

# **Lamoni Community School Newsletter May 2016**

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Bob Bell

Larry Heltenberg

Cody Shields

**School Board Meeting**

**Wed May 11th 6:00 pm**

## **Spring Pictures**

Spring Picture packets were sent home with your child. These pictures need to be paid for online or return the payment envelope to the school. If you choose not to purchase these pictures please return the pictures to the school.

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

May 4<sup>th</sup>- Prof Development 1 pm  
dismissal

May 7<sup>th</sup>- Prom/Promenade 6 pm

May 10<sup>th</sup>- Athletic Sports Banquet  
6:30 pm

May 11<sup>th</sup>- FFA BBQ 11am-1:30 pm  
& Petting Zoo 9 am – 2 pm

May 17<sup>th</sup>- HS Spring Concert 6:30 pm

May 18<sup>th</sup>- Baccalaureate

May 19<sup>th</sup>- Senior Awards Night 7 pm

May 20<sup>th</sup>- Preschool Graduation 6:30 pm

May 21<sup>st</sup>- Graduation 2 pm

May 24<sup>th</sup>- Elem Spring Concert 6:30 pm

May 26<sup>th</sup>- MS Spring Concert 6:30 pm

## **Prom**

The Lamoni School Prom will be held on May 7<sup>th</sup> at the Lamoni School. This year's theme is a Midsummer's Night Dream. The promenade will be at 6:00 pm. Attendees will walk down the sidewalk on the east side of the school and enter the east gym doors.

## **Graduation**



Congratulations to the Class of 2016 !!! We wish you the best of luck in the future.

## **From the Desk of Mr. Coffelt**

Lamoni Schools Community,

There is much to celebrate as we wind down the 2015-2016 school year at Lamoni.

We have many individuals to celebrate for making our schools great, including: paraprofessionals, cooks, custodians, nurses, bus drivers and office staff. We recognize the efforts and contributions of each of the 72 individuals that comprise our staff and contribute to the education of the 355 students at Lamoni during Staff Recognition Week, May 2-6.

Specifically, Tuesday, May 3 is National Teacher Appreciation Day. This day provides us the opportunity to recognize the contributions our teachers make to our students and schools on a daily basis.

While a thank you is appreciated, the greatest way to support the work of our staff is through a community that continues to be actively involved in our school system. Community involvement brings learning to life and provides a more meaningful educational experience that enriches our students and fully supports their growth and development.

I would especially like to recognize and honor the 15 years of service Rhonda Simpson, high school office administrative professional, and 4 years of service Kim Tennison, elementary classroom teacher, have provided. Each is leaving at the conclusion of this school year to pursue other endeavors. We appreciate the investment and contributions they have made to Lamoni Community Schools.

Lamoni also joins other communities throughout Iowa this month to honor our elected school board members during the month of May. This

year's theme, "School Boards Matter: Making a Difference for Iowa Students", recognizes that volunteer school board members provide leadership to our district through responsibilities that range from strong financial stewardship to ensuring that all students are prepared to fully and effectively participate in whatever endeavor they may choose.

Chip Millslagle, Board President, Michele Dickey-Kotz, Board Vice-President, Bob Bell, Larry Heltenberg and Cody Shields serve as members on our school board. These individuals volunteer countless hours of unpaid time to provide the best possible education for our students. As elected leaders, they represent our entire learning community in their continuing commitment to local citizen control and decision-making for our public schools. As a measure of the focus and progress toward priorities, our Board has been instrumental in the development of a district master facilities plan and teacher leadership program, both of which are critical to more effectively realizing the goals and vision for this district.

Even though we make a special effort in May to show appreciation for our staff and school board, we recognize their contributions reflect a year-long commitment on their part. These dedicated individuals are committed to improving student achievement and to striving for the best for all our students every day.

Students comprise the final group we celebrate this month. We recognize them both for their efforts to successfully complete another school year and for their achievements and accomplishments along the way. I would like to extend congratulations to the Class of 2016, who will participate in



Commencement exercises on Saturday, May 21 at 2:00 p.m. We wish each of the students the best as they begin this next chapter of their lives. And remember, Demon Pride is forever.

