



All Star News

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★ IMPORTANT DATES ★



March	28-4/8	Lakota March Madness Basketball Tournament for Grades 3-6
	31	March PTO Meeting – 7:00 p.m. in the Hub
April	4	PTO Provides Waffle Truck Treat for Staff
	4-8	Staff Appreciation Week!
	6	Spring Picture Day
	8	PTO After-School Movie Night - Last One of the Year!
	27	Barb Bossu Volunteer of the Year Awards
May	6	FunFest
	9	6 th Grade Visits Lakota Ridge Junior
	11	4 th Grade Field Trip - Carillon Park (Dayton)
	12	3 rd Grade Field Trip - Cincinnati Reds GABP
	13	Field Day
	16	Field Day (Rain Date)
	17	Parade of Graduates



★ SCHOOL NEWS ★

WAFFLE TRUCK SIGN-UP

Team Adena Volunteers - Save the Date! Sign up now! Marty's Waffle Truck is coming on Monday, April 4 from 9:30-11 a.m. for our Adena Staff Appreciation Week. We need volunteers to be "waffle waiters" - helping to deliver waffles to the staff inside the building, as many of them will not be able to break away and go out to the truck while it is at school. Please review the available slots at link below and click on the button to sign up. Take both time slots if you want to be there the whole time. Thank you! <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d48aca82ca4fd0-waffle>

AIR TESTING COMING SOON!

Spring is in the air which means AIR testing is right around the corner! State testing will begin on Tuesday, April 5th. Please view the [2022 Spring AIR Testing Calendar](#) to know which days your child(ren) will be testing and ensure that students are on time every day as testing will begin promptly at 8:45 a.m.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Mrs. Jordan Eisenhard at jordan.eisenhard@lakotaonline.com

IT'S TIME FOR SPRING PICTURE DAY - APRIL 6!

Spring Picture Day is Wednesday, April 6 for students who haven't had their photos taken yet due to absence or being new, or for families who simply like to keep current photos of their kiddos.

Photos can be ordered online (*easiest!*) using the order form/information found at [this link](#). Order forms for those who prefer not to order online are being sent home with student this week.

Online orders are placed at mylifetouch.com using the **Picture Day ID EVT677TT7**.

Cash payments require **exact** cash - ***neither Lifetouch nor the Adena office can make change for you.***

Payments by check should be made out to Lifetouch - NOT Adena Elementary.

Photos taken just for school records (not in a purchased photo package) are not charged, but no photo is provided to the family.

NEW THIS YEAR: Classroom group photos are available only as part of a package purchase, beginning with the lowest \$14.99 package. The lowest package provides an 8" x 10" photo, a digital copy of the image, and the classroom photo.

PTO "TOP 3"

1. PTO MEETING



Please join us for our March PTO meeting in the Innovation HUB at Adena. We will be talking about all the stuff that is in the works for the LAST quarter of the school year.

2. LAST AFTERSCHOOL MOVIE OF THE YEAR



Come out for the last afterschool movie of the year. We will be showing Opposite Day. Where the world goes backwards. Kids become adults, and the adults become kids.

Don't get left out of the last movie event of the year! Go to <https://bit.ly/34zcm42> to sign up now. Flyers will be going home this week.

3. SPRING MINI SESSIONS



The PTO is excited to offer a Spring Mini Photo Shoot. Please use the Signup Genius to reserve your spot.

Payment is due at the time you reserve your spot. Please use the link below for payment. Thank you.

<https://adena-elementary-pto.square.site>

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0D48ACA82CA4FD0-spring1>

4. TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

Adena Staff Appreciation Week April 4-8th "Because You Lift Us UP"

Join the PTO in thanking our amazing All-Star Staff for an outstanding school year.

Choose a day or two (or all five) to participate.

Show your teachers and staff that they are loved and appreciated for all they do!

Monday, April 4th – Grow UP

Our staff helps us grow up! Bring a favorite flower (fresh, fake or hand drawn) to say thank you!

***PTO Sponsored: Batter UP with Marty's Waffles**

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Tuesday, April 5th – Stock UP

Send in anything your class is running low on (Ticonderoga pencils, highlighters, dry erase markers, tissues, paper towels, disinfecting wipes, etc.)

***PTO Sponsored: Ticonderoga Pencils in staff mailboxes**

Wednesday, April 6th – Snack UP

Bring your teacher or staff their favorite snack or treat.

***PTO Sponsored: Forks UP for a Sandwich & Salad Lunch**

PTO will provide items needed.

Thursday, April 7th – Wake UP

Have your student bring a fresh coffee, coffee gift card, coffee cup or morning breakfast treat for their staff!

