

Lamoni Community School Newsletter December 2018

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School Board Meeting
Wed Dec 12th 6:00 pm

IMPORTANT DATES

Dec 8- HS Winter Whatever Dance in the
Safe Room 9pm-12am

Dec 14- MS Winter Dance @ The Alley
7:30-9:30pm

Dec 20- MS Music Concert

Dec 24- Jan 1- Winter Break No School

Jan 2- Prof Development- No School

Jan 3- School Resumes

See the full calendar of events at:

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar>



From the Desk of Mr. Coffelt

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.

With the two snow events we have had over the past two weeks, there is no doubt winter is here. As the winter weather season continues, 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 family 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:

WOI-TV, Channel 5
KCCO-TV, Channel 8
WHO-TV, Channel 13
KAAN Radio 95.5
Text and email via JMC
Lamoni Community School
Web Site @
www.lamonischools.org

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

Warmest wishes to each and every one of you this holiday season. I look forward to continuing our work in the new year.

Sincerely,

Chris

From the Desk of Dr. Dykens

December is here, and with that comes a flurry of activity. Our students' calendars are packed full as we navigate through to the end of 2018.

Our athletic teams 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 each event 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 making our community proud as they grapple for the top spot.

Our music programs are in full swing. The Jazz Band will open their competition season this weekend as they compete for another return opportunity to State Competition. The level of talent within these groups is of great magnitude. If you are looking for an entertaining evening out, listening to some great talent and watching a quality performance then look no further.

Our students are in the holiday spirit. We have several different organizations planning and preparing to "give back" during this holiday season. You will see boxes around the school gathering food items for those in need. You will hear about fundraising efforts with the FFA and the Christmas Store that so many of our school personnel and students are involved with. I would encourage each of you to do the same, as we remember the spirit of giving within this community.

Another new announcement is the implementation of a school food pantry for our students and families. The food pantry is located within the Middle School in room 125. This opportunity is open to any student or their family in need of extra support. Hours of operation range from during the school day and into the evening

on Wednesday nights. Please stop by and take advantage of this new opportunity for our students. We are here to support and serve and we do not want any child or family to be in need of assistance.

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.

I hope that each one of you will have a great holiday season. I hope that 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

In ALL We Do - PRIDE

PTO Teacher Giving Trees

The Lamoni PTO is excited to announce the Teacher Giving Trees are set up and ready to go!! If you are interested in giving a teacher a gift from his/her wish list, please stop by the school and choose an ornament from one of the trees, purchase the item listed on the back, and deliver it to the teacher before winter break. There is a tree for elementary teachers located next to the office in the elementary building and a tree for middle school/high school teachers in the high school commons area. The trees will be up until winter break.

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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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