



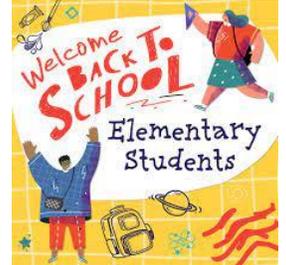
# LOCKVIEW PUBLIC SCHOOL

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## SEPTEMBER 2022 – WELCOME BACK

### Welcome Back Leopards!

Lockview staff extends a warm 'welcome back' to our school community. We hope that everyone enjoyed a happy and relaxing summer! We would like to acknowledge and thank Mrs. Langille and Mrs. Boulton our caretaking team for making our school shine for our first day back! Another thank you goes to our secretarial staff, Ms. Allison and Mrs. Dearborn, for all of their efforts in getting the school up and running. Finally, a big shout out goes to our educational staff who have been working to get their classrooms ready for a new year!



### Informational Videos

Check out our welcome back video! The video will be sent with the newsletter, and it will be posted on our website.

### Kindergarten Students

All students will begin the first day of school. There will be NO staggered entry for our JK students to begin the year.

### Mental Health and Well-Being

An important part we as a staff want to focus on is students' social-emotional learning skills.

We recognize that mental health and well-being is an important factor in student success. Learning to form healthy relationships, maintain physical health, build resilience, have academic engagement, and attain educational achievement are all impacted by mental health and well-being. Students' mental health and well-being is supported in a variety of ways:

- Helping students feel safe and included
- Instilling a sense of belonging and connectedness
- Working with them to feel confident in their identity
- Having students finding their voice and to advocate for themselves

### Student timetable and Curriculum

Each homeroom teacher will provide a 10-day timetable for every student. As always, teachers will be focused on delivering the Ontario Curriculum. The day will be divided into six 50-minute periods with all subjects being taught. The majority of your child's subjects will be taught by their homeroom teacher.

### Parents/Visitors to the Building

At this time, if you would like to meet with any staff at the school, please contact the office to set up an appointment.

### Communication/Agendas

Students in Grades 1-8 will receive an agenda. These agendas are free to students.

### Bell Times

There will be staff supervising before (8:15 - 8:30) and after school (2:50 – 3:05) for 15 minutes. We are moving back to a balanced school day this year. We will have our Primary classes (grade 1-3) eat for the first 20 minutes and our Juniors (grade 4-6) and Intermediates (grade 7-8) will be outside for the first part of the nutrition break. We will switch after 20 minutes. The Juniors and Intermediates will have their nutrition break and the Primaries will have their fitness break.

8:30 a.m.	Entry Bell
8:30 a.m. – 9:20 a.m.	Period 1
9:20 a.m. – 10:10 a.m.	Period 2
10:10-10:30 (20 minutes)	Primary will have their nutrition break Junior to Intermediate will have their fitness break
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10:50 a.m. – 11:40 a.m.	Period 3
11:40 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Period 4
12:30 p.m. – 12:50 p.m.	Primary will have their nutrition break Junior to Intermediate will have their fitness break
12:50 p.m. – 1:10 p.m.	Primary will have their fitness break Junior to Intermediate classes will have their nutrition break
1:10 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Period 5
2:00 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.	Period 6
2:50 p.m.	Dismissal

### Hot lunches

Hot lunches will begin in September. Stay tuned and be sure to sign up for School Cash Online to place your orders. Please call the office directly if you need help with this.

