



## Family NEWSLETTER November 2023

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### PTO “Non- Fundraiser”

The LMS PTO strives to not ask families to sell anything to raise funds for the organization. The last several years we have been very successful through this program, so that we do not have any other fundraisers throughout the year. Included in this month’s mailing you will have the donation form. Thank you so much to the many families that have already donated! Your support is greatly appreciated. If you have not had the chance to donate yet, please send in your donation this month!

### Thanksgiving Break

The entire staff at LMS would like to wish you and your family an enjoyable Thanksgiving Break. The break begins on Wednesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> and classes resume on Tuesday, November 28<sup>th</sup>. May each of you enjoy your time together over the long weekend!

### State Testing Incentive

If students fulfill all of the criteria listed below, they will have Friday, May 10 off of school; this is part of our incentive for our Ohio State Test (OST) days.

1. Must be in attendance at school on **ALL** testing days. Excuses will be approved by principals only.  
**Please avoid scheduling appointments on these testing days.**
2. Must eat breakfast at school or home on the day of testing.
3. Must come prepared with appropriate materials for testing
4. Must use paper to work out math problems and organize writing.
5. Must work the minimum time on the test. Teachers will share minimum work times with the students.
6. Must maintain appropriate behavior during testing sessions.

Test	Part 1	Part 2
Grade 6 ELA (105 minutes)	April 17	April 18
Grade 6 Math (90 minutes)	April 24	April 25
Grade 7 ELA (105 minutes)	April 17	April 18
Grade 7 Math (90 minutes)	April 24	April 25
Grade 8 ELA (105 minutes)	April 17	April 18
Grade 8 Math (90 minutes)	April 24	April 25
Grade 8 Science (75 minutes)	May 1	May 2
Algebra 1 (90 minutes)	April 24	April 25



## Upcoming Events

### November

3	Veterans in the Classroom
14-16	Washington DC trip
22-27	No School
29-30	MAP Math

### December

5	Choir Concert @ LHS
7	Band Concert @ LMS
12-14	MAP Makeup
18	Group/Club Picture Day
21-30	NO SCHOOL

# Fall Opportunities LOUISVILLE COMMUNITY ACADEMY

For the past few years to engage with our community, we've partnered with local businesses and showcased our staff's talents to offer community classes. Thanks to the GPD Employee's Foundation Grant and Walmart Grant, we're able to provide these experiences at a discounted cost. More information about each class, and how to register, is listed on our website: [louisvillecityschools.org/community/lca](http://louisvillecityschools.org/community/lca)



## FREE SENIOR-CONNECTION EXPERIENCE

This four-week experience is FREE, and open to anyone 65 and older. No registration required. Questions? Call our district office at 330.875.1666. Ask for Jen Wilson, our Communications Coordinator.

## PARENT-CHILD WORKSHOPS

<b>Sept 26</b>
The Robot Revolution (\$15)
<b>Oct 10</b>
Hip Hop Step with Amanda from the Y (\$5)
<b>Oct 28</b>
A Morning with Zen Den Yoga Shala (\$10)
<b>Nov 9 &amp; 21</b>
Crafty Creative Ceramics (\$30)
<b>Dec 6</b>
Paint Party with 4th Street Art (\$15)

## ADULT-ONLY CLASSES

<b>Sept 16</b>
Mixology with Scratch Steakhouse (\$15)
<b>Sept 19</b>
Cookie Class with Panda Sweets (\$20)
<b>Oct 3</b>
Knitting 101 (\$10)
<b>Oct 17</b>
Train Like a Leopard (\$5)

FOR MORE INFO & TO REGISTER, VISIT



[LOUISVILLECITYSCHOOLS.ORG/COMMUNITY/LCA](http://LOUISVILLECITYSCHOOLS.ORG/COMMUNITY/LCA)



### OCT 5 EAT, DRINK, & RELAX

Join Stark Parks and our LCSD Food Service Director as they share the best places to explore and easy-to-create healthy fall snacks.  
(10:00 AM @ LOUISVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL)



### OCT 12 PAINT PARTY WITH 4TH STREET ART

Louisville's 4th Street Art brings the creativity and fun as you'll assemble the perfect fall craft. We're not pumpkin-dding!  
(10:00 AM @ LOUISVILLE HIGH SCHOOL-DOOR 10)



### OCT 19 INTERNET SAFETY

SPARCC's Director of Operations, Tyler Smith shares tips and explains what you can do to help keep you and your information safe online.  
(10:00 AM @ LOUISVILLE MIDDLE SCHOOL)



### OCT 26 STUDENT SHOWCASE

We're piggy-backing off of the Louisville Senior Citizen Group's monthly gathering at Paradise Church (619 E Main St) to put on a student showcase highlighting our amazing students' talents. Their program will begin at noon; however, if you would like to join students and other seniors for a meal