

Our mission is to maximize learning for all students

MAXEY Messenger

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Monday, September 24 LPS Elementary Plan Day

Please be reminded that LPS Elementary Students will not be attending school on Monday, September 24. This day is designated as an Elementary Plan Day. Teachers will be planning their lessons for the month of October and November.

Please find additional upcoming events below:

Important Upcoming Dates

- Thur., Sept. 20: Maxey Fun Night 5:00-7:30 p.m.
Mon., Sept. 24: No Elementary School -- Teacher Plan Day
Tues., Sept. 25: Early Release Day (PLC)
Grades 1-5: Start at 9:00 a.m., Dismiss at 2:18 p.m.
A.M. Knd.: Start at 9:00 a.m., Dismiss at 11:14 a.m.
P.M. Knd.: Start at 12:04 p.m., Dismiss at 2:18 p.m.
ECSE: No School -- Parent Contact Day
Tues., Oct. 9: McTeacher Night at McDonald's (56th & Old Cheney) 4:00-8:00 p.m.
Wed., Oct. 17: Picture Retakes/Group Pictures
Oct. 22-26: No School -- FALL BREAK
Tues., Oct. 30: Early Release Day (PLC)
Grades 1-5: Start at 9:00 a.m., Dismiss at 2:18 p.m.
A.M. Knd.: Start at 9:00 a.m., Dismiss at 11:14 a.m.
P.M. Knd.: Start at 12:04 p.m., Dismiss at 2:18 p.m.
ECSE: No School -- Parent Contact Day
Mon., Nov. 12: PTO General Meeting (Multipurpose Room) 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Wed., Nov. 21: No Elementary School -- Teacher Plan Day
Nov. 22-23: No School -- THANKSGIVING BREAK
Tues., Nov. 27: Early Release Day (PLC)
Grades 1-5: Start at 9:00 a.m., Dismiss at 2:18 p.m.
A.M. Knd.: Start at 9:00 a.m., Dismiss at 11:14 a.m.
P.M. Knd.: Start at 12:04 p.m., Dismiss at 2:18 p.m.
ECSE: No School -- Parent Contact Day
Thurs., Dec. 6: 5th Grade Chorus Concert for Parents (Multipurpose Room) 7:00 p.m.
Tues., Dec. 11: 5th Grade Band Concert for Parents (Multipurpose Room) 7:00 p.m.
Thurs., Dec. 20: Orchestra Concert for Parents (Multipurpose Room) 7:00 p.m.
Dec. 24-Jan.2: No School -- WINTER BREAK

Parent-Teacher Conferences

By this date all families should now have a confirmed date for their child's upcoming parent-teacher conference. Your child's teacher will explain to you what topics will be discussed at the conference. You will be asked what you would like to discuss at the conference about your child's academic and social progress.

The dates for traditional parent-teacher conferences are the Thursdays of October 4 and 11. Many classroom teachers will be working on these two evenings. Specialists (art, music, physical education, media, and technology) conference times are listed below. Classroom teachers will be conducting parent-teacher conferences on alternate dates also.

Specialist Conference Times

Following are the dates/times that our specialists will be available for conferences:

Nathan Armagost (P.E.):	Oct. 4 from 3:45-9:45pm
Megan Bailey (Speech/Language):	Oct. 4 from 3:45-6:45pm
Sylvia Bailey (Vocal Music):	Oct. 4,11, and 18 from 4:00-6:00pm
Stephanie Benischek (Vocal Music):	Oct. 4 and Oct. 11 from 3:45-6:30pm
Devin Kosmicki (P.E.):	Oct. 4 and Oct. 11 from 3:45-6:45pm
Bob Krueger (Band):	Oct. 4 from 3:45-5:30pm
Dottie Ladman (Strings):	Oct. 4 and Oct. 11 from 3:45-5:00pm
Beth Lenzen (Art):	Oct. 4 and Oct. 11 from 3:45-5:30pm
Jamie Swartz (Speech/Language):	Oct. 4 from 3:45-6:45pm
Greg Tebo (Technology):	Oct. 4 and Oct. 11 from 3:45-6:45pm

McTeacher Night

McDonald's (56th and Old Cheney) and the Maxey PTO are teaming up together to fund raise. Maxey families are invited to stop by McDonalds and purchase their family meal either at the "drive through" or inside the restaurant from 4:00-8:00 p.m. Twenty percent of the sales profits go to the PTO.

