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# LAKOTA LOCAL SCHOOLS

February 2014

## SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

From the Desk of Mr. Jon Detwiler

Lakota Community,

My dog, Daisy, came to us because her previous owner lost his home in the economic downturn of 2008. When we first brought her home she did not know who belonged there, but after a while she started to know who lived in our house and who did not. Quickly she became a fantastic family pet, barking like crazy if someone she does not know pulls in the drive, waiting dutifully for me to get home to play ball, and growing completely comfortable just hanging out with the family. It takes time for a dog to learn about their new home.

I feel a bit the same way. I am halfway through my first year at Lakota Local School and am really beginning to feel at home. I know more community members, more about the district, and can point to a few changes I have implemented. As we begin to plan for next year, I am excited to continue this journey with you. Thank you for giving me this opportunity to serve this community. I will continue to do the best I can to meet and exceed your expectations.

## INFLUENZA (THE FLU)

Submitted by Beth Crawford, School Nurse

What a winter so far! The weather has caused many problems and along with that there are many cases of "the flu" being reported around the area. Just a reminder that influenza (the flu) is a contagious respiratory illness caused by viruses of which there are many different types, such as A, B, H1N1 and so forth. The viruses that cause influenza cause symptoms that are different from the common cold. With the flu it is more common that there is a fever lasting 3-4 days, chills, headache, body aches, fatigue, dry cough and sometimes sneezing, stuffiness and a sore throat. It is important to see a doctor to determine what is causing an illness so that the correct treatment is prescribed. Sometimes an antiviral, such as Tamiflu, can be prescribed to decrease the severity of the flu, but the best thing to do is to prevent illness in the first place. Washing hands frequently with soap and water is really important along with covering a cough, using and then disposing tissues when blowing the nose, staying well rested, well nourished and avoiding being around people who could be ill. Also the flu vaccine is available each year and is recommended for all people over 6 months of age. It is not too late to be protected with a flu shot this year, but it does take 2 weeks for immunity to develop after receiving the shot. Check with your local health department, area pharmacies or your doctor about getting a flu shot if you haven't done so already. Take care and stay warm!

## LAKOTA GRADUATES NEEDING REMEDIAL CLASSES IN COLLEGE

Submitted by Tracy Foes, Curriculum Director

As you may know, one of our main goals as a public school is to prepare our students for college and careers. Of our graduates from 2012 who attended college in the fall of 2013, 55% of them needed remedial coursework in either Math or English. We are working hard to continue to see this number decrease. This has been a big topic in the news recently. The Fremont News Messenger falsely reported this number to be 73%, which would have made Lakota's number the worst in the area. Thank you to all of our dedicated citizens who continue to support what we are doing here at Lakota, and who questioned the accuracy of this number. The Lakota staff, students, and parents have been committed to educational excellence, and we have seen promising academic increases in scores as a result. We will continue to strive to prepare our students to be college and career ready.

## NEWS FROM THE TREASURER'S OFFICE

Submitted by Jenny Hedrick, Treasurer

The District has a school district income tax of 1.5%. The 1% was passed effective tax year 2004 for the general operations of the district, and last year collected approximately \$1.4 million, representing 12% of our operating budget annual revenues. The other .5% was passed effective tax year 2006 to fund the bond retirement fund and maintenance fund to pay for mandatory expenses related to the Ohio School Facilities Commission building project. It collects approximately \$572,000 annually.

As tax season is upon us, please remember to use our district income tax code 7204 when completing your school district income tax return.

## NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY BLOODMOBILE

The Lakota High School National Honor Society will be hosting a bloodmobile on **Friday, March 21, 2014 from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the auxiliary gymnasium.** If you would like to donate, please call Lakota High School at 419-986-6620 ext. 5200 to schedule an appointment. Walk-ins are also welcome.



## SING-A-MA-JIGS AT TOLEDO WALLEYE

The Sing-a-ma-jigs had the honor of singing the National Anthem on January 12 at the Toledo Walleye game. The girls took center stage as the crowd stood to honor America. What an honor for the girls to be asked to share their talent in front of a packed house. The members of the quartet are Kyleigh Harrison (Senior), Gates McGough (Senior), Caris Conrad (freshmen) and 2013 graduate Carlee Conrad.



On February 8<sup>th</sup>, the girls competed in the Region 17 Young Women in Harmony Contest at The Sawmill Inn in Huron Ohio. Region 17 runs through parts of four states; Ohio, Pennsylvania, Michigan and Indiana. Last year the girls got second place. This year they won!! They will next compete in Boston, Massachusetts in August for the International Young Women in Harmony Crown. They will also be singing the National Anthem for the Boys Basketball district games here at Lakota. We are very proud of these young ladies and the honors and awards they are receiving. Keep up the good work ladies!!!!

## WHY NOT FEBRUARY 14 AND 28 FOR MAKE-UP DAYS?



We have received some questions from parents as to why the district did not use February 14 and 28 as make-up days.

Friday the 14<sup>th</sup> was a Waiver Day that was pre-approved last year by the Ohio Department of Education. It was already counted as a day of attendance. If students had come, it would not be counted as an additional day. We have several new programs and initiatives that require training and that is what the staff did on that day.

Friday the 28<sup>th</sup> is the day we take in exchange for the evenings spent for parent/teacher conferences. We believe that every opportunity should be taken to communicate with our parents about student success.

We have used Presidents' Day and will be using two days around spring break (April 17 and 21) to make-up missed snow days.

# HIGH SCHOOL

## From The Desk Of Mrs. Sherry Sprow

Lakota High School Principal

Students will be taking the Ohio Graduation Tests during the week of March 10-14. The tests will be administered as follows: Monday-Reading, Tuesday-Math, Wednesday-Writing, Thursday-Science, and Friday-Social Studies. All sophomores and any upperclassmen that need to pass any portion of the OGT will be testing during this week so attendance at school is very important. Please try to schedule appointments around these important testing dates. In addition, **all freshmen students will take practice tests in each of the testing areas and are expected to be in attendance daily at 8:05 A.M.** All other students who are passing all classes will be on a two hour delay. **Upperclassmen who are not receiving passing grades in all subject areas will be required to report to school daily at 8:05 a.m. for academic assistance.** The buses will run at the normal times so students who do not have alternate transportation may ride the bus to school and study in a classroom. Students should go to bed early and come to school well rested to help them do their best on each test.

**Parent-Teacher conferences will be held on February 26<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-6:45 p.m. and on February 27<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-6:45 p.m.** Students will be dismissed at 12:45 p.m. on both conference days, and there is no school for students on February 28<sup>th</sup>. Parent-Teacher Conferences are an excellent opportunity for parents and students to meet with teachers to discuss successes and challenges. We look forward to seeing you at conferences, and please feel free to contact the school at any time.

Our boys and girls basketball teams, wrestlers, bowlers, and cheerleaders have been working very hard throughout the season. The music programs are preparing for their upcoming spring concerts and the pep band has been supporting the basketball teams and entertaining the fans by performing at games.

