Meet Some of the People with Whom Your Child Will Work

“See” The expectations in your Learner’s Life

Stay Connected

Let’s get started!
My name is Ms. Kosman and I am 53 years old! I’m from NY, attended school in Jersey and now live in Virginia!

I have taught every grade from pre-K to sixth grade. I have also been a math resource teacher and an advanced academics instructor.

I graduated with high honors from Saint Elizabeth University in Morristown, NJ with dual degrees in English and Education.

AND

I have never stopped learning!

Ms. Kosman

Education

Snack: kale
Restaurant: GreenFare
Store: Amazon & thrift shops
Drink: seltzer, black coffee
Flowers: hydrangea, irises
Color: green
Hobby: baking
Meet Your Reading Team!

Mrs. Potanko-Crush and Mrs. Mills

This year we will be supporting teachers with instructional practices, co-teaching, overseeing literacy assessments, and providing direct instruction to students in grades K-5 who are experiencing difficulties with reading.
Mrs. Heidi Mayo
Gifted Resource Teacher

SEARCH Biweekly lessons with all students
  K 30 minute lessons January - June
  1st-3rd 45 minute lessons September - June
  4th 45 minute lessons September - January

Gifted Resource
Identified Gifted Students in Grade 4 & 5
Weekly Lessons 2 hours Content Enrichment
  Weekly Lesson 1 Hour Math Enrichment
  Weekly 1 Hour LA Enrichment

LCPS Eligibility Information
Hi! I’m the new Lovettsville English Language Teacher!

My name is Mrs. Hamric.

I recently moved from Kentucky to Virginia.

I enjoy camping, hiking, traveling, reading, and coffee!

I’m excited to be working with students in helping them meet their individual goals!
Mrs. Pendilhe

I am Lovettsville’s Instructional Facilitator, Technology (IFT).

I am looking forward to working with all students as they learn to incorporate technology skills into their everyday learning.

If you have any technology related questions, don’t hesitate to reach out to me at allison.pendilhe@lcps.org.
Students will have 45 minutes DARE about every other week and will be using a workbook to track learning and think introspectively about the lessons.
School Counseling Information
2021-2022

Meet Your Counselors:

Katie Routzahn: Monday - Friday
Kindergarten - Third Grade
katherine.routzahn@lcps.org

Jennifer French: Tues., Wed, & Fri.
Fourth & Fifth Grade
jennifer.french@lcps.org

We will be offering:

- Bi-Weekly Classroom Lessons
  Academic, Social Emotional, & Career
  - K-2: 30 mins
  - 3-5: 45 mins

- Individual Check-ins with all students during classroom lessons or scheduled appointments

- Small Groups (more information to come)

- We are always available to meet with a student and their parent. Please contact us to set up a meeting!
Music At Lovettsville

Music Teachers

Mrs. Stillman

We are excited to teach your children this year.

All students will have two 30 minute music classes per week.

Mrs. Stetz
Physical Education

PE Teachers

Mr. Brockway

Mrs. Germani

Mr. Kelly

PE classes
All classes have PE 3 times a week for 30 minutes each.

Please wear tennis shoes or sneakers.

Masks can be removed while moving during PE class and at all times outside.
Welcome to the library!

We are excited to see everyone back!

How many books can my child check out each week?
- Kindergarten students: 1 book
- Grades 1-2: up to 3 books
- Grades 3-5: up to 5 books

If you have questions, please email us at:
- tansy.wetmore@lcps.org
- diana.brubaker@lcps.org

Mrs. Wetmore

Mrs. Brubaker
Welcome to art!

Hi there,
I can’t wait to see all our LES artists! We are going to have an excellent year. :)

Art meets once per week
Kindergarten: 30 minutes
Grade 1 - 5: 50 minutes

Mrs. Rancourt
michelle.rancourt@lcps.org
Homework Expectations
Students will have homework nightly Monday-Thursday. In addition to their online or written assignments they will need to read 30 minutes nightly. They will have a weekly reading log to be turned in on Fridays.

Homework is shared each Monday (or first school day of the week) in two ways: online through Schoology and in a paper packet format.

Help and Communication
Students/guardians are welcome to message me through Schoology or via email if homework questions arise!

In School
We will work in groups daily, still respecting social distancing and health mitigations. Students will be seated with ‘cohorts’ in our room. They will be seated near the same classmates in specials and lunch as well.
Our School Day:

We will have a Morning Meeting from 8-8:30 am, and the daily schedules are on the link to the left :) 

If your child is in the “GATE” program, they will meet with Mrs. Mayo. They will not be leaving the school this year, and the schedule will be given to the students the first week of school.

