

L-H Halloween 2020



To: Lincoln Hubbard Families:

Re: Halloween 2020 Overview

Dear L-H Families:

In a unique year – one in which we are faced with numerous protocols and procedures to keep our entire school community healthy and safe – we are doing our very best to keep many of our annual traditions going, in one form or another. With that spirit (no Halloween pun intended) in mind, one such tradition we all understand is important to so many of our students is the celebration of Halloween. After much discussion among elementary administration, review of feasible solutions - and in many ways keeping with the same format we have celebrated Halloween at the elementary level in past years- I happy to share a format that will allow Halloween to be celebrated without throwing the “pumpkin out with the apple bobbing water” so to speak. Here are the details:

Date – Friday 10/30/2020

Time: 1:30-3:00

How:

- L-H, as the other elementary schools, will celebrate Halloween remote. There will be no on-site costume parade or exchange of candy bags, etc.
- Students are invited to dress between 12:30 dismissal and arrival for afternoon remote learning instruction which resumes at 1:30 PM.
- Students can login to their specials in costume. They can also attend their afternoon class period in costume where they will have a virtual classroom costume parade for their classmates and also engage in Halloween read aloud and other activities/games. This will be facilitated by the classroom teacher and principal.

If your child is remaining at school for The Connection or going to the YMCA program

- Lunch will be available as usual via Grab and Go
- Children who eat lunch in school (see school menu) will be given the opportunity to change into their costumes after lunch and just before 1:30 prior to logging in.

VERY IMPORTANT COSTUME GUIDELINES – PARENTS PLEASE NOTE

*The Summit Public Schools’ Weapon Policy outlines a “Zero Tolerance” philosophy on weapons. The definition of weapons includes toy or imitation guns, swords, knives, etc. As our Halloween activities, even remotely, are school sponsored Please omit these items from Halloween costumes.

Finally, please note these important additional points/considerations:

- As in past years, Halloween activities are being held in the afternoon for those children who wish/elect to participate.
- As in past years, students are not coming to school in costume. This is even more important to understand given costumes coupled with what would be a requirement for face masks, social distancing, hand washing practices that are mandated and we have continued to follow.
- To confirm – we are in line with the NJDOH and CDC guidelines regarding 2020 Halloween (see below)
https://www.state.nj.us/health/cd/documents/topics/NCOV/NJ_Halloween_2020.pdf
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/holidays.html#halloween>

With appreciation and wishing you a fun Halloween 2020 - *Matt*