



Lion's Mane News

*Lutheran School Association
Educating for Tomorrow and Eternity*

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LSA Dinner Auction

This year's annual LSA Dinner Auction will be held April 18th at the Mt. Zion Convention Center. Now is the time to bring in your donations! Check with your student's teacher to see what their classroom theme is this year. Bring a little or bring a lot, any donations are appreciated! Donation forms are available in the school office.


Chapel on Ash Wednesday,

February 18th will be led by Pastor Wray.


This is Ash Wednesday and we will include imposition of ashes as part of the service. Students may participate or politely decline the ashes being placed on their foreheads.



Looking Ahead...

- **February 16th** President's Day 
NO SCHOOL
- **February 17th** Science Fair
- **February 18th** Ash Wednesday
- **February 20th** PTL Meeting 8:45 AM
PTL Denim Day
Yearbook Orders Due
- **February 26th** Nelson's Chicken Dinner
- **February 27th** NO SCHOOL
TEACHER INSERVICE
ABC AVAILABLE
- **March 6th** Spring Pictures
- **March 13th** End of 3rd Quarter
Noon Dismissal
- **March 23rd - 27th** Achievement Tests

FACTS is accepting financial aid applications. Click on the link at the bottom of our homepage to get started. Your taxes must be completed in order to file. **The deadline is May 1st** and no applications will be accepted after that date. Financial aid is needs based and is offered on a first come, first serve basis.



NO SCHOOL FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH

In order to allow our teachers to focus on how we serve the LSA, we are having special teacher in-service sessions. High School faculty will be at a conference in Missouri, and K-8 Faculty will be working on curriculum and alignment on this day. ABC will be available if we have enough students signed up. Email Mrs. Martinek at amartinek@lsadecatur.net if you are interested in all day ABC care on that Friday.

Mid-terms were sent home on Wednesday. If you have not seen your student's mid-term report, please contact their teacher. Teacher contact information is available on the website.



Coffee With Mr. Karsten

Just a reminder that there are only 2 more weeks to take advantage of the \$50 per student enrollment fee! Starting March 1, the enrollment fee will be \$100 per student, and it will rise by \$50 each month through August. This enrollment fee reserves your student's seat for the upcoming 2015-2016 school year and allows the school to make plans based on those numbers. Enrolling early helps us both. Also, if you plan on enrolling at the member tuition rate next year, don't forget to have your pastor sign your enrollment sheet. Finally, we are approaching the final days to get into the Tuition-Free Drawing for your incoming kindergarten or high school student. If you want more information about how to apply for this drawing, contact Susan Keane in the office. We are looking forward to great things for the upcoming year and are excited for you to be a part of it. -Mr. Karsten





FOR YOUR HEALTH...



New immunization requirement for the 2015-2016 school year:

Applies to students entering 6th or 12th grade:

6th graders require proof of 1 dose of MCV4 (meningitis) at school entry.

12th graders require proof of 2 doses of MCV4 (meningitis) at school entry; 2nd dose must be administered on or after the 16th birthday.

Reminder:

6th grade also requires proof of:

Tdap booster

Varicella booster

Kindergarten requires proof of:

MMR series

DTaP series

Polio series



SCRIP News

Drop off by 9:00 AM

NO SCRIP THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 16

February 23

March 2

March 9

March 16

March 23

NO SCRIP THE WEEK OF APRIL 6

April 13

April 20

April 27

May 4

May 11

May 18

Pick up

February 27

March 6

March 13

March 20

March 27

April 17

April 24

May 1

May 8

May 15

May 22

Please remember that Scrip orders must be turned in no later than 9:00 AM on order day. This includes both online and paper orders.

From now until March 20th our LSA Girl Scout troop is selling cookies for \$4/box. You can contact Donna Moma 872-0448 or Beth Tatum 972-2299 to place an order. They will also be selling Girl Scout cookies at the Kroger in Brettwood Village this Saturday from 2:00 – 4:00 PM if you would like to come out and support them.



Lunch Menu

	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
Week L	Chicken Sandwich	Macaroni and Cheese	Beef Nachos	Chicken and Noodles	Hot Dog
Alt= Pizza	Veggie	Veggie	Veggie	Veggie	Veggie
	Fruit	Fruit	Fruit	Fruit	Fruit
	Pretzels	Cookie	Dessert	Biscuit	Cookie

Jump Rope for Heart/Hoops for Heart 2015

We will be raising funds the whole month of February.

Envelopes go home this Friday.

They are due Friday, February 27th. Every student who raises \$5 gets the first duck prize!

Check out your child's fundraising envelope for more details on prizes and other ducks!

We will have a big school event in May again this year. Volunteers are always welcomed for that - sign up with Mrs. Saurmann if you would like to help out!



Lions Sports News

THIS WEEK IN LIONS SPORTS

Friday, February 13th - High School Boys Basketball @ Okaw Valley at 6:00 PM

Saturday, February 14th - 7th Grade Volleyball @ Zion Invite

Tuesday, February 17th - High School Basketball VS Cerro Gordo - **Home** at 6:00 PM

Thursday, February 19th - 7th & 8th Grade Volleyball @ Our Lady of Lourdes
High School Scholastic Bowl @ Arthur at 6:00 PM

Friday, February 20th - High School Boys Basketball VS Porta - **Home** at 6:00 PM - **Senior Night**

Saturday, February 21st - High School Scholastic Bowl @ Masonic Sectional
8th Grade Volleyball @ Holy Family Invite

Spring Sports Meeting

Thursday, February 26th there will be an informational meeting for all 4th - 12th grade students interested in playing a spring sport.

