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LAJES ELEMENTARY/HIGH SCHOOL

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday	August 25	First Day of school for grades 1-12 MS/High School Students will pick up schedules in the atrium and report to P1
Tuesday	August 25	Kindergarten Orientation at 1800in Kindergarten rooms
Monday	September 1	Federal Holiday (Labor Day) - no school
Tuesday	September 2	First day of school for Kindergarten
Tuesday - Friday	September 2 - 5	Sure Start Home Visits
Wednesday	September 3	Grades 6-8 Open House, beginning at 1520
Thursday	September 4	Grades 9-12 Open House, beginning at 1520
Monday	September 12	First day of school for Sure Start

WELCOME BACK! We are looking forward to students arriving on Monday, August 25. Elementary students should arrive at 0745 and high school students at 0740. Elementary students will wait in the courtyard of the elementary school wing. Middle School/High School students will pick up their schedules in the atrium outside of the front office and proceed to their first period class. Our school will continue to focus on excellence and ensure that every student is successful. We are looking forward to our continuing partnerships with parents and the military community in support of our children.

SURE START CLASS -Sure Start enrollment will be finalized during the week of September 1st. Parents will be notified by the end of that week. Remember that Sure Start classes start on Sept 12.

START OF SCHOOL DAY - For students in grades 6-12, the entry bell rings at 0745 and their first class starts at 0750. Students in grades 1-5 (unless they ride the school bus) should not arrive on campus prior to 0745 since there is no supervision prior to that time.

SCHOOL WEBSITE-You can view our school's new website at the following address: <http://www.laje-ehs.eu.dodea.edu> Please check it regularly for all of the current news and information regarding our school.

PARENT COMMUNICATION - Communicating with your child's teacher or the school administrators is easy. The email addresses are listed at the top of the page. Teachers email addresses are FirstName.LastName@eu.dodea.edu. Please email us with any questions and/or any feedback.

DRESS CODE INFORMATION-Appropriate clothing for general school wear (not distracting to the educational environment) and suitable for the changeable weather is required. Student clothing should be clean and appropriate for the season. Parents are encouraged to help their children develop the skills necessary to dress appropriately for the weather and to be responsible in selecting clothes suitable for public wear.

- **No head covering (hats, bandanas, etc)**
- **Images, messages, or slogans on clothing must be appropriate.**
- **Nuisance Item Violation: i-PODS/ELECTRONIC TOYS & EQUIPMENT/CELL PHONES**
Students will be reminded not to bring non-educational, high value items to school (including excessive amounts of money.) Students are not allowed to have iPods, cell phones, Gameboys, cameras, or similar nuisance item in the classroom. Students are to secure their personal items in lockers or book bags. Lajes E/HS will not be responsible for any lost or stolen items. If a student has one of these items in the classroom, the item must be confiscated and sent to the main office with the name of the student attached. Students will receive only one warning, at which time, they will be allowed to pick the item up at the end of the day. After the first warning, parents will be required to pick up any confiscated items.
- **Scooters, skateboards, shoes with wheels** - Skateboards, scooters, and shoes with wheels are to be left at home
- **Shoes** -Safety issues should be kept in mind when selecting shoes to be worn at school. Student must have gym shoes to participate in Physical Education. While shoe selection is a parent/student decision, shoes such as tennis shoes, shoes with heel straps, and shoes with covered toes are highly recommended.

MS/HS BINDERS - Middle and high school students are required to have a binder. Supply lists indicate that a four-inch binder is required. Due to availability, two or three inch binders are acceptable.

PTO PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION - "We support our kids & we support our teachers" If you are interested in a board position or would like to volunteer please e-mail Lajespto@yahoo.com. First meeting in September.

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2008

Monday, August 18	New Student Orientation
Friday, August 22	Open House for 1-5
Monday, August 25	First Day of School for Students - Grades 1 - 12
M-F, August 25-29	Kindergarten Home Visits / SS Program Set Up
Monday, September 1	Labor Day - Federal Holiday
Tuesday, September 2	First Day of School for Kindergarten Students
M-F, September 2-5	Sure Start Home Visits
Wednesday, September 3	Open House for 6 - 8
Thursday, September 4	Open House for 9 - 12
Monday, September 12	First day of school for Sure Start Students
Friday, September 19	Students Dismiss at 1115 am - Teacher Training Day
Friday, October 10	No School for Students - Teacher Training Day (SIP)
Monday, October 13	Columbus Day - Federal Holiday
Thursday, October 30	End of First Quarter
Friday, October 31	No School for Students - Teacher Workday

Monday, November 5	Begin 2 nd Quarter
Thursday, November 6	Parent-Teacher Conferences for Grades K - 5 only
Friday, November 7	Parent-Teacher Conferences for Grades K - 12
Monday, November 10	Students Dismiss at 1115 - Teacher Training Day
Tuesday, November 11	Veterans' Day - Federal Holiday
Thursday, November 27	Thanksgiving - Federal Holiday
Friday, November 28	Recess Day - No School
Friday, December 19	Students Dismiss at 1115 - Teacher Training Day
December 22 - January 2	Winter Recess - No School

2009

Monday, January 5	Instruction Resumes
Monday, January 19	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - Federal Holiday
Thursday, January 22	End of 2 nd Quarter
Friday, January 23	No School for Students - Teacher Workday
Monday, January 26	Begin 3 rd Quarter
Monday, February 16	Presidents' Day - Federal Holiday
Friday, February 27	Parent-Teacher Conferences for Grades K - 12
Friday, March 6	Terra Nova Practice Test
Mon-Thurs, March 9-12	Terra Nova Testing for Grades 3-11
Friday, March 13	No School for Students - SIP Training Day
Thursday, April 2	End of 3 rd Quarter
Friday, April 3	No School for Students - Teacher Workday
April 6 - 10	Spring Recess - No school
Monday, April 13	Instruction Resumes - Begin 4 th Quarter
Friday, April 17	Parent Teacher Conferences for <u>K-5 Only</u>
Friday, May 22	Students Dismiss at 1115 - Teacher Training Day
Monday, May 25	Memorial Day - Federal Holiday
Friday, June 5	High School Graduation
Thursday, June 11	End of 4 th Quarter - Last Day of School for Students