## QUESTIONS ABOUT FINANCIAL AID?

There will be a representative from Terra State Community College here at Lakota High School to answer your questions on **Wednesday, February 26, 2014 during parent/teacher conferences from 5:00-6:00 p.m. in the computer lab.**

## 2012-2013 HIGH SCHOOL YEARBOOKS ARE IN!

If you purchased a yearbook, the books are available for pick up in the high school office.

**If you for forgot to order a yearbook, there is still time!** The yearbook staff has a few extra copies that can be purchased for \$50. Stop by the high school office with a check made out to Lakota Yearbook for yours today!

Are you interested in older copies of the Lakota High School Yearbook? Is your son or daughter missing a year? Were your yearbooks damaged or lost? We have a small supply of years gone by. Stop in and see if we have what you need.

## BGSU HONORS BAND

Bowling Green State University held its 55<sup>th</sup> Annual Reading Clinic on January 16-18, 2014. Senior, Gates McGough and Junior, Simon Jay were selected to participate in the Honors Band. Congratulations to both for doing an outstanding job of representing Lakota!

## DISTRICT II OMEA SOLO & ENSEMBLE

Congratulations to the Lakota High School students who participated in the District II Ohio Music Educators Solo and Ensemble, hosted by Clyde High School on January 18, 2014. The following students received a I (Superior) rating on their solos - Kelsey Johnson, Piano; Brandon Lane, Trumpet; Kyleigh Harrison, Vocal; Amanda Lane, Vocal; Samantha Kramer, Vocal and Jessica James, Vocal. These students received a II (Excellent) rating on their solos - Jeremiah McGowan, Snare Drum; Neria Gonzalez, Tenor Saxophone; Samantha Shultz, Snare Drum and Abbey Strausbaugh, Vocal. We would like to send a special Thank You to Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Bell and Mrs. Sandroek for accompanying these students on their solos. Also, a Big Thank You to Mr. Detwiler for attending the contest in support of our music students.

## NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY TAPS STUDENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP

Two seniors and fourteen juniors were tapped for membership into the Lakota High School National Honor Society Chapter in December. Students are selected by faculty members based on the qualities of scholarship, leadership, service and character. Each new member received a rose and was honored at a reception following the tapping ceremony. Induction ceremonies will take place at the annual **Honors Banquet to be held on May 1, 2014** at Ole Zim's Wagon Shed.

**Newly tapped members were:**

**Seniors:** Tyler Cox, Barbara Sprauer

**Juniors:** Paige Alloway, Keeley Brust, Makayla Dull, Elizabeth Graber, Simon Jay, Megan Murphy, Alexandra Myers, Kyler Painter, Katie Park, Isaac Ritter, Jacob Stewart, Allison Strausbaugh, Ricky Taulker, Caleb Tolento

**Current members are:** Alaina Bickford, Mac Flanagan, Sierra Harris, Kyleigh Harrison, Marissa Hicks, William Jenne, Tiffany Johnson, Brittany Kerlin, Gates McGough, Morgan Mowry, Jack Raymond, Cariss Reese and Taylor Smith



## LAKOTA HIGH SCHOOL 2<sup>ND</sup> NINE WEEKS HONOR ROLL

### Seniors ~ 4.0

Sierra Harris, Brittany Kerlin, Gates McGough, Jack Raymond, Cariss Reese

### Seniors ~ 3.9 - 3.0

Robert Arriaga, Luke Baker, Alaina Bickford, Judy Capehart, Tyler Cox, Montana Ellison, Grace Finsel, Mac Flanagan, Albert Guerra, Kyleigh Harrison, Marissa Hicks, Alexandra Hovis, William Jenne, Tiffany Johnson, Makayla Kiser, Jealsey Kuntz, Alysa McDavitt, Alexandria McDole, Jeremiah McGowan, Morgan Mowry, Johnathon Roper, Jordan Smith, Taylor Smith, Barbara Sprauer, Samuel Steinhour, Colin Timmons, Jordan Wiles

### Juniors ~ 4.0

Paige Alloway, Makayla Dull, Drake Foos, Elizabeth Graber, Raven Graham, Megan Murphy, Alexandra Myers, Jacob Stewart, Ricky Taulker, Caleb Tolento

### Juniors ~ 3.9 - 3.0

Tessa Ball, Khilee Baltz, Caitlyn Brown, Keeley Brust, Brandon Butler, Nikkia Cooper, Miranda Durst, Dylan Foos, Morgan Gangwer, Simon Jay, Kaylee Kern, Jessika Knapp, Samantha Kramer, Casey Monroe, David Murphy, Katrina Park, Paige Paxson, Austin Payne, William Riddle, Isaac Ritter, Allyson Schoendorf, Allison Strausbaugh, Nicholas Watts

### Sophomores ~ 4.0

Emily Crowe, Jaelyn Flanagan, Andrea Hickie, Ali Kagy, Brandon Lane, David Mason, Josh Mason, Hannah Miller, Samantha Shultz, Makayla Waggoner

### Sophomores ~ 3.9 - 3.0

Summer Allen, Breanna Arriaga, Aubrey Bickford, Zach Boise, Bailey Bomer, Andrea Bordner, Nick Busack, Sabrina Caldwell, Taylor Carr, Hunter Chalfin, Alexis Feathers, Andrew Ferree, Chris Fillhart, Jessica Foster, Dakota Gilbert, Nick Hackworth, McKenna Harrison, Joseph Huff, Jessica James, Spencer King, Evan Lewis, Bree Long-Meyer, Andria McCarthy, Gabrielle McGough, Meghan Miller, Samantha Miller, Kenidee Myers, Taylor Odom, Hailey Overmyer, Armando Palos, Travis Patton, Austin Ponn, Aspen Ray, Zach Rayle, Kayleigh Riddle, Grant Rutledge, Dylan Schiebel, Matthew Steiner, Chase Streacker, Ryan Talbert

### Freshmen ~ 4.0

Stormy Chaney, RaeAnna Harner, Kelsey Johnson, Madison Randolph, Abbey Strausbaugh

### Freshmen ~ 3.9-3.0

Abigail Alexander, Isaac Baker, Megan Belden, Brenden Biddle, Kimberly Boyer, Raven Broski, Caris Conrad, Aubrey Finsel, Collin Gosche, Ashley Graham, Chandler Harvey, Andrew Kagy, Alexis Kirkpatrick, James Knallay, Amanda Lane, Fuyao Meng, Madyson Ranzenberger, Brianna Ray, Brant Shank, Carson Slick, Drew Smith, Antonio Strickler, Cory Ulmer, Summer Wagner



Lakota High School

## YEARBOOK

*Donate a Treasured Keepsake*

For the first time the Lakota Yearbook Staff is offering a unique opportunity to give back to the community. For some families, it may not be possible to purchase this small treasure that keeps memories for a lifetime. If you are able to donate toward or sponsor a yearbook copy for a student, who may not otherwise receive one, we would greatly appreciate your generosity.

A Lakota high school yearbook costs \$45; however, any amount would be helpful. If you wish to make this tax-deductible donation, please return the form below by **February 28, 2014**. Checks should be made payable to Lakota Yearbook.

