



 **April Family Newsletter** 

*I am RESPECTFUL- yes, it's true! I treat others like I want them to.  
I am RESPONSIBLE - I do my best! I work hard, shine bright, rise to the test!  
I am SAFE - That's the way, so we can learn and laugh each day!  
I believe in myself, I believe in my school, I follow our values, I live by our rules.  
Respectful, Responsible, Safe-- That's Me!  
I am proud to be a Lee Academy Bee!*

## Important Updates:

Please read carefully for important events and activities as well as school updates.  
**Celebrating Autism Awareness Month**

Dear Families,

Happy April! This month, we proudly recognize **Autism Awareness Month**, a time dedicated to building understanding, acceptance, and inclusion for individuals with autism. Throughout the month, our school community will focus on celebrating differences, promoting kindness, and learning how we can support one another.

Students will engage in age-appropriate activities and discussions that help them better understand empathy, inclusion, and the importance of embracing what makes each of us unique.

### Upcoming Important Dates

April 2, 2026	● Family Council zoom meeting
April 3, 2026	● Good Friday: No School
April 5, 2026	● Easter Sunday
April 7 & 9, 2026	● ELA MCAS - 3rd grade
April 20-24, 2026	● Spring Break: No School
April 27, 2026	● School is back in session
April 30, 2026	● Curriculum Night
April 29- May 1, 2026	● School Dentist Coming to Lee Academy

Please read through this newsletter for some important updates of the upcoming year and upcoming events.

**5th Quarter  
Summer &  
Beyond.**

Registration for the 5th quarter is now open. This is a great opportunity for students to continue learning and enrichment beyond the regular school schedule. More details on program offerings, and deadlines will be shared—please be sure to sign up early to secure your child’s spot.

How to Register: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IM7haZsUruI&feature=youtu.be>

Fliers in different languages are available on the 5th quarter BPS page:

<https://www.bostonpublicschools.org/students-families/family-community-advancement/expanded-learning-opportunities-and-partnerships/5th-quarter-summer>

**Priority Registration: April 1, 2026**



**Family  
Council  
Meeting  
April 2, 2026**

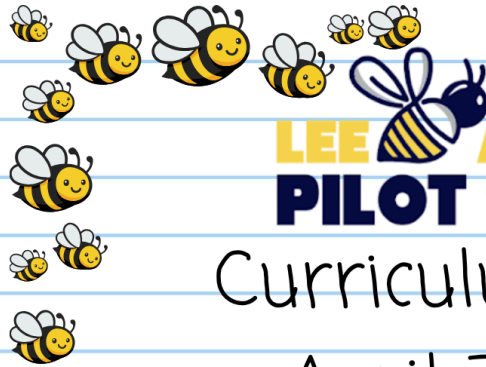
The Purpose of The Family Council is to bring all parents in the school community together to support the school and advocate for quality education. It is the place where parents can express concerns, advocate for the school, and plan school activities and events. As the parent or guardian of a Lee Academy student, you are automatically a member of our family Council. We encourage families to attend our monthly meetings to stay connected with your school community.

Join us for our monthly meeting: First Thursday of the Month at 6pm.

Where: Zoom-<https://k12-bostonpublicschools.zoom.us/j/85150860331>

**Curriculum**  
**Night**  
**April 30 2026**

We are excited to invite you to our Family Curriculum Night! This special evening will focus on Math and Literacy, giving you a closer look at the skills and strategies your child is learning in the classroom. You'll have the opportunity to explore fun, hands-on activities and learn ways to support learning at home.



**LEE ACADEMY  
PILOT SCHOOL**

Curriculum Night


April 30 2026

5pm-6:30pm



 Explore Math Activities


Build number skills through games and interactive challenges

 Discover Literacy Fun


Enjoy reading strategies, storytelling, and creative activities

 Take-Home Learning Kits

Each family will receive a kit filled with resources to continue learning at home!

 Family Engagement

Learn simple and effective ways to support your child's success in school

 What to Expect

Light refreshments/dinner will be provided

Access to resources for families

Support with completing school or district family surveys

Opportunities to connect with teachers and staff

 Raffles and prizes for participating families!



**Attendance  
Reminder  
Spring Break  
April 20  
through April  
24, 2026.  
School  
resumes on  
Monday April  
27, 2026.**

We wish you a restful and refreshing spring break beginning on April 20 2026.

Despite bad weather and illness, our teachers, families and students have persisted to keep learning and engaged. We appreciate everyone's hard work and commitment to our school community. Thank you, thank you!

- When school resumes on Monday, April 27 2026, we will be adding all students who are present into a raffle for a chance to win a cool prize.
- If your family or your student need support, please reach out to us at 617-635-8618 for help.

As long as your student is healthy, please encourage showing up to class when school is in session. If you have any questions, please contact your school nurse or a healthcare provider.

Every day of school is an important opportunity for students to learn as well as connect to peers and their teachers.

Until then, have a wonderful spring break.