High School Spring Sports (\$75 athletic fee)

Baseball, Girls Soccer, Softball, Track

Middle School Spring Sports (\$50 athletic fee)

Track

Please plan to attend this meeting and bring your athletic fee, up to date physical, and insurance card to fill out the Emergency Contact Form. Forms are available on the website.



LSA has scheduled sports physicals on **Tuesday, May 19th, 2015 from 3:00 – 5:00 PM**. They will be held in the gym hallway and locker rooms. Please put this day on your calendar. Any student wishing to play a sport, no matter what age or grade they are in, will be required to have a sports physical before they are allowed to participate. The cost is \$25 and the check can be made out to DMH Medical Group. Physicals are good for 13 months.

The scheduled times will be:

High School

3:00 – 3:45 PM

6th-8th grades

3:45 – 4:30 PM

K-5th grades

4:30 - 5:00 PM



LSA fans have been invited to a spaghetti supper this Friday, February 13th at Okaw Valley. Supper will be served from 5:00 - 7:00 PM and then LSA will take on Okaw Valley in boys basketball. Tickets are \$6.00 for adults, \$4.00 for students, and \$3.00 for students 12 and under.

Stay updated with all sports by following us on Twitter @LSA_Athletics!

Extra Curricular eligibility will be checked on a weekly basis in accordance with IESA guidelines. Eligibility is based on the grades available at the time of the check. If a student brings home an ineligibility slip on Friday, they are ineligible from Monday through the next Sunday. Changes in grades from the day of the check to any day within the time limit of the ineligibility will not change the length of the suspension from practices and games.

Notices must be signed and returned to the school office. Academics must come first.

Volunteering Opportunities

Save the Date -

LSA Roller Skating Party

PTL has reserved George's Skateland from 5:00 - 7:00 PM on March 15th for a spring family event. All teachers, parents, siblings and students are welcome to come out and skate together. More information coming soon!



Nelson's Chicken Dinner tickets for PTL Teacher Grants

Information regarding selling tickets for the PTL Chicken Dinner and the Ice Cream Sundae Party incentive is attached to the email for the newsletter.

Please turn in all ticket orders to the office by Friday, Feb. 13th. Ticket orders will be filled on Tuesday, Feb. 17th. The PTL is providing an ice cream sundae party for the classroom that sells the most tickets. Remember, our Nelson's chicken dinner fundraiser will be held on **Thursday, February 26, 2015**, from 4:00 - 7:00 pm. **The meal includes** ½ grilled chicken, green beans, mashed potatoes, a roll and dessert. We offer drive thru pick up (the best part!) or dine in. All proceeds will go to our teacher grant requests. Thank you to all the volunteers who have signed up to work and those parents and friends who have already purchased selling tickets! If you have any questions, please contact Heather Meadows at 217-855-0806 (text or call) or hbmeadows94@gmail.com.

Feed My Starving Children Decatur MobilePack

St. Paul's Lutheran Church will once again partner with ADM & Tabernacle Baptist Church in leading the charge to host an FMSC Decatur MobilePack Event on March 13th and 14th at St. Paul's. We are challenging the community to raise the \$44,000 needed to pack the same level of meals that we did in 2013 (200,000+ meals). Once Manna Pack meal costs 22 cents. Start today - Form a fundraising team and donate now at

<http://www.fundraising.fmssc.org/Decatur>.

You can also sign up to volunteer and pack meals at the event. Packing slots are 2 hours each and there are plenty to choose from!



The educational impact of parents involved with their children's school cannot be understated. We are requiring each family to serve a minimum of ten hours a year to the needs of the school. You can record your hours of service by logging it in the Family Participation Log in the office. In the event that your hours have not been served by May 15th, a \$10 charge for each hour not served will be added to your family's account. Thank you so much for partnering with us to make your child's experience at LSA the very best it can be!

Questions? Email Rachel - rbishop@lsadecatur.net.

Lunchroom Volunteers

Our wonderful cafeteria staff is always looking for extra hands to help serve lunch. This is a good way to get your service hours in while getting to interact with the students and staff. You can come and serve lunch on a regular lunch day, or volunteer on a special day such as Try-day Friday. To volunteer, go to our website www.lsadecatur.net and click the Sign-Up Genius link on the bottom, right corner of the home page.



LSA ReSale Shop will be having work nights every Thursday at 5:30 PM. All adults and high school students are invited! If you are looking for a way to get started with this year's service hours, call Judy at 423-0122 to volunteer.

Be An Art Volunteer!

If you enjoy fostering student's creativity or want to work behind the scenes, you may consider volunteering in the Art Room at the end of the day. Volunteers may help in the classroom, prepare work or help with getting our students' artwork on Artsonia. If you have any of these extra items around the house, the PTL encourages you to consider donating them to the art classroom: paper plates, gift wrap tubes, small to medium dish soap bottles, pump spray hairspray bottles, Gerber plastic rectangular containers with lids, newspaper (not the sale ads), or old towels.