

<p>WEEKLY PARENT INFORMATION PACKET</p>  <p>THE LEA EXPRESS ALL THE INFORMATION YOU NEED</p>	<p><u>Our Vision</u> <i>The Lea School Community is dedicated to building creative spaces where critical citizens are inspired and empowered to change the world. We believe ALL students can learn.</i></p> <p><u>Our Mission</u> <i>The Lea School Community endeavors to remove barriers to academic success by supporting the holistic needs of our students and their families to improve academic outcomes for all students.</i></p>	<p>Henry C. Lea Elementary School</p> <p>ShaVon Savage, Principal</p> <p>4700 Locust Street Philadelphia, PA 19139</p> <p>(215) 400-7660 https://lea.philasd.org/</p>
<p>Our Instructional Vision is a LEArner focused classroom: a community where ALL students and educators engage in authentic, consistent, standards-aligned learning experiences that enables them to become competent collaborators and learners across the curriculum.</p>		

THE LEA EXPRESS for the week ending Friday, March 20, 2020

The School District of Philadelphia remains closed.

Grab-and-go meals sites will continue to operate for all Philadelphia students at this time but locations and times have changed. Information is [HERE](#).

The School District is providing ELA, science, math and social studies Learning Guides for K-12 students, and a Learning Guide Hotline (215-400-5300) will operate Monday through Thursday, from 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. For more information about the Learning Guides and how to access them, click [HERE](#).

Please visit our [Coronavirus Information Hub](#) often for the most up-to-date information.

Thank you for flexibility and understanding during this difficult time. Please stay safe.

Learning Guides & Activities

Please be sure to **check your ClassDojo class feeds**, as some of our teachers are posting suggested activities and assignments for students, none of which will be graded nor are required, but are great suggestions to assist with maintaining and continued learning. Please check ClassDojo regularly, and let us know if you have any questions.

Comcast Internet Essentials

Comcast will make it even easier for low-income families who live in a Comcast service area to sign up for their Internet Essentials service by offering new customers **60 days of complimentary Internet Essentials service**, which is normally available to all qualified low-income households for \$9.95/month. **To sign up, applicants can simply visit www.internetessentials.com**. The accessible website also includes the option to video chat with customer service agents in American Sign Language. There are also two dedicated phone numbers 1-855-846-8376 for English and 1-855-765-6995 for Spanish.

Please let us know if you need help navigating the process, and follow this link for the press release and more details:

<https://corporate.comcast.com/press/releases/internet-essentials-low-income-broadband-coronavirus-pandemic?linkId=84657088>

FAMI-LEA INFORMATION

School Advisory Council (SAC)

2019-2020 SAC meeting dates: 4/1, 5/6, 6/3

Our next SAC meeting is tentatively scheduled for **Wednesday April 1st from 4:30-6:00 pm**. More info to come as the date draws near.

Home & School Association (HSA)

2019-2020 HSA meeting dates: 4/21, 5/19

The HSA postponed its meeting scheduled for this past **Tuesday, March 17th**.

Unfortunately, the **HSA-sponsored fundraiser for Lea at Chipotle on April 1st has been postponed**. We will let everyone know if/when the fundraiser can be rescheduled.

Our next HSA meeting is tentatively scheduled for **Tuesday, April 21st** from 3:30 - 4:30 pm in Room 107.



DID YOU LOSE A JOB OR REDUCE YOUR HOURS BECAUSE OF THE CORONAVIRUS?

YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR FOOD STAMPS (SNAP), MEDICAID (MA), CASH ASSISTANCE (TANF) OR HEATING BILL ASSISTANCE (LIHEAP).

If you **need to apply for benefits**, please apply online using Compass (www.compass.state.pa.us) or call Benephilly: 844-848-4376. The County Assistance Offices are closed to the public, but they're processing applications.

If you **already receive these benefits**, but you've lost income, you may be eligible for an increase in SNAP or TANF. The County Assistance Offices are closed to the public. Don't go to the County Assistance Office! You should submit information about a change in income in one of the following ways:

- Online through Compass (www.compass.state.pa.us)
- Through the free mobile app MyCompassPA
- By calling the Customer Service Center at 215-560-7226

If you don't have paperwork from your job (such as pay stubs or a letter about your hours), you should explain your loss of income in your own words. You can do that in the comments section of Compass.

If your Medical Assistance is cut off or if you get a notice it will close, or if your application is denied, please call Community Legal Services at 215-227-2400 and leave a message. We will call you back.

If you have questions about Medical Assistance or other health insurance, please call the Pennsylvania Health Access Network hotline: 877-570-3642.