



Lion's Mane News

*Lutheran School Association
Educating for Tomorrow and Eternity*

October 8, 2014



CALENDAR UPDATE

NO SCHOOL -

Monday, November

3rd there will be no school for grades K-12. The teachers will be participating in an in-service that day.



Grandparent's Day

Join us on Friday, October 17th for Grandparent's Day. Chapel will be from 9:00 - 9:30 AM,

classroom visits are from 9:30 - 11:00 AM and there will be a program in the gym from 11:00 - 11:45 AM.

This is a noon dismissal day.

All grandparents are welcome!

Picture Day is set for Thursday, October 16th. Students must be in dress code for these pictures. No exceptions!



Chapel on Friday, October 17th will be led by Pastor Weise of St. John's. Chapel offerings for August - December will be going to the Northeast Community Fund.

LSA Collected and delivered 202 cans of soup to the Northeast Community Fund during the month of September - **THANK YOU!** During October we will be collecting **instant potatoes.**

You can send them in with your student and they will be delivered to NECF at the end of the month.



When your student needs to leave school early, please send a note to the teacher so they are aware and can be prepared to dismiss them. The end of the school day is a busy time and often students that leave early with no notice miss important assignments.



Looking Ahead...

- **Oct. 9th & 10th**
Teacher Conference
NO SCHOOL
- **Oct. 13th**
Columbus Day
NO SCHOOL
- **Oct. 14th**
5th - 8th Boys
Basketball Meeting
5:30 Cafeteria
Otis Spunkmeyer
Cookie Dough
Delivery Date
- **Oct. 15th**
Exclusion Date for
any K, 6th, & 9th
Grade Students
without Physicals
- **Oct. 16th**
Picture Day
- **Oct. 17th**
Grandparent's Day
End of 1st Quarter
Noon Dismissal

Coffee With Mr. Karsten

Ever wonder what the School Board is working on? Currently, they are doing an evaluation of last year. They look at the 6 board ends, goals set by the board for the mission of the school. These goals and the parent survey in January give measurement and feedback to help evaluate the school each year. The 6 board ends are: 1) LSA students possess a personal faith relationship with Jesus Christ, a biblical world view, and the necessary tools to impact the world for Christ. 2) LSA students realize the full potential of their unique God given talents and abilities within the academic, athletic, artistic, and technical spheres and are fully prepared for the next level of education or skill development. 3) LSA students are equipped with the life skills necessary for success, both in terms of fulfilling God's command to make disciples as well as the ability to carry out their temporal duties. 4) LSA is the "School of Choice" through academic excellence, cutting-edge technology, and a developed campus. 5) LSA develops, nurtures, and supports its relationship with member congregations. 6) LSA has a sound financial model which takes into account the school ministry, the families, and the member congregations. Watch for the parent survey coming this winter to help us continue to evaluate and make this school even better. -Mr. Karsten





FOR YOUR HEALTH...

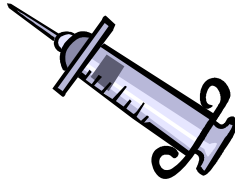


SCRIP News

OCTOBER 15TH is the date that ALL physicals and shots must be completed.

This includes:

- Kindergarten Physicals
- Kindergarten Immunizations
- Kindergarten Vision Exams
- 6th Grade Physicals
- 9th Grade Physicals
- Updated Immunizations
- Physicals and Vision Exams for all new to Illinois



I have sent the 2nd notice to parents of students who are still missing these items. Please let me know if/when an appointment is scheduled.

It would be unfortunate to have to exclude your child from classes.

Drop off by 9:00 AM

NO SCRIP THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 13

October 20

Pick up

OCTOBER 24

October 24

NO SCRIP THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 27

November 3

November 7

November 10

November 14

November 17

November 21

NO SCRIP THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 24

December 1

December 5

December 8

December 12

December 15

December 19

My Scrip Wallet is now available! This is a great way to up your Scrip dollars earned. You can buy scrip on your phone while at the store or restaurant and then pay with your phone when you check out! My Scrip Wallet is for use with ScripNow only.

ABC NEWS

ABC will have All Day Care on Thursday and Friday, October 9th and 10th. We have a great group of kids already signed up, but you may still sign up through next week! We have lots of fun activities planned, a couple guest speakers coming in, and games, crafts and snacks lined up. There is no lunch provided by ABC, so **YOUR STUDENT WILL NEED TO BRING A LUNCH.** Please come and join us!! Remember, there will be **NO CARE on Monday, October 13.** If you have any questions, or would like to sign up, you can call the ABC office, or email Mrs. Martinek at amartinek@lsadecatur.net.

We are still evaluating whether we will be able to have care on 10/31 & 11/3. Please sign up if you think you would use all day care on those days, and we will let everyone know about care closer to that date.

