# Dear North Lake Families,

I look forward to welcoming everyone back for the 2024-2025 school year. On behalf of the North Lake School Board, I thank you for your trust and support of the North Lake School staff. North Lake School was ranked #1 in the state, and we will continue to provide the high-quality education that our North Lake School Community expects. I am honored to serve as your leader for my 10th year and am here to ensure a positive school year for your child.



## 2024-2025 SCHOOL CORE VALUE & THEME

The 2024-2025 school year core value is: "CONFIDENCE". "We are not afraid of failure because we learn from it. We will accomplish our goals because of our ability to persevere."

The school theme which expresses the core value in child friendly terms is: "**FORWARD**." The North Lake School District is moving forward with the financial confidence of a successful referendum and a historical celebration of its 110th birthday!

## **NEW 2024-2025 SKYWARD ONLINE REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS**

New this year is the Skyward Online Registration! You will NOT be receiving a registration packet in the mail. Everything you need to register is included in this email and Skyward. To complete the online registration, you must have access to a computer and printer, not a cell phone. The online registration window begins Monday, July 29th and will close Monday, August 12th.

Parents/Guardians MUST login to Skyward to access the Student Registration tile in the Family Access Portal for each student in the family. Follow all of the instructions located within the Skyward Online Registration. After your registration is complete, you may pay online (similar to lunch payments) or bring a separate check or cash on Registration Day to avoid online service fees.

## 8/21/2024 REGISTRATION DAY with OPEN HOUSE & COMMUNITY EVENT

The NLS office will be ready to greet you in the MPR for Registration Day on **Wednesday**, **August 21st** from **3:00 - 6:00 p.m.** There will also be an Open House with teaching staff in classrooms. The Open House is a nice opportunity for students to meet their teachers and store school supplies in lockers.

This year's Community Event will be the Center Oak 4-H Club sponsored PETTING ZOO! Look for the fun in the school's front yard (east of Door A).



# In-Person Registration Day To-Do List:

- Student pictures will be taken at registration and orders may be placed online through Empire Photography (Click here for EMPIRE PHOTOGRAPHY link).
- Contract and Registration Fee form, and any additional forms such as medication authorization, physicals, etc. which are contained within the Skyward Online Registration and must be printed out, completed, and returned on Registration Day.
- Remember to bring any necessary student medications and forms when speaking with the health room attendant.
- Please note that 4K registration is handled through Lake Country Kindergarten.
- You will receive your child's homeroom, bus route information, and extracurricular sign-ups. You may also purchase hot lunches for the school year (a separate check from the fees or submit online).
- We will register new families with our visitor management system: Raptor. Parents, you will need your driver's license at registration for Raptor.

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# FESTIVE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL KICK-OFF

The first day of school is Tuesday, September 3rd. We will meet as a Great K-8 in the Big Gym at 7:30 a.m. to kick off the new year with style. Students will sit in the bleachers with their homeroom teachers. Parents are welcome to attend and may be seated in the blue chairs on the gym floor. The Kick-Off will last approximately 20 minutes.

In closing, this 2024-2025 Student/Parent Handbook is a clear, consistent resource for the basic policies and procedures at North Lake School. As always, please do not hesitate to contact the office for additional information or follow up questions.

Sincerely,

Dr. Liesl R. Ackley

Superintendent & Principal

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