

# LBMS Engineering Class

## Dear parents,

Your child is taking an engineering class at Lee Burneson Middle School. As part of this class, they will be participating in a variety of activities and your permission is requested for the following:

- To participate, collaborate, communicate, and post work via Google Classroom.
- To use basic tools including utility knives, hot glue guns, screw drivers, hammers, saws, etc. Students will receive operating and safety instruction on all tools/processes. Some students might also use robots and drones.
- To participate in possible video conferences with individuals as it pertains to class activities (engineers, inventors, architects, etc.)
- Students might have media content placed on the class' YouTube Channel. See past work at: [www.youtube.com/user/thonnings](http://www.youtube.com/user/thonnings)

### Instructor:

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<https://thonnings.blog/>  
<https://www.youtube.com/user/Thonnings>

**Google Classroom** is used for this class. Ask your child about logging in

## Sign and Return

**(Option A)** To be more sustainable, please send your permission electronically via email. *Please copy and paste the bulleted elements above into an email. Include your child's name and your stated permission.*

**(Option B)** Print this form, sign, and return back to school. If you have any questions or concerns, please free to contact me.



## Needed for class

All students will need the following - a **composition book** (used if possible), a **pencil**, **inexpensive earbuds** and a **shoe box**. Some of our projects (7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup>) include the Junior Solar Sprint, the KidWind Challenge, Engineering Brightness, etc. Some materials brought from home might be needed as per the student's design.

## Please follow your child's progress!

I have around 150+ students each term. You can follow your child and get notices from PowerSchool. For more info, see:

<https://www.wlake.org/departments/academic-services/powerschool-emis> Parents are also welcome to have access to the Google Classroom for this class. Please email me if you wish to participate.

## Parent Help or Inspiration Accepted!

If you're an engineer, designer, architect, entrepreneur, business owner, patent owner, tinkerer, inventor, scientist, solar installer, urban organic gardening, etc. and could lend us 10 to 20 minutes of your time, let me know

Thanks for all your support and help. For more information about the engineering classes, visit <https://thonnings.blog>

Kurt Thonnings

**Student Name (Please Print):**

**Student's Grade level:**

**Parent Signature:**

**Date:**

I can help or am willing to donate.

Please contact me at: