



NEWSLETTER

January, 2022

Lewis & Clark Middle School

Every Child, Every Chance, Every Day!

Happy New Year!

Happy New Year! We have much to celebrate as we begin Semester Two of the 2021-22 school year. We are so happy to have all of our students back in the building to learn and be social creatures again. First semester continued to pose challenges due to illness and quarantines, but this newsletter is full of all the accomplishments and fun the students are experiencing despite the hurdles of being a student during a pandemic. We continue to gain strength and resiliency from each other as we strive to encourage high academic and behavior expectations for all. We also ask for your continued support and partnership in educating your child to their fullest potential. It truly takes a village!

Best regards,
Mrs. Sulser



Officer Z's Corner



Let's fix the traffic mess at dismissal.

This article is meant to be a "Traffic Alert" for parents with the hope of getting everyone's attention and cooperation. The "End Of Day" traffic mess at our school seems to be getting worse. The vehicle entrance in front of the school isn't large enough to handle all the vehicles arriving for student pick-up at dismissal. The parking area is minimal (Staff members use this parking area too!) and the drop-off/loading lane, on the other side of the parking area, becomes a school bus only lane at 2:45 pm on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. The bus only lane time on Wednesdays is earlier at 1:45 pm. There is no stopping or parking in the bus only area during these times. This open area/lane, on the south side of the buses, helps students navigate safely from the bus area out to the adjacent parking area and the street.

We're also seeing vehicles, as they turn into the entrance, blocking the entrance (stopped in traffic on Lewis) because the angle parking area is full. This prevents buses from entering campus where they need to be at dismissal. When this happens, Lewis Ave becomes a parking lot, frustrating everyone.

How do we solve this problem? How do we safely navigate our school zone? It starts with a bit of inconvenience for parents, meaning, parking on the street, around the school, where you pre-arrange a designated pick-up area with your child. If we reduce the number of vehicles entering campus at dismissal, we start to address the traffic mess that is an "accident waiting to happen."

There is one more area of concern: the traffic on the west side of the school on 14th St W. The problem focuses on the driveway entrance leading into the back parking lot behind the school. If you're a parent that parks on 14th W close to the parking lot entrance, please allow some distance from the edges of the driveway to where you're parked. This allows cars exiting the parking lot to have a safe exit, as they can better see the street and navigate around students.

Our traffic safety depends on all of us doing our part to ease the congestion on campus. Let's make 2022 the safest year yet!

Officer Z



WE'VE GOT YOUR YEAR COVERED!!! DON'T MISS OUT

Yearbooks can be ordered online this year. Order today at ybpay.lifetouch.com. School ID Code is: 14319322. If you are unable to order online please stop in to the main office and we will get you set up! Order deadline is **March 14, 2022**



Volleyball
February 7—April 1
6th, 7th & 8th

Each school will have an A Team and a B Team. A Team will play regular season and season ending tournament. B Team will play regular season.

7/8th grade Instructional games played on Saturdays.

6th grade Instructional in partnership with Park & Rec.



Huge shout out to our very own Officer Zorzakis! Thanks for everything you do for Lewis!



WE NEED PARENT VOLUNTEERS!!!

Teacher appreciation week is May 3rd through May 7th. If you would like to help in the event planning, or you would rather make a donation, please contact Mrs. Sulser at 406-281-5903 or email: sulserj@billingschools.org.



Way to Go Scouts!!

Lewis & Clark Scouts participated in the Billings Public Schools raffle, with the top prize being a new car. Scouts outdid themselves this year. Scouts portion being \$8904.00. Moneys from the raffle will be used by Student Council for student chosen projects. Top seller from Lewis was Malia Glassing. She received an Oculus Quest 2 Virtual Reality Headset. Thanks to all who participated and made this fundraiser successful!



Don't forget to like us on Facebook!



Why Do We Release Students Early Every Wednesday?

Our students are released early every Wednesday so teachers are able to meet and collaborate as part of a "Professional Learning Community (PLC)."

The Professional Learning Communities model is a philosophy that focuses on high levels of learning for all. During the Wednesday meetings, educators work together within their grade-level teams to look at data from assessments and plan for the learning needs of their students. The goal of PLC's is to strive for mastery of grade level standards so students are prepared for the next grade.

