

LINK TO HOME

for the Week of September 27, 2021

This Week

Monday, September 27	School Picture Day (See below.)
Monday, September 27	LCCS Board of Trustees Meeting (Click here for details.)
Thursday, September 30	Virtual Kindergarten Back to School Night, 6 pm
Friday, October 1	Think Pink @Link (See below.)
Friday, October 1	Early dismissal for students, 12:45 pm

Important Upcoming Dates

Friday, October 8	Early dismissal for students, 12:45 pm
Monday, October 11	No school: Indigenous Peoples Day

REMINDERS:

- Please return to Link the completed Information (re-registration) Packet that was mailed to you at the end of August. If you did not receive it or misplaced it, please contact Ms. Paczkowski (Ms. P.) at dpaczkowski@linkschool.org or 973.652.0529 to ask for another. Link will send it home with your child. The forms in packet are very important and Link needs them asap!
- **Please send us an updated proof of residence such as a PSE&G bill from August or September no later than Monday, September 27th. We must have this in our student files to receive funding for our school.**
- If you missed the Grade 5 & 6 Back to School Night, you will find the recording and presentations on [the Parent page of Link's website.](#)



COVID TESTING

LCCS has been sharing information about testing and vaccination. We know that regular testing and vaccination of those 12 years and older will support our school community, neighborhood, and city. [Please take a few minutes to listen to Dr. Mark Wade, Newark's Director of Health here.](#) And look out for more information on testing and vaccination from Link.



DAILY HEALTH CHECK

Students and staff are asked to complete the daily health check before coming to school. Please remember to do this every morning before leaving the house. If you or a household member has been experiencing COVID symptoms or you have questions, please email Nurse Hannah at khannah@linkschool.org or call 973-642-0529 to discuss BEFORE sending your child to school. And remember that everyone with a temperature must be fever free for a full 24 hours before coming to school.



COMPLETE YOUR
MANDATORY
DAILY HEALTH
CHECK.

KINDERGARTEN BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT – THURSDAY!

We will hold our Kindergarten Back to School Night virtually and will plan to come together in person later this fall. The kindergarten team is excited to introduce parents and guardians to the strong program that kicked off just a few weeks ago. Please look out for a link for a Zoom call to be sent out via email and posted on the parent page of the school's site: www.linkschool.org.



THINK PINK 2 LINK DAY – FRIDAY

To observe National Breast Cancer Month on Friday, October 1st, students may dress in **SOLID PINK TEE SHIRTS (or other shirt or blouse with sleeves)**. Jeans, khakis, chinos, sweatpants, or skirts are appropriate – pink or otherwise. **NO RIPPED JEANS, NO LEGGINGS, NOJEGGINGS, NO HOODIES**. If students choose not to participate, they are to wear their Link uniform. If you have any questions about this, please contact Mrs. Kennedy at hkennedy@linkschool.org.



Link will be collecting donations from students and staff to send to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. If your child would like to donate, we suggest a \$2 donation.

AFTER CARE PROGRAM

Space is still available in Link's fee based After Care Program for students of all ages running from 4:10 pm until 6:00 pm on Monday through Thursday and until 5:30 pm on Friday. The information about the program, including the cost, and a link to an enrollment form were emailed to you last week and is posted on the [Parent Page of Link's website](#).



LINK FRIDAY ACCELERATED LEARNING PROGRAM WITH CATAPULT

Link's FREE Friday afternoon (1 pm to 4 pm) Learning Acceleration program will begin on Friday, October 15th for grades 5 to 8. If you completed the interest survey you will receive a link to a registration form during the week to complete the program registration process.

Kindergarten Parents, look out for information in December to join and begin the program after the winter break.

6th GRADE HEALTH ALERT

The State of New Jersey requires that all students entering 6th grade and born on or after January 1, 1997 receive one booster dose of the tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis (Tdap) vaccine and one dose of meningococcal vaccine. **THIS IS REQUIRED FOR ALL STUDENTS WHETHER ATTENDING SCHOOL IN-PERSON OR REMOTELY** (if the school moves to remote in the future). Documentation from your physician or clinic needs to be on file with Link's School Nurse by Tuesday, October 12, 2021 or your child will be excluded from school. Please make arrangements to have your child vaccinated. Please send the proof of immunization to the nurse.



STUDENT SCHOOL PICTURE DAY - Monday

Student photos will be taken by a professional photographer from LifeTouch. You can pre-purchase the photos online. See the flyer on the [Parent page of Link's website](#). Please make certain your child is in a Link polo on the day of the photo shoot. If your child's polo is on backorder, he/she must wear the official Link tee shirt (gym shirt).



The photos taken on this day will be used on your child's transcript form on PowerSchool. Note: 8th graders will have their photos taken but will also have graduation photos (cap and gown) taken at a later date.

If your child is out on this day, you will have another opportunity for a photo in November.

COUNSELING FOR STRESS

Covid-19 remains a specter hanging over our students...and in fact, all of us. It can cause an undue amount of pressure and anxiety. If your child exhibits new levels of stress, Link's social workers are available to meet with him or her. As of October 4, there will be two full time and one part time counselor on site. To refer your child to a social worker, email Mrs. Dandie-Lashley at sdandie@linkschool.org.





Monday 9/27

I choose to be happy and love myself today.

Tuesday 9/28

My thoughts become my reality.

Wednesday 9/29

I am free of worry and regret.

Thursday 9/30

I am proud of myself.

