



Lehigh Valley Area School District

INDIAN PRIDE

FALL 2016

Message from the Superintendent—Mr. Jonathan J. Cleaver

Progress continues for the Lehigh Valley School District.

Just as the leaves are changing for the fall season, so does the physical appearance of the Lehigh Valley School District. The process began more than five years ago and people are beginning to see the district evolve into one of the most respected districts K-12 in the state of Pennsylvania.

With the completion of the new multi-purpose stadium, our students and community have enjoyed many activities and programs in one of the most admirable locations in the area. This beautiful venue has enabled the district to hold district and state-level competitions in Girls' and Boys' Soccer, along with PIAA district and state level football games. Every visiting team, from the coaches to players and fans, has had countless positive remarks about the facility. We are excited to have such rave reviews about our stadium and look forward to seeing our students continued success on the field and having the opportunity to host high level competition throughout the PIAA Fall Sports Season.

The middle and high school are continuing to show progress, both buildings are going through major renovations and have been progressing over the last several months. Students in the high school were greeted this year to a new guidance and office suite. Many of the rooms also had new ceiling and lighting fixtures and a new coat of paint. The entire building was also given an updated heating and cooling system that eliminated the noise in the classrooms from the older unit ventilators. The biggest surprise for the students at the high school was when they were able to use the brand new fitness area, which has doubled the space for the weight room and added additional areas for the wrestling and cheerleading teams. Included in this part of the renovation is completely new, cutting-edge fitness and weight equipment for the students.

As the progress at the Middle and High School continue, we now begin the construction of our state-of-the-art elementary center. This project has required leadership, foresight, careful planning and groups of individuals working together for the benefit of our students over the last several years. The Lehigh Valley School Board and Design Committee have worked countless hours throughout the planning stages of this project. This group of individuals made a commitment to improve the Lehigh Valley Educational Community and they continue to move our district forward in a direction that fosters educational opportunities for all students in our school district.

LASD School Board— Mrs. Gloria Bowman, President

Welcome to the 2016-17 School Year

Fall of 2016 has been one of great excitement in the Lehigh Valley Area School District, with MS and HS facility renovations to new STEM initiatives, the addition of the all-purpose stadium that is used heavily for various sports, district playoffs and walking the track to the groundbreaking for the new Lehigh Valley Elementary Center. We are fortunate to have a School Board who promotes education, athletics/extracurricular activities, music and the arts and who persevered over years to move our district forward. Our district is also blessed to have our superintendent, Mr. Cleaver at the helm who not only leads us with vision, but with passion and insight. Along with Mr. Feick, the business manager and the business office for seizing the best financial opportunities to renovate and build a new facility while holding the line on our debt service.

Warren Buffet said that "success is never created in a vacuum." Everyone involved in this process, from administration to district staff, to the parents and the community, borough officials, architects, and our students, brought his/her talents to the table in some shape or form. We not only celebrate a milestone in our district with our renovations and our

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new facility, but celebrate all of our students who will benefit from a top notch educational facility where their talents will continue to be nurtured. One day, our students will bring their talents “to the table”, wherever they may be, and will create a better future than the past while remembering their Lehighton Indian roots.

As a School Board, we will continue to promote, support and sustain our district vision of “Educating together to prepare our students for life’s journey.” I look forward to the progress that will be made over the next two years and the accomplishment of creating our new school and educational environment where many old traditions will be maintained, new traditions created and where we know that this particular success “was not created in a vacuum.”

I encourage our community to come together and watch the progress within our district. Stop in to see the new renovations at the MS and HS as well as our STEM initiatives. Let’s continue on our journey together so we can continue to be very proud of our “Tribe Pride” and our community spirit.

