



August 3, 2022
Dear NLSD 122 Families,

The NLSD 122 staff is beyond excited to welcome you to the 2022-2023 school year! The District theme this school year is “Find Your Spark”. A “spark” is defined as a skill, talent, or interest that an individual finds deeply motivating. Research tells us that young people who find joy and energy from their spark and have adults that support their spark are significantly more likely to do well in school, be more engaged, and be more hopeful about the future. We ask our school community to join us in encouraging our students to find their spark! Below are a few important details regarding the upcoming school year:

- Due to the number of students registering on a daily basis, teacher assignments and bus routes are not finalized until the dates listed below. Please do not rely on sources other than the official information listed below to view your child’s teacher assignment/bus information.
- The principals will email building updates for the 2022-2023 school year on Monday, August 8.
- Teacher assignments will be available in PowerSchool on Wed., August 10, after 10:00 AM.
- Transportation information will be available in PowerSchool on Wed., August 17, after 10:00 AM.
- The Lincoln-Way 210 Transportation Department is in the process of creating efficient bus routes. Thank you to the families who assisted with this process by choosing their child’s mode of transportation in PowerSchool. **If you did not choose your child’s mode of transportation via PowerSchool**, your child will be assigned a bus route by default. There is no need to notify the school if your child is going to be a bus rider. However, **for those who have not chosen car rider in PowerSchool** and would like their child to be a car rider, please notify the school as soon as possible.
- Students who use 843 Transportation will receive an email next week with pick up/drop off details.
- The National School Lunch Program is resuming normal operations for the ’22-’23 school year. Students may qualify for free or reduced lunches. Here is the [link](#) with information regarding qualification. For those who do not qualify, the school lunch will be \$3.75 per lunch (milk included). The first order form for the 22-23 school year will be sent to all parents the week of August 8th.
- August 18: Find Your Way Day (Grades 1-8)
 - Buildings will be open from 3 PM – 7 PM for students to find their classroom and drop off school supplies. Teachers will not be in attendance on this day.
- August 24:
 - First Day of School for grades 1-8/Orientation Day (students and parents attend) for Cherry Hill/Spencer Trail
- August 25: First Day of School for Cherry Hill/Spencer Trail
- **MARK YOUR CALENDARS: PTO Back To School Bash has been rescheduled due to weather to September 27 from 5-8**

With our focus on bringing families back into our schools, we encourage everyone to attend the numerous school events we have planned. We have a remarkable school community and look forward to partnering with you for a successful school year!

Sincerely,
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Superintendent