### Morning Entry and Afternoon Dismissal Procedures

- **Kindergarten:** Students will be greeted by staff at the Kindergarten Courtyard gate and staff will accompany students directly into their classrooms. Parents/Guardians will say goodbye at the gate. At the end of the day, all kindergarten students will be dismissed at the same location. (Kindergarten Courtyard).
- **Grades 1-8:** Parents will say goodbye at Lockview’s Kiss and Ride or by either gate to the school yard. Students will be greeted by staff to their outdoor designated class communities (demarked by red lines). Upon dismissal, students will be escorted by their teacher to their outdoor designated class communities for dismissal or to parent(s)/guardian(s) who are waiting at the Kiss & Ride or gate.
- **All Students:** Unfortunately, parents/guardians will not be permitted beyond any gates into any of Lockview’s yards before or after school.
  - A map of Lockview’s outdoor designated class communities can be found on the **Lockview website** at <https://lockview.dsbm.org/>

### Late Arrival Process

We know that there are some mornings that despite best efforts being made, students occasionally arrive late. Students who arrive late will buzz the office at the front doors and wait for a staff member to let the student into the building. Please be aware that entry may take some time depending on the number of students who require entry.

### Collection of Funds and Forms (IMPORTANT)

School Cash Online enables you to:

- use your debit or credit card to make quick and easy payments.
- complete important forms.
- provide permission for school events.

To access the system, click on the “School Cash” button on our school website. **PLEASE NOTE: The usual Welcome Back to School package will be posted on School Cash Online. It contains important forms, such as the DSBN curricular (Physical Classes) Intramural/Athletic Programs- Permission to Participate and the Digital Citizenship Agreement and Information Technology Consent for Elementary Students . Both forms must be completed every year and they must be completed by parents/guardian. You will receive an email notice when they are available. Verification Form** will be sent home the first day/week of school. Please read and update this form. Please complete these forms no later than Friday, September 9.

## Recording Your Child’s Absence

**REPORTING YOUR CHILD'S ABSENCE**

Whether it's an illness, a medical appointment or other important event, there are times when students may need to be away from school. The District School Board of Niagara is introducing a new method for parents to report their child(ren)'s absences. Using the Safe Arrival system, parents will be able to report daily absences, and even schedule absences in one of three ways:

- Call toll-free before bell time:**  
**1-866-606-5567**
- Logging on to the web portal by clicking here.** Using this website, you can set up your account to report and schedule absences.  
[LOGIN](#)
- Using your smart phone or tablet.** Simply download the SchoolMessenger app. The app is compatible with both Apple and Android devices.  
[IPHONE](#) [ANDROID](#)

## School Supplies

We would like to ask that your child(ren) bring the following each day:

- nut free snack
- nut free lunch
- refillable water bottle
- indoor shoes
- headphones (optional: mouse)

Back to school shopping is always a fun activity that students and parents/guardians alike enjoy. As always, you are welcome to do this. However, the school will provide all necessary materials.

## Days of Significance

The Niagara Region is growing more diverse in creed and/or religious beliefs and practices. The District School Board of Niagara (DSBN) is committed to fostering diverse, equitable, and inclusive learning and working environments that promote acceptance and protect individuals from discrimination and harassment based on the protected grounds under the Ontario Human Rights Code. Creed and/or religion is one of the grounds that is both an individual right and a collective responsibility. The DSBN recognizes and embraces the creed diversity represented in its students, staff, and community members.

As we start our school year, we invite you to share with us your family’s most significant creed-based holiday(s). We will work together through the accommodation request process, Lockview recognizes the importance of families celebrating their creed and/or religious beliefs and practices.

The DSBN has created a [Family Guide: Recognizing and Respecting Creed Diversity](#) to support families in requesting accommodations. This guide has also been translated into the following languages; Arabic, French, Hungarian, Korean, Mandarin, Spanish, Urdu and Vietnamese, which can be viewed on the [DSBN Equity webpage](#). For a list of Days of Significance, please refer to the [Days of Significance Calendar](#).

Please email directly at [Rosemary.Findlay@dsbn.org](mailto:Rosemary.Findlay@dsbn.org) or [Shanna.Steenhuis@dsbn.org](mailto:Shanna.Steenhuis@dsbn.org) to share your days of significance with us.

### Library Returns

Please return all library books that were borrowed from the school last school year as soon as possible.

