



# PLMS TIGER TIMES

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## Calendar

### **BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

#### Counselors Appreciation Week

#### Monday, February 7 Cafe' Staff Appreciation Day

- 2:35-6:00 Musical Practice
- 3:15-4:15 Drill Team

#### Tuesday, February 8

- 2:35-6:00 Musical Practice
- 3:20-5:15 ART Club
- 3:30-5:15 Archery
- 4pm Scholar Bowl @ HOME

#### Wednesday, February 9

- 2:35-6:00 Musical Practice
- 3:15-4:15 Drill Team

#### Thursday, February 10

- 2:35-6:00 Musical Practice
- 3:30-5:15 Archery
- 4pm Scholar Bowl Away

#### Friday, February 11

- 9:20 LATE START
- 2:35-6:00 Musical Practice
- 3:15-4:15 Drill Team

*Listening, learning, and working together to prepare each student for success in life.*



**UNDER CONSTRUCTION**

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# BLACK HISTORY MONTH

## Angie Martin

Angie serves students whose last names begin with A-F.

### *Q&A Something School Counselors do which will surprise you.*

I hope this is not a surprise, but we really want to see everyone succeed and we love hearing from our students and families even after they leave us.

Something about me I think you should know. My life looks a lot like a yours. My husband and I are raising two busy teenagers that are also navigating these past couple unique years. We are all definitely in this together!

Why I became a School Counselor. I come from a family of educators, so I always knew I would do the same. I love connections, helping others, and planning, so being a school counselor is the perfect fit for me!



## Jennifer Montgomery

Jen serves students whose last names begin with G-O.

### *Q&A What is your favorite part of being a Counselor?*

My favorite part about being a school counselor is getting to work with students each day. I love getting to listen and help guide them on their journey through life. Whether they're going through something big or small, school related or not, working with students to become their best self is such a rewarding process.



## NATALIE HOLDER

Natalie serves students whose last names begin with P-Z.

### *Q&A Why did you become a School Counselor?*

I became a school counselor to build relationships with students and positively impact their middle school years and beyond. I love working with students to problem solve. It is my favorite part of my job! When I am able to point out the positive qualities a student already possesses in order to overcome a problem, it is very rewarding! I want all students to know they are capable and will always have someone in their corner to provide support.





# COUNSELORS SPIRIT WEEK

**MONDAY - DREAM, BELIEVE AND ACHIEVE**

PAJAMA DAY

**TUESDAY - REACH FOR THE STARS**

WEAR YOUR FAV COLLEGE  
SHIRT/COLORS

**WEDNESDAY - DO WHAT YOU LOVE**

WEAR A SHIRT REPRESENTING  
YOUR FAVORITE ACTIVITY

**THURSDAY - THROW KINDNESS  
AROUND LIKE CONFETTI**

WEAR A SHIRT WITH A POSITIVE  
MESSAGE

**FRIDAY - MY FUTURE STARTS HERE**

SCHOOL SPIRIT WEAR

NATIONAL  
SCHOOL  
COUNSELING  
WEEK

FEBRUARY  
7-11, 2022

SCHOOL COUNSELING:  
BETTER TOGETHER

# ROBOTICS 2021-2022

## PLMS Robotics Season Comes To An End

All 3 teams competed on Saturday, January 29th at the Belton Robotics Tournament. Unfortunately, we were eliminated from moving on to state.

Tiger\_STEAM Black did receive a trophy for the Judge's Award. We are so proud of how hard the students worked all year. Way To Go Tiger\_STEAM Black,



Tiger\_STEAM Gold, and Tiger\_STEAM Silver!!! We also appreciate the support from our parents and administration. We are impressed with how much each student grew this robotics season!



