

Dear Landshark Family,

I hope you all have been following all the “best of” celebrations that have taken place in our Tank these past weeks. We started the celebration with our Teacher of the Year (Christina Trimarco), followed by our Student of the Year (Adam El Hassan) and closed the celebration season with our Volunteer of the Year (Michelle O’Donnel). These three amazing Landsharks, are reminders of what an incredible school family we have worked to create over the last five years!

With less than 45 days before the last day of school and graduation, we find ourselves fully immersed in spring sports and about to embark into spring testing season. SAT starts us off on the 27th of this month, followed by End of Course, College and then High School Finals. Although we continue to battle through challenges due to Covid quarantines, we also continue to work on logistics for the end of this year and beginning of 2021-2022. All schedules have been finalized and sent out to rising 12, 11 and 10th grade students. Rising 9th grade will receive their schedules in a couple of weeks. I highly encourage you all to continue to check PowerSchool since we continue to balance class loads and adjust faculty schedules based on availability.

As I stated last update, Seacoast of Mount Pleasant will once again allow us to hold our graduation ceremony in their beautiful Worship Center. The date has been set for Friday, June 4th at 4:00 p.m. Due to Covid precautions set by the venue, guests will be limited to three per candidate for graduation. We will share instructions on how-to pick-up tickets along with other event related information during our mandatory senior student meeting on April 27. Graduation will be streamed through Facebook Live.

Thanks to the tenacity of our Student Council sponsor, Mrs. Jenny Cassell, we have secured a venue for Prom. Prom date is set for May 21 at the South Carolina Aquarium. Information about how to purchase tickets will be shared through announcements and social media in weeks to come. This will be a Junior/Senior prom, absolutely no guests will be allowed. Parents make the best chaperones! Teachers are incredible, but honestly in my humble opinion, we do not make the best chaperones, we are too busy enjoying the event with our students...and some even dancing by themselves? That’s where you guys come in...because **parents are the BEST chaperones**. Please let me know if you can chaperone. 😊

Spring sports are on the cusp of playoffs, some starting this week and some next week. So far, Boys Lacrosse, Boys Tennis, Girls Lacrosse, and Boys and Girls Soccer are Region Champions. Boys Golf is one of the top-rated golf teams in the entire state. They have won multiple tournaments and most recently won the Diamondback Invitational which qualified them for an elite tournament coming up this week. Boys soccer is having a great year and will be one of the top rated teams when the playoffs begin. Girls Soccer won the Region Championship and will be the #1 seed when the playoffs begin. Track and Field is having a successful first year of competition with some of our students ranked in the Top 3 of their events statewide; in May, they will compete in the Region, Lower State and State Championships.

Again, I applaud our staff and students for enforcing and abiding to Covid Federal, State, local and SC High School League guidelines and mandates, therefore making it possible to attend face to face school and having the opportunity to participate in school activities. Your continued love, empathy and support towards our faculty, coaches and staff does not go unnoticed and gives all of us strength! We are who we are because of every adult working in this building, every student and all our families... all with one goal in mind: getting our Landsharks to the NEXT LEVEL!