Educationally yours,

Gloria Bowman
LASD School Board President

Curriculum & Instruction—Mr. Timothy M. Tkach, Coordinator of Curriculum

As the Coordinator of Curriculum, Instruction, & Grants, I’d like to welcome you to another exciting school year in the Lehighton Area School District. We are continually working to increase and improve the rigor of our curriculum (K-12) as we begin to prepare our students for the 21st Century and world experiences. It does not matter if they plan to attend and matriculate from a 2-yr., 4-yr., post-secondary certification program, Armed Forces, or enter the work force we want to provide them a solid educational foundation that will allow them to grow and flourish as productive citizens. We at the Lehighton Area School District do not and will not accept “Status Quo”. It is our job to provide a safe, conducive, and nurturing environment for each and every student to learn. The professional and support staffs have been working very hard as they prepare to instruct and support our school children during this school year. We have been and will continue to provide professional development, training, and support to achieve and maintain these goals.

At all levels, High School, Middle School, & Elementary, teachers, staff, and administration continue to work on our curriculum, SLO’s (Student Learning Objectives), and common assessments. We are making sure the curriculum is aligned with the PA Core Standards. Later this month, we will be offering tutoring and remediation for High School students as they prepare for the Keystone Exams during January, 2017. In addition, starting in January we will be offering tutoring and remediation after school programs for Elementary and Middle School students as they prepare for the PSSA’s in spring. Also, we will be running a similar program at the High School for students who will be taking the Keystone Exams in Algebra, English Language Arts, and Biology, during the spring of 2017. The program will run two days a week and approximately 1½ hours per day with busing transportation provided to students who need it.

This school year we’ve added another AP course (AP Chemistry) at the High School and we are looking to add another for the 2017-2018 School Year. Last year at the elementary level, we implemented the new Reading series “Journey’s” and this year we have implemented it in Grade 5. Also, at the Elementary level, we are working with Mrs. Donna Halpin, from CLIU and our focus and goal with the staff is a cohesive development of a writing instruction program for our students in grades K-5. In addition, we are piloting some enrichment/intervention programs for students at all levels K – 12.

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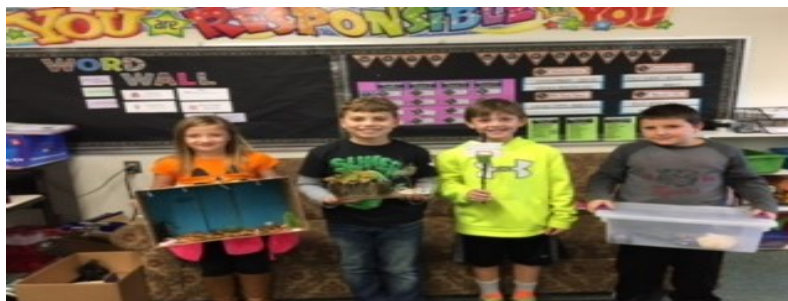
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Finally, we are very excited at Lehigh Area School District as we are starting our STEM Integration into the curriculum. STEM stands for (Science, Technology, Engineering, & Math). STEM fluent students will be able to communicate, collaborate, think critically, create, and innovate when demonstrating how to navigate complex questions, investigate global issues, and develop solutions for real world problems. We are using a holistic approach that is more than just adding in a discipline here and there in our curriculum. It's about creatively teaching and collaborating to teach content in a connected non-isolated way and a way to make important real world connections across all disciplines and content areas. It builds skills that are necessary in every discipline and translated into life situations. We will have more information and details, as the program starts to develop at each level.

We are proud of our students, parents, staff, and community! We look forward to another successful year of working with our students, parents, and the Lehigh Community. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at the Curriculum Office at 610-377-4490 ext. 1540.

Elementary Family STEM Projects.

Mrs. Strausberger's third grade classroom at Franklin Elementary are well into their year in STEM learning. The students are enjoying learning to think like scientists, technologists, engineers and mathematicians. They are loving the challenge of facing a problem, finding failure, and learning to discover solutions. The class was assigned a monthly Family STEM project where they are given a basic challenge and create something of their own. For the month of October, students were asked to create something using items from nature. They created an object of choice and then reflected on their project, favorite things, challenges and how they would improve it for next time. Students shared their projects in a gallery walk, speaking to their classmates and staff guests about their projects and reflections. Some projects created included birdhouse, paintbrushes, mazes, rafts and even a basketball hoop game! We look forward to our future projects and the great involvement from our parents and students!