Lunch Menu

	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
Week L	NO	Sloppy Joes	Beef Nachos	Chicken & Noodles	NO
Alt - Pizza	SCHOOL	Veggie	Veggie	Veggie	LUNCH
	COLUMBUS	Fruit	Fruit	Fruit	NOON
	DAY	Chips	Dessert	Biscuit	DISMISSAL



Parent Teacher Conferences will be scheduled for Monday, October 27th and Tuesday, October 28th. K-5 teachers will be scheduling conferences for each of their students. 6-8 teachers will have

scheduled team meetings for those who request them on Monday, and drop-in meetings in the multi-purpose room on Tuesday. If you wish to schedule a 6-8 team meeting, please contact your student's homeroom teacher.

"FAITHFUL FINISH LINES: RECREATE WHO YOU ARE"

On Friday, October 24, at 5:30 PM at the YMCA, St. John's is sponsoring a presentation by Sara Borgstede complete with door prizes and snacks. Sara is a wife, mother of 5, former middle school teacher, triathlete, motivational speaker and writer. After a lifetime of secret food obsessions, compulsive overeating and binging, Sara Borgstede learned to fix what matters. Grab a friend and plan to attend!



Lions Sports News



There will be an informational meeting for boys in grades 5-8 that are interested in playing basketball this year on **Tuesday, October 14th at 5:30 PM** in the cafeteria. Please bring a sports physical (if not already on file), insurance card, and the \$50 sports fee (make checks payable to LSA, no cash) to this meeting.

Congratulations to our 7th & 8th grade girls basketball teams. Both teams placed second at the Mt. Pulaski Tournament last week.

4th & 5th grade girls basketball remains undefeated after 2 wins over Maroa-Forsyth on Monday evening.

4th - 8th grade girls basketball teams all play this Saturday at Holy Family. Go Lady Lions!

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.

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



THIS WEEK IN LIONS SPORTS

Wednesday, October 8th - Jr. High Cross Country @ CILCON Lutheran Schools at 4:30 PM

Thursday, October 9th - High School Soccer VS Calvary Baptist - **Home** at 4:30 PM

7th & 8th Grade Girls Basketball @ Stephen Decatur at 6:00 PM

Friday, October 10th - High School Boys Soccer @ Regionals

High School Football @ Arthur at 7:00 PM

Saturday, October 11th - 4th - 8th Grade Girls Basketball @ Holy Family at 9:00 AM

Monday, October 13th - High School Volleyball @ Central A&M at 6:00 PM

Tuesday, October 14th - 7th & 8th Grade Girls Basketball @ Hope Academy at 6:00 PM

High School Volleyball VS Arcola - **Home** at 6:00 PM

Thursday, October 16th - High School Volleyball @ Sangamon Valley at 5:15 PM

7th & 8th Grade Girls Basketball VS Arthur - **Home** at 6:00 PM

Friday, October 17th - High School Football @ Sangamon Valley at 7:00 PM

Saturday, October 18th - 5th - 8th Grade Girls Basketball VS Our Lady of Lourdes - **Home** at 9:00 AM

Volunteering Opportunities

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The most important fundraising event for the Junior Class is the Annual Taste of LSA, to be held Saturday, November 1st. This event is crucial to providing the necessary funds needed to hold an amazing prom this year and graduation ceremony next year.

You can choose what you would like to do for the Taste. We need food prepared, served, donated, set-up, and break-down. Please remember that for each food or beverage item brought, there needs to be AT LEAST 50-100 "tastes". This means a small cup of soup, small slice of cake, or a small helping of a dish. Feel free to sign up for more than one item. If your item needs to be warmed, please bring what you need to keep it warm (crock pot, cord, etc).

Any and all help is appreciated! There is a Sign-Up Genius set up for this event. You can access it by going to our webpage www.lsadecatur.net and clicking the link on the bottom, right hand 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.



Sign-Up Genius has been set up for all fall sporting events as well as lunchroom volunteers, and the Taste of LSA event for this year. If you want to sign up to work at any of these events, you can go to our webpage www.lsadecatur.net and click the Sign-Up Genius link. Your student does not have to be involved in sports for you to help at sporting events.

This is a fun way to meet other parents and support our school while earning your parent volunteer hours.



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 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 Parent/Teacher League

The LSA Parent/Teacher League has been working on some exciting future events. October fundraising activities feature Del's caramel apples available to order starting October 15th and at high school football games on October 3rd and 24th. In November we have planned a Family Reading Night, featuring Readiculous, from 7-8 p.m. in the grey court of the gym. This school year all PTL profits will go directly to teacher projects and programs. Teachers will have the opportunity this month to submit a grant form requesting funding. PTL members will review all grants at their monthly meetings. If you would like to be on our mailing list for meeting minutes and volunteer opportunities, please contact Sherri Vandermyde at lvandermyde@comcast.net.