

Dear Landshark Family,

With less than 12 school days before we wrap up the third quarter of our school year, we find ourselves with nothing but positive vibes and good energy as always here in our Tank! Although we continue to battle through adversity and challenges due to Covid quarantines, we also continue to push on through and are not only working on logistics to end this school year but planning and getting ready for 2021-2022.

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 4:30 p.m. Due to Covid precautions set by the venue, guests will be limited to three per candidate for graduation. We will send out instructions on how to pick up those tickets along with other event related information prior to graduation. The event will be streamed through Facebook Live.

Although we have not totally given up on the idea of a Junior/Senior Prom, the prognosis is not good. We continue to think about alternative methods of celebrating this amazing class. A traditional **school sponsored** high school prom will most likely **not take place**. We will assess conditions on the ground in late March and share a final decision by the first week in April.

Spring sports are on the cusp of a great start and are currently practicing and scrimmaging. This week most of them had their team pictures done and it was exciting just seeing them in uniform again after a long year of waiting. We are super excited for our brand-new Track and Field Team and cannot wait to see them compete for the first time. Our girls' basketball team had a much-improved season ending their season Monday night as the #2 seed in a tough girls' region. They lost to a #1 seed on the road. Our boys' basketball ended their season in the second round of playoffs with a tough loss in Orangeburg last night. We are super proud of both teams and are already looking forward to next year!

Spring not only brings about spring sports, flowers, and warm weather...it also brings mosquitos and standardized testing. ACT kicked us off this week, followed by SAT, WIN, and End of Course assessments, with high school and college finals bringing the season to an end. Remember that **students must be in good academic standing in order to enroll for the upcoming year**. If you have any questions about your student's academic performance, please reach out to Mrs. Christina Brown our Dean of Academics. Academic probation letters will go out after third quarter grades are finalized.

Please mandate your students be mindful while off campus and about town, continue to follow all guidelines and recommendations and **of course stay home if you are not feeling well**. 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.

Again, I applaud our staff and students for enforcing and abiding to 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.

Thank you for choosing to be Sharks! Your continued love, empathy, understanding and support towards our faculty, coaches, staff and school family as we support each other, hold each other accountable and uphold our mission of elite academics and elite athletics, does not go unnoticed and gives us strength! We are who we are because of every adult working in this building, every student and all our families... all which have the same goal: getting our Landsharks to the NEXT LEVEL!

Go Landsharks!!!!!!!!!!

B. Corley

- **Schedules** – Rising Senior schedules went out today. Please take a close look at the schedule draft and follow the directions on the email communication if you have questions or concerns. We are hoping to roll out rising Junior schedules in about 2 to 3 weeks, followed by rising 10th grade a couple of weeks after that. Our goal as always is to send all students home for summer with their next year's schedule already cemented.
- **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.
- **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.
- **I need your help! Dress code rules have not gone away with Covid guidelines.** 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. We all have a lot going on right now, 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 sent home if out of dress code, assigned a Saturday School and possibly suspended if the situation continues. Questions about dress code... see Student Handbook on our website. "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!**
- **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.
- **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.
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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 and 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)
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- ✓ Laura Peirano (School Counselor)
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- ✓ Brittany Moore (Distance Learning Coordinator)
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- ✓ Khrystin Harshaw (Data Manager)