PLC's operate under the assumption that the key to improved learning for students is continuous, job embedded learning for educators.

PLC's are guided by the following four questions:

1. What is it that we expect our students to learn?
2. How will we know when they have learned it?
3. How will we respond when they don't learn it?
4. How will we respond when they already know it?

Just a reminder: NO HATS OR HOODS CAN BE WORN DURING SCHOOL



STUDENT DRESS POLICY

Students are expected to come to school and all activities clean, well-groomed, and wearing clothes that appropriately cover the body and do not cause distractions or create a health or safety issue. This basic dress code encourages students to "dress for success" and to come to school properly prepared to participate in the educational process. Students are expected to manage their personal appearance in a manner that does not disrupt teaching and learning, promote vulgarity or obscenity, advertise illegal substances, tobacco, alcohol, advertise weapons or violence, or express double meanings that are inappropriate. All students are expected to wear comfortable, safe, and appropriate clothing in P.E. class (sweats, shorts, athletic shoes, tee shirts).

(See Policy 3203 and 3203 P-1)

NO SCHOOL

Monday, February 21st

Monday-Friday, March 14th-18th

Friday, April 1st
 Thursday & Friday, April 14th & 15th

Friday, May 6th
 Monday, May 30th

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

Friday, June 3rd



PARENTS!

All students must be checked in and out with Mrs. Sandon (in the attendance office) before leaving during school hours.

If you study to remember, you will forget, but if you study to understand, you will remember.

Indian Education Home to School Coordinator

Peveešeeva! My name is Josie Brady. I'm the Indian Education Coordinator here at Lewis & Clark. I'm here to assist our Native students with their academics and cultural needs. I am also available as a resource for our Native families as an advocate or to assist in any other matters. I also run the ALL NATIONS Club. Our club meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month. Everyone is welcome! We learn about different Native cultures in MT and the U.S. Our activities range from games, projects, crafts, and fundraising for outside activities. We meet in rm. 104 from 3 pm- 4 pm. My schedule at Lewis & Clark is Wednesday afternoons, Thursdays, and Fridays. If your child is struggling in a particular area, you are having difficulty connecting with the school staff, or have any other concerns, I am happy to help! I run Homework Help every Thursday until 4 p.m.

Phone: 281-5911 or email: bradyj@billingssschools.org

NAEP Test

Lewis and Clark Middle School 2/22/2022

A random selection of 8th graders will be tested.

The National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) is the only assessment that measures what U.S. students know and can do in various subjects across the nation, states, and in some urban districts. Also known as The Nation's Report Card, NAEP has provided important information about how students are performing academically since 1969.

NAEP is a congressionally mandated project administered by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) within the U.S. Department of Education and the Institute of Education Sciences (IES).

NAEP is given to a representative sample of students across the country. Results are reported for groups of students with similar characteristics (e.g., gender, race and ethnicity, school location), not individual students. National results are available for all subjects assessed by NAEP. State and selected urban district results are available for mathematics, reading, and (in some assessment years) science and writing.

SUMMER 2022 DRIVERS EDUCATION

Students must be enrolled in grades 9-12 for the 2022-2023 school year in order to register for the summer 2021 session. This includes 8th graders who will be in 9th grade fall of 2022.

ALL STUDENTS WHO REGISTER AND PAY BY THE DEADLINE ARE GUARANTEED A SPOT IN THE CLASS AT THE SCHOOL AND TIME OF THEIR CHOICE. STUDENTS WHO REGISTER AFTER APRIL 10TH OR PAY AFTER APRIL 20TH WILL BE PUT ON A WAITING LIST.

Registration Dates for both sessions: April 1, 2022 - April 10, 2022

Registration is done online at billingssschools.org/programs/drivers-education

Payment Dates for both sessions: April 1, 2022 - April 20, 2022 at 3:00pm

Payment may be made online at billingssschools.org/programs/drivers-education with a debit/credit card. If paying by check or cash, payment should be mailed or brought to 1470 Industrial Ave. Billings, MT 59101. Please make checks payable to BPS.

Card payments cannot be made at the office or over the phone – only online!