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LEAF is a 501(c) 3 non-profit, tax exempt, charitable organization that will be funded through:

- ♦ **Fundraising**—although we are separate from the school district, we will be engaging in fundraising activities to assist all the students in grades K-12 to achieve their maximum potential.
- ♦ **EITC Credits**—a tax credit (not a deduction) is available for businesses that make donations to local educational improvement organizations such as LEAF.
- ♦ **Donations**—tax deductible donations are gratefully accepted from any person or organization who contributes to LEAF.

How you can help:

Volunteers—the framework of LEAF has recently been completed. We have established the following committees in order that we may move forward toward achieving our goals. We now need caring individuals who share our views to step up and join us. The following is a brief description of the focus for each of our committees.

- ♦ **Endowment and Legacy Society**—provides for the establishment of specific “endowment funds” for academic purposes and long-term stability.
- ♦ **EITC, Major Gifts, and Grant Writing**—charged with attracting contributions through the PA Tax Credit Program, major gifts from individuals, and grants from private foundations and corporations.
- ♦ **Alumni**—provides for the long-term success of the Foundation through the creation of an Alumni Association for both short-term (annual giving) and long-term (endowment giving).
- ♦ **Information Technology**—supports the Foundation’s website and database management of donor relations.
- ♦ **Public Relations and Advocacy**—promotes, markets, communicates, and improves the image of the Foundation and student achievements within the school district and community.
- ♦ **Allocation**—establishes a priority list of needs for the school district, which the Foundation could support.
- ♦ **Governance**—recruits qualified individuals in all areas of the foundation and ensures that all financial reporting requirements are met and publishes an annual report.
- ♦ **Giving Campaign**—contacts donors for annual solicitation campaigns.
- ♦ **Special Events**—creates events to generate funds for the Foundation to include an annual “Signature Event”

Donations:

- ♦ **Monetary Donations**— the Foundation welcomes all monetary donations including matching funds, grants, and gifts by alumni, local businesses, and the Lehighton area community.
- ♦ **“In Kind” Donations**—the Foundation gratefully accepts donations of “goods and services” to carry on the daily business of the Foundation. Office equipment and supplies, printing, advertising and design services, or gifts and prizes that can be used at our fundraising events are very much appreciated.
- ♦ **Memorial Donations**— you may honor a loved one by making a gift in his or her name. You may also create a gift within your estate for the foundation or establish an endowment fund.

In the event that you are interested in joining the LEAF team or in receiving more information about LEAF, please visit our website at www.LEAF-foundation.org or e-mail at info@LEAF-foundation.org.

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Power Announcement Article

Keeping you informed is a top priority at Lehigh Area School District. For that reason we have adopted the Power Announcement Notification Service which will allow us to send a telephone or e-mail message to you providing important information about school events or emergencies.

As most of you know we have been using the system to notify you of school closings and delays, school events and reminders. Power Announcements can call every household in the district with 10 minutes and we are seeing an over 95% success rate in notifying district households.

What you need to know about receiving calls sent through Power Announcement

- * Caller ID will display the school's main number when general announcement is delivered.
- * Power Announcement will leave a message on any answering machine or voicemail.
- * We update your telephone number via the school that your child attends. All you need do is keep your home telephone, emergency telephone, and e-mail updated with the school office .
- * You can opt out of getting call/e-mails by requesting not to be called in writing to your child's school.

The successful delivery of information is dependent upon accurate contact information for each student, so please make certain that we have your most current phone numbers. If this information changes at any time, please notify the school immediately.

Athletics—Kyle Spotts, Director of Student Services and Facility Planning

Fall Season

The Fall regular season has come to an end with many exciting memories and a number of individual and team accolades. The Fall was extremely successful for our Athletic program. We hope to continue that momentum into our Winter season.

