



Lion's Mane News

*Lutheran School Association
Educating for Tomorrow and Eternity*

January 9, 2015



Kindergarten Orientation will be held on **Tuesday, January 27, at 6:30 PM** in the multi-purpose room. If you know a family with a child who will be Kindergarten eligible, please provide the office with their contact information so the family will receive a mailing regarding the orientation meeting.



Chapel on Wednesday, January 14th will be led by Mr. Karsten



Report Cards will be sent home on Friday, January 9th. If you wish to schedule a parent teacher conference, please contact your student's teacher.

Tax Statements for 2014 were mailed out to all families this week.

Make plans for the 2015-2016 school year.

Enrollment will begin February 1st at \$50.00 per student and then will increase at \$50.00 increments until Registration Day in August.

Remember to call the school office by 9:00 AM if your student will be absent for any reason. If we do not hear from you regarding your student's absence they will receive an unexcused absence for that day.

LSA School Closings

In the event of circumstances that cause us to cancel school at LSA, please view or listen in to one of the local medias (radio or tv). LSA makes its own decision as to whether to close school or not. It does not follow one school district or another. We will make every effort to make any decision to cancel school as early as possible on a given morning or the night before (if we can). Certainly parents need to always be safe as they drive if weather is questionable and school is not officially canceled.



- Looking Ahead...**
- **January 19th**
MLK Day - No School
 - **January 21st**
Market Day Pick-Up
 - **January 23rd**
High School Shadowing Day for Zion Lutheran
 - **January 26th - 30th**
National Lutheran Schools Week
 - **January 27th**
Kindergarten Orientation 6:30 PM - MPR
 - **January 30th**
PTL Meeting 8:45 AM
8th Grade Science Fair Papers Due
 - **February 6th**
High School Shadowing Day for LSA 8th Grade
7th Grade Science Fair Papers Due
Mid-Term

Coffee With Mr. Karsten

As we enter into the cold wintery months, we want to make sure our families know our procedures for closing school for inclement weather. If weather or other severe conditions cause a cancellation, it will be announced on the following stations: WSOY 1340 AM, WSOY 102.9 FM, WEJT 105.1 FM, WDW 1050 AM, WDW 95.1 FM, WCIZ Ch. 3, WICS Ch. 2/10, and WAND Ch. 7/17. Please note that we do not plan on closing the school for "Cold Days," unless there is an emergency situation. While public schools feel it is necessary because of bus routes, country commutes, and students walking to school, LSA can continue to provide educational services despite the temperature. We do not want our parents to have to find alternative plans for their students when we have the resources to stay in session. We provide our students with a warm meal, warm shelter, indoor recess, and indoor dismissal. Additional information can be found in our calendar on page 18. -Mr. Karsten





FOR YOUR HEALTH...



In order to protect all of our students at school, we need to all be diligent in keeping the sick children home. We will watch your children closely at school and call you if they show signs of illness here. **PLEASE do not send them to school if they have had a fever in the last 24 hours (WITHOUT the use of Tylenol or Motrin). Please do not send them to school after giving them Tylenol for the fever at home. Reducing their fever with medication does NOT mean they are better.** This would be like covering up chicken pox with make-up and saying they are well. They may still be contagious and potentially pass on the illness to other classmates. **PLEASE do not send them to school if they have vomited in the last 24 hours.** Again, they may still be contagious, and, more than likely, not feel up to being in school. Always consider if you would be happy to have a child with your child's symptoms sitting next to yours. THANK YOU for your help in keeping our student body healthy. God grant us mercy as we continue on through "Cold and Flu Season".

SCRIP News

Drop off by 9:00 AM

January 12
NO SCRIP THE WEEK OF JANUARY 19TH
January 26
February 2
February 9
NO SCRIP THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 16
February 23
March 2
March 9
March 16
March 23

Pick up

January 16
January 30
February 6
February 13
February 27
March 6
March 13
March 20
March 27



THANK YOU to Culver's and Dan Delatte for providing certificates and coupons for our 4th - 8th grade students who have maintained their 300 points for the 1st semester. Well done, students!

Chapel offerings in January will go to New Life Pregnancy Center. Please send change to help fill your child's classroom's baby bottle.



Come out and see the new 7th & 8th grade collaborative art project. Each student made a section of the painting and then they were put together to complete the piece.