Session 1 Class Dates and Times: May 23rd, 24th, 26th, and 31st from 4:15 - 6:15, June 6- July 1 M-F at the time chosen at registration - either 8:00am - 10:00am or 10:00am - 12:00pm. Students who attend, Ben Steele, Castle Rock, Lewis & Clark, Medicine Crow, Riverside or Will James will be bused to the high school for class on May 23rd, 24th, 26th & 31st. Transportation after class on those dates and both ways in June is the responsibility of the parent/student.

Students must be born on or before November 23, 2007 in order to take Session 1.

Session 2 Class Dates and Times: July 11th – August 11th 10:00am – 12:00pm

Students must be born on or before January 11, 2008 in order to take Session 2.

Fee: \$300.00

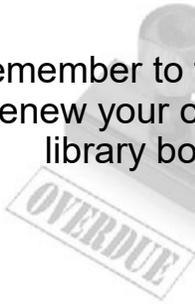
Students will drive 6 times outside of class time at times scheduled with the instructor. Students are allowed 3 absences during the session which must be made up. If a student misses more than 3 classes or fails to attend the make-up session scheduled by the instructor they AUTOMATICALLY FAIL THE COURSE.

NO REFUNDS WILL BE ISSUED SO PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT DRIVERS ED FITS YOUR SCHEDULE AND THAT YOU WON'T HAVE MORE THAN 3 ABSENCES DURING THE SESSION BEFORE REGISTERING AND PAYING FOR IT!



Don't forget to order your yearbook

Remember to turn in or
renew your overdue
library books!

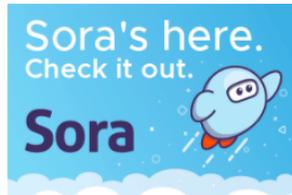


ONLINE CATALOG

The Lewis and Clark
Library tab on the L &
C website features
resources accessible
from home including
Billings Public
Schools' Online Cata-
log, an extensive

ebook and audiobook library called SORA,
and the research site WORLD BOOK
ONLINE. All of these are available to Lewis
& Clark students AND their families! For
more information, please contact Mrs. Rice.

Sora is an eBook and audiobook platform that makes
accessing our library materials easy!



CHECK IT OUT

Free elibrary materials right here!

Many thanks to our amazing, 1st Semester
library aides! The Library
will miss you!

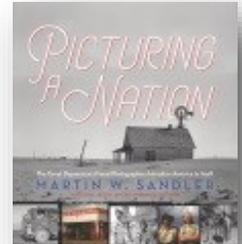
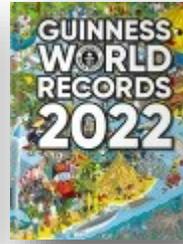
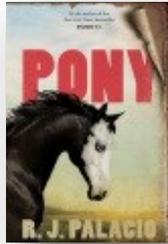
Carson V., Rigley B., Izzy
H., and Lucia M..



LIBRARY NEWS



Mrs. Rice has placed a new book order for Spring - look for these NEW titles in the library!



The Lewis and Clark Library is a gathering place for staff, students, projects, classes, games, reading, socializing and is a hub of learning and FUN! Please support your school library and the opportunities for growth it provides our staff and students!



Lewis & Clark Math Club

The Lewis & Clark Math Club meets on Tuesdays after school until 4:00. It's been a great year and we are looking forward to the many competitions that are coming up.

- January 28th - Middle School Math Day Competition (held at L&C during the school day)
- February 17th - MathCounts Chapter Competition
- March 7th - MathCounts State Competition
- March 8th - MCTM Math Contest (4:30 - 7:00 - held at Senior High, optional)
- May 7th - MathCounts National Competition
- TBD - End of Year Celebration (after school)

LET'S MAKE AMAZING HAPPEN



--Mr. Brook & Mrs. Umemoto (school counselors) will meet with 8th graders during their English classes on February 1st & 3rd to go over 9th grade registration information. Registration information will be sent home with students. Visit the Lewis & Clark website for additional information.

-High School Counselors from West High and Senior High will visit Lewis & Clark on February 15th to register students for their 9th grade classes.