We had a number of fall student-athletes selected to Schuylkill League All-Star teams. To date the selections are as follows: Selections to the Boys Soccer All Star Team: **Tyler Dietz, Frank Bokan and Patrick Lawler** were all First Team selections. In addition to the Boys selections we had 3 Girls that earned All-League accolades. **Rajah Quinones and Jada Whiteman** were selected to the 2nd Team while **Julia Frey** was chosen as Honorable Mentions. In addition to the all-league selections we had a number of Cross Country runners place at their league meet and earn post season honors. **Michael Blacketter** earned All-Star recognition, placed 8th at the League meet, and qualified in the State Championships at Hershey for his third consecutive year. Other place winners at the league meet for the boys were **Anthony Tavella – 18th** and **Nathan Lucykanish – 19th**. For the Girls, **Cera Gaston** earned All-Star recognition and placed 5th at the league meet and Qualified for the PIAA State Championships. **Piper Dematte** also medaled and finished in 16th place at the league meet. Both Cross Country programs had great seasons and look to build on their success.

Along with these individual awards, our field hockey, girls' soccer, boys' soccer, volleyball, and football teams qualified for post season play. The Field Hockey team advanced to the District Title game and earned a spot in the PIAA State Tournament and advanced to the Quarterfinals.

Lehigh Area Athletics

I want to thank everyone for supporting the Fall teams. Many exciting games are ahead for our Winter sports! Please join us and share in the INDIAN school spirit and support our teams. Our student-athletes and coaches work very hard to achieve success. Let's cheer them on! Remember always cheer for the Indians and never against the opposing team or officials! Go Indians!

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Mark your Calendar:

December 9th

First day of regular season competition for Winter sports. Boys and Girls Varsity Basketball will be away vs. Palmerton beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Athletic Information

Lehighon Athletics Website: <http://www.lehighon.org/athletics.cfm>

The Lehighon athletics website is your hub for all Lehighon athletics information. Team schedules are accessible on the district athletic website.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions, concerns, or inquiries. My door is always open.

I hope to see each one of you at a contest supporting our wonderful student-athletes and coaches. Good luck to the Winter sports teams and have a great year!

Mahoning & Shull David Elementary—Mr. Aaron Sebelin, Principal

Olympic Day at Mahoning Elementary



The students and staff recognized Olympic Day at Mahoning Elementary School on October 18th. Each child in the school is selected to represent a different country. Miss Messinger and her committee put together multiple events for the kids to participate in over the course of the day. Our students showed outstanding sportsmanship, athletic ability, and camaraderie throughout the events. Olympic Day is a tradition held every October. Although scores are recorded to name the winning country, all students work to have an enjoyable and unforgettable experience. The children of Mahoning were especially excited about Olympic Day this year since the summer Olympics were held in Rio just a few months ago. The weather was absolutely wonderful for this outdoor activity. Thank you to all the volunteers that made this day such a success.

The winning country of Olympic Day this year was The United States of America.

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Shull-David School-Wide Positive Behavior Program Celebration

Recently all students celebrated positive behavior at Shull-David Elementary School. All students who have been following the school-wide behavior rules were able to partake in a multitude of fun activities located all over the Shull-David campus. The students had lots of fun participating in the events.

Later in the day our students paraded around the block showing off their interesting outfits. Parents and community members lined the streets to view the procession. Our tour culminated at The Summit where residents cheered on our kids. Every student was handed a “treat” from our Blue Mountain Health System neighbors. The teachers also enjoyed the day by having a “sweet Halloween”, as they transformed into colorful M & M’s. It was a great day for all!



Shull~David and Mahoning Vote!

All students at Shull-David and Mahoning Elementary Schools participated in a mock election to recognize the rights of the American public. Ballots were cast beginning with Kindergarten through grade 4. Every student filled out a slip with their choice for President. Miss Fedor provided patriotic voting boxes that were located in the foyer area of our schools. The students joyfully cast their ballots for their choice for President of the United States of America, as seen in the photo. Just like our country, the winning candidate in both elementary schools was Donald J. Trump.



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East Penn & Franklin Elementary– Mrs. Suzanne Howland, Principal

East Penn and Franklin Elementary schools have been a hustle and bustle of activity since the beginning of the year. Students have been performing academically and participating in some stellar extracurricular events.

