



DESTINATION: GREATNESS
your journey continues here

Community Team Meeting: Cary

Time: 7:30pm



Purpose of LSA Community Teams

- **Essential Agreements**

Introduction Activity

- **Topic - Parents/Guardians Role in School Safety**

Discussion Topic: School Community Events

- **What type of events would be of interest to LSA families?**

Share Community Team Announcements and Celebrations for School Newsletter



LSA Community Teams

Mission: Connect the Community

LSA Community Team Leader Role and Responsibilities:

Direct Contact and Community Representative - marian.ingham@longleafschool.com

Hosts and Facilitates Discussions - LSA Community Team meetings are held once per month online via Zoom for families to **Connect, Congregate, and Celebrate** by sharing feedback on topics impacting LSA

Provide School Information -Announce school events and encourage participation

Collect Team Announcements - Information will be shared in the school newsletter

Attend Head of School Meetings - Share questions, comments, and suggestions gathered from community meetings or email messages and convey responses

Meeting Essential Agreements



1. Be Courteous and Respectful of all Contributors
2. Maintain Confidentiality
3. Keep Comments Brief to Allow Others to Share
4. Turn Negative Statements into Positive Suggestions
5. Enjoy Building Relationships - **Connect, Congregate, and Celebrate**
Together!

... continued from last Cary CTM ...

ACT & SAT

- ❖ Mrs. Babb (testing coordinator) will send out information closer to February re: ACTs
- ❖ ACT is required to be taken in LSA campus
- ❖ Mrs. Williams will be touching base with the counselors re: sending out SAT info.
 - Contact the counselors with any questions you have re: ACTs and SATs
- ❖ SATs are taken off campus
 - Dates for the SAT are same across the nation
 - www.collegeboard.com

Community Service Activities/Hours

- Looking into bring service activities on site
 - Challenge: age restrictions / Having a certain # of volunteers
- LSA website for volunteer ideas/info/links
 -  'Students',  'Community Service Requirements and Ideas'

www.oakcitycares.org Oak City Cares is a public-private partnership that exists to support the self-determination of our neighbors experiencing homelessness through trusting relationships and connections to coordinated services that increase their ability to be safely and stably housed. Located in Raleigh. Started in 2019.

<http://goathouserefuge.org> GoatHouse Refuge is a no-kill shelter that serves two important roles: a stopover for cats on their way to permanent homes, and a permanent shelter for cats that just need a place they can call their own. 16 & older can volunteer, under 16 must be with a parent/guardian. Located in Pittsboro

<https://spcawake.org/get-involved/volunteer/> Our mission is to transform the lives of pets and people through protection, care, education, and adoption. Our vision is to create a humane community. Under 18 can volunteer with a parent/guardian. Located in Raleigh.

Advisory (AKA: Flextime Manager):

- ★ Time where professionals/companies come to speak with students regarding professions in the Arts
 - In-person / online
 - Need to bounce back from pandemic
 - Often a fee related
 - Contact Mrs. Williams or a CTL if you or you know someone that would be a worthwhile speaker for the LSA students.

Unified Activities Calendar

- ❑ Coming soon!
- ❑ For info on specific clubs contact the club advisor or another club member (dates/times can vary)

Productions/Concerts

- ❑ LSA is waiting on a grant approval for "real" streaming equipment.
- ❑ Goal is to stream ALL productions
 - ❑ Black Box Theater is small
 - ❑ All depts working on bouncing back
 - ❑ Looking into selling tickets for live streaming performances.

Introduction Activity

Safety Assignment

Share one tip your family uses to stay safe online, in public, while driving, with friends, or at school.

OR

What would you like to do with your family to be reminded of ways to be safe?

**SAFETY
FIRST**

Topic - Parents/Guardians Role in School Safety

How can LSA parents/guardians help keep LSA safe?

- Encourage students to take responsibility for their part in maintaining safe school environments, including student participation in safety planning.
 - ◆ *See Something, Say Something*

- Remind students of the importance of resisting peer pressure to act irresponsibly.
- Make sure you are connected to receive calls and messages from the school.
 - ◆ *This is how information would be sent in the event of an emergency.*

- Know if your child's friends have access to guns. Keep any guns in your home locked up and away from children of all ages.
- Focus on building resilience and coping skills to manage disappointments.
- Help your child be comfortable seeking help from a trusted staff member.

Email to community from Mrs. Williams: School Safety Response (12/9/2021)

- Longleaf School of the Arts is located across the street from Wake Tech Community College. This is the public safety education campus. <https://www.waketech.edu/about-wake-tech/campuses-centers/public-safety-education-campus>
- Police officers from all over the state attend training on a regular basis. I have met twice this year with their campus police: Sergeant Wyatt Cumbo. We have this community support because we do not currently have a School Resource Officer (SRO). During the meetings we discuss any pertinent information that may be new that could impact campus safety. Due to the recent shooting we will be meeting, again, before the holiday break.
- Teachers are trained, annually, at the beginning of each school year. We have a drill twice per year. This presentation is shared with our students at the beginning of the school year and before the drills.
- Our school does have a threat assessment. However, I typically report all school threats to the Raleigh Police Department regardless of the threat level.
- Reports from students and staff are investigated if a student draws inappropriate, offensive, or threatening art. Our school uses See Something, Say Something. All students were trained on when and how to use it at the beginning of the school year. Students report suspicious behavior and school rule violations without prompting.
- We also have a system that will inform the school of inappropriate internet searches. Our Director of IT can access and download a report to determine what website a student has researched and visited if we need access to that type of information. I also complete a search if I have reason to believe a student is at risk of harming themselves or others.
- We have a responsive and communicative school environment. Our Counselors and EC Department work with staff in order to make sure we are meeting the needs of our students. Longleaf is a small community. This allows us to have the personnel to take the time to address high to medium level priority items with urgency. We really do not consider any concerns "low priority". We try our best to respond daily to any need that may arise.
- Mental Health evaluations can be required for reentry to school. This is not optional at Longleaf. Law Enforcement and/or Child Protective Services WILL be called in the event that a parent/guardian refuses to pick up their child from school for an evaluation where exhibited behaviors are deemed as a threat.
- Please know, school safety is and will always be a high priority at Longleaf School of the Arts. Please let me know if you have any further questions or comments. We really appreciate your support!

Community Team Meeting Dates

12/20 - 12/31: No School (*winter break*)

1/11 - 1/14: Mid-Term Exams (*1/14 Last Day of Quarter*)

1/13 Cary Community Team Meeting @7:30 pm

1/17 No School (*Martin Luther King Jr.*)

1/18 No School (*TWD*)

2021/2022 Longleaf Calendar

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| Holiday/Vacation |
| First/Last day |
| Exams |
| Teacher workday |
| last day of the quarter |

| Inclement Weather Days | |
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| Quarter 1 | 9/7, 10/8, 10/11 |
| Quarter 2 | 11/22, 11/23, 11/29 |
| Quarter 3 | 2/18, 2/21, 3/10, 3/11 |
| Quarter 4 | 4/18, |
| Days will be made up in the order listed for any days missed during that quarter. | |
| *On weather days, admin may choose asynchronous engagement prior to using inclement days | |

Announcements and Celebrations!

- Please share anything you would like announced to the entire school community in the next newsletter/communication.

- How would you like to see Longleaf grow?

