

## Mrs. Reichert/Mrs. Zappala Life Skills

## November 2024 Newsletter

Dear Lake Shore Families,

Happy Fall to one and all! We would like to take this opportunity in this month of Thanksgiving to say how grateful we are to be able to teach our students in the Life Skills Class every day! Happy Thanksgiving to all our Lake Shore Families!

We are in full swing of our daily routines. We are shopping at Tops in Derby on Tuesdays. Our internships have started on Wednesdays at either Tops, Cala's Kitchen, or AJ Schmidt School. Skating has also begun with SABAH on Fridays. Our students are continuing to get customer service skills and stocking shelves while they are all working in our school store as well. Our weeks are very busy as our students are gaining wonderful experience in the community, in addition to working each day on their individual IEP goals in the classroom.

Our Unique Learning System unit this month is titled "Time to Travel". In this unit we address the topic of safe and responsible travel. The unit provides lessons and activities about the importance of time management and personal safety, including activities in the Transition Passport: Daily Living / Safety and Recreation and Leisure / Emergency Contact Cards. As we assist our young adults in the transition from school to work, it is necessary that they receive training in self advocacy. Self-advocacy begins with knowing about yourself, your rights and the types of assistance available to you. This unit will provide our young adults with the tools needed to learn about themselves so they can speak up more effectively. We are observing Veterans Day on Monday, November 11th. There will be no school on this day. We thank all of our community members that have served in our nation's military Armed Forces. We are grateful for your service.

Our field trip for November will take place on Monday, November 18th. We are going to the <u>Get Air Trampoline Park</u> in Cheektowaga. We will be eating lunch at school when we return from our trip.

The Lake Shore Student Government will be placing brown bags in each classroom to collect canned goods and non-perishable food items for local food banks and pantries during the month of November. Please send in any items you would like to contribute for this very worthy cause in our community.

Please take note of the important dates for the month of November listed below.

## Important Dates

11/8 Friday - Ist Quarter ends

11/11 Monday- Veterans Day Observation-NO SCHOOL

11/15 Friday-Report Cards/Progress Notes mailed

11/18-Monday-Field Trip to Get Air Trampoline Park in Cheektowaga

11/28-11/29 Thursday/Friday NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving Recess

School resumes Monday December 2nd.

Please call me at the classroom number 926-3799 or email at <u>maureen.reichert@lscsd.org</u> if you have any questions or concerns, and I will be happy to get back to you as soon as possible. We wish you and your families a very healthy and Happy Thanksgiving!

Sincerely,

Maureen Reichert and Samantha Zappala