Academically, Tech Wizards, a STEM-based enrichment program, has begun at our CLIU #21. Mrs. Harris and six fourth grade students from East Penn and Franklin have attended two sessions. They have been introduced to Google applications, Scratch programing software, and will be working to complete the Fourth grade moving up slide show.

Mrs. Harris and Mrs. Volcskai have begun Maker Mornings at Franklin. This opportunity came to fruition due the generosity of a LEAF grant (2015-2016 school year) for a Maker Space in the library. Forty-six elementary students will be participating throughout the school year, prior to the start of the school day. Students are engaged through STEM activities such as Snap circuits, gravity maze, coding, robots and Legos.



Second grade in both buildings has been piloting *Being a Writer* during their ELA block. This program will be evaluated for its impact on our district writing initiative created through the 2015-2016 PaTTAN cohort team.

Both schools participated in the national October Fire Prevention week. Thank you to East Penn and Franklin volunteer fire companies for their outstanding assemblies. All students learned about preventative measure and climbed on the fire trucks. Franklin student's residents witnessed a car fire and rope rescue.

Students showed off their school spirit during our annual pep rallies. High school band members and student athletes visited the schools to get our younger students pumped up to support the Lehighon Community.

Our fourth annual Race for Brilliance was held at Franklin on October 28 supporting both East Penn and Franklin school communities. The collaboration between the PTOs should be commended for their teamwork to benefit all students within their schools. Students reached their goals at East Penn and Franklin earning more than \$23,000 combined.

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East Penn Elementary Calendar of Events

- 12/1/16 – PTO Meeting - 6:30 p.m.
- 12/13/16 – Spring Concert (K, 1, 2)
- 12/20/16 – Grade 4 Chimes Trip to Pleasant Trees

Franklin Elementary Calendar of Events

- 11/15/16 – PTO Meeting - 6:00 p.m.
- 12/9/16 – Spring Concert (Grades K, 1, 2)
- 12/19/16 – Grade 4 Chimes Trip to Mahoning Valley Nursing Center



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Middle School News—Dr. Mark McGalla

Veterans Day at Lehighton Middle School

The Lehighton Area Middle School was once again proud to maintain its tradition of asking Lehighton area veterans to be guest speakers in the classrooms on November 11, 2016. Through Mr. Kevin Long's contacts with the local American Legion and VFW, more than eight veterans were able to share their military experiences with the students. Some of the community members who gave their time to their country and our classrooms were Kevin Long, David Bryfogle, Glenn Troutman, William Fisher, Donald Hontz, Harry Wynn, Carl Haydt, Gary Beaver, Henry Long, David Armbruster, and Hans Keller. For their presentations, the Middle School Student Council prepared a fantastic cold buffet.



The "What's So Cool About Manufacturing" video contest is happening for the fourth year in a row. Lehighton Area Middle School once again has a team entered into the contest. On November 3, our team consisting of Holly Fasching, Emily Binder, Leilani McClure, McKenna Geary, and Lyle Cordes visited KME in Nesquehoning. It was a fantastic experience getting to see the entire process of building custom rescue vehicles for customers around the world. Over the next three months, our team of students will take the footage and turn it into a two and a half minute video showcasing what is so cool about manufacturing. Please remember to vote for Lehighton's video on February 22-24 by going to dreamitdoitpa.com.

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The Show Must Go On!!!!

The middle school bands, choruses, and select ensembles are working hard to present an outstanding program to friends, family, and the community on Tuesday, December 20 (snow date 12/21). As was the case last year, the concert will not take place at the middle school this year due to the ongoing renovations. However, the annual spectacular will take place at the high school auditorium.

Due to the large number of participants and attendees, the middle school has held two mini-concerts on the same evening for many years. This practice will continue for 2016. However, there will be a significant change as compared to other years.

The **instrumental portion** of the program **will commence at 6:30pm** and end at 7:20pm. The jazz ensemble, the 5th and 6th grade band, and the 7th and 8th grade concert band will perform at this time. All 5-8 instrumental students will be required to report at approximately 5:45pm and stay until approximately 7:20.

