students can register for the Tucson Unified Virtual Academy (TUVVA). For more information about this learning model, please visit <http://www.tusd1.org/tuvak12> or call the office.

3. Meet the Teacher – August 3rd

This is an optional opportunity to visit the classroom and meet your child's teacher before the first day of school. Enter through the exterior gates or the main front office door off of Bryant Ave. School staff will be available at these areas to direct you. Please limit the number of family members you bring. In the coming weeks, we will host Open House and Student Conferences to review learning and specific student progress information. Teachers will also send welcome information electronically. Please adhere to these times:

- 1:15-1:45pm Students with last names A-G
- 2:00-2:30pm Students with last names H-N
- 2:45-3:15pm Students with last names O-Z

4. First Day of School and PTO Event- August 5th

Our Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) is hosting our annual optional "New to LW" parent event in the courtyard from 8:30 to 9:30am. Drop your students off and while they get established in their classroom, parents and guardians are invited to come to the Be Kind courtyard for refreshments and connect with staff and parents.

5. Student Arrival

Playground 8:00 - Lineup Bell 8:30 - Tardy Bell 8:35

Outdoor morning playground supervision begins at 8:00 am. Students shall be dropped off along the curb in front of the gates on Bryant Ave. in the no-parking drop-off zone. If parking is required, there is a lot marked 'Visitor Parking' on Brown Ave. to walk and enter through the exterior gates on Bryant Ave. All other doors are for staff entry only. The bus bay (marked in yellow directly in front of school on Bryant Ave.) is to remain clear of cars at all times.

6. Free Meals

All students can receive free breakfast and lunch. For Title 1 funding purposes that benefit our school, please complete the Free and Reduced lunch application online before August 31st at <http://mealapp.tusd1.org>.

7. Student Dismissal - Bell 2:45 (1:45 Wednesdays)

Dismissal zones will be utilized to streamline foot traffic. Parents/guardians can pick up "valet" curbside, which is located by the gates along Bryant Ave. Please post the enclosed sign in your car's front window to help student identification and quick loading. It is expected that the first few days of school will take more time as we establish this routine; please be patient. If your child walks, they are to exit the building through the exterior doors/gates and use crosswalks at Bryant or Columbus. Parents/guardians will not be allowed access inside the hallways, but can meet their child by walking to the crosswalk gates along Columbus and Bryant and meeting them there. If your child takes a bus or daycare van after school, staff will retrieve them from class and escort them to a designated location. Please make sure you communicate with your child and with your child's teacher about how they will get home before the first day of school.

8. Payment Requested for School Programming

Tax Credit funds help to sustain many of our before and after school activities (sports, clubs, etc). Please consider a \$40 general designation to Undesignated Tax Credit to support these continued opportunities for your child. Payment can be made via check/cash/credit card in person at the front office or contribute online at <http://tusd1.org/Information/Resources/AZ-Tax-Credit>

9. Cub Club Before/After School Program

We are fortunate to have before/after school programming for our families available from 6:30am until school starts and after school until 6pm. This program includes extended academics, hands-on/ physical activities, and more! To get more information about registration and payment, please contact the coordinator, Lupe DeLeon at (520) 251-4273 or email Guadalupe.Deleon@tusd1.org.

10. Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) Volunteers Invited

Lineweaver has an active PTO where parents and guardians can volunteer to contribute to our school. This organization helps make school decisions and strengthens our children's learning and life experience. If you are interested in volunteering on event committees, sharing ideas, or be an elected board member, please email lineweaverpto@gmail.com

We are looking forward to the new school year! Thanks and see you soon.

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