### Donation Information

Mail to: Lakota High School, Cassie Frisch-Adviser, 5200 C.R. 13, Kansas, OH 44841

Yearbook Price: \$45

Yes, I would like to contribute to the school's donation program.

Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_ due by February 28, 2014

I would like my donation to be anonymous.

Sponsor's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

Cash  Check (Made payable to Lakota Yearbook)

*The Lakota Yearbook Staff thanks you for your time and generosity!*

# MIDDLE SCHOOL

## From The Desk Of Mr. Charles Tackett

Principal at Lakota Middle School

Although the weather has wreaked havoc on January's school schedule, the Middle School teachers have maximized their contact minutes with the students. In recent weeks, I have observed some valuable instruction occurring within the classrooms:

- Ms. Kurtz's Science classes dissected owl pellets, classified the bones, reconstructed the skeletons, and discussed the transfer of energy from one organism to the next;
- Mrs. Henry's classes completed projects that encouraged students to assume the roles of ancient Egyptians;
- Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Balsizer collaborated to provide differentiated instruction for students during a lesson in which the students were asked to add and subtract fractions with unlike denominators;
- Mrs. Linkey's classes learned paraphrasing strategies and other skills that effective readers need to be successful.

These examples highlight the dedication the Middle School teachers demonstrate as they strive to provide the best instructional support for each child in their care. As the second semester of this school year unfolds, please continue to monitor your student's academic progress via Progress Book and to communicate your student's needs to the appropriate teacher(s). The school-home connection is of paramount importance to advance student learning and achievement. Thank you for your continued support of Lakota Middle School and its programs!

## LAKOTA L.E.A.D.S. WINNERS ANNOUNCED!

Lakota L.E.A.D.S., an incentive program at the Middle School, is designed to encourage and recognize positive behaviors. Each letter of L.E.A.D.S. stands for qualities students should exhibit each day at school:

- L = Leadership**
- E = Effort**
- A = Academic success or improvement**
- D = Discipline**
- S = School spirit**

The following students were recognized in the middle of the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter for their exemplary efforts:

	<u>5<sup>th</sup> grade</u>	<u>6<sup>th</sup> grade</u>
Leadership	Haley Frueh	Will Vanhoose
Effort	Paige Lewis/Wes Bartson	Ahmya King
Academic success	Connor Hill	Gabbi Bishop
Discipline	Dakota Norris	Julia Baker
School spirit	Rylie Valdez	Hailey Odom
	<u>7<sup>th</sup> grade</u>	<u>8<sup>th</sup> grade</u>
Leadership	Qjara Palos	Lauren Wolph
Effort	Chris Laboy/Tatyanna Woelke	Isreal Flores
Academic success	Derek Mullholland	Caleb Chalfin
Discipline	Brady Rosenberger	Paige Franks
School spirit	Brooke Shank	Lucas Streacker

## ATTENDANCE CHALLENGE

Inspired by an idea from Ms. Kurtz, the Middle School 1<sup>st</sup> period classes competed against one another to win a "Build Your Own Sundae" ice cream party! The competition encouraged students to be in attendance at school each day, and the 1<sup>st</sup> period classes for the 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade group and the 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade group that had the highest overall attendance rates for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter received the ice cream parties.

Congratulations are extended to Mrs. Bintz's and Mrs. Brower's classes, the two winners! Attendance at school is critical for the success of each student, and the Middle School staff appreciates the parents' efforts to have their students in school each day.

## SCRIPPS SPELLING BEE COMES TO LAKOTA MIDDLE SCHOOL!

Students in grades five through eight will have a chance to compete for a spot in the regional Scripps Spelling Bee to be held on **Saturday, March 15 at Owens Community College!** A local spelling bee will be held in February at the Middle School, and the winner of Lakota's spelling bee will compete against any other Sandusky County winners for a chance to proceed to the regional round. More information about the local bee will be shared with the students over the P.A. system and in their English/Language Arts classes.

## 2014-2015 SCHOOL YEAR SCHEDULING

Preparations are underway for students to begin their course selections for the 2014-2015 school year. Mrs. Murphy, the guidance counselor for students in grades seven through twelve, will meet with students in grades six through eight to explain the available course offerings. Students who will enter grade eight during the 2014-2015 school year will be able to take several classes for high school credit. Students who opt for the high school classes for credit may be in classes with high school students, depending upon the class and course section. Please discuss with your student which elective courses best fit his or her interests to ensure scheduling accuracy.

## LAKOTA MIDDLE SCHOOL AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM



Middle School students can improve their academic skills through participation in an After-School Program. This program began Monday, January 13 and will run every Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday until May 14, when the program ends. Teachers and other classified personnel will be available from 3:00 – 4:15 to provide Middle School students with academic support to prepare for the April Ohio Achievement Assessments and to reinforce valuable content standards taught within the classrooms. Students will be provided with snacks during the After-School Program.

Further, a bus will leave Lakota Middle School at 4:15 and drop students off in Bradner at 4:30 at the United Methodist Church and in Risingsun at 4:40 at the First Church of God. Parents are expected to pick their students up at the school at 4:15 or be at one of the two designated drop-off spots at the time the students arrive.

Over thirty students have taken advantage of the extra hour and fifteen minute academic assistance. Remaining spots are available for students who still wish to join the After School Program. Teachers are available each Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday (when school is in session), and the program lasts until 4:15 each of those three days.

Please contact Mrs. Beck, the Middle School secretary, or Mr. Tackett, the Middle School principal at (419-986-6630) if you want your student to participate in the program. Your student may stay one day of the week or all three days.

Thank you for your continued support!



## LAKOTA MIDDLE SCHOOL 2<sup>ND</sup> NINE WEEKS HONOR ROLL

### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade-All A's

Eric Zuelzke, Ethan Klotz, Cody Roush

### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade-A/B Honor Roll

Ann Hoffman, Reilly Cozette, Leanne Craun, Dakota Dukett, Alyssa Duvall, William Randolph, Savana Ranzenberger, Emma Chalfin, Austin Nuhfer, Robert Hunker, Caleb Meel, Dakota Norris, Michael Blevins, Kyleigh Dull, Erica Riehl, Nicole Reiter, Paige Lewis, Morgan Belden

### 6<sup>th</sup> Grade-All A's

Ashley Schoenfeld, Karli Hansen, Braden Schaser, Levi Schwochow, Kiersten Linkey, Gabrielle Bishop, Travis Hoerig, Madelyn Matz, Colt Dible, Trent Mathias, Noah Dull, Lucas Rosenberger, Cameron Delarosa, Mariah Woodruff

### 6<sup>th</sup> Grade-A/B Honor Roll

Alexander Palmerton, Julia Baker, Cole Schoendorf, Eva McGinnis, Trenton Gibson, Logan Wolph, Marshall Minich, Hailey Odom, Donald Hillabrand, Jacob Schreiner, Hailey Williams, Cameron Dunn, Josie Bear, Marris Claburn, Parris Hagemann, Alysha Enright, Aliesha McDill, Alexa Gabel, Mariah Chaney, Kennedi Kreilick, Derek Frisby, Elliott Lebay