After a 25 minute intermission, the **choral portion** of the program **will begin at 7:45pm**. The 5th and 6th grade chorus, the 7th and 8th grade chorus, and Music Express will perform at this time. All 5-8 chorus students will be required to report at approximately 7:15pm and stay until approximately 8:45.

We are hoping this new approach will facilitate a much faster transition between the performing groups. After the concert, the middle school music department will discuss whether or not having the concert go by ensemble type or grade level is the best approach. We appreciate your cooperation and understand there probably is not a perfect solution under the current circumstances.

Mrs. Hudlow, Mr. Weidner, and Mrs. Welkey will distribute more detailed information in the coming days regarding each ensemble's responsibilities and specific report times.

High School News—Mr. Craig Reichl, Principal

The air is cooling, the days are shorter and it looks like we are well into the 2016-17 school year. The students have been working hard since September and it is evident in the classroom, on the game field, and on the stage. As we begin the second marking period we want to keep parents and community members apprised of our goals for the school year and significant dates. Please continue to use the high school web page for the most up-to-date information and follow us on Twitter @lehightonhighsc.

We would like to announce our new hires at the high school. For the Art position we hired Rachel Klotz. She is thoroughly excited to stay in the school district as a full-time employee after a very successful LTS position. We also hired a Spanish teacher to replace Ms. Frantz. Cristina Bueti is an excellent addition to the staff and her enthusiasm will be infectious. Ms. Schafer returns as our choral teacher and will be our director of our musical again this year. We welcome these excellent teachers to the district and look forward to their dedication and Tribe Pride.

Homecoming was a success again this year and the students chosen for our court were excellent representatives of our student body. The student council along with Ms. Schiffer, their advisor, provided an exciting night and we were all fortunate to for the evening. I want to thank Ms. Schiffer, the staff and students for working so hard to make the night so memorable. The student council is currently working on other activities for the winter and we are excited for our annual Volley Ball Tournament of Champs in November!

To help celebrate SADD's Red Ribbon Week at the High School, SADD students chose the themes for the weeklong event, featuring a different themed dress up opportunity each day. The also distributed red ribbons and informational packets at our senior night football game. SADD sponsors many activities throughout the year like the distracted driver simulator, prom promise and the staged crash during the week of prom.

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We held our annual Fall Ball day in October. Members of the School Wide group arranged for our students to participate in low impact games outside for the afternoon. The teams were mixed to allow students to meet new friends and take on leadership roles. Students had the choice of watching a movie, participation in an outside art activity, fall ball with activities like balloon launch, soccer golf, red rover, capture the flag or they could choose student hall. An overwhelming majority of our students choose to participate in our activities and they had a great time.

Mr. Hartsell's classes recently conducted a mock election on Nov. 1st. The first block class acted as campaign managers. They produced campaign posters and distributed them throughout the school. Block 3 ran the election polls and other members of the class dressed as the Presidential candidates and campaigned during lunch. For a student to vote they had to sign a poll register and then vote using a lap top. Mr. Hartsell's 4th block class focused on local district 127 state representative election. The students split into opposing groups and went to classrooms to present their candidates platform.

After the election the results where than sent to Mr. Bennett's first block statistics class. The class counted, organized, analyzed and displayed the results. Mr. Hartsell and Mr. Bennett would like to thank all the students who voted.

	Overall	Male	Female	12 th	11 th	10 th	9 th
Trump	72.2%	81.9%	62.9%	79.3%	76.9%	65.1%	67.2%
Clinton	21.15	13%	28.8%	13.8%	18.5%	26.5%	26.2%
Johnson	5.2%	5.1%	5.3%	6.9%	1.5%	6%	6.6%
Stein	0.7%		1.5%		3.1%		
Castle	0.7%		1.5%			2.4%	

Pa. Representative District 127

	Overall	Male	Female	12 th	11 th	10 th	9 th
Heffley	63.2%	63.2%	61.1%	57.1%	65.5%	64.7%	67.3%
Makhija	32%	32.8%	33.6%	42.3%	27.3%	30.9%	30.9%
Shutter	4.8%	4%	5.3%	3.8%	7.3%	4.4%	1.8%

