

Lamoni Community School Newsletter February 2017

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School Board Meeting

Wed Feb 13th 6:00 pm

Congratulations !!

Cameron Thorpe will be receiving his Iowa FFA Degree at the State FFA Convention in April. This award is based on his hard work and dedication to his Supervised Agricultural Experience project done outside of school and the highest individual award given by the Iowa FFA Association.

IMPORTANT DATES

Feb 3 – 3rd Qtr Mid-term

Feb 10 – Feb Fest High School Dance

Feb 19-25 National FFA Week

Feb 20 – President's Day

All day Prof Dev – NO School

Feb 23 – HS Pops Concert 6:30pm

Open Enrollment 2017-2018

Lamoni Community School reminder to parents: **March 1** is the deadline for filing an open enrollment application with the resident and receiving districts for the 2017/2018 school year. For kindergarten students, the deadline is September 1. Any questions call the school at 784-3351.

Lunch Account Balances

Our student management system, JMC, allows you to set a lunch notice low balance amount. Log in as a parent into JMC, select Alert Configuration from the left side menu, and then at the top under Family Lunch Balance Alert enter an amount. When your account falls below the amount you set, JMC will send a daily email notifying you that your lunch account needs more money. If you have any questions please contact Stacy at the school at 784-3351. Please take advantage of this great reminder service.

From the Desk of Mr. Coffelt

Dear Lamoni Community,

Welcome to 2017! While we welcome a new calendar year, we are only halfway through this school year. Even so, the new year gives us the opportunity to reflect on what we have accomplished during the first semester and what we have yet to do second semester.

I would like to recognize Dan Boswell, Lamoni Grounds and Maintenance Director, who retired this December after 20 years of service to Lamoni Community Schools. Dan worked on a daily basis to ensure our students and staff were provided a safe and clean learning environment. His calm and caring demeanor and pride in his work embodied Demon Pride. We thank him for his service and wish him the best as he begins his next adventure in life.

While we will never truly replace Dan, we are excited to welcome Bob Kelly as our new Grounds and Maintenance Director. Bob's previous experience at Graceland will ensure a successful transition. As Bob joins our school family, we look forward to his contributions to our campus. The students are working to welcome his as well. This was demonstrated the other day when a Kindergarten student asked Bob what his name was. When Bob told this student, his eyes widened and asked if he really was Bob the Builder!

I would also like to recognize Kevin Willis, who will retire from service as District Bus Driver after 11 years. Kevin has been a steady influence in the lives of many students delivering them to and from school on a daily basis in a variety of weather conditions. His focus on student safety and efficient service have truly been appreciated.

Prior to winter break, we submitted a 21st Century Learning Centers grant application to the Iowa Department of Education. This grant is meant to strengthen current after school programming and provide new opportunities for before and summer school programs for elementary students. This grant was actually written in collaboration with FunShine Learning Center and Central Decatur and Mormon Trail Community School Districts, forming the new county coalition, Decatur County Cares. This grant has a potential award of \$1.25 million dollars over a five year period coming into Decatur County, allowing each school district to provide before, after and summer program services for students and families.

Determination will be made in March.

I look forward to ringing in the new year and the many accomplishments that will be realized in this first part of 2017.

Thank you for your continued support.

Chris

From the Desk of Dr. Dykens

As we proceed into the month of February and on into the spring semester, I cannot help but to reflect on the winter and the transition into a new year and a new semester. Our school is one that is constantly finding itself moving in a positive direction, and the start of this year has not been any different.

Our elementary school has been very prominent in our focus on literacy improvement. We have restructured our daily schedule to maximize our literacy time within each grade and incorporate more small group programming. This small group programming has been made available due to some community volunteers coming into our classrooms

and contributing in a very positive manner. Our young students are really enjoying having these volunteers in our school, and this program is paying dividends in our increase in their literacy understanding.

Our Middle School and High School students are also fully engaged in their educational process. We have currently finished up our Iowa Assessment Testing with our High School and will be completing this with our Middle School later this month. We are excited about the direction we are heading this year and would really like to ask for your assistance in helping us, and our students, continue to move forward in their education. We have had many activities going on in our school system as well. Our High School basketball programs have just about finished up their seasons and are preparing for Regional Play. The Middle School basketball teams completed their seasons in high fashion. Our High School and Middle School wrestlers have also concluded very successful seasons and our Bowling Teams are still competing. Our Jazz Band is busy winning every competition and bringing excellence to a new level. The theatre program is busily preparing to offer a spring production called "Café Murder" which will be brought to the public later in the spring.

