



Lion's Mane News

*Lutheran School Association
Educating for Tomorrow and Eternity*

December 6, 2013

Dress Code Reminder

Students at LSA will be expected to dress **modestly, neatly,** and **appropriately** at all times, particularly when we are at school. Only clothing that adds to the Christian atmosphere should be worn.

Modest clothing is that which does not call undue attention to the individual, particularly in the area of making sure that our bodies are appropriately covered. This includes making sure that undergarments do not show, that shorts, skirts, and sleeves are of an appropriate length, that midriffs and neck lines are covered, and that clothing is not overly tight or otherwise revealing. Tops and sweaters that show a cami and/or bra straps are not considered in compliance with the dress code.

Chapel on Wednesday,
December 11th will be led
by Mrs. Dippel.

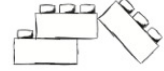


December Denim Days will be the 6th and 20th. The funds from these days will go to the LCFS Share the Gift Program. The cost is \$2.50 per day or \$5.00 for the month. We are supporting 38 LCFS children this year so any donations above and



beyond the minimum will be appreciated. Make checks payable to LSA.

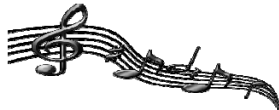
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Looking Ahead...

- **December 8th**
K-4 Concert 3:00 PM
- **December 11th**
Market Day Pick-Up
- **December 15th**
5-8 Concert 3:00 PM
Jr. High Girls
Basketball Banquet
5:30 PM
- **December 18th**
Elementary Choir
at St. John's 6:30 PM
- **December 19th**
Jr. High Volleyball
Pictures 2:45 PM
- **December 20th**
End of 2nd Quarter
Noon Dismissal
- **December 23rd -
January 3rd**
CHRISTMAS BREAK
NO SCHOOL / ABC
LSA OFFICES
CLOSED
- **January 6th**
School Resumes

Music Notes



The K-4th grade Christmas Concert will be held **Sunday, December 8th at 3:00 PM** in the gym on the grey court. The 5-8th grade Band and Choir Concert will be held **Sunday, December 15th at 3:00 PM**. Students should come dressed in their Christmas best. The concert is mandatory for students and will last about an hour. After the concert, you will pick your student up from their homeroom.

Please remember that the circle drive is NOT for student drop-off or pick-up. Only those people with handicapped signs issued by the school may use the circle drive. If you have special needs and would like to request permission to use the circle drive, please see Mrs. Dippel.

Coffee Talk

If you missed "Coffee with Mr. Karsten" today, we talked about the five congregations that make up our school and touched on a brief history of how LSA became what it is today. We also encouraged our families to continue growing spiritually together by going to church regularly and invited everyone who does not have a church home currently to visit any of our five. To find out more about the topic, look for minutes in next week's newsletter and watch for a new YouTube video that will be uploaded next week. The next "Coffee with Mr. Karsten" will be on **Friday, December 20th, at 7:45 AM** in the library, and we will be talking about K-12 music.





FOR YOUR HEALTH...



Noise-Induced Hearing Loss

Children and young adults are at a greater risk for hearing loss today than even a couple decade ago due to increase popularity of earbuds. When loud music plays through earbuds, the eardrum transfers that sound to the inner ear, where thousands of inner hair cells are transmitting vibrations to the nerves. Earbuds are usually worn as close as possible to the eardrum. Exposure to loud noise over time will cause those hair cells to shear or break off. There's nothing to regenerate these hair cells anymore. Hearing is one of the senses that you cannot get back. Permanent hearing loss can occur when people listen to music above 70% volume (over 85 decibels) through the earbuds. The American Osteopathic Association recommends the 60 percent/60 minute rule to moderate earbud usage: no more than 60 percent of maximum volume for no more than 60 minutes. Noise-canceling headphones pose less of a risk than earbuds because they are worn further away from one's eardrums. They also eliminate background noise, which reduces the need to increase the volume. Monitoring the noise level and length of time earbuds are used will protect your child's hearing.



Drop off
 December 9
 December 16
 January 2
 January 13
 January 27
 February 3
 February 10

Pick-up
 December 13
 December 20
 January 6
 January 17
 January 31
 February 7
 February 14

NO SCRIP THE WEEK OF JANUARY 20

NO SCRIP WITH WEEK OF FEBRUARY 17



ONLY 2 SCRIP SHOPPING WEEKS UNTIL CHRISTMAS!

Heavenly Holiday Bazaar

Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church
 (2055 S. Franklin Rd.) **December 7th from 7:00 AM - 2:00 PM.**

Enjoy a great lunch, find Christmas decorations and hand-crafted items, and buy Christmas cookies by the pound and delicious baked goods. Call 428-0641 for more information.

Sponsored by the Mt. Calvary Ladies Guild



ALL ABOUT WASHINGTON D.C.

Thank you to everyone that participated in the breakfast at Applebee's, and those who have purchased stadium chairs and candy.

Your support is greatly appreciated!

Need to wash your car?

Use [Rainstorm Express Car Wash](#) next to Thornton's on MLK Drive or next to Wal-Mart East on Maryland St. Scan this barcode or enter "2013" when you buy a wash, and Rainstorm will donate \$1.25 to the LSA junior high class trip to Washington D.C. Cards are reusable with no expiration.

THANK YOU for your SUPPORT!!



Lions Sports News



6th thru 8th graders will be starting tryouts for the **7th & 8th grade LSA Volleyball teams** this Saturday, **12/7** from **8:00-10:00 AM** in the Gym. (**We are still working on the 5th & 6th grade*

Elementary teams' practice schedule... gym time is at a premium @ LSA.) Due to our lack of numbers in this year's 7th and 8th grade classes, we are looking at having some of the 6th graders playing up on the 7th grade team and some 7th graders playing up on the 8th grade team as well. Jr. High Volleyball Tryouts are scheduled to be concluded after Saturday, Dec. 14th.