### Fill Station/ Water Fountain

Water bottle fill stations are open. Students are encouraged to bring a refillable water bottle (labelled) to access our fill station.

### DSBN Dress Code

Everyone has their own unique style and aesthetic. We celebrate students' individuality and respect their ability to express themselves. Our only expectation is that all students come to school dressed appropriately for a learning environment. When deciding on what clothes your child will wear, we ask that all members of our school community are mindful of:

- Health and safety considerations
- The dignity and well-being of all students and staff (i.e., clothing that is free of inappropriate or discriminatory imagery or wording)

### Prevalent Medical Conditions

If you have a child with a prevalent medical condition (Anaphylaxis, Asthma, Diabetes, and/or Epilepsy or others) we want to make sure we have a current Plan of Care to support your child. All parents of children with prevalent medical conditions are asked to fill out the new Plan of Care and submit to the school.

These were sent via email Aug 29-30 to parents of students with existing prevalent medical conditions. You can download the forms at <https://www.dsbnschools.org/prevalent-medical-conditions>

For more information, please contact the school. Please return to the school by September 9.

### Concussions

The DSBN has a concussion policy and procedure to support proper prevention, identification, management, and return to learn strategies. The DSBN engages in concussion education in a variety of ways, including recognizing Rowan's Law Day commemorated on the last Wednesday in September to raise awareness about concussions. If your child has sustained a suspected or actual concussion while not at school, please contact the school.

### Special Education

Special education supports and programs are responsive to the strengths and needs of each student ensuring a successful learning environment for all. This includes meeting their needs as outlined in the accommodations and modifications in their Individual Educational Plan (I.E.P.). Working together and collaborating with parents/guardians as a team to support our students is essential to achieving success. For more information, please contact your child's homeroom teacher and/or the Learning Resource Teacher.

### Use of Technology for Learning

To enhance the learning and empowerment of our students and maintain an effective and safe electronic learning environment, the DSBN requires that all students follow the rules and responsible use of technology as stated in the Digital Citizenship Agreement (posted in School Cash Online) for both parents and students at the beginning of the school year. Students who choose to bring a device do so at their own risk and must accept responsibility for its care. We will not be held responsible for damage, loss or theft. ***\*Devices are to be placed in backpacks upon arrival on school property and kept in backpacks during the day. If parents/guardians need to contact their child throughout the day, please contact the office.***

### Transportation

We strongly encourage all students to get into their routine right from the first day of school.

In August, Niagara Student Transportation Services (NSTS) posted specific back to school transportation arrangements for each student enrolled at the school.

Please visit [www.nsts.ca](http://www.nsts.ca) and sign-in to the secure parent portal to get your child's student transportation information. To sign-in to the portal you will need your child's Ontario Education Number (OEN) which can be found on their report card.

**Changes to home, pick-up and/or drop-off addresses must be made through your child's school.**

Please contact your school or NSTS if you have questions regarding your child's transportation.

### Staff Introductions



Sharon Schell, Instructional Coach



Alex McGrath, student teacher in Yellow Team

### Inclement Weather

We continue to ask students to dress appropriately for the weather (e.g., rain boots and a rain jacket). There may be times during the school year where inclement weather or other situations could cause transportation cancellations or school closures. Information about transportation cancellations and school closures will be available through the following channels:

- The fastest way to find out [www.dsbns.org](http://www.dsbns.org) or [www.nsts.ca](http://www.nsts.ca), DSBN Facebook or Twitter, NSTS Message or your local radio and television stations.

**\*Please ensure you are signed up with the Lockview Remind App. Important information will be shared throughout the school year.**

Lockview information can be found at <https://lockview.dsbns.org/>

Follow the amazing learning at our school on **Twitter @LockviewDSBN**

We look forward to working with students, families and the community to ensure the success of all of our students. We are better together! Looking forward to a great 2022-23 school year!

Sincerely,

Miss Rosemary Findlay, Principal  
Mrs. Shanna Steenhuis, Vice-Principal