Maxey staff will be working this night to help raise funds. Fifth grade students will also be invited to sign up and work this evening with parent consent.

"See your friends...Bring your family...Have your teacher serve you dinner! Maxey families and friends, please join us for hours of FUN at McDonalds at 56th & Old Cheney on Tuesday, October 9 from 4:00-8:00 p.m. Dine in or drive through to benefit the Maxey PTO."

The Great Pumpkin Run

This is an opportunity for your child to participate in a cross-country fun run (1 mile)

Who: All elementary students in Lincoln

Where: Pioneers Park

When: October 6th

Deadline: September 27th

Entry forms available in the front hallway behind our greeter.

Volunteer for The MAX!

If you did not have a chance to sign up to volunteer your help with Maxey's primary fundraiser The MAX please consider this your invitation to do so. We had sign up sheets at the parent information nights, but it was a busy night. Committees include: Food/beverage, Decorations, Event Site, Finance, Invitations/printed materials, Donations/Raffle

If you would like to help or have any questions please contact Lisa Herbert at 484-6752 or LCHBIZ@aol.com.

Thank you~
Lisa Herbert, Stacey Hobbs, Tiffany Mickells,

What is DI?

You've heard of spelling bees, quiz bowls, robotics competitions and science fairs. In fact, there is probably an event for every school subject. Destination ImagiNation (DI) is none of those things- and all of those things! DI is a community-based, school-friendly program where young people take what they know and what they do well and learn to apply it to solve Challenges. They work cooperatively on a team and push the limits of imagination to better themselves, and to be the best team they can be! All we need is a coach who is excited to watch young minds grow! Non-competitive teams for Gr. K-2, and competitive teams for Gr. 1-5. If interested, call Tracey Peterson, Gifted Facilitator, at 436-1153.

MAXEY SCHOOL AND LINCOLN PUBLIC SCHOOLS NEED YOUR HELP!

We are looking for persons interested in working with highly gifted students in the area of math. These students are in need of individuals that can follow their lead, as they work right at the cutting edge of their own learning!

Qualifications are listed below, and are **recommended** qualifications. If interested, see Tracey Peterson, Maxey Gifted Facilitator. She can be reached in the afternoons at 436-1153, or by emailing her at tpeters@lps.org. Please don't hesitate! We need you!

Requirements: University level academic standing of Junior, Senior, BA/BS or above; minimum cumulative G.P.A. of 3.0 and at least 15 semester credit hours in subject with a subject G.P.A. of 3.5 or above.

Student Drop Off/Pick Up

"Car poolers" are commended for their great job of following rules and expectations this school year. The parking lot is going very well also. THANK YOU for helping make our school as safe as possible.

Construction Update

Grass seed has been planted and we have moisture in the soil. Hopefully, we will have grass soon. The "yellow" pod is coming to completion soon. We have cabinets and counter tops. The sinks are almost "hooked up".

The latest news I have is that the second grade pod will be completed by Thanksgiving. We have had about a three week delay in our casework. The kindergarten pod is on schedule and should be ready by early January.

I appreciate everyone's patience during our construction. We began work about a year ago and we can see the end of this project. When it is completed we will have added 17 new classrooms, two small group rooms, an additional music room, and a great addition to the multipurpose room. We will have all of our students located inside the building and ample room for all of our school activities. WE are truly fortunate to benefit from the February 14, 2005 Bond Issue. Without the passage of this issue, we would have most likely had students in portable classrooms for the next ten years. Our "new" building will help maximize learning for all of our students.