The children will be working with SOME hard copy supplies in our active learning sessions, and using Schoology to access independent assignments and instructional support.
VIRTUAL TOOLS WE'LL BE USING

- Padlets, whiteboards and Nearpod
- Epic and MackinVia
- Dreambox and Prodigy
- New Science “Tech” books and online Social Studies resources

ALL DIGITAL RESOURCES WILL BE AVAILABLE THROUGH LCPSGO AND SCHOology COURSES
THE KIDS ARE ALREADY ENROLLED IN
Here’s a quick walk-through of where to find courses in Schoology:

1. Go to LCPS.org and log into ParentVue.
2. Select Schoology from the left menu.
3. Choose to view Schoology Courses as one of your children would view it OR as a parent. See how to join a group!
4. Here, you can view as parent OR one of your children:
If you choose YOUR profile, click on “Groups” and join our class parent group!

If you choose your child’s profile, you can view grades, upcoming important dates, and course info.
Deeper Learning with PL Model

Personalized Learning Means:
● Learning is meaningful and authentic to each student’s identity.
● 5Cs are the focus- the roles of Communicator, collaborator, contributor, creator, and critical thinker
  ■ Authentic challenging problems or questions, sustained inquiry.
● Voice and choice- Differentiated path, place, and performance tasks.
● We provide consistent, ongoing, and meaningful feedback to students. We provide opportunities for student reflection.
Assessments and Grading

Children will be assessed with formative and summative assessments. These will be a combination of assessments they complete on their chromebooks and paper/pencil assignments where they will physically work and write responses. Although unit assessments still hold a valuable place in evaluation, Performance Assessments allow for more flexibility in student responses. They may show what they know in a greater variety of modalities. Finally, we will also have quarterly integrated projects in fifth grade. These are high interest problems the children research, individually problem solve, and create/express their solutions with pictures, numbers and words.

A Note about Standardized Tests: MAP and SOLs

This school year, we will be using NWEA MAP testing to measure individual student progress in Reading and Math. These assessments give students, parents AND teachers valuable specific data on areas of strength and areas for growth. SOL’s this year are in Reading, Math, and Science.
Equity in The Center

**LCPS is committed to ensuring:**
- ...student growth and academic success for every child
- ...culturally-responsive, supportive environment for inclusive, safe learning spaces for every student and adult
- ...utilizing methodologies for eliminating opportunity gaps
- ...there is improvement in programming to leverage greater access, opportunity, and outcome data for students

- Racial consciousness and cultural literacy
- Representation of all in learning environment
- Equitable use of practices and policies
- Responsiveness to diverse needs
- Responsiveness when racially-motivated insults or actions occur.
How to Get Tech Help When Needed:

- Tech Support Webpage

Reminder: Packets Have Gone Virtual Now, Too!

Virtual First Day Packets - [CLICK HERE](#) to review what will be included -

PLEASE UPDATE EMERGENCY INFORMATION ON PARENTVUE

Same as the one linked in recent emails

Your child’s point of contact for LCPS technology support is Susan Zimmerman @

[susan.zimmerman@lcps.org](mailto:susan.zimmerman@lcps.org).!
Starting with exploration of **Realistic Fiction**, and includes student **Book Clubs**.

Later units include Expository and Biographical **NonFiction**, which is immensely useful in critical reading of science and social studies material.

We also immerse our reading lives in the genre of **Fantasy**. We revisit the **Books Clubs** with this unit.

**First Quarter**
- We will begin with a Narrative Writing Unit where students will focus on writing about important small moments.
- Students will learn how to structure their writing into paragraphs, and use correct sentence structure.

**Looking Forward**
Later we will write informational reports and persuasive argument essays, which both rely on research to back up a claim.
Throughout the year we will continue to strengthen our understanding of editing for proper grammar, punctuation, and spelling.
Your child will learn about the Earth and how the geosystem is constantly changing.

We will also learn how to identify rocks and the transformations they undergo given the rock cycle.

As the year goes by, we will learn about mixtures and solutions, the scientific process, and living organisms.
We begin with the five themes of Geography. As we progress more we will learn about how regions were formed in the United States.

There are 5 regions; during each region study your child will also learn the states and capitals of that region.

By the end of the year, your student will able to identify each state in the US along with the capital of that state.
Email: ikosman@lcps.org

You can also message me on Schoology, or call the school directly: 540-751-2470

I send out weekly newsletters that contain parent and student info, AND have a pdf version of the weekly homework attached, too!

We will be having Parent Teacher Conferences! We are unsure at this early date whether they will be all in-person or a combo of in-person and Google Meet. I will keep you posted, so be on the lookout for more info in upcoming newsletters!