Tryouts/practices for the LSA **5th & 6th grade Volleyball teams** will conclude sometime after Dec. 14th, so as to allow those 6th graders who might not make the 7th grade team a chance to tryout for the 6th grade team.

It's not too late for any 4th thru 8th grade girls to still sign up/tryout for the 5th thru 8th grade LSA Volleyball teams. See Mr. Younghouse for information

****Remember, you must have a current physical on file at LSA, an Emergency Contact/Parent Permission form, and the LSA Athletic Fee paid prior to being allowed to tryout for the 5th, 6th, 7th & 8th grade LSA Volleyball teams.*

4th-6th girls basketball recognition night will be on **Saturday, December 7th** during half time of the Varsity girls game VS St. Teresa. All 4th-6th girls basketball players should arrive at 6:00 PM and will get free admission to the games.



7th & 8th grade girls basketball recognition night will be on **Friday, December 13th** during halftime of the Varsity girls game VS University Laboratory High. All 7th & 8th grade girls basketball players should arrive at 6:00 PM and will get free admission to the games.

Sign Up Genius is set up for all of our sports that are currently in season. **Parents of student athletes are required to work at least two home games per season** either in the concession stand or at the gate. Click on this [link](#) (also on our homepage) to sign up for your chosen shifts.

Booster Club needs all parents of 5th - 8th grade boys basketball players and cheerleaders to go online and sign up for their two shifts right away. The concession stand cannot operate without volunteers. We do not want to have to play games with no concessions so we need your help! Anyone is welcome to sign up to help and gate, book and clock workers are needed as well.



THIS WEEK IN LIONS SPORTS

Friday, December 6th - High School Boys Basketball VS Cerro Gordo - **Home** JV at 6:15 PM, Varsity at 7:30 PM
Saturday, December 7th - 5th & 6th Grade Boys Basketball @ Holy Family 5th at 9:00 PM, 6th at 10:00 AM
 7th & 8th Grade Boys Basketball @ Holy Family 7th at 11:00 AM, 8th at 12:00 PM
 High School Girls Basketball VS St. Teresa - **Home** JV at 6:00 PM, Varsity at 7:30 PM
Monday, December 9th - High School Girls Basketball @ Auburn JV at 6:00 PM, Varsity at 7:30 PM
 5th & 6th Grade Boys Basketball @ Okaw Valley 5th at 6:00, 6th at 7:00 PM
 7th & 8th Grade Boys Basketball VS Trinity Lutheran - **Home** 7th at 6:00, 8th at 7:00 PM
Thursday, December 12th - 7th & 8th Grade Boys Basketball @ Maroa Forsyth 7th at 6:00, 8th at 7:00 PM
 High School Girls Basketball @ Cerro Gordo JV only at 6:00 PM
Friday, December 13th - High School Boys Basketball @ Arthur High School JV at 6:00, Varsity at 7:30 PM
 High School Girls Basketball VS Uni High - **Home** JV at 6:15 PM, Varsity at 7:00 PM

Lunch Menu for the Week of December 9th - N



Did you know that you can pay your lunch money online? Go to the website www.lsadecatur.net and click the “*Make a Payment*” button at the bottom of the page.

LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS			
DEC. 10,11,12	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Morning	Vanessa Nash	Renee Ferre (9:15)	Lynn Poland
Afternoon		Sonja Jensen (2:45)	

LIBRARY NEWS— (Dec. 10,11,12)

Using the scholastic dollars that were earned through the K-8 Book Fair, I have purchased book sets that have AR quizzes.



6th Grade- 4 books that coordinate with their Titanic project: *Titanic, You Wouldn't Want to Sail on the Titanic, The Titanic, and The Titanic Disaster.*

These books range from a 5.3 – 7.0 ATOS reading level.
5th Grade- *When Did Columbus Arrive in the America's,* 5.6 ATOS reading level.

Student Requests- *Military Ships, NF, 2.9 ATOS reading level. The Princess and the Peanut Allergy, E, 2.4 ATOS reading level, Engineers, NF, 4.7 ATOS reading level, Duck Hunting, NF, 4.3 ATOS reading level, Dear Cinderella, E, 3.7 ATOS reading level, Chicago Bulls, NF, 5.8 ATOS reading level.*

Student Requests- 6 book Rookie Read-About Community set which includes: *A Day with Firefighters, Doctors, Librarians, Police Officers, and Mail Carriers.* These books are at a 2.2 ATOS reading level.

ABC NEWS

--There will be half day care on Friday, December 20. We will have a Christmas party with hot chocolate and cookies, Christmas movies, games and crafts. **Please remember to bring your own lunch,** and sign up in the multi-purpose Room!!

--No care during Christmas Break: There will NOT be ABC care during Christmas break, Monday, December 23rd – Friday January 3rd.

--Thank you to those who have donated! ABC gives a big thank you to those parents who have made donations of toys, craft items and other supplies in the past couple weeks! We are especially thankful for the new Barbies, blocks and board games! The kids love them. We are still in need of a few items: Wii games, Ping Pong Balls and Paddles, Indoor sport equipment, board and card games. With the weather turning cold and dreary, we need to keep the kids occupied with indoor activities!

Monday 12-9	Tuesday 12-10	Wednesday 12-11	Thursday 12-12	Friday 12-13
Crafty Monday Snack: Cookies Craft: Monogram Ornaments	Coloring Page Day Snack: Goldfish Craft: Handprint Reindeer	Wii Wednesday Snack: Bugles Craft: Penguin Ornaments	BINGO Thursday Snack: Animal Crackers	Movie Friday Snack: Popcorn Movie: Despicable Me 2