Washington D.C. Coupon Books

- All money turned in **MUST** be in check form for ease of record keeping.
- Checks will be collected on **January 9th from 3:30 - 5:30 PM in the atrium.**
- When all of the books/money are returned, the signed contract will be pulled and parents will be released from the contract for the quantity that is remitted.
- Each student will be responsible for collecting on any checks returned for non-sufficient funds.

Lunch Menu

	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
Week N	Burger	Chicken Parm.	Brunch for Lunch	Turkey Bacon wrap	Baked Steak
Alt - Sandwich	Veggie	Veggie		Veggie	Mashed Potatoes
	Fruit	Fruit		Fruit	Fruit
	Cookie	Garlic Bread		Dessert	Biscuit

Lions Sports News

THIS WEEK IN LIONS SPORTS

Friday, January 9th - 7th & 8th Grade Volleyball @ Our Lady of Lourdes at 6:00 PM
High School Boys Basketball VS Argenta-Oreana - **Home** at 6:00 PM

Saturday, January 10th - 5th & 6th Grade Volleyball @ Our Lady of Lourdes Invitation
4th - 8th Grade Boys Basketball @ Holy Family at 10:00 AM
High School Girls Basketball @ Cumberland at 1:00 PM

Monday, January 12th - High School Girls Basketball @ Warrensburg Latham at 6:00 PM
5th & 6th Grade Volleyball @ Forsyth at 6:30 PM

Tuesday, January 13th - High School Boys Basketball @ Warrensburg Latham at 6:00 PM

Thursday, January 15th - Scholastic Bowl VS Maroa-Forsyth - **Home** at 4:30 PM
7th & 8th Grade Boys Basketball @ Okaw Valley at 6:00 PM
High School Girls Basketball VS Arcola - **Home** at 6:00 PM

Friday, January 16th - 7th & 8th Grade Volleyball @ Hope Academy at 6:00 PM

Saturday, January 17th - High School Girls Basketball @ LOVC Tournament
4th - 6th Grade Boys Basketball VS Cerro Gordo - **Home** at 10:00 AM



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. Click on this [link](#) (also on our homepage) to sign up for your chosen shifts.

Booster Club needs all parents of 4th - 8th grade boys basketball players 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.

CONGRATULATIONS!

- Garrett Karsten was named Aquafina Prime Time Player of the Week for making seven 3-point shots in one game.
- Hunter York scored his 1,000th career point on January 6th in the 111 to 72 LSA win over Heritage.
- Jackson Allen has been nominated for 3 awards in the 5th annual Real Men Wear Pink Decatur High School Football Awards. Those nominations are - Underclassman of the Year, Defensive Back of the Year, and Pass Catcher. The awards ceremony will be held January 11th.

Excellent job, Lions!

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

February 26th PTL Fundraiser **Features Nelson's Chicken Dinners**

Nelson's has been featured in a variety of area fundraisers... their mouth-watering hearty chicken dinners with green beans, mashed potatoes and gravy and dessert are the answer to our prayers these cold and cloudy winter days! Tickets will soon go on sale for \$9 (We have been told one meal feeds 2 small kids).

To make this fundraiser a success, we need your help in two ways:

First, spread the word to all your friends, family and co-workers and tell them to save the date. **You can help us reach our goal to sell all 400 tickets.** All tickets must be sold by February 15. Classrooms will also be working together to win an ice cream sundae party for the most tickets sold. PTL members will also be visiting churches and basketball games to sell tickets to the community. If you would like to help sell tickets to your church, let us know. We plan to be at the churches on January 18 and 25. Selling tickets can also earn service hours!

Second, spend just one hour on February 26th helping the PTL assemble the meals or run them out to cars. If you're low on service hours for the year, you can work all 3 hours from 4 - 7 p.m. We need 18-24 volunteers to make that night a success!

If you are interested in buying or selling tickets or helping out that night, please contact Heather Meadows at 855-0806 (or text) or hbmeadows94@gmail.com.

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.

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 at bishop@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.

St Paul's Early Learning Center now hiring:

Full Time 2's teacher
Full or Part Time infant/toddler teacher (or aide)
Full time School-age teacher/bus driver
(CDL not needed)
Substitutes
(especially teacher qualified)
SPELC offers a wonderful benefit package for full time employees
To inquire please call 424-9183
And ask to speak to Kim or Jamie