### 7<sup>th</sup> Grade-All A's

Anna Brubaker, Jewleahia Welch, Katelyn Klotz, Cameron Balderson, Maryn Klaus, Trinity Morelock, Reagan Zuelzke, Qjara Palos, Morgan Johnson, Emma Geyman, Sara Jay, Nicholas Sayre, Brady Rosenberger, Roman Martinez, Keely Brooks

### 7<sup>th</sup> Grade-A/B Honor Roll

Dylan Moes, Madison Bowling, Erin Hartley, Jenna Ranzenberger, Brooke Shank, Madison King, Noah Weaks, Mary Capehart, Riley Danko, Destiny Parker, Samantha Wallace, Shelby Monroe, Kelsey Brust, Leah Patterson, Erica Hartley, Taylor Garn, Gage Ware, Tatyanna Woelke, Marcus Elliott, Kaitlyn Graham, Camrin Bennington, Tyler Hushour, Derek Mullholland, Brookelyn Dotson, Brady Jaso, Dylan Quinlin, Christopher Laboy Velazquez

### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade-All A's

Faith Biddle, Devin Clark, Mackenzie Feathers, Brooklyn Ware, Isreal Flores, Collin Carr, Jonathan Mason, Nathan Walter, Elijah Ernst, Makenna Linkey, Caleb Chalfin, Brock Overmyer

### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade-A/B Honor Roll

Logan Stone, Haley Kinder, Chaunce Gangwer, Joshua Kagy, William Swinehart, Madilyn Below, Julia Vanhoose, Madison Benavides, Colton Rader, Autumn Bordner, Rachel Miller, Kelsey Curlis, Caleb Brown

## HANDMADE CARDS FOR VETERANS

Students from Lakota Middle School created Valentine's Day cards for patients at the VA Medical Center in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Caleb Brown, Ryan Struble, Dallas Chamberlin, Jacob Goodin, Jennifer Ickes, Steven Kern, and Eva McGinnis used the school's Ellison Machine to make star and heart shapes from patriotic scrapbook paper. They also used paper layering techniques, scissor edgers, punches, ribbon, and rubber stamps to create 5 professional-looking cards each. The greetings rubber stamped on the cards included, "Your country is grateful for your service and bravery," "Thank you for protecting the land of the free and the home of the brave," and "Happy Valentine's Day!" Each student also made 2 cards for friends or relatives who are Veterans. If some students do not know any Veterans, those cards will be given to local Veterans. Great job, students!

If you or someone you know would like to support Veterans by offering a cheerful, handmade greeting card, you can send cards for birthday, thinking of you, or any holiday to the following address: Attention: Volunteer Services 125, VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System, 2215 Fuller Rd., Ann Arbor, MI 48105

If you have questions about this, please call 800-361-8387 or 734-769-7100 and ask for Volunteer Services. Thank you for supporting our American Veterans!

# ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## From The Desk of Mr. Josh Matz

Principal at Lakota Elementary

Before looking ahead to a promising 2014, I would first like to reflect on what I feel is one of the most important lessons learned by our students in 2013. This lesson will not be found in any textbook or from a worksheet because it is the life lesson of giving. This core value of generosity was very apparent as we witnessed a tremendous effort by students to support charitable causes before and after the holidays. Lakota Elementary participated in several programs that provided gifts to families in need, supplies to food pantries, and even making Valentine's Day cards for our military veterans. I have been so proud of the students' spirit of giving and kindness with their participation in these meaningful activities. I also applaud all of our dedicated staff, parents, and community members for leading by example and demonstrating the same concern for others. What a tremendous community we have!

Entering 2014, our commitment to providing the best to Lakota students continues. On-going work and teaming within our elementary staff has resulted in very specific reading and math goals for all students. These highly focused and individual goals are based on past performance data and can be worked on daily by all students, parents, and staff. There is an old adage that "the difference between ordinary and extraordinary is just a little extra." 2014 will prove to be the year of extraordinary achievement thanks to the extra that everyone is putting in.

I would like to again express my appreciation for the opportunity to serve the students of Lakota Local Schools. I welcome your calls and visits as we make this a successful year of learning and achievement.

Make it a great day!

## FIRST GRADE STUDENTS TO PERFORM "A COLOR FACTORY"

Mark your calendars! Our first grade students are practicing their songs for their spring musical "A Color Factory". We will present our spring program on **Thursday, March 6, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.** A letter was sent home with all the details regarding this program!

## THIRD AND FOURTH GRADE STUDENTS NEED RECORDERS

Third and fourth grade students need to have their recorders for Music class. Third grade is in the first few lessons where it is important that they have the recorder for each lesson. The fourth grade students need to have them here so that we can use them if needed. Please contact Mrs. Sandrock if you have any questions about the recorder in Music class.

## THIRD GRADE ATTENDS SYMPHONY!

The third grade students have been studying the instruments of the Orchestra. It is a part of the Ohio Music Content standards. On February 20, the students went to the Peristyle in Toledo to hear the Symphony. The students heard Peter Boyer's *Ellis Island: The Dream of America*.

Students had an experience where they heard an orchestra, heard actors, and saw images of the characteristics of Ellis Island, an important part of America's history.

We would like to thank the Lakota PTO who generously sponsor this field trip every year.

## SECOND GRADE NEWS

Second graders have been working hard despite the snow. Students who reached their Accelerated Reader (AR) goals will participate in an Olympic themed party with games and prizes. Students should continue to read nightly to improve fluency and decoding skills.

The students enjoyed celebrating the Winter Olympics in February and Valentine Parties on February 13<sup>th</sup>. Diagnostic testing will start at the beginning of March.

## THIRD GRADE NEWS

Students meeting their AR goal were rewarded with a fun afternoon of games. We are pleased to announce that 87% of all 3rd graders met their goal! Continuing to read nightly will improve overall fluency and comprehension as well as preparing them for the rigorous demands of the OAA test.

Throughout the next month your student will be taking a practice Reading and Math OAA test. These tests are given to allow us to assess areas of strengths and weaknesses. With practice and enrichment, we are confident that our students will succeed on the upcoming tests.

The students took a delightful journey to listen to the Toledo Symphony on February 20<sup>th</sup>. They all looked very nice in their dressy clothes and enjoyed the day.

As a reminder, **parent teacher conferences will be held on February 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>.** There will be no school on the 28<sup>th</sup>. We look forward to seeing you!

## FOURTH GRADE NEWS

Fourth grade is back in full swing and preparing for the OAA tests at the end of April. We will be taking two full-length practice Reading and Math tests to prepare the students for the real test. Students are also completing OAA rotations in which they focus on an area where they are having the most trouble. We have found that this helps students better understand concepts that have been unclear or difficult in the past. We are also reminding students to continue practicing their Math facts. It is important to know all facts 0-9 in addition, subtraction, multiplication and even division.