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- **School Start Times:** We have of course returned to our normal morning session end time of 11:20 a.m. and afternoon start session time of 11:42. In order to **continue to stay as safe as possible** remember we are **not allowing afternoon session students into the building until 11:30AM** and **morning session students prior to 7:15 AM**. Students are not allowed to sit in the café when entering the building and must report immediately to their next class.
- **Fridays** – Remember that face to face instruction continues to be available to students on Fridays. Make sure you are communicating with your teacher if you are opting for that time since schedules are a bit more flexible on Fridays.
- Parents! If you are looking for another way to stay engaged with your student and maybe even “get a close look into in their school world” ...then think about going on our substitute call list! Most days will consist of 7:15 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. (\$125 per day).
- **Seniors!** – Mandatory Senior meeting on April 27th at 1:30 - In the meanwhile please make sure your student is checking their school email at least twice a day! Questions to Kiriart@Landsharks.org
- **National Honor Society applications are due April 29th**. Questions to Christina.Trimarco@landsharks.org
- **I need your help!** I hope you all know how much we all dread having to call home about a dress code situation. It is awkward and seldom a positive experience for anyone involved and **so easily** avoidable. Please do yourselves and your school staff a big favor and make sure your student comes to school dressed appropriately for school. They will be assigned a Saturday School and possibly suspended if the situation continues. Questions about dress code... see Student Handbook on our website or have your student come see me or any other member of our administrative team. “Everybody else is doing it” is not an excuse. We may not be able to catch every raindrop, **but we will catch some.**
 - **No crop tops** (if there’s skin showing front or back it is a crop top, it doesn’t matter how hard they pull the “shirt” down or the pants up).
 - Shorts must have at least a 3-inch inseam and no holes!
 - Did I say please HELP!
- **Dismissal Time** - Our expectation remains and will now be super focused on **students being picked up at their dismissal time**. Staff supervising car pick up and drop off will remind students about masks and social distancing, however students will need to demonstrate personal responsibility

while on campus. Please have these important conversations with your students as often as possible.

- **Free and Reduced Fee Status-** Please keep in mind that even though schools are free, there are some fees which are required by all public schools. Know that if you are experiencing a job loss or a family situation which is making it a challenge to pay for fees, we may be able to help and you may qualify! The form is on our school website under Student Life, it is called a **Reduced Fees Application** and it is basically a self-reported income application which could qualify you for reduced or waved required school fees.
- **Pick up Drop off-** All, the **ONLY** place to pick up your student or drop them off is from the car rider line. Do not pick up or drop off on Faison, in a student parking lot, in faculty or visitor parking lot or on any road that is not the front of our school. **Do not be that guy!** We are going to talk about you and to you if you take part in this unsafe action.
- **If you have decided you or any member in your household should be tested, then stay home while waiting on results! Remember that infections in the household mean automatic quarantine for all school age students in the house. If you have any questions about what to do as it relates to COVID-19 and school, please call the school.**
- **Easy opportunity to give back! I see you guys at both Harris Teeter and Publix all the time, so let us link those cards to Oceanside!**
 - **Harris Teeter Shoppers:**

Harris Teeter's Together In Education program gives schools a chance to earn funds when you link your VIC card and shop Harris Teeter brands. Harris Teeter has donated over \$30 million to Together In Education schools since 1998 but we have received about twenty dollars? 😞

When you shop Harris Teeter brands, a percentage of your purchase is donated to the school that your VIC card is linked to. There are NO LIMITS to how much a school can earn.
 - **Publix Shoppers:**

Support your school every time you shop! Some schools get thousands of dollars monthly! We get about \$25/month. 😞 Simply sign up for [Club Publix](#), click Publix Partners, and select a school. Then enter your phone number or use pay with the Publix app every time you check out.

Links to set up:

<http://corporate.publix.com/community/corporate-campaigns/publix-partners>

<https://www.harristeeter.com/together-in-education>

Remember for questions or concerns about:

- ✓ **Classroom/Instruction** Concerns: Email or call the faculty member first to establish a line of communication to share information. You can also schedule a meeting in person or virtual.
Covid Concerns: bshackel-scott@Landsharks.org
- ✓ Beth Shackel-Scott (Assistant Principal)
Curriculum Concerns: CBrown@landsharks.org
- ✓ Christina Brown (Academic Dean)
Athletic Concerns: MMeyer@Landsharks.org
- ✓ Mark Meyer (Athletic Director)
Student Concerns (10-12): LPeirano@Landsharks.org
- ✓ Laura Peirano (School Counselor)
- ✓ **Student Concerns (9th grade):** CBrown@Landsharks.org
Distance Learning Options: BMoore@Landsharks.org
- ✓ Brittany Moore (Distance Learning Coordinator)
PowerSchool Concerns: KHarshaw@Landsharks.org
- ✓ Khrystin Harshaw (Data Manager)