West High school will be hosting an informational meeting for parents about the transition from middle to high school on **Wednesday, February 2nd at 6:00 pm**. We will be holding it virtually using Zoom. The link to join the meeting is:

Kim Petersen is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Transition To High School
Time: Feb 2, 2022 06:00 PM Mountain Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://billingssschools.zoom.us/j/8986762576?pwd=STA3TVptdjFmakhITmNDK00xYzNWQT09>

Meeting ID: 898 676 2576

Passcode: Transition



Senior High's 8th grade PAC meeting will be Wednesday, Feb 2 from 6pm-7pm.

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://billingssschools.zoom.us/j/8142704960?pwd=aENjS0VxNDF1bE55U1ptWjkzWFZ0UT09>

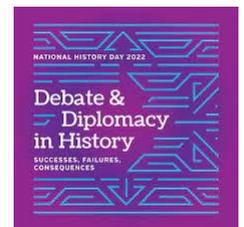
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NATIONAL HISTORY DAY

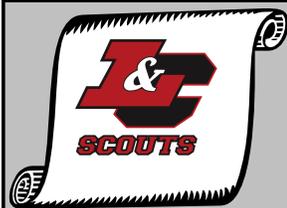
8th grade Social Studies teachers, Mr. Jarvis and Mr. Jensen have kicked off LC's annual National History Day project. This year's theme is "Debate and Diplomacy in History: Successes, Failures, Consequences". Students use the library to locate, evaluate, and use both primary and secondary resources in this student-driven research project. Ask your 8th grader to describe their topic and how they will convey their message of Debate and Diplomacy in History!



Please have your student check out the lost and found table in front of the receiving room.

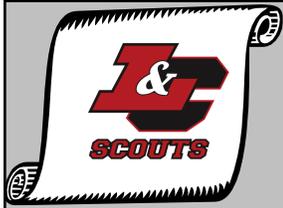






6th Grade Lewis & Clark Middle School 1st Semester Academic Achievers

Abrahams	Myla	Durcholz	Adam	Maya Shea	Luis	Schauer	Sophia
Adams	Trynati	Edwards	William	McElroy	Jayce	Schilling	Cameron
Badger	Brihanna	Edwards	Alexander	McKenna	Sophia	Schoneberg	Arden
Barber	Reese	Eldridge	Asher	McMullen	Aliyah	Schreier	Karter
Beckerley	Madalynn	Feeley	Wilson	Melvin	Jude	Shaw	Gabrielle
Benson	Trueston	Fitzgerald	Brogan	Miller	Hart	Shelden	Jake
Bergeron	Lucas	Flesch	Sarah	Miner	Cash	Sherman	Meya
Blackhawk	DSean	Florez	Jeffrey	Monson	Ariah	Shirley	Soraya
Blair	Isabella	Garrad	Porter	Nave	Parker	Stands	Nevaeh
Blake	Illiana	Garrison	Alyonna	Nielson	Preston	Stennerson	Aaliyah
Borhan	Armin	Gosnell	Cameron	Nielson	August	Stensby	Logan
Boulet	Lily	Hackman	James	Oak	Aiden	Stiles	Tighe
Bradley	Stephen	Hagerman	Ilianna	Ollerman	Kyler	Storton	Jazmine
Bray	Danielle	Hammermeister	Karter	Olmstead	Ethan	Szillat	Paige
Britton	Shaylah	Harlow	Ariahna	Otter Robe	Malakai	Thompson	Bella
Brocius	Elliana	Hart-Ervin	Sylvester	Paquette	Wyatt	Todd	My'Annah
Brooks	Will	Hawkins	Piper	Payne	Kyra	Torgerson	Blaine
Brosovich	Kailey	Heavey	Poppy	Pedersen	Maddix	Trout	Dusty
Brottem	Casen	Henning	Parker	Perez	Annelise	Turnquist	Thatcher
Brown	Hailey	Hull	Melody	Perrin	Andrew	Vander Esch	Landen
Brownell	Matyas	Jabalera-Reed	Nikki	Peterson	Katarina	Velasquez	Miranda
Bruen	John	Jennings	Braella	Prudhomme	Scott	Ventling	Jayla
Buchanan	Jackson	Joda	John	Pursell	Daylen	Verdon	Kaitlyn
Burr	Anthony	Kaiser	Coraline	Rainey	Leah	Villarreal	Arianna
Cameron	Annaleigh	Kelly	Rose	Reese	Collin	Wagner	Koben
Carey	Tyler	Kerr	Isabella	Reid	Adam	Walker	Sadie
Castro	Savana	Kingman	Annaleigh	Rentz	Theodore	Walks	Maliyah
Chavez	Anthony	Krueger	Nicholas	Rhodes	Kennidi	Weis	Sophie
Clark	Evan	Lane	Talon	Ring	Kysen	Wells	Michael
Cohn	Lydia	Lawson	Bruce	Rivera	Apollonya	Westerman	Norah
Contreras	Sophia	Lewellen	Landon	Roach	Zephyr	Widdison	Tayleigh
Davis	Breck	Linderman	Kassidy	Roan	Trek	Williams	Boston
Deines	Weston	Longjaw	LaRayah	Ross	Logan	Williamson	Ozzie
Dewing	Ella	Marquez	Madelyn	Ruff	Evan	Wisepirit	Morgan
Diaz-Raffiani	Emma Sophia	Martin	Gage	Russell	Chloe	Wolenetz	Marlo
Disque	Madeline	Martin	Zachary	Sather	Nora	Wolfe	Claire