As the temperatures continue to stay low, please remember to have your child bundle up before coming to school. Hats, boots, gloves, scarves, heavy coats and even snow pants are recommended until the weather warms up.

Don't forget that Spring conferences are around the corner. We will be having our next round of conferences on **Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, February 27<sup>th</sup>.** These conferences will be held at the same time as our November conferences. **Please remember that on Friday, February 28<sup>th</sup> there will be no school.** We hope to see you there!!



## LAKOTA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 2<sup>ND</sup> NINE WEEKS HONOR ROLL

Dylan Tyson and Andrew Roper  
were inadvertently missed on the First Quarter Honor Roll.  
Apologies to those two fourth graders and their parents!

### Second Grade

#### All A's Honor Roll

Liliana Blachuta, Anthony Dixon, Brooklyn Foos, Cassidy Foos, Grace Harmon, Levi Hoerig, Jimmy Kline, Andrew Matz, Grace Rogers and Hannah Tackett

#### A/B Honor Roll

Cody Biddle, Chase Dussel, Mathew Flores, Nevaeh Haubert, Jacie Hines, Anna Hunker, Grace Johnson, Isaac King, Christina Lopez, Tayla Manuel, Alex McGinnis, Cayden Miller, Haylee Nichols, Isadora Page, Bobbi Ranzenberger, Zoey Smith, Jared Tyson, Zoie Widman and Jesse Wright

### Third Grade

#### All A's Honor Roll

Liza Ebert, Carlie Foos, Madison Gibson, Cheyenne Haning, Jayla Hines, Michelle Jackson, Trinity Koppus, Paul Lopez, Ryan Parks, Simon Rosenberger, Cole Roush, Brooke Trumpler and Maisey Zelman

#### A/B Honor Roll

Aaralynn Adams, Natalie Anderson, Jayson Bennington, Cory Bleckinger, Cole Broski, Kerstyn Carr, Gabriel Hagemann, Jason Harpster, Peyton Harden, Miles Harner, Carson Hill, Alex Holman, Kahner Kreilick, Maya Leshner, Lilly Marion, Abe Martinez, Brandon Minich, Kaiya Mompher, Chet Moore, William Palmerton, Jaleel Rayford, Emma Riffe, Kendyl Rosenberger, Kayleigh Rubel, Erin Sampson, Kaitlyn Sayre, Daniel Schmeltz, Krystian Schorn, Isis Shultz, Jacob Stuller, Theiden Taulker, Brayden Tyson, Anne Vandenheuevel, Casey Warren, Elijah Wolph, Makenzie Wyant and Collin Zender

### Fourth Grade

#### All A's Honor Roll

Cadence Bloom, Evan Foos, Griffin Gillmor, Noah Hanson, Madelynn Hushour, Ethan Longoria, J Thomas Matz, Grady Moon, Nicole Newell, Meghan Ohms, Logan Streacker, Paige Viola, Grace Wasserman and Zaedyn Wedge

#### A/B Honor Roll

Kasyn Bixler, Kane Blachuta, Libby Blausey, Jayden Claburn, Kinzer Dussel, McKayla Firsdon, Kaleb Gibson, Emylee Herr, Ben Hovis, Olivia Kennedy, Amilia Knisely, Jayce Kohler, Zoie Lamb, Trevor Mathias, Kylee Morrow, Aaliyah Mossbarger, Andrew Patton, Reece Paul, Tyler Reyna, Joshua Rickard, Andrew Roper, Garrett Schwochow, Isabel Smith, Hannah Wasserman, Spencer Wasserman, David Williams, Gaige Yonikus and Madelyn Zender

## KINDERGARTEN PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

If you have a child who will be 5 years of age before August 1 of this year, he/she is eligible to attend Kindergarten.

Kindergarten registration will be held at the Risingsun First Church Of God, 2968 US 23 Risingsun, **Monday, April 7<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014.** Please mark below your preference of time. Every effort will be made to schedule the time you have requested. A letter including your appointment time will be mailed to your home shortly.

**Please return by March 3rd, 2014 to 5200 C.R. 13, Kansas, OH 44841**

*Please note your 1st and 2nd choice for the 7 available times:*

*(Plan on being there the entire time.)*

Date: Monday, April 7, 2014

\_\_\_ 9:00-11:00 \_\_\_ 11:00-1:00 \_\_\_ 1:30-3:30

Date: Tuesday, April 8, 2014

\_\_\_ 8:00-10:00 \_\_\_ 10:00-12:00 \_\_\_ 1:00-3:00 \_\_\_ 3:00-4:30

Please print:

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
First Middle Last

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_ M \_\_\_ F

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please include your PO Box number

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

*If you know of a child who will be eligible for Kindergarten this coming school year, please share this form with his/her parents. Thank You.*

# ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



PTO's assembly for the top sellers



All smiles for 1st graders working on holiday projects.



3rd Grade artwork and gifts!



Accelerated Reader party fun!



## SEARCH FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

School districts across the state of Ohio are participating in an effort to identify, locate, and evaluate children from birth through 21 years of age who may have disabilities. Schools search for children having such conditions as hearing impairment, visual impairments, speech or language impairments, specific learning disabilities, emotional disturbances, autism, multiple disabilities, mental retardation, other health impairments, and traumatic brain injury. Public schools are required and are committed to the provision of a free and appropriate public education, regardless of the child's disability. Many children with disabilities are not found to receive and address their needs until they reach school age. These children may not be visible as a part of the mainstream community, such as children of homeless families or migrant families. Also, unidentified children with disabilities are often preschoolers. Parents may not be aware their child has a disability or that there are programs and services available.

Lakota Local Schools is interested in meeting the needs of children with disabilities. If you have or know of a child who may have a disability, please contact Tracy Foos, who is the Special Education Supervisor at Lakota at 419-986-6650 or tfoos@lakotaschools.org.

## KINDERGARTEN NEWS

It is hard to believe we are half way through the year! The Kindergarteners are working really hard on writing sentences, reciting sight words, and counting to 100. We are getting very excited about celebrating our 100th day of school in February! Also in February we celebrated Valentine's Day and President's Day.

## FIRST GRADE NEWS

The first graders are getting back into the routine after our long winter break. Students are continuing to practice math facts. We have been using a website called XtraMath. Students are able to practice their facts on this site daily at school as well as at home. Our goal is to have "Fact Power"! After we have completed the addition facts, we will move on to subtraction facts.

