

École Saint-Landry

Le journal des lions

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Portes ouvertes

We had such a great turn out for our Portes ouvertes! Schools in SLP usually count on about 20% of parents showing up for an open house. You know how many of y'all came? 76%! Way to be on top of your child's education! Give yourself a pat on the back for being an awesome parent.

And most of you signed up for the PTO. We are so excited to be working with such dedicated parents!



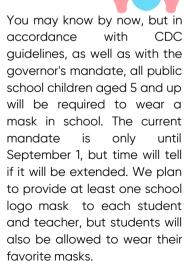
La rentrée

You should have received an email from Madame Smythe last week about our official start date. Our first day of school will be this Wednesday, August 18th.



Classes will begin at 8:15 a.m. and end at 3:35 p.m. for after school dismissal to buses and parent pick-up.

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Drop-Off and Pick-Up Policy for Car Riders

Drop-Off

Our morning bus room opens at 8:00 a.m. Any student dropped off at school earlier will be admitted to our Lion Care program and parents will be responsible for the \$5 fee.

We will begin after school pick-up at approximately 3:35 p.m. For safety reasons, please do not line up earlier than 3:30 p.m.



We do not yet have a school circle to pull through, so please pay close attention to these procedures.

- Approach the school from the south side, facing north.
- Pull onto the shoulder of the road (facing north) and well over the white line to avoid blocking traffic. You will NOT be allowed to drop off your children on the opposite side of the road.
- Put your car in PARK and then allow your child to get out. Do not move from that parked position until you are directed to do so by our staff.
- Allow your child to get out of the RIGHT side ONLY of the car. You are not allowed to exit your vehicle. Practice unbuckling and buckling seatbelts at home before school starts.
- Remind your child to NEVER go back to the car if he or she has forgotten or dropped something. Often, drivers are unable to see children who run back toward cars.

Pick-Up

We will provide each family with one pick-up pass at our Portes Ouvertes. If you need more passes, you can print them at home. Please let us know and we will email your pass to you. The pass must be hung on your rearview mirror so it is visible to our staff.

A staff member will be outside to communicate with your child(ren)'s homeroom teacher for them to be dismissed. Please do not leave your vehicle to pick up your children.

 Place parent pick-up pass provided to you on your rearview mirror with the printed side facing out. For security purposes, it is essential



that all cars use our official parent pick-up pass. Do not allow people who are not permitted to pick up your child to use or copy the pass.

- Approach the school from the south side, facing north.
- Line up single file (facing north) along the shoulder of Hwy 182 just before the school's driveway. Please be sure to pull over and cross the white line of the highway to not block traffic. The driveway will be blocked. Please do not attempt to enter the driveway. Please do not block any driveways.
- A staff member will direct you to pull forward.
 When it is your turn, put your car in PARK. We
 will then allow your child to enter the RIGHT
 side of your vehicle. If your child needs help
 buckling up, a staff member will be there to
 assist. Please do not exit your vehicle.

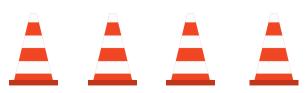
Drop-Off and Pick-Up Policy for Car Riders (Continued)



With proper flow, five to six vehicles will be processed along the side of the highway and the students will be dismissed. Once those vehicles leave, the next round will be parked to continue student dismissal.

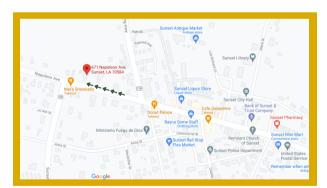
Your parent pick-up pass must be displayed. If you do not have a parent pick-up pass, you will be asked to park, enter the office, and show your ID. We'll then call the contact numbers we have in our system for your child. If you or any of your emergency contacts change phone numbers, please let us know so we can keep our system updated.

If you plan on someone else picking up your child, please notify the school in advance IN WRITING via email to info@ecolestlandry.org. If the person is not on your pick-up list, he/she will have to park and come into the office and show ID, as well as a written note or text message from a phone number matching that of the child's primary parent/guardian, and we will call you to confirm. There can not be too many measures in place to protect the safety of our children.



Safety Rules:

- By LAW, the use of cell phones is prohibited inside a school zone and while operating a motor vehicle.
- By LAW, you are not allowed to block driveways.
- Always approach the school facing north, with the building to your right. If you drive in from the north, you will have to turn around in town so you can drop off your child on the correct side of the road.
- Do not park in either lane of traffic. If you need to park, you should wait your turn and explain that to an employee on duty. Please be aware that due to our unique circumstances for parent pick-up/drop-off, you may not be able to easily leave our parking lot once allowed in.
- · Listen to school personnel for directions.
- Always be on the lookout for others.



How to display your pass:

You may clothespin it to a coat hanger to hang over your rearview mirror. You may use sticky tack to stick it to the middle of your windshield. You may use yarn or string to hang it over your rearview mirror. You may use a clothespin to attach it to your rearview mirror. Whatever works for you is fine for us, but please make sure that it is easily visible to our staff from a distance.

