



Dear Lake Wales Charter School Families,

Our staff has been closely monitoring Hurricane Milton. We are tracking the storm's path and consulting with Polk County Emergency Management. Based on the most current forecast, we do not expect a significant impact in our area on Monday. **Consequently, all Lake Wales Charter Schools will be closed from October 7th through Thursday, October 10th. The Central Office will remain open during regular hours on Monday, October 7th, and Tuesday, October 8th, until noon.**

However, in light of the approaching storm, we will cancel or reschedule all after-school programs and sports activities. We encourage you to contact your child's school directly for specific information about rescheduled events.

Our commitment to the safety of our students and staff drives this decision. Again, our schools will be closed on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

We will continue working closely with emergency management personnel to monitor weather forecasts and this storm's impact on our community and state.

No decision has been made regarding Friday's operations at this time. We plan to resume normal operations after assessing our schools' ability to re-open.

We understand that the decision to close schools significantly impacts the lives of our students, employees, and their families. We greatly appreciate your understanding and patience as we navigate these circumstances together. For any official announcements or updates, please stay tuned for communications via automated phone calls, emails, our website, and social media accounts.

As always, your safety is our top priority. We encourage you to prepare adequately and ensure your family is ready for any weather-related challenges.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation. Please stay safe.

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