**Health &  
Wellness:  
In-school  
Dentists will  
be here at The  
Lee Academy  
on 4/29, 4/30 &  
5/1.**



**Early in March your students received the in-school dentist permission forms. If you have not returned it yet please do so by April 8th. You may also use the online link [www.Myschooldentist.com](http://www.Myschooldentist.com) .**

**How You Can Stay Safe and Healthy During the Winter Months**

We expect to see rises in COVID-19, flu, and RSV cases this winter.

If a student or staff member feels sick, please stay home and immediately notify the school of the absence. [The BPS community is encouraged to check out our BPS Respiratory Illness Home Health Checklist to help determine if they should go to school or work when feeling sick.](#)

We encourage our students, families, educators, and staff to maintain good hygiene practices, like washing hands often and avoiding touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.

We also provide additional guidelines below to help students and staff decide whether they should stay home. Community members displaying any listed symptoms are asked to stay home for at least 24 hours after all symptoms have resolved:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Fever — Temperature of 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit or higher. Students need to stay home for 24 hours after their <b>temperature</b> has returned to normal without the use of fever-reducing medications, such as Ibuprofen or Acetaminophen.</li> <li>● Diarrhea — Three or more loose or watery stools in 24 hours, <b>especially if the person feels ill.</b></li> <li>● Vomiting — Two or more times during the last 24 hours, especially if the person feels ill.</li> <li>● Fatigue — Symptoms include lingering tiredness, paleness, lack of appetite, difficulty waking, confusion, and irritability. Students or employees should stay home until they are well or have seen their primary care provider.</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>Attendance Reminder</u></b></p>	<p><b>All students who have perfect attendance during any given month would be put into a drawing for a chance to win a special prize.</b></p> <p><b>If your student is absent, If your student is going to absent, late or dismissed early caregivers should:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Call the front office</b></li> <li>● <b>Message the classroom teacher</b></li> <li>● <b>Follow through with a note.</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Caregivers must physically write a note including date(s), the reason for absence, a phone number where a parent or caregiver can be reached, and the parent or caregiver’s signature.</b></p> <p>We will work with families to ensure that students come to school, but if families are unresponsive or noncommittal then we are legally required to refer the case to the Supervisor of Attendance and truancy court.</p> <p>Our goal is for your child to be successful in school and we appreciate your ongoing support.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">THANK YOU</p>
<p><b><u>Family Survey Coming Soon</u></b></p>	<p><b>Spring Family Survey</b></p> <p>The Spring 2026 Family Survey will be launching soon!</p> <p>We value your voice! Families will be invited to complete our Spring Family Survey. Your feedback helps us improve our school programs, strengthen communication, and better support our students. Please take a few minutes to complete the survey when it is shared—your input truly makes a difference.</p> <p>You can expect to receive the survey via email, text and Parent Square. Our goal is to hear from 100% of voices by the time the survey closes. We’ll be excited to analyze the results at that time and share back with you what we’ve heard and how it impacts our school community.</p>
<p><b><u>Transportation Reminder:</u></b></p>	<p>We ask families to be prepared for potential transportation delays. You can download and use the <a href="#">Zum App</a> to track your student’s bus. BPS Transportation will</p>

also proactively communicate to impacted families in the event of any transportation disruptions.

Families with transportation-specific questions should contact the Transportation Team at 617-635-9520 or by using the [Zum App](#).

## **Resources**

### **Special Olympics**

**Free and inclusive opportunities for athletes and partners coming up!**

#### **Dorchester**

- Young Athletes – Saturdays 9am-10am at DotHouse Health Clinic starting April 11 through June 13. Free and inclusive introduction to sport for 2-7 year olds. Sign up [here](#).
- Basketball Skills Center – Saturdays 10am-11am at DotHouse Health Clinic starting April 11 through June 13. Free and inclusive basketball skills center for people age 8-15. Sign up [here](#).

#### **Roxbury**

- Young Athletes – Saturdays 10am-11am at the Dewitt Center starting April 11 through June 13. Free and inclusive introduction to sport for 2-7 year olds. Sign up [here](#).
- Basketball Skills Center – Saturdays 11am-12pm at the Dewitt Center starting April 11 through June 13. Free and inclusive basketball skills center for people age 8-15. Sign up [here](#).

#### **South Boston**

- Young Athletes – Sundays 9am-10am at the Edgerley Family South Boston Boys and Girls Club starting April 12 through June 14. Free and inclusive introduction to sport for 2-7 year olds. Sign up [here](#).
- Basketball Skills Center – Sundays 11am-11am at the Edgerley Family South Boston Boys and Girls Club starting April 12 through June 14. Free and inclusive basketball skills center for people age 8-15. Sign up [here](#).

**All important information from the district as well as our school will be sent via Talking Points, ParentSquared and/or email. We provide information in various languages according to the diverse cultures of our school community. It is important that you download the Talking Points application on your phone so that you can receive LAPS communication.**

**[Click here for Boston Public Schools District Calendar](#)**

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