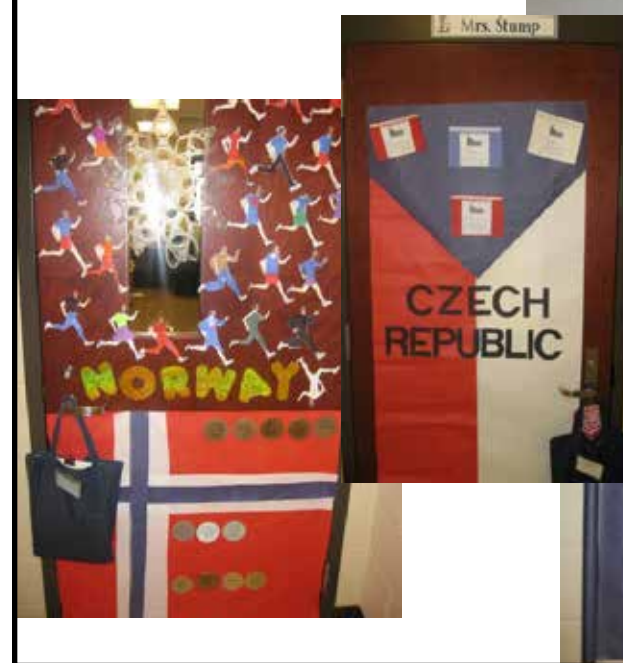
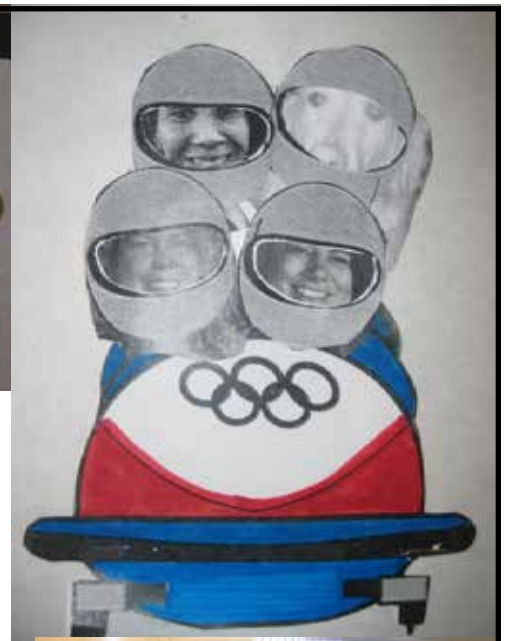
In February we had a great time celebrating Valentine's Day. Students got to show off their creativity by creating and decorating a container to hold the many valentines they received.

Another fun February day we are looking forward to is "100s Day"! From the beginning of the year, every ten days of school, the first grade classes have celebrated Zero the Hero. We are soon approaching our 100th day of school when we will celebrate "One Hundreds Day". This day will include ten stations that students will visit. Each station will have an activity that is based around the number 100. We are excited about celebrating this day and are hoping that "Zero the Hero" might even make an appearance!



## ELEMENTARY OLYMPICS

This year Lakota Elementary has chosen a "World" theme to celebrate with all staff and students. As we like to say... we are an "All-American school serving World Class students" so the theme of the world seemed perfect! Throughout the year students have learned lessons on world geography, history, and holiday traditions. Currently, we are celebrating the Winter Olympics throughout the elementary with full fanfare and fun! The spirit of the Olympics is to, during a time of peace, do your very best. Hopefully we all can celebrate by being the best student, person, educator we can be.



## MUSIC BOOSTERS WINDOW DECALS, YARD SIGNS, AND COOKBOOKS

Lakota Music Boosters has several items available for purchase:  
 Lakota Community Cookbooks — \$12 each or 2 for \$20  
 Lakota Window Decals — \$6 each  
 Lakota Pride Yard Signs — \$10 each

These are available by contacting Mrs. Stuberger or Mrs. Brower at the school. All checks can be made payable to the Lakota Music Boosters.



## FBI/BCI FINGERPRINT CHECKS

Lakota Local Schools now has the capability to do FBI/BCI fingerprint checks. If you would like to use this service, please call the Board Office at 419-986-6650 for an appointment.



# NATIONAL SCHOOL COUNSELING WEEK IS IN FEBRUARY!!

And also the kickoff of "Adventures with Sunny and Ron Ray"

Submitted by Darla Panuto, Guidance Counselor

Sunny Ray and Ron Ray are my very good puppet friends. They are Lakota RAYders, just like the rest of us at school. Sunny and Ron are siblings, from England, so sometimes they need help learning how things work at Lakota, and it is our job as good Lakota citizens to help teach them.

### Public appearances

- a. Sunny accompanied me to the Kindergarten classrooms for beginning of the year activities.
- b. Sunny and Ron debut this week in 2 different videos- the first being an e-message from me introducing National School Counseling Week and the Ray's, and then Sunny posted her first question for Valentine's Day.
  1. Parents can access those videos soon- as we will post a link to the guidance video channel!

### Positive Notes

I pick one positive school behavior that the Rays will notice every 3-4 weeks, such as walking quietly in the hallway or keeping desks clean- I will have the Rays take after school photos with these. I then email my picture of the students and the Ray's to the classroom teacher(s) to share. Teachers can use the picture as their desktop background, which is visible to students on the SMARTboard.

- a. I would also like to post a bulletin board in the hallway displaying these notes and Puppet Photos

### Monthly Video Question

The Rays are learning how to deal with normal school conflicts and issues. I will ask teachers for specific issues they see in their classrooms to generate ideas. Sunny or Ron will ask the students for help in brief videos, and then students will submit "Dear Sunny/Ron" responses. Once all letters are received, I will pick a few excellent answers to generate some conversations about current issues.



Thanks to Dave and Lucy Ritter who were kind enough to open up their barn to allow us to safely practice and allow each athlete a chance to improve themselves.

## BIDDY WRESTLING NEWS

Submitted by Coach Chad Biddle

Over the last two wrestling seasons, we have had over 50 young athletes in our Lakota Biddy Wrestling program. With this many wrestlers, we were extremely fortunate that Dave and Lucy Ritter were kind enough to open up their barn to allow us to safely practice and allow each athlete a chance to improve themselves. From Kindergarten through the sixth grade, these young aspiring students have been giving their all, practicing two to three times a week, with Dual Meets during the week and Open Tournaments on the weekends. With a lot of hard work, long hours, and great support from the Coaches, Parents, and the Lakota Athletic Boosters, we have made the "Ritter Wrestling Barn" the perfect practice facility. The High School and Middle School wrestling teams have even been over to check it out and help teach the younger wrestlers more about the sport and how to be better as an individual and a teammate.

This season opened on November 11, 2013, and for some, it will continue on until March 22, 2014. Along the way, we have attended Dual meets in Gibsonburg, Genoa, Eastwood and Oak Harbor. We have also entered as a team in the Gibsonburg, Oak Harbor, Genoa, Eastwood, Perrysburg, and Otsego Tournaments. We placed fourth as a team at the Eastwood "Mitch Aring Memorial" on Janu-

ary 19. We still have a large group of wrestlers that are going to continue on working towards qualifying for the Ohio-Way (OH-Way) State meet. We will be wrestling in Fostoria on February 23, and then the OH-Way Regional Qualifier on March 2 held at the University of Findlay College Campus. For those that qualify in the top 4 places at the Regional Qualifier, they will advance to the OH-Way State Meet on the campus of Tiffin University. The State meet will be on March 22, 2014. Even with the grueling winter weather that we have had, these tough kids have been there through it all. Wrestling is a very demanding, one-on-one sport that takes a strong will to stick it out when the going gets tough. I am very proud of each and every young athlete on our team and proud to be one of the coaches associated with them.