7th Grade Lewis & Clark Middle School 1st Semester Academic Achievers

Abeyta	Sylvann	Forrey	Raegan	Kingman	Kenzie	Rongstad	Sadie
Arthun	Teagan	Forrey	Rowan	Kinsman	Hailey	Ronquillo	Gabriel
Avery	Ryder	Forslund	Hayden	La Fontaine	Angel	Ryan	Rylee
Baker	Kylar	Fortun	Emma	Lammers	Ruby	Sandau	James
Baracker	Otto	Freese	Emerson	Leake	Christian	Schaak	Katherine
Bauwens-Brown	Hayden	Gause	Neenah	Lennon	Henry	Schell	Elsie
Bauwens-Brown	Sophia	Glassing	Malia	Lewallen	Atarah	Schieno	Treyton
Beals	Rigley	Goes Ahead	Jack	Marshall	Braylee	Schleining	Jazalea
Bertelson	Mylee	Goldammer	Ava	Massey	Danilynn	Schuman	Brayden
Big Day	Sunshine	Gomez	Isabella	McKinney	Evelynn	Schwab	Dylan
Bravo	Lily	Grove	Jacob	McLuskie	Sophia	Schwindt	Justin
Brown	Ivee	Guttenberg	Wesley	McNamee	Sadie	Sopko	Alexander
Brown	Harley	Haacke	Makala	Mohr	Kealan	Sotomayor	Alex
Brown	Carter	Hall	Colbie	Mulkey	Hayden	St. Germaine	Payten
Castro	Ryan	Hall	LillyAnna	Murdock	Makenna	Stennerson	Marlei
Cedillo	Jonathan	Hanna	Dominic	Murphy	Cadence	Stevens	Olivia
Chaffin	Hailey	Hanson	Aija	Mutchler	Zebediah	Stewart	Raquel
Coghan	Micah	Harrelson	Marek	Myers	Zorrie	Sundstrom	Erik
Conklin	Tianna	Harrington	Anna	Nielson	Brayden	Swain	Paeton
Conner	Meridian	Hartford	Lance	Niemantsverdriet	Beau	Takes Horse	Zakiah
Contreraz	Esperanza	Heaney	Karlie	Nunez	Kaylee	Tarpey	Liam
Corbridge	Arthur	Heaney	Grady	Olson	Eli	Teller	Robert
Cozzens	Aiden	Heggem-Prinkki	Maisie	Olson	Keinoah	Thoburn	Kolton
Croft	Jacob	Hein	Brody	Olson	Heidi	Tollefson	Hana
Davis	Madelyn	Heine	Brailey	Ormsby	Emma	Tryan	Payton
Demarest	Ariana	Hendrickson	Logan	Owen	Ramzie	Van Rooyen	Carson
Dreikosen	Jordan	Hoellwarth	Elena	Padilla	Macey	Waddell	Brilee
Duffy	Charlie	Hohn	Nicholas	Palmer	Zoeviah	Wagner	Trenton
Duffy	Gage	Hunt	Elias	Paquette	Kinsey	Ward	Isabel
Dutton	Jacklyn	Hunter	Isabella	Parsons	Madison	Watkins	Keagen
Easton	Sebastien	James	Hunter	Peak	Alivuhty	Watts	Brayden
Eckhardt	Trenton	Jenks	Ryan	Peralta	Dylan	Werk	Ashton
Engellant	Aleya	Jones	Titus	Pickens	Seth	West	Alliance
Erekson	Braxtyn	Jones	Tessa	Pugh	Haven	Williams	Tatum
Eto	Miki	Jones	Alexis	Queen	Abraham	Wilson-Gipson	Jordan
Ewing	Phoebe	Kay	Daniel	Reed	Duncan	Wolfe	Brooke
Falls Down	Avery	Kechanin	Nicholas	Reese	Kai	Wood-Zarbock	LilyRose
Fergusson	Milia	Keller	Malina	Roach	Zannara	Zeiler	Isaac
Filz	Allyson	Killsnight	Nyla	Rochin	Kreig		
Fisher	Rayvin	Kiner	Greyson	Rodriguez	Elise		



