

**Latta Middle School**  
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August 12, 2020

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

As we continue to prepare for the 2020-2021 school year, I wanted to provide you all with some more information to make sure each of you are satisfied with the decision that you made for your child's education and to make sure you fully understand the option that you chose.

I have enclosed a schedule for you to view along with some detailed information about our Virtual Model and our Face-to-Face Model (student attends school 2 days per week). Please read the explanation of each model and make sure that you are satisfied with the model that you chose. As a reminder, I am including the model that your child is registered for below:

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Model:           Virtual           Monday/Wednesday Face-to-Face   Tuesday/Thursday Face-to-Face**

Regardless of the model you chose, there is a schedule provided for each student when he/she is working at home. It is very important that our students have a daily routine.

On Sunday, March 15, we were all shocked to hear that our schools would be closed with no time to prepare, and we certainly did not expect it to last through the end of the school year. The work that was sent home was quality work to keep our students' brains working; however, there was not much structure attached with that because everything happened so fast. Now that we have had more time to prepare for this upcoming year, we want to provide each student a structured routine and schedule while they work at home just as if they were in our school building.

Communication is always important, but it will be crucial throughout this school year for all of our students. Our teachers will check in with you and/or your child *each day* whether they are at school or at home. Communication may be through email, by phone, or through Google Meet which is a live virtual meeting. Teachers will be available to assist with questions or any problems that students may be having. Everyone at LMS is ready to help and support our students in every way that we can.

Please be sure to review both models, and contact the school if you would like to make any changes to your child's schedule. Our office is open Monday-Thursday from 8:00-4:00. You may call our office (843-752-7117) or email our guidance counselor, Virginia Melton ([jenny.melton@lattavikings.com](mailto:jenny.melton@lattavikings.com)). **We need to hear from you no later than Monday, August 24<sup>th</sup>**. If we do not hear from you, we will assume that you are satisfied with your decision and will proceed with the schedule.

While I know this school year will be unique and somewhat challenging, I am looking forward to getting back on track. Let's show that Latta Pride and make this a fantastic year to remember! 😊 Please see the back of this letter for your child's supply list.

Sincerely,

Stephanie J. Ard, Principal  
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