Our school community has been able to show their support in a variety of ways through the years at Lamoni. One of these ways is through the Lamoni Community School Foundation, which provides support in the form of student scholarships, academic enrichment programs and grants that promote educational innovation and improvement.

I encourage all members of our community to consider the Lamoni Foundation as a way to continue to support our students, our district and our proud tradition of educational excellence in this community. Information can be found on our district website or by contacting our office.

Again, thank you for your support on a daily basis. We truly do have much to celebrate!

Sincerely,  
Chris

**From the Desk of Mr. Burrell**

With the end of the school year fast approaching, the spring schedule seems to fill up with everyone making sure we are accomplishing our goals for this year. With all of the events planned for the month of May, it is easy for students to become distracted from their academics. Therefore, we must all remind them that their education is still our number one priority. Our teachers remain focused on delivering high quality instruction and utilizing the time we have left efficiently.

We have spring MAP assessments that took place at the high

school level last week and are currently testing middle school students. The elementary will be administering the MAP assessments the following week beginning on Tuesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>. I would like to congratulate our Battle of the Books middle school and high school teams for both earning first place at the statewide Battle of the Books Competition!

Many of our student athletes at Lamoni are being kept busy with all of the golf and track meets this month. We will be hosting the Blue Grass Conference high school track meet at Graceland on May 3<sup>rd</sup>. For a look at all other track and golf meets please visit the schools website and go to the athletic calendar.

Some of the other big events going on in May are:

High School Prom- Sat, May 7<sup>th</sup>

High School Spring Concert-  
Tues, May 17<sup>th</sup>

Senior Awards Night- Thurs, May 19<sup>th</sup>

Preschool Graduation- Fri, May 20<sup>th</sup>

Graduation- Sat, May 21<sup>st</sup>

Students' Last Day- Fri, May 27<sup>th</sup>

I would like to congratulate all of our seniors for their hard work and dedication throughout their time here at Lamoni Community Schools. This year we will be hosting a Senior Awards Night to recognize seniors for their achievements. This will be held in the Lamoni Safe Room at 7:00pm on May 19<sup>th</sup>. I hope you all can join us on Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at 2:00pm for our High School Graduation Ceremony. I would like to give a special thank you to our seniors for providing great leadership throughout this school year. I wish all of you the best of luck as you move forward into a bright and successful future.

### **Lamoni Spring Athletic Banquet To Be Held**

Your family is invited to attend the Spring Sports Award Banquet on Tuesday, May 10, at 6:30 in the High School Gym. The Lamoni Athletic Booster Club is sponsoring the potluck dinner to honor athletes involved in the Winter and Spring sports of basketball, bowling, wrestling, track and golf. Awards will be presented to participants in all five sports.

Each family attending is asked to bring two large dishes to share and their own table service; drinks will be provided. If your son or daughter is a freshman or sophomore, please bring meats or salads. If your son or daughter is a junior or senior, please bring vegetables or desserts. If you have any questions, please call Jen Adams-Potter or the school.

### **Battle of the Books Competitions**

Lynda Farnham

The HS Battle of the Books team took first place. The statewide competition began with 57 teams and then 16 teams qualified to go on to Marshalltown. The final round of the top four teams had a total of 56 questions. All questions are comprehensive and they had to "buzz" in, so they not only knew the answers, they were fast :) If you see them please congratulate Jenny Eason, Kate Greenwood, Dixie Dykens, Brett Boswell and Austin Davis.

Congratulations to Darian Briell, Bodie Dykens, Skya Lau, Jade Neeley, Cael Ogier and Ella Sutherland for winning the Middle School Southwest Iowa Battle of the Books Competition at Harlan.

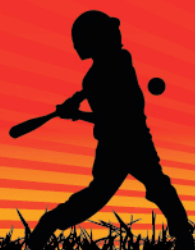
### **5<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip News:**

The 5th grade classes of Kim Tennison and Cindy Pitt had the opportunity to go to Des Moines and visit the Capitol and the Iowa Hall of Pride. They were able to visit with Representative Scott Ourth and have a personal tour of the House of Representatives. A highlight of the day was a tour of the Golden Dome, high above the main floor of the Capitol. At the Hall of Pride, the students were introduced to exhibits of famous Iowa musicians, athletes, and actors.



