

## LEADERSHIP PREPARATORY ACADEMY

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Dear Parents and Guardians of LPA Scholars,

I trust that you are having a wonderful summer and you are as excited about the new school term as I am. I would like to officially WELCOME all of our new parents and our returning parents as we embrace our school theme for this year, **Passport to Excellence**. Throughout my tenure at LPA, I have had the opportunity to build a strong relationship with many of you. I sincerely appreciate the kind words and more importantly your prayers over our school, teachers, and **our students this past school term**. Please continue to donate when you can, **join the PTO**, volunteer when we need you and pray daily for us. I am grateful that I can always count on our LPA parents! I would like to extend a special “thank you” to the PTO Executive Board for their ongoing support of our school.

One of the many tasks that I do is write grants for our school. As a result of that effort, we have received a \$5,000 grant from the Dart Foundation. Those funds will be used to purchase computers exclusively for our Kindergarten classes and will be housed in those classrooms. We also received a material grant from Scott’s Miracle Gro for hydroponic units. In addition, I wrote a grant for No Kid Hungry and was awarded \$5,100 to purchase a breakfast cart for our school. Check out our video on the LPA website. Additionally, we were awarded a Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Grant. Students in grades K-5 will receive a healthy fruit or vegetable snack each day! This grant is funded through the Georgia Department of Nutrition. Being able to secure grants for our school provides additional resources to our STUDENTS! These additional resources impact student achievement at our school.

Each year, we continue to refine our teaching staff with fresh new faces. All of our teachers are professional educators with experience in working in public schools. You will get to know more about them at our annual “Meet the Teacher” event. Here are just a few things that LPA families can look forward to this year:

- Breakfast will be available for students who may get hungry before lunch at the Breakfast Cart
- Healthy fruit and/or vegetable snack for students in grades K-5
- Tutorial Lab beginning in August for students in grades 3-8
- Video Production class for students in grades 5-8
- New digital learning in all classrooms
- And so much more!!

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*Here are a few reminders about back to school:*

### **Supply Lists**

Supply lists will be posted to the website beginning July 23rd.

### **LPA STEM After School Program (Grades 1-8)**

Applications will be available on site. Limited seats available.

### **Lunch**

**If you are interested in free/reduced lunch, please complete a lunch application online as soon as possible by going to [www.schoolcafe.com](http://www.schoolcafe.com). (District: Dekalb, School: LEADERSHIP PREP ACADEMY CHARTER 0639)**

**New Parents** - All parents must provide lunch for their child each day. Free/Reduced lunch applications are processed through DeKalb County Schools. If you apply for free/reduced lunch, your child will have to bring a lunch or pay for lunch until you receive an approval from DeKalb County Schools (lunch accounts are created through Lunchtime which can be accessed on the LPA website under Parent Resources -> Student Nutrition. You will receive more information on Lunchtime at Meet The Teacher.). Applying for free/reduced lunch is at least a two week process from the time you apply and your application is approved.

**Returning Parents** - You may reapply for free/reduced lunch each year. If your child received free/reduced lunch last year, they will be able to receive free/reduced lunch for two weeks and/or until your application is approved or not approved by DeKalb County Schools.

*If your child does not have a lunch or funds on their account to purchase a lunch, the school will contact you in order for you to bring a lunch to the school or place funds on their account.*

### **Arrival/Dismissal**

Your child's teacher will review this information with your during Meet the Teacher and it will be posted online.

### **Field Trips**

Updated information will be provided in August.

### **Cell Phone Lockers**

**Cell phones are not permitted at LPA. If your child must have a cell phone, you must purchase a cell phone locker. See Ms. Nosworthy about purchasing a locker prior to the start of school.**

### **Nursery Vans/Transportation Services**

All nursery vans must be at LPA at the dismissal time in order to pick up your scholar. Please be mindful of this requirement when selecting the van and/or transportation service. **If your transportation service uses a car, they will have to travel through the car pool lane.**

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## Uniforms

Uniform information is posted on the website under Parent Resource Tab.



## Meet the Teacher

**\*\*ALL NEW STUDENTS CHECK IN AT THE NEW STUDENT DESK UPON ARRIVAL\*\***  
(Information to setup Infinite Campus, Lunchtime Accounts and My Payments Plus will be provided upon check in)

### \*\*Parking Instructions Below\*\*

Kindergarten - July 24 promptly at 4:00 pm  
(Report to the lower school side for entry)

1<sup>st</sup> - 2<sup>nd</sup> Grades - July 25 at 4:00 pm  
(Report to the lower school side for entry)

3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> Grades - July 25 at 4:00 pm  
(Report to the upper school side for entry)

6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Grades - July 25 at 5:00 pm  
(Report to the upper school side for entry)

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL  
MONDAY, JULY 29, 2019  
Doors open at 7:50 AM  
School day begins at 8:00 AM

DISMISSAL TIMES  
KINDERGARTEN - 3:00 PM  
FIRST - FOURTH - 3:15 PM  
FIFTH - EIGHTH - 3:30 PM

## **Parking Instructions:**

**We are located inside of New Birth Church and the address is: 6400 Woodrow Road, Lithonia, GA 30038.**

1. Once you turn onto Woodrow Road, you will see the New Birth Church sign.
2. Keep straight through the stop light and at the end of the road, there will be a stop sign.
3. Once you reach the stop sign, bear right and then make your first right. There will be a purple sign that says Christian Academy.
4. Once you turn right, continue straight and you will see a white trailer and a playground on your left hand side.

### **To find the Lower School side of the building (Grades K-2):**

5. Keep straight and look for the purple sign in the parking lot that says Section 12 or 13. You want to park in either Section 12 or 13. Once you park, look for the walkway that leads to white doors. This is where you will enter the building.

### **To find the Upper School side of the building (Grades 4-8):**

5. Once you pass the white trailer and playground, make an immediate left into the parking lot.
6. Keep straight and look for the purple sign in the parking lot that says Section 8. You want to park in this section. If you reach the front of the church where the steeple is, you have gone too far.
7. Once you park, look for the purple triangular sign in the ground with our school name displayed and a long walkway that leads to white doors. This is where you will enter the building.