I would like to send out a special thanks to Dave and Lucy Ritter, Coach Aaron Bomer, Coach Brock Quaintance, Coach Rob Timmons, Coach Gabe Wedge, Every Wife of a Coach, Coach Rick Wetzel, ALL of the parents and families (I wish I could list them all!), and the Lakota Athletic Boosters. This program would not be possible without the continued support from this group. Thank you all for the opportunity to be a part of something GREAT!!!



## LAKOTA ATHLETIC BOOSTERS MEETINGS

Time: 6:00 p.m.  
Staff Dining Room

Monday, March 3  
Monday, April 7  
Monday, May 5



## LAKOTA MUSIC BOOSTERS

The Lakota Music Boosters meet the 4th Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the staff dining room. The organization welcomes your attendance and input! There are usually no meetings in December and July. The officers for the 2013-2014 school year are Cheryl Rutledge, President; Judi Shultz, Treasurer and Paul Rutledge, Recording Secretary. We look forward to seeing you at our next meeting!!

## FIRST ANNUAL LAKOTA BIDDY WRESTLING TOURNAMENT

Submitted by Coach Chad Biddle

The First Annual Lakota Biddy Wrestling Tournament was held on February 9, 2014. After being postponed from January 5th due to the big storm, we had another huge swell of snow come in the night before and the morning of the tournament. It did not stop over 170 wrestlers and their families from driving to Kansas, Ohio to be a part of this brand new event. After a few delays, we had some really good wrestling matches and had all of our kids placed in the top four!! We had a bake sale with all the yummy goodies that brought in over \$400!! I am convinced that the wives and moms of wrestling families work harder than all of the coaches combined. It was a great day for everyone and a thanks goes out to all those who volunteered, the Officials, the Coaches and teams that came out, and really big THANK YOU to Principal Matz for getting us up and running!!!

Don't forget to visit us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/LakotaBiddyWrestlingClub](http://www.facebook.com/LakotaBiddyWrestlingClub)

## PARCC PREPARATION

The next accountability assessments for students in grades three to eleven may arrive as early as Spring, 2015. The Partnership of Assessment for Readiness for Colleges and Careers (PARCC) is a consortium of states working collaboratively to produce assessments for students in grades K-12 to measure students' readiness for the multifaceted academic skills students will need when they enter the workforce or college. PARCC tests will be given in two content areas - Math and English/Language Arts - and will place greater emphasis on written expression and higher-level thinking skills. To prepare for the instructional and technological demands for the new PARCC assessments, a selected number of current fifth and eighth graders will participate in pilot PARCC tests in late March/early April and late May (for the eighth graders who will take the pilot End-of-Course assessments for English/Language Arts). The PARCC simulations will assist the school district's administrative staff as they prepare for the instructional and accountability changes the new assessments will bring. Please contact the Middle School office for additional information and/or visit the PARCC website at [parconline.org](http://parconline.org).

## COMMUNITY WEIGHT ROOM

The Community Weight Room is open to the public Monday and Thursday from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. There is no fee. New treadmills, elliptical machines and bikes have been purchased and are now available to use. The weight room is located to the east of the main gym. Follow the hallway back past the locker rooms to the corner of the building.

## STAFF EMAIL

Please Note: Lakota Schools will now be using a new email system. Each staff member now has a new email address. New emails (with a few exceptions) begin with the first initial and last name of the person with the ending: @lakotaschools.org. Emails sent to the old addresses will be forwarded to the new email.



### Lakota Schools Cat's Meow Replicas

The Cat's Meow wooden replicas of the Lakota Schools are now available. Order forms are available in each of our school offices. For more information call the Board Office at 419-986-6650.

### Lakota Schools Cat's Meow Order Form

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Cell # \_\_\_\_\_

Bradner School	2 1/4" H x 7" W	MW003904	# Ordered _____ @ \$15.00 ea. = \$ _____
Jackson Burgoon School	3 1/4" H x 7" W	MW003902	# Ordered _____ @ \$15.00 ea. = \$ _____
Jackson Liberty School	3" H x 7 1/2" W	MW003903	# Ordered _____ @ \$15.00 ea. = \$ _____
Risingsun School	3 3/4" H x 6" W	MW003905	# Ordered _____ @ \$15.00 ea. = \$ _____
Lakota High School	2 1/2" H x 8" W	MW003906	# Ordered _____ @ \$15.00 ea. = \$ _____
New Lakota School	2 1/2" H X 8" W	MW003907	# Ordered _____ @ \$15.00 ea. = \$ _____
Raider Pride Pkg.			

(Purchase the 5 original schools and receive the *New Lakota School* free)

# Ordered \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$75.00 ea. = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Please make checks payable to Lakota Local Schools and return this completed order form to any Lakota School or send to Lakota Local Schools 5200 CR 13 Kansas, OH 44841*

*All proceeds will go to the Lakota Enrichment Fund.*

### DISPLAY CASE COMMITTEE REQUESTS

The Display Case Committee plans to feature one graduating class, rotating displays approximately every 3 months. If your class would like to be highlighted, please collect items for display, then call Kathy Lee, Secretary to the Superintendent, at 419-986-6650, extension 1 and leave your contact information.

As a tribute to the deceased members of the Lakota community, the Display Case Committee would like to list the names of these persons in one case at Lakota School. In order to obtain accurate information, we are seeking your help. Please call Kathy Lee at 419-986-6650, extension 1 or email her at klee@lakotaschools.org and give her the following information: correct spelling of deceased person (including maiden name, when applicable), year of birth, and year of death. Please leave your phone number in case we need to contact you with a question.

Thank you for your assistance.  
 Committee: Elaine Roush,  
 Yvonne Riffle, Pat Harrison

If anyone has interesting facts or stories from the early years of Lakota (Amsden, Bradner, Burgoon, Kansas, Risingsun) that you are willing to share, please call Kathy Lee, 419-986-6650 extension 1.

### PUBLIC NOTICE

Parents and eligible students may refuse to allow the Board to disclose any or all of "directory information" upon written notification to the Board within 15 days after receipt of this annual public notice.

### Emergency Medical Information

Please remember to notify the school of any updates/changes to your child's emergency medical information (i.e. home/work phone numbers, physician name/phone number, student's medical condition, etc.) It is vital for your child's safety that there is current information on file when needed.

### SUBSTITUTE POSITIONS Available At Lakota

The Lakota Local schools are now taking applications for substitutes. The positions that are available are: certified teachers, cooks, custodians, aides, cashiers, secretaries and bus drivers. If you are interested, please call Ginny Nusbaum in the Board Office at 419-986-6650, extension 4301.

### MEMORIAL/HONOR BRICK ORDERS

*Now is your chance to get your order in for Memorial Bricks!*

We are able to order Memorial Bricks, but we need a minimum order of 50. These make great gifts, so if you're wondering what to get that special someone for birthdays, Christmas, retirement, etc...this is a great idea!

