1. What time does school start and end?
School officially starts at 7:51am and ends at 3:00pm. Students can enter the school at 7:15am so they may eat breakfast. At 7:45am students can go to their lockers, drop off or pick up supplies for the day, and get to their first period class. If a student is not in their first period class in their seat at 7:51 am, they will be marked late or absent/undetermined.

2. How do I find out my child’s teachers?
Parents may look at their child’s schedule, subject, and teacher names by logging into Canvas. To access Canvas, go to the Blue Valley or Leawood website and click on the Parents tab at top right. Canvas may also be downloaded as an app on a smart phone. Click HERE for the district information on Canvas.
Teacher contact information can be found on Canvas and on the LMS website.

3. How do I know what time my child has lunch? Or what time different class periods start and end?
Click HERE for the 2023-2024 Bell Schedule.

4. How can we change a class?
Students (not parents) may request a class change at the beginning of each quarter/semester. Only requests for elective classes will be accepted. Watch the LMS Eagle newsletter for access to the class change request form and due dates. All class change request forms are to be turned in to the counseling office. A request does not guarantee a class change.

5. How does the LMS car line work?
The south side of the building (front entrance) is where vehicles drop off and pick up students. The north side of the building is where busses drop off and pick up students. Specifically.....

Morning DROP OFF:
South Side (front of building is for car riders)
- Pull forward as far as possible in front of building
- Students should be dropped off at the sidewalk in front of the building and should not cross through the parking lot or traffic lanes.

North Side (bus zone)
- The circle drive is designated for buses only.
• Please do not drop off students from the center island near the bus loop

**AFTERNOON PICK UP:** Students should be picked up no later than 3:15 p.m. unless attending an event or working with a teacher.

**South Side (front of building)**
- Pull forward as far as possible in front of building.
- Students should be picked up from the sidewalk in front of the building and should never cross through the parking lot or traffic lanes for any reason.

**North Side (bus zone)**
- The circle drive is designated for buses only.
- Students may be picked up along the sidewalk leading to LES.
- Please do not pick up students from the center island near the bus loop.

6. **My email/phone/address changed, who do I tell?**

Please email registrar Kawaini Duson at kjudson02@bluevalleyk12.org with any changes to email, phone, or address during the school year.

7. **How do I pick up my child early? Bring them in late? Tell school they aren’t going to be there?**

All information regarding leaving early, coming in late, or all day absences needs to go through the Attendance Office. Absences must be reported by a parent/guardian. Please do not email or phone individual teachers, staff members, or the principal. There are 2 ways to notify Attendance of your child’s attendance: online (preferred) or via phone.

**Online:** Log in to ParentVue and fill out the Report an Absence form. You will be asked for your child’s first and last name and the reason for the absence. The notes section may be used to let us know the arrival time, departure time, multiple dates of an absence, or any other information.

**Phone:** Please do not call the main Leawood Middle phone number. The attendance line is reached at 913/239-5305. You will need to leave your child’s first, and last name, the reason for the absence (*required*), and your name and contact information.

8. **Can my child bring their phone to school?**

Your child may bring a cell phone to school but they must follow LMS rules regarding use. Phones are to be turned off during the school day. Students who talk, text, or play on their phones during the school day may have them taken away and turned into the office.

There are 3 levels of phone repercussions: 1st offense - the student receives a warning and their phone is returned to them at the end of the day; 2nd offense – the student may not pick
up their phone and a parent/guardian must come to school to pick the phone; 3rd offense – the student may no longer have the phone at school for the remainder of the semester OR it must be checked in and out of the office for the remainder of the semester.

Click HERE for the complete Cell Phone Policy

9. What activities and sports can my child participate in?
Leawood has a number of clubs, activities, and athletics for students to participate in. Please see the LMS website for the most up-to-date list of clubs www.bluevalleyk12.org/lms under the Activities and Athletics tab. Clubs and activities vary by year and new clubs may be started by staff and students.
All students: Clubs, theatre, band, choir, orchestra and student government
7th & 8th grade students: cheer, track & field, and cross country
8th grade students: Girls’ Volleyball/basketball and Boys’ Football/basketball

10. What happens if my child gets sick or injured at school?
If a student is not feeling well or gets injured at school they need to report to the nurse’s office. Students should get a pass (or permission) from their classroom teacher before they leave a classroom. Students should not text or call their parents/guardians to pick them up! Parents/Guardians should only be contacted by the nurse’s office. The nurse will determine if a student needs to go home. In addition, the nurse tracks communicable illnesses and injuries that take place while on school grounds.

11. Where do bus riders enter and leave LMS? Whom do I contact about bus questions?
Bus riders will arrive and leave from the northern doors (back of building closest to High Drive) Should a bus arrive late, it will let students off at the main doors so students may enter through the office. Buses depart within 10 minutes of the final bell and students should proceed to the bus as soon as possible at the end of the day.
Durham Bus Company provides all bus services for Blue Valley. We highly recommend families sign up for Text Alerts from the bus company that will notify you of late buses, changes in bus numbers, etc. Durham should be contacted directly for all questions at 913/681-2492

12. Can I come inside school? Can I drop off items for my child?
Parents/Guardians may not show up and enter the school without an appointment. The doors of the school are locked during the school day. Parents must ring the doorbell to speak with school staff.

Parents who choose to bring forgotten student items may leave them on the pick-up table in the breezeway (all items must have first and last names on them). Office staff may not call students to pick up forgotten items. You may email your student on their school email to notify them of their item if you choose. Please do not text your student for items as they will have their cell phone taken if it is on during the school day.

13. Can I have lunch with my child? Can I bring my child fast food for lunch?
Parents/Guardians may join their child in the cafeteria for lunch.
Fast food from outside restaurants is not allowed at LMS. Should fast food be brought to LMS, the student must eat in the office. Parents may only bring food for their child only. At no time may food be delivered to school for a student by DoorDash or Uber Eats.

14. How does my child get homework if they are out sick or on vacation?
Students who miss school due to illness, injury, vacation, etc. may check Canvas for their class assignments. Please check Canvas before contacting any teacher. Extended absences should be discussed with counselors or the registrar.

15. I just got a notice saying my child is AB Undetermined Absent?
If you receive a text, phone call, or email that your child has been marked AB Undetermined, it means that your child was not in their seat in the classroom when attendance was taken. There can be several reasons for this (both excused and unexcused). Excused examples include student came from seeing another teacher, the nurse, or a counselor, or a bus that arrived late (student will have an excused pass). Unexcused examples include student visiting with friends in the hallway or going to visit other classrooms/teachers without permission. Parents may receive the AB Undetermined notice first period if a student is not at school and we do not know the reason why.

16. How do I find out what is happening at Leawood?
There are several sources of information on what is happening at Leawood each week. The LMS Eagle News is written by the principal each week and highlights what is coming up, celebrates what has previously happened, contains needed links and forms, and shows
upcoming dates and events.
The LMS website is updated several times a week and contains a calendar, school information, staff information and contacts, and much more. Past principal’s newsletters, the student planner, class and bell schedules, student photos and much more is available.