Lamoni Community School Newsletter December 2016

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IMPORTANT DATES

Dec 2- Muffins with Mom breakfast

Dec 12- Elementary Winter Concert HS Gym 6:30 pm

Dec 20- Middle School Winter Concert HS Gym 6:30 pm

Dec 22- End of 2nd Qtr and 1st Semester

Dec 23- Jan 2- No School Winter Break

Jan 3- School Resumes

SCHOOL CANCELLATIONS AND DELAYS DUE TO BAD WEATHER

In case of bad weather, avoid calling your child's school; instead, please check the following media. Information is available starting at approximately 6:30a.m. Unless you see or hear an announcement, assume school is running as usual.

KAAN RADIO FM 95.5 WHO RADIO AM 1040 Channel 5-WOI-TV Des Moines Channel 8-KCCI-TV Des Moines Channel 13-WHO-TV Des Moines

From the Desk of Mr. Coffelt

Lamoni Community,

While the current temperatures would suggest otherwise, there is no doubt winter is on its' way. December and the approaching holiday season creates the opportunity for both reflection and gratitude. Toward that end, I would like to thank our community, parents and staff for the support they have given our students and Lamoni Community Schools this year. This support has been demonstrated in a variety of ways; all of which are very much appreciated and truly distinguish Lamoni as an exemplary school and community.

As the winter weather season approaches, Lamoni Community Schools has once again evaluated the process used to determine when to close schools due to inclement weather and how best to alert parents and students.

The district is aware of the implications of school closures and delays due to inclement weather. We realize when schools shut down, parents must make alternative plans, bus and food services must be altered, class and test schedules must change, and events must be canceled. We also feel strongly that our students' education can best be served when they are in class; however, safety remains our primary consideration.

Images of bus drivers on slippery roads, of young children standing frozen at bus stops, and teens, or their parents, driving in hazardous conditions is always present when the decision to close schools is made. Once a delay or cancellation is determined, Lamoni Community Schools must disseminate the message quickly to the media, staff, and parents.

You can obtain school closings, late starts, early outs, and cancellations in the following ways: Lamoni Community School Web Site @ www.lamonischools.org WHO-TV 13 WOI-TV 5 KCCO-TV 8 KAAN Radio 95.5

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions. Warmest wishes to each and every one of you this holiday season.

Sincerely,

Chris

From the Desk of Dr. Dykens

December is here, and with it comes a flurry of activity. Our students' calendars are packed full as we navigate through to the end of the first semester of our year.

Our winter athletics are underway and representing Lamoni Community Schools with great pride. Bowling, cheerleading, and basketball are currently having their level of play challenged as they begin their march through their regular season here at Lamoni. Each group brings a different flare to their events, and I encourage you to come out and take in the excitement as they compete at a very high level. Our wrestlers are also currently showing off their moves as they represent Lamoni while involved in the Central Decatur wrestling program. These young men are also making our community proud as they grapple for the top spot.

Our Elementary and Middle School music programs are also in full swing as they prepare for their upcoming music concerts. The music programs have grown tremendously over the past couple of years, and you will be amazed at the size of our Middle School Choir with 45 quality singers. If you are looking for a great evening out, listening to some wonderful talent and watching a quality performance, then look no further.

The academic endeavors within our school system are also challenging our students. We have students who are preparing for "Lego Competition" where they build Lego vehicles and program them to accomplish certain tasks. Our kids have really had a great time preparing for this competition, and we wish them the best.

Our students are also in the holiday spirit. We have several different organizations planning and preparing to "give back" during this holiday season. The FFA is involved in a canned food drive and a fundraiser through Pizza Hut for a local charity. Our Middle School kids are making Christmas cards and preparing to share them with people in our community. Our 6th grade language arts classes are preparing for a bake sale to raise money for another charity. These activities, and others in the works, speak to the quality of character that each of our students has as they reflect upon this season of giving.

I am proud to be a Lamoni Demon and I hope that each of you are proud as well. This school system is unlike any other in the world. We are such a supportive and caring community that these wonderful students, teachers, and school personnel would go above and beyond for anyone. I am proud of who we are and who we are becoming.

As we continually think about this season of thanksgiving, I cannot help but reflect on our own Dan Boswell. Dan will be retiring after 21 years here at Lamoni. His time and energy, dedication to the students, and above the call of duty work will be missed. We want to thank him for the wonderful job that he did on setting this community up for success and wish him the best of luck on whatever new endeavor he undertakes. Dan Boswell has been truly "Uncommon" for the Lamoni Community School District.

I hope each one of you will have a great holiday season. I hope you will be safe and secure, and that you will enjoy your time together with family and friends. Happy Holidays!

With Demon Pride,

Dr. D



New Elementary Sign

The Lamoni Elementary School has a new sign thanks to funds from the Box Top Program.



Breakfast With Grandparents

The picture above shows several grandparents eating breakfast with their grandchildren this week at school. Monday was Donuts with Dads and Friday is Muffins with Moms. This provides a great way for families to eat breakfast together and share in the student's day.



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| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| Cereal & toast offered at breakfast | Yogurt, juice, fruit, skim & 1% white milk offered with breakfast | | 1 Saus-Egg-Ch Muffin Tomato Soup/Grilled Cheese Romaine Mix, Carrots Peppers, Diced Pepperoni Peaches | Muffin & Cheese stick Hotdog/Bun Pork n Beans Romaine Mix, Carrots Peppers, Diced Egg Mixed Fruit |
| 5 Breakfast Pizza Crispito/Refried Beans | 6 Donut & BoiledEgg Meatloaf & HotRoll Potatoes & Gravy | 7 Biscuits & Gravy | 8 Breakfast Wrap & Sausage Chicken Wrap | Oatmeal & Toast Pancake Sausage Stick Hashbrown |
| Romaine Mix, Carrots, Olives, Peppers, Strawberries | Romaine Mix, Carrots Celery, Diced Egg, Pears | Romaine Mix, Carrots, Peppers, Apples | Carrots Romaine Mix, Carrots Celery, Cherry Tomatoes | Romaine Mix, Carrots Celery, Peppers, Peaches |
| 12 Long John & Boiled Egg | 13 Biscuits & Gravy | 14 Omelet, Sausage, Toast | 15 Mini Bagel/Egg | 16 Muffin & <mark>Ches</mark> es Stick |
| Haystack Green Beans Romaine Mix, Carrots Celery, Diced Egg | Hamburger/Bun Wedges Romaine Mix, Carrots Peppers, Cheese Cubes Apples & Cranberries | Burrito Refried Beans Romaine Mix, | Christmas Dinner | Corndog Carrots Romaine Mix, Carrots |
| 19 Pancake & Bacon | 20 Sausage, Egg, Toast | 21 Long John & Cheese Stick | 22 Oatmeal & Toast | 2: |
| Chicken Patty/Bun Wedges Romaine Mix, Carrots | BLT Wrap Green Beans Romaine Mix, Carrots, Celery | Stuffed Bread Stick Carrots Romaine Mix, Carrots, Celery | Cooks Choice | |
| 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 24 |
| 1%, chocolate and strawberry lowfat milk offered at lunch | Menu Subject To Change | | | In accordance to Federal law we do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national orgin, sex, age or disability |



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MISSION STATEMENT FOR LAMONI COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

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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