### Memorial/Honor Brick Order Form

*Laser Engraved memorial/honor bricks for our "Legacy Lane" which are in front of the new building.*

Purchaser's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**INFORMATION TO BE ENGRAVED ON 4" x 8" BRICK • 3 LINES 20 CHARACTERS PER LINE**

Up to 20 characters per line (please do not add boxes), per paver, spaces and punctuation are considered characters. Please print clearly.

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Notes: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \$35.00 per brick made payable to: "Lakota Local Schools" - Board Office, 5200 CR 13, Kansas, Ohio 44841.

# EVENTS CALENDAR

## February

- 26 & 27 Early Dismissal-Parent/Teacher Conferences
- 28 Conference Comp Day-No School

## April

- 17 Calamity Make-up Day
- 18 Spring Break
- 21 Calamity Make-up Day
- 22 Classes Resume

## May

- 26 Memorial Day-No School

## June

- 1 Graduation-2:00 p.m.

# INSTRUCTIONS FOR HONEYWELL INSTANT ALERT® FOR SCHOOL DELAYS & CLOSINGS

## Parent User Interface

Website URL:

<https://instantalert.honeywell.com>

## Minimum Requirements

### Register and create your account

1. Go to the Honeywell Instant Alert for Schools website listed above.
2. If you are not a staff member in the school, click on 'Parent' in the New User box.
3. If you are a staff member in the school, you could instead click on 'School Staff' in the New User box.
4. Complete the student information form. Click 'Submit.'
5. Complete the corresponding screen. Click 'Submit.'
6. After receiving the Confirmation message, click 'Proceed' to get started with Instant Alert.
7. Note: Remember your Login Name and Password so you may use it to update your profile.

### View and check details about yourself and your family members

1. Upon successful login, click on 'My Family.'
2. Click on a parent name to view and edit parent details.
3. Click on a student name to view details about your children enrolled in this school.

### Configure alert settings for yourself

1. Click on 'Alert Setup.'
2. Click on the check boxes to select which alert type you would like to have sent to which device. Click on 'Save' when complete.
3. If you would like to add another contact device, select the device type and enter the device details. Select the person to whom the device belongs and click on 'Add.'
4. You are also able to set the days and times you would like your phones to receive alerts. For example, if you want your work phone to receive alerts only during the workdays, you could set the weekday start time to 8:00 a.m. and the weekday end time to 5:00 p.m. and then uncheck the weekend box. Or, if you did not want your cell phone to receive alerts while you were sleeping, you could set the weekday start time to 6:00 a.m. and the weekday end time to 10:00 p.m. and the weekend start time to 8:00 a.m. and the weekend end time to 11:00 p.m. You have the flexibility and control to set up your phones in many different ways.
5. For e-mail, text messaging and pagers you may send yourself a test message. Click on 'Send Test Message' to send yourself a message.

### Additional Functions

#### View History of Alerts

Click on 'Alert History' to view Alerts that have been sent to you. Use the calendar icons and 'Alert Type' list to filter the Alerts.



# LHS ATTENDS CHORAL HONORS FESTIVAL

Submitted by Mrs. Whitney Stuberg

Congratulations to Amanda Lane, Jessica James, and Kyleigh Harrison for representing Lakota High School

at the Ohio Music Educators Association District Two Choral Honors Festival on Saturday, February 15, 2014. The choir was composed of over 100 auditioned singers from around the state. The student musicians worked with a renowned choral director, Andrew Schultz from Defiance College. Thank you ladies, for representing Lakota with your beautiful voices.

# SUPPORT LHS YEARBOOK BY SHOPPING AT KROGER

Do your usual grocery shopping, swipe your Kroger card, and Lakota gets cash!!!

The process is simple. Lakota Community Members register their Kroger card online at [krogercommunityrewards.com](http://krogercommunityrewards.com). Then Kroger donates a small percentage of any money spent on groceries when using that Kroger card.

### What you will need

- Kroger Plus Card (available at the customer service desk at Kroger)
- Valid Email Address

### How to register:

1. Go online at [krogercommunityrewards.com](http://krogercommunityrewards.com)
2. Click on "Create an Account" (located at the top right)
  - \*if you already have a Kroger email account, sign in and skip to step 6
3. Enter your zip code, click on your favorite store, entering your email address, create a password, and agree to the terms and conditions
4. A message will appear telling you to check your email and click on the link within the body of the email.
5. Click on "My Account" and log in using your email address and password
6. Click on the Community Rewards Tab
7. Click on Edit Kroger Community Rewards information and input your Kroger Plus card information.
8. Enter NPO number or name of organization, select organization from list and click on confirm.
  - a. NPO # 80751
  - b. Lakota High School Yearbook
9. To verify you are enrolled correctly, you will see "Lakota High School Yearbook" on the right side of your information page.
10. Members must swipe their registered Kroger Plus card or use the phone number that is related to their registered Kroger Plus card when shopping for each purchase to count.

**We Truly Appreciate Your Support!!!!!!**

# LAKOTA HOSTING THE DISTRICT IV BOYS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT GAMES

The Lakota Athletic Boosters need **VOLUNTEERS** (adults/high school students) to help with the concession stand during the District IV boys basketball tournament games. The District IV basketball tournament games bring in many spectators for these games (our gymnasium will be full)! We will be having a different setup than what is normally used during our regular games at the concession stand. We will be setting up a concession stand at the top part of the Auditoria (more room!) If you can help at any of these games, please contact Lisa Timmons (419)680-2070, or Roxy Bowling at (419)619-0152 or return the bottom part of this article to the High School Office on the day(s) you can help. We need several people to help in order to run the concession stand in an orderly manner and to get spectators served quickly. Please respond as soon as possible if you can help. If students need volunteer credit hours, the boosters will be glad to help you with the hours you need. **Please respond by Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup>.**

I can help at the following games:

\_\_\_ Boys Basketball District IV game on  
**Tuesday, March 4 (2 games @ 6:15 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.) Arrive at 5:00 p.m.**

\_\_\_ Boys Basketball District IV game on  
**Friday, March 7 (1 game @ 7:00 p.m.) Arrive at 5:30 p.m.**

Volunteer Names/Phone Numbers

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\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

# Weather Delays & Closings

In case of bad weather, we now have the Instant Alert System in place. You will be notified by phone when there is a delay or closing. You may also check with one of the following radio/television stations for delays and closings.  
**Television Stations:** 11, 13 and 24  
**Radio Stations:** WTTF/WSPD/WTOD,WFOB,WFRO,WFIN,K-100/WKKO

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 Tracy Foos  
 (419) 986-6650

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 Russ Abbott  
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[www.lakotaschools.org](http://www.lakotaschools.org)

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 Risingsun, OH 43457

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**Principal: Mrs. Sherry Sprow**  
 Grades 9,10,11,12  
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 Kansas, OH 44841  
 (419) 986-6620  
 Fax (419) 986-6621

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 Grades 5, 6, 7, 8  
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*Lakota Local Schools is an equal opportunity employer.*

**Mission Statement:**  
 The Lakota Local School District, as a unified learning community, is dedicated to graduating students who are life-long learners and productive citizens in an ever-changing society.