On April 29th, the 5th graders enjoyed science experiments with Dr. Brad Mercer, Dr. Dan Pratt and Graceland University students Candy Hernandez, Lexi Miller and Ben Landers. These were 2 great days where Social Studies and Science came to life!





# May 2016

**MONDAY**

**TUESDAY**

**WEDNESDAY**

**THURSDAY**

**FRIDAY**

<p>2</p> <p>Donut &amp; Cheese Stick</p> <p>Burrito Green Beans Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Oatmeal &amp; Toast</p> <p>Popcorn Chicken Carrots Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar</p>	<p>4</p> <p>French Toast &amp; Sausage</p> <p>Pepperoni Pizza Rice Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Breakfast Wrap &amp; Hash Brown</p> <p>Orange Chicken Egg Roll (9-12) Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Bacon-Egg-Cheese Muffin</p> <p>Corn Dog Calico Beans Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar</p>
<p>9</p> <p>Long John &amp; Cheese Stick</p> <p>Taco Wrap Corn Salad Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar</p>	<p>10</p> <p>French Toast/ Strawberries</p> <p>Crispito Corn Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Muffin &amp; Boiled Egg</p> <p>Chicken Patty/Bun French Fries Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Sausage Gravy &amp; Biscuit</p> <p>BLT Wrap Carrots Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Poptart &amp; Yogurt</p> <p>Pork Patty/Roll Potatoes/Gravy Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar</p>
<p>16</p> <p>Donut &amp; Cheese Stick</p> <p>Chicken Drummies Broc &amp; Cheese Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Omelet/Sausage/ Biscuit</p> <p>Hamburger/Bun Wedges Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Pancake/Egg Patty</p> <p>Goulash Peas Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Oatmeal &amp; Toast</p> <p>Cowboy beans Jello Salad Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Cook's Choice</p>
<p>23</p> <p>Mini Bagel</p> <p>Mr Rib/Bun Carrots Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Cook's Choice</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Cook's Choice</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Bacon-Egg-Cheese Muffin</p> <p>Stuffed Cheese Stick &amp; Sauce/Green Beans Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Cook's Choice</p> <p>Sack Lunch</p>
<p>30</p>	<p>31</p>			<p>Cereal &amp; toast offered at breakfast also 1% milk, yogurt, juice &amp; fruit</p>
<p>1%, choc &amp; strawberry milk offered at lunch</p>		<p>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar Offers: Fruit Red/Orange and Dark Green Veggies Pasta Salad</p>		<p>Menu Subject to Change</p>



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# ANNUAL LAMONI FFA Petting Zoo and BBQ May 11, 2016



@ Lamoni High School parking lot  
Lunch will be served from  
11am- 1:30pm,  
hot dogs, hamburgers, pop, and chips  
Petting Zoo from 9 am to 2 pm  
Rain Date May 17<sup>th</sup>



**\*\* 2015-2016 Yearbook \*\***

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Make plans to order the 2015-2016 Yearbook, the book that captures all the special moments of the school year!

**-Homecoming Activities**

**-Prom**

**-Football and Volleyball**

**-FFA**

**-NHS**

**-Softball and Baseball**

**-Vocal and Band Concerts**

**-Commencement**

**-Boys and Girls Basketball**

**-Track and Golf**

**-Cheerleaders**

**-Middle School Activities (6-8)**

**---ALL COLOR PAGES!---**

Plus the usual photographs of students and staff, snaps of day-to-day life here at Lamoni Community Schools, ads from our loyal businesses, and the added little details that could only be produced by our yearbook staff. This book will be a hardcover publication with grades 6 through 12. To make sure you receive one of these memorable books, complete the order form printed on this page and return it to the yearbook staff. Due to budget restraints, no extra copies of the yearbook can be ordered, so you must order in advance. Orders will be accepted through May 27, 2016. Total cost for one yearbook is \$30. Send or bring the completed form to:

Lamoni Community Schools

Attn: Yearbook Staff

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Through our collective efforts in a caring environment, we will prepare students for a life-long process of learning, which promotes the ability and motivation to contribute to a better world.

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