***PTO Sponsored: Wake UP With Breakfast**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0D48ACA82CA4FD0-staff8>

PTO will provide Chick-fil-A breakfast sandwiches. Sign up to donate juice, yogurt, granola bars, etc.

Friday, April 8th - Butter UP

Bring your teacher and staff a handwritten note/card and/or a gift card. Write your teachers and staff a note to explain how they've impacted your life. Parents/guardians can participate too! Emails are also a great idea.

***PTO Sponsored: Bus Driver and Custodian Appreciation Treat Bags**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d48aca82ca4fd0-busdriver>

Sign up to donate snacks and \$5 gift cards.

Go to www.adenapto.com to make an online donation.



LAKOTA DISTRICT NOTES

Lakota Treasurer Announces Retirement

At the March 28 school board meeting, Lakota's treasurer and CFO, Jenni Logan, announced that she will retire on Aug. 1. "Lakota has been my home for the past 11 plus years," she told the Board. "This decision has been one I have personally struggled with, but have now reached a sense of peace and know it is the right thing and right time for me and my family."

Under Logan's leadership, the district has achieved 10 straight years of balanced budgets and eight Auditor of State Awards with Distinction from the Ohio Auditor of State. Both of these achievements are rare for a school district. [Click here to read the full story.](#)

Secondary Summer School Registration Closes April 4

Lakota's secondary Summer School program is being held May 24 through July 1 (with no school on May 31 or June 20) at the Hopewell Junior School.

Lakota's Summer School program provides an opportunity for students in grades 7-12 to earn original and recovery credit. Students may also participate in summer sessions to help prepare them to retake any one of the Ohio Graduation Tests (OGT) or End-of-Course (EOC) assessments or to participate in select math courses to qualify for advanced math placement the following school year.

Summer School registration is open through April 4 for original credit courses. Registration for high school credit recovery courses will remain open through June 10.

[Click here for more information about Lakota's Summer School program.](#) For questions, please contact summerschool@lakotaonline.com.

Nominations for 2022 Lakota Educator of Excellence Awards Due April 18

The Northern Cincinnati Foundation, in partnership with Lakota Local Schools, is currently accepting nominations for the 2022 Lakota Educator of Excellence Awards. Each nomination requires a minimum of three letters of support and the deadline is Monday, April 18.

Two monetary awards will be presented: one to a teacher from the elementary level (PreK-6) and another to a teacher from the secondary level (7-12). The winners will receive a \$1,000 grant to be used for a special project at their school, both awards made possible through a generous sponsorship from Phelan Insurance Agency. The third, non-monetary award, will be presented to a Lakota administrator or support staff member who has shown extraordinary commitment to the students and teachers of Lakota Local Schools as well as the community.

[Learn more about Lakota's Educator of Excellence Awards.](#) [Click here to submit your nomination before April 18.](#)

Lakota Military Family Spirit Week: April 25-29

April is the "Month of the Military Child." As a way of lifting up all our military families, Lakota is proud to announce a district-wide "Military Family Spirit Week" April 25 through April 29.

The week coincides with Lakota's annual Military Commitment Ceremony happening April 26 to celebrate our Lakota East and West graduates who have committed to a branch of the U.S. Military. Students and staff are encouraged to participate in one or more of these spirit days:

- 4/25 - Red, White & Blue Day
- 4/26 - Support your Favorite Military Branch Day
- 4/27 - Wear Camouflage Day
- 4/28 - Purple Up! Day (in honor of Lakota's two Purple Star Award Schools - Adena & East)
- 4/29 - Wear R.E.D. Day (Remember Everyone Deployed)

Share your pride and support all week long on social media using #PurpleUpOhio and #WESupportOurMilitaryFamilies.



E-FLYERS

E-Flyers is Lakota's convenient and eco-friendly way to distribute information about programs, classes, events and opportunities happening in our schools and around the community.

We are proud to partner with Peachjar to share these opportunities in a digital format. Look for district-approved flyers in your email inbox or click the button below to view all current flyers by district or school.



DO YOU FOLLOW @ADENAELEMENTARY ON TWITTER?

Throughout the year, see our students learning and pictures of all of our school events and activities on our Adena Twitter account - [@AdenaElementary](#) or click [here](#) to follow us!

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If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please feel free to call John at school 777-0100 ext. 13523, cell 513-262-5157, or you can e-mail at john.mattingly@lakotaonline.com, or reach Assistant Principal Jordan at school 777-0100 ext. 13535, cell 513-259-5306, or you can email at jordan.eisenhard@lakotaonline.com.