Informations COVID-19

We know you are concerned about your children, whether it's about them wearing masks or about them not wearing masks. This is a crazy and sometimes scary world we've been living in, and we need to provide the safest, most comfortable, trusting, secure environment for your children because that's what kids need to excel in school.

In order to do this, we need to you to work with us as a team. If your child is sick, please do not send him or her to school.

We have been briefed by our school nurse on how to handle sick children and suspected coronavirus infection. If your child is in class and has one of the following symptoms:

- Fever higher of 100.4° or higher
- Cough
- · Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing

Or two of the following symptoms:

Chills

- Muscle or body aches
- Congestion/runny nose
- Severe abdominal pain
- Cough
- Active diarrhea
- · Active vomiting or nausea · Sore throat
- Fatique (tiredness)
- Unexplained rash
- Headache

he or she will be removed from class, placed in isolation under the supervision administrator, and you will be called to come pick him or her up. He or she will be sent home with the Illness Screening Form provided by the Saint Landry Parish Schoolboard which must be completed by a doctor before he or she can return to school.

If your child is sick and you keep him/her home, please monitor him/her. If after 24 hours your child is not better, he/she needs to see a doctor. If symptoms are controlled with over-the-counter medicines, please wait until 24 hours after the last fever without the use of OTC medication before you send him/her back to school.

If your child has a chronic condition like allergies, asthma, etc. and coughing, difficulty breathing, or other COVID-related symptoms are normal for him or her, please provide a note from a doctor so we (and you) will not have to go through the isolation and Illness Screening Form unless your child's teacher has greater cause for concern.

Children who have to be isolated will not be allowed to ride the bus.

In the case of a positive case in our school, all parents will be notified by text message and email within 48 hours of the child being isolated. Children who were in close contact to the affected child will be sent home to guarantine ten days.

School Photos



Individual school portraits will be taken at school on Wednesday, September 22, 2021. This will be a free dress day, so your children can come to school wearing their favorite nice clothes. You will receive pre-pay order forms around the first week of September.

These photos will be printed on your child's student ID card, as well as in our yearbook.

Group shots will be taken in early 2022 and the students will be wearing their uniforms for those.



Parent question:

Saint Landry Parish has already decided to have children coming different days of the week. How will ESL function?

Parent question:
I can't find hunter green shirts for my child! Where can I get them?

Because of the small size of our school, we are lucky to be able to remain open to all our children every day. As long as the buses are running, your child should be coming to school.

Yes, a lot of factories that are supplying our retailers have low stock due to COVID closures. If you absolutely can't find a hunter green shirt by Wednesday, you may send your child in a white or navy blue shirt until you can get the hunter green. We also just got word that Young Fashions, 2722 Kaliste Saloom, has hunter green polos in XS, S, and M.

Amazon Smile

Did you know you can donate to the school at no cost to you? If you sign up to use Amazon Smile, they will automatically donate 0.5% of your eliaible purchases to École Saint-Landry.

How can you participate?

- Go to our direct link.
- From there, you'll log on to your account and select YES. If you don't have an account, you'll be prompted to make one.
- A head's up: our official non-profit name (made way back in 2016) is Sunset French Immersion School, Inc. so if you see that, not to worry -- we promise, it's us!
- One catch: If you have Amazon saved as a bookmark on your computer or an app on your phone, you need to change it to smile.amazon.com or donations will not be sent to us.

 You'll know you've done it right when you see the image below on the top left each time you sign on:



There's also a <u>wish list for the school here</u>, if you're a regular Amazon shopper and would like to help out.



Useful French Phrases

Je ne me sens pas bien.

I don't feel well.

Je ne comprends pas.

I don't understand.

Aide-moi.

Help me.

Please help your child to learn a few phrases in French. You might want to refer to <u>our first newsletter</u> for more basics that will help him/her get settled the first week of school.

MON CALENDRIER DE LA SEMAINE DU

16 AU 20 AOÛT 2021

<u>lundi</u>

Portes ouvertes à l'école Meet & Greet at school
1:00 p.m. or 5:30 p.m.

<u>mardi</u>

<u>mercredi</u>

Cest la rentrée!
 It's the first day of school!

Mon petit déjeuner: Breakfast on the Go Choice, Fruit Choice, Milk Choice

Mon déjeuner: Pepperoni Pizza, French Fries, Steamed Corn, Watermelon, Can Fruit Choice, Condiments. Milk Choice

<u>jeudi</u>

Mon petit déjeuner: Breakfast on the Go Choice, Fruit Choice, Milk Choice

Mon déjeuner: Baked Chicken, Mashed Potato w Gravy, Green Beans, Mixed Fruit, Fresh Fruit Choice, Wholegrain Roll, Milk Choice

<u>vendredi</u>

Mon petit déjeuner: Honey Bun, Fruit Choice, Fruit Juice, Milk Choice

Mon déjeuner: Chili Cheese Dog, French Fries, Baked Beans, Fresh Pear Halve, Can Fruit Choice, Condiments, Milk Choice

