

The Nautilus Waves

(Check out our Web Site @ <https://nautilus.lhusd.org>)

For your child's safety, remember there is no playground supervision before 7:45am.
The Spanish version of the Nautilus Waves is available upon request.

August, 2022

Message from the Principal

Hello, my name is Shannon Williams and I am very excited to be Principal at Nautilus Elementary for the upcoming 2022-2023 school year. I have been the Vice Principal at Lake Havasu High School for the last four years. Thirty years ago this month, I moved from ND to start my educational career as a Kindergarten teacher right here at Nautilus. I feel like I have made a full circle and have come home. Nautilus has always had a special place in my heart, and I'm beyond excited to be back with the Nautilus Dolphin families.

Important dates at Nautilus

Aug. 4.....	Back to School Kindergarten 5:30-6:00 Grades 1-6 6:00-7:00 pm
Aug. 8.....	First day all Students
Aug. 11, 18 & 25...	Early Release @ 1:00 pm
Aug. 31.....	Progress Reports

Important Information:

- School Hours: 8:00-2:30 PM
- Breakfast Times: 7:30-7:50 AM
- Perimeter Gates Open: 7:30 AM
- First Bell Rings: 7:55 AM
- Tardy if arriving in the classroom after 8:00 AM.
- Please send your student to school with a water bottle. (Water ONLY) We now have 2 water bottle fillers on campus so students can refill throughout the day with filtered water. THANK YOU PTSO!
- If you need to place money on your child's lunch account, visit this website link for further directions:
<https://www.lhusd.org/childnutrition>

Security:

At Nautilus we take the security of our students and staff very seriously. Therefore we are a closed campus.

- Students ONLY will be allowed to enter the school grounds in the morning through the gate located by the basketball courts. (Kindergarten parents will be allowed to walk their student to class the first week only)
- We ask that you refrain from coming into the front office to wait for your child after school. Please wait in your car. Students will meet you outside in front of the school after the 2:30 bell rings.
- All visitors on campus must come through the front office and sign in. We ask that you do not go into the classrooms without an appointment and a visitor's badge.

Volunteers:

Volunteers are welcome and essential to enhancing the education of our students. If you are interested in being a volunteer please get an application from the front office. Once cleared, you will be given a badge, which must be worn at all times while on campus.

Dress Code

- School shirts can be purchased in the front office for \$5.00
- Thursdays – “Dolphin Days” students can wear the blue dolphin shirt
- Fridays – “Purple Shirt Fridays” students can wear the purple game day shirts sold by LHHS Booster Club
- Shorts and skirts must be fingertip length. This means that when standing up straight, hands at sides, the hem is at the edge of the fingertips.
- All bottoms should be free of rips, holes, tears, or frays above the knee.

The dress code will be enforced and students will be required to change if they do not follow the district dress code policy.

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Back to School

Back to school night for the 2022-2023 School Year will be on August 4, 2022. Ms. Gibbs and Mrs. Batson will be hosting Kindergarten at 5:30 and Grades 1-6th, will be hosted from 6:00-7:00.

This is an important opportunity for our Dolphins and their families as our teachers share about the year. Please plan to attend.

Please view our monthly newsletter on our website

<https://nautilus.lhusd.org>

Parents can check Synergy and look up weekly grades.

Please see Mrs. DeMauro in the office for assistance.

Thank you in advance for your continued support and cooperation. As always, thank you for the opportunity to be a part of your child's life.

FREE MEALS UPDATE

*The USDA program that was in place last year for free breakfast and lunch meals expired June 30, 2022. **In order to receive Free & Reduced Meals for the 2022-23 school year, families should apply online starting July 8th.***

ONLINE APPLICATIONS

We encourage every LHUSD family to complete an application for Free or Reduced Price Meals. Not only does this help us identify families in need of assistance, it also allows the District to receive federal dollars for classroom programming as we are a Title One school. You can submit a meal application through the Titan Family Portal (<https://family.titank12.com>) for the current school year - without having to sign up for meal payments.



NAUTILUS ELEMENTARY is offering a fun way to express your child's birthday! For \$1 a day or \$5.00 for the week, a personal birthday message will be displayed on our marquee outside the school entrance. Please call the front office or contact your teacher for more information.

HEALTH OFFICE MESSAGE

I would like to welcome everyone back to school and hope you had a safe and happy summer break. Students will not be allowed to attend school if we do not have proof that their immunizations are current. If your student is missing immunizations and you have an appointment, let the nurse know the date of the appointment and your student may attend until the appointment. Then the nurse needs proof of the immunization to return.

When a student turns 11 years old, they are due for two more immunizations, a Tetanus shot and a Meningococcal shot (Tdap and MCV4). These are due within two weeks of the student's birthday.

Please call the nurse with your appointment date and when completed bring proof of the immunizations to the school.

The School Districts' rules for COVID now follow the CDC guidelines. You should have already received that new information. If you have any questions, you may call the nurse at 928-505-6062.

Student Drop-Off and Pick-Up

The student drop-off and pick-up system at Nautilus is effective and safe when everyone follows the procedures!

The following are some "tips" to use the system more effectively!

- Please drop off students at the green curb at ANY point where you have stopped. Do not wait to be at the front of the drop off line to drop them off.
- Have students enter/exit the right side of the vehicle, if possible, as the left side is a driving lane.
- Please pull into the left lane when students have exited or entered the vehicle, to allow others to move forward and drop off their students. When students are "dropped off" in the right lane, drivers may pull into the left lane and continue on their way. We refer to this set-up the "kiss and go lane"! Parents give their child a "kiss" as they leave the car each morning and then "go" on to their workday!
- Park in the parking lot if your child needs help exiting the vehicle or you want to make sure they go into the building.

The following practices take away from the system's effectiveness – and even compromise safety!

- "Cutting/walking" across the kiss and go lanes or parking exit lanes to walk your child to the building, instead of using the supervised crosswalk.
- Dropping students off in the "driving lanes" of the parking lot.
- Dropping off/Picking up in the bus parking area.
- Waiting to be "first" in the "green curb" line, and not dropping children off upon reaching the "green curb" sidewalk.
- Remaining in the kiss and go lanes to watch a child enter the building.
- Not pulling into the left lane when able to do so after dropping off students.
- Early arrival and waiting in the pickup line for the end of the day dismissal.

Please ask if you have any questions about the student drop-off and pick-up procedures! 505-6060.