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In celebration of Black History Month, the PLMS Black Student Union (BSU) put together a meaningful and exceptionally creative display on the cafeteria wall. The display features silhouettes of renowned African Americans. Students and teachers then traced their silhouettes to show their uniqueness and completed the statement, "I have a dream..." Below are a few of those statements:

"I have a dream that racism ends."-  
Marqus PLMS Student and BSU Member

"I have a dream that all students will be treated with dignity." - Dr. Nix PLMS ELA Teacher and BSU Sponsor

To celebrate Black History Month, the BSU is also sponsoring a school-wide door decorating contest. The doors must have "positive words of affirmation that reflect equity, equality and/or belonging."

On Monday, February 28 during advisory we will have a Black History Month Program via live TV.

Due to AMI days, we weren't able to provide a picture of the display, but we will continue articles this month for Black History Month and show off the creativity of the club.

The clinic and tryouts will be held on February 14, 15, 16 and 17 at PLMS 3:45-5:45 in Gym B.

This year things will be different with the opening of the East Trails middle school as their tryouts will be held here at PLMS also.

## **STUDENTS WHO WILL BE ATTENDING PLEASANT LEA NEXT YEAR:**

PLMS 7th grade students who will be attending PLMS next year and are interested in trying out for 21.22 cheerleading, must have an approved PLMS PRIVIT account which includes a current sports physical. This is the Handout from the informational meeting.

## **STUDENTS WHO WILL BE ATTENDING EAST TRAILS NEXT YEAR:**

If you have used Privit before at your current middle school, please note you will NOT need to create a new account; however, you will need to make sure you **log out of your current middle school link** and **log in with this link specific to East Trails** to update your athlete's profile. All information and documents should transfer over; however, you will need to 're-sign' all the documents. This is the Handout from the East Trails informational meeting.

If you have any questions about PRIVIT, contact Mary McDonough in Student Administration at 816-986-1184 or email [mary.mcdonough@lsr7.net](mailto:mary.mcdonough@lsr7.net). These MUST be completed and approved no later than Thursday, February 10, 2022.

**IT IS REQUIRED IN PRIVIT TO SELECT CHEER AS A TEAM IF YOU WANT TO HAVE YOUR STUDENT BE ELIGIBLE TO TRY OUT ON TIME. Otherwise, their information will not show up in the administrative side in Cheer.**



# PARENTS OF 8TH GRADERS

Second Semester is a busy time for our 8<sup>th</sup> graders as they begin the transition to Lee's Summit High School. To help with the process, we will be working with students through their language arts classes to explore high school options and complete a personal plan of study. The personal plan of study will help students plan for classes and programs at the high school level. This is not a permanent class selection, but as we tell students, it is a "rough draft" of the future. Many classes and programs offered have certain prerequisites and we want to make sure every opportunity is available to all students. Final 9<sup>th</sup> grade class selections will occur when you meet with your child's high school advisor in March.

Below is a timeline of important dates:

- High School Planning and Course Request Information
- January 31st - February 3rd - Team 8-1
- February 4th -9th - – Team 8-3
- February 8th - 11th - Team 8-2
- February 14th - 17th - Team 7/8
- February - Online Students

\*During the team's designated week of enrollment, they will receive information on how to access a copy of the Career and Educational Planning Guide and will receive their Course Request Sheet. Students will also get a presentation from a high school counselor along with working with the middle school counselors to create their personal plan of study in Naviance.

February 23rd – LSHS counselors will go over course request sheets and PowerSchool enrollment with students in their Science class

## All 8th Grade Students

**February 16th - Online Enrollment Opens in PowerSchool - directions for how to complete this will be sent home with the students**

**February 22nd - Online Enrollment Closes in PowerSchool**

**March 9th and 10th – Enrollment Conferences with LSHS advisor**

**Please be on the lookout for more information regarding dates and times from LSHS.**

As you are assisting with your child's enrollment, you can also find an electronic version of the Career and Educational Planning Guide at the following link:

[Career and Educational Planning Guide](#)

We truly love having the opportunity to work with your child during this time. If you have any questions about the information provided, please feel free to reach out to your child's counselor. We are more than happy to help!

Sincerely,

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