The school district is also reflecting on what it means to wear the red and black and the Pride that goes along with that. We would like to encourage each of you to join us in our reinvigoration of this very storied tradition as we bring the story of our current red and black Demon Pride into the limelight. It is a focus on the present as much as it is the past. We want to celebrate each of our lives whether we

are in high school now or were there 40+ years ago, our stories are the same. We are Demons and we are Proud. So wear that Red and Black, and let's show everybody what we are made of.

With Demon Pride,

Dr. D

Nurse's Notes

On Thursday, February 16th Hy-Vee's KidsFit Trainer will be coming to Lamoni School to present a one-hour class with food demonstrations, snacks and exercises for 4th, 5th, and 6th graders.

February 17th and 24th from 1- 4 pm there will be CPR/ AED classes for the seniors.

The week of February 21st through 24th Karie and Alice will be talking about the importance of oral hygiene, as February is dental month. The Kappa Kappa organization has furnished our school with enough toothbrushes, toothpaste and dental floss for our elementary students. A private donation will provide those items to the middle school students.



February 2017

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

Offered at Breakfast: Cereal & Toast Fruit, Yogurt, Juice Skim and 1 % low fat white milk		Donut & Boiled Egg ¹ Hamburger/Bun Carrots Romain, Carrots, Tomatoes Onion, Pickles, Peppers Peaches or Apples	Breakfast Pizza ² Pepperoni Pizza Corn Romain, Carrots, Broccoli Cauliflower, Olives Pears or Mixed Fruit	Biscuits & Gravy ³ Hot Ham & Cheese Sandwich Baked Beans Romain, Carrots, Peppers Celery, Broccoli Grapes or Pears
Muffin & Cheese Stick ⁶ Cheese Pizza & Rice Romain, Carrots, Peppers Cucumbers, Apples or Mixed Fruit	Mini Bagel/Boiled Egg ⁷ Tater Tot Casserole Peas Romain, Carrots, Celery, Diced Ham, Peppers Mixed Fruit or Pears	Bacon, Egg, Cheese Muffin ⁸ Fish Sandwich & Wedges Romain, Carrots, Peppers Cucumbers, Cheese Cubes Pears or Oranges	Breakfast Wrap & Sausage ⁹ Meat Loaf & Potatoes Romain, Carrots, Peppers Celery, Cucumbers and Broccoli Oranges or Apples	Oatmeal & Toast ¹⁰ Cheese Stuffed Bread Sticks Carrots Romain, Carrots, Celery Cucumbers, Broccoli Apples or Grapes
French Toast & Sausage ¹³ Popcorn Chicken & Peas Romain, Carrots, Peppers Celery, Cottage Cheese Grapes or Apples	Biscuits & Gravy ¹⁴ Mr Rib/Bun Baked Beans Romain, Carrots, Peppers Onion, Pickles Apples or Oranges	Oatmeal & Toast ¹⁵ Chicken Alfredo/GrBeans Romain, Carrots, Celery, Peppers, Cucumbers Oranges or Peaches	Mini Bagel/Boiled Egg ¹⁶ Pork Fritter, Hot Roll Potatoes w/gravy Romain, Carrots, Celery Peppers, Cucumbers Peaches or Strawberries	Poptart & Cheese Cubes ¹⁷ Turkey Corn Dog/Corn Romain, Carrots, Celery Cucs, Peppers Strawberries or Grapes
No School ²⁰	Muffin & Cheese Stick ²¹ Crispito & Refried Beans Romaine, Carrots, Olives Diced Tomatoes, Peppers Apples or Oranges	Omelet & Biscuit ²² Cheese Burger French Fries Romain, Carrots, Onion Pickles, Peppers Oranges or Mixed Fruit	Cinnamon Roll ²³ Chili & Grilled Cheese Romain, Carrots, Celery Carrots, Pepper Mixed Fruit or Pears	Oatmeal & Toast ²⁴ Pancake Sausage Stick Tater Tots Romain, Carrots, Celery Peppers, Broccoli Pears or Apples
Mini Bagel & Cheese Stick ²⁷ Burrito & Refried Beans Romain, Carrots, Olives Diced Egg, Tomato, Ham Apples or Peaches	Pancake & Bacon ²⁸ Meatloaf Potatos & Gravy Roll w/Butter Romain, Carrots Peppers Celery, Peaches or Applesauce	March 1 Oatmeal & Toast ----- BLT Wrap & Carrots Romain, Tomato, Olives Cheese, Onion, Peppers Applesauce or Strawberries	March 2 Biscuit & Gravy Goulash & Breadstick Romain, Carrots, Tomato Peppers, Broc, Cucumbers Strawberries or Pears	March 3 Egg, Sausage & Toast Hotdog French Fries Romain, Carrots, Onion Peppers, Broccoli, Celery Pears or Grapes
1%, Strawberry and Chocolate 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 origin, sex, age or disability.