Friday 10/1

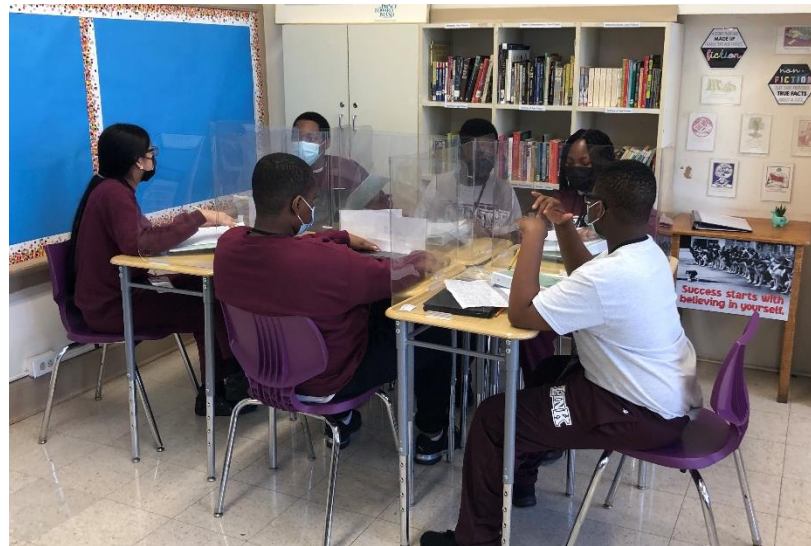
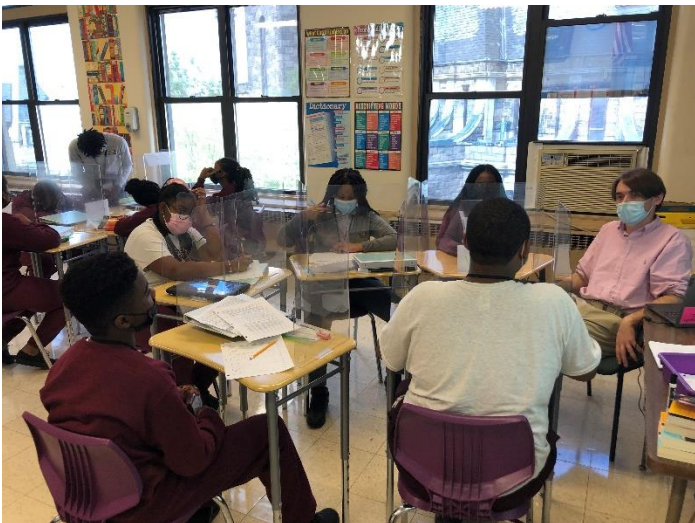
I am in charge of my happiness.



IN OUR MIDDLE SCHOOL CLASSROOMS

8th GRADE ELA CLASS IN ACTION!

8th grade ELA classes met in small groups last week to discuss the books they read over the summer. They had three choices: *Watch Us Rise* by Renee Watson and Elena Hagen, *All American Boys* by Jason Reynolds and Brendan Kiely, or *Monster* by Walter Dean Myers. During their small group book discussions, scholars analyzed how each text develops the theme of leadership. Masks and plexiglass partitions couldn't stop the sharing of ideas and dynamic discourse!



CONGRATULATIONS!

Grade 8 Award Recipients for the Week Ending September 17, 2021		
Award	Student	Team
Core Values Award	Berlantha Fenelus	Haki
Core Values Award	Marc Gautier	Imani
Core Values Award	Mohamed Bah	Staha
Core Values Award	Dalia Sandy	Kuumba
Scholar of the Week	Ayana Beckett	Haki
Scholar of the Week	Fraina Charles	Imani
Scholar of the Week	Hauwa Adedepo	Staha
Scholar of the Week	Josiah Sparks	Kuumba

Grade 7 Award Recipients for the Week Ending September 17, 2021		
Award	Student	Team
Core Values Award	Michael Bishop	Nia
Core Values Award	Rayan Calmen-Mbitchou	Paz
Core Values Award	Marc Pompilus	Ujima
Core Values Award	Gilbert Nkpulu	Umoja
Scholar of the Week	Kaithlyn Richardson	Nia
Scholar of the Week	Kiara Santos	Paz
Scholar of the Week	Brianna Joseph	Ujima
Scholar of the Week	Gimayah Paul	Umoja



IN AND AROUND NEWARK

COVID TESTING AND VACCINATION SITES IN ESSEX COUNTY

Bookmark this site on your computer to stay apprised on Coved-19 Testing and vaccination sites throughout Essex County: <https://essexcountynj.org/covid-19-vaccine-locations/>



Pfizer and Moderna Vaccines will be available

DO IT FOR THEM



NESF & SISTARS IN SERVICE HEALTHY LIVING EXPO AND VACCINATION EVENT

Learn more at NewarkVaccineNow.org or call **855.568.0545**
To pre-register for the vaccine visit www.nesfnj.org or call us at **973.639.2100**

SAT 16
OCTOBER
10 AM - 1 PM
TREC Center
55 Ludlow Street,
Newark, NJ, 07114.

SCAN ME



Use your camera to scan and register for vaccines

PARTICIPANTS GETTING VACCINATED WILL RECEIVE GIFT CARDS AND MUCH MORE.

ACCORDING TO THE CENTER FOR DISEASE CONTROL (CDC), MOST PEOPLE DYING FROM COVID-19 ARE UNVACCINATED.

Delaying vaccination allows Covid-19 to spread a new variants, like Delta, to develop. Join NESF in our efforts to stop the spread!