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High School News– Continued

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Ms. Cristi Marchetti one of our English teachers at Lehigh Area High School has been offered a Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching grant to United Kingdom by the United States Department of State and the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board. Ms. Marchetti is one of approximately 45 U.S. citizens who will travel abroad through the Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching Program in 2016-2017. Recipients of Fulbright grants are selected on the basis of academic and professional achievement, as well as demonstrated leadership potential. The Fulbright Program is the flagship international educational exchange program sponsored by the U.S. government and is designed to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of other countries. The primary source of funding for the Fulbright Program is an annual appropriation made by the U.S. Congress to the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. Participating governments and host institutions, corporations and foundations in foreign countries and in the United States also provide direct and indirect support. Recipients of Fulbright grants are selected on the basis of academic or professional achievement, as well as demonstrated leadership potential in their fields. The Program operates in over 160 countries worldwide. Upon Ms. Marchetti's absence, Ms. Wetzel an English and German teacher that retired from the school district two years ago will cover her classes. This is an excellent opportunity for Ms. Marchetti and the Lehigh Area School District.

We continue to make changes to our curriculum to provide solid learning opportunities for our students. In November we will begin to meet with our departments to discuss changes to the course offerings for the next school year. We will begin the scheduling process in early January to provide various learning opportunities for all of our students. New courses will be listed on the guidance web page under the Course Offerings for 2017-18. It is important that you have conversations with your student to help them prepare for their future.

Parent teacher conferences were moved to October to provide quicker feedback to parents so they can support their student for success. If you ever have questions regarding your students' progress please contact the teacher directly or check PowerSchool. We will continue to offer after school tutoring in Math, English and Science on Tuesdays and Thursday 2:30-4. Please encourage your students to use the available help to make the most of their time in high school.

The Keystone results from 2015-2016 prompted us to make some changes to our Keystone tested classes. We are steadfast in our determination to achieve the best scores in Carbon County and we will continue to work hard for our students. I want to thank the staff and students for their hard work and look forward to the continued improvement in years to come. The seniors that scored below proficient in Algebra I and Literature are required to complete 4 hours of remediation after school or during Winter School in February. This is a requirement for graduation per Policy 217. If you have a question, please contact the guidance department.

As the winter weather interrupts our daily lives we will continue to update you as quickly and efficiently as possible. We have made a concerted effort to reduce the number of alert calls sent, so if you receive a call, please make sure you listen to it in its entirety. Athletics will also be affected, so please use the link below.

We appreciate your support and the time parents and guardians put forth to support our students and their co-curricular activities. As colder weather drives us all indoors, why not come out and support our Band/Chorus, winter sports and take part in some fun activities we have planned. We look forward to seeing you!

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Mahoning Elementary

570-386-4678
610-577-1009 (fax)

Shull David Elementary

610-377-7880
610-377-0908 (fax)

Lehighton Middle School

610-377-6535
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Lehighton High School

610-377-6180 (main office)
610-377-0303 (fax)
610-377-7600 (guidance)
610-377-1852 (fax)

School Hours:

Elem. 8:30 a.m.-3:10 p.m.
M.S. 7:25 a.m.-2:14 p.m.
H.S. 7:35 a.m.-2:20 p.m.
Adm. 7:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

George's Bus

Transportation
610-377-5511

Important Dates

11/23/16	-	Early Dismissal (MS-12:10, HS- 12:15, Elem. 1:10)
11/24-11/28	-	Thanksgiving Holiday (No School)
12/22/16	-	Early Dismissal (MS-12:10, HS- 12:15, Elem. 1:10)
12/23- 1/2	-	Winter Holiday (No School)
1/16/17	-	Martin Luther King Holiday (No School)
2/17-2/20	-	Presidents' Holiday (No School)
3/20/17	-	Act 80 Day (No School)
4/13-4/17	-	Spring Holiday (No School)
5/5/17	-	In-Service Day (No Students)

Administrators

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