8th Grade Lewis & Clark Middle School 1st Semester Academic Achievers

Allen	Brody	Funk	Pierson	Lodge	Addy	Roberts	Zachery
Arroyo	Neilaly	Galvin	Blake	Lund	Aiden	Robertson	Annika
Atwood	Ryder	Garcia	Elijah	Lyon	Bracia	Ross	Madison
Ayers	Isabella	Gause	Kathryn	Madland	Sophie	Sangare	Odia
Ball	William	Gilmore	Ethan	Malek	Tyler	Saylor	Macen
Bechtold	Brady	Glatt	Dominic	Maya	Cruzito	Schauer	Elizabeth
Bentler	George	Goodridge	Jordan	McCollum	Alexandra	Schmalz	Keaton
Bertrand	Kylie	Green	Craig	McGarvey	Lily	Schnetter	Hayden
Blake	Matthew	Handley	Clara	McKee	Quinn	Schroeckenstein	Kenna
Blanding	Jocelyn	Hansen	Evan	Mehus	Soren	Sell	Cooper
Boatright	Brooklyn	Harrelson	Zander	Mullenberg	Chloe	Selvey	Lydia
Boatright	Breanna	Helmick	Kaidyn	Murr	Macy	Shane	David
Bouchard	August	Hennen	Chloe	Nauman	Samantha	Shaw	Naomi
Bradley	Lane	Henry-Oakes	Cinderella	Naylor	Gabrielle	Sherman	Elizabeth
Brese	Isaac	Holborn	Micah	Nelson	Zella	Shirley	Woodrow
Brewer	Kelbey	Holborn	Christopher	Newman	Braxton	Siedlarz	Olive
Brosovich	Brenden	Hudak	Elly	Oakley	Brooks	Smith	Teanna
Burrington	Lexie	Hull	Gwendolyn	Odom-Ness	Samaria	Sparboe	Andrew
Byrd	Quinn	Jenks	Margaret	O'Toole	Owen	Stromberg	Coltin
Cameron	Zoe	Jennings	Rylan	Owens	Sean	Thelen	Claire
Capser	Andalyn	Johnson	Sophia	Paris	Sofia	Track	Raykira
Catt	Serina	Kechanin	Zachary	Pederson	Bailey	Vander Esch	Taveon
Catt	Sophia	Kelly	Frank	Phil	Emerson	Verdon	Connor
Cellan	Severen	Kibel	Kimberly	Powell	Lylia	Virostko	Layli
Conner	Bohdan	Kodish	Alexis	Prindle	Elizabeth	Walker	Michael
Connolly-Warner	Parker	Kron	Elias	Prolo	Kira	Whinnery	Natalie
Dixon	Jaxon	Langman	Alexander	Rahlf	Lorelei	Willett	Lane
Eby	Melody	Lapp	Nicholas	Rainey	Micah	Williams	Austyn
Edwards	Ellison	Lee	Aison	Rascon	Abran	Williams	Bhodi
Egan	Timber	Lien	Timothy	Reyes	Gabriel	Williamson	Jade
Erlenbusch	Chase	Lindgren	Jayden	Rice	Maren	Winters	Michael
Feldman	Savannah	Lintern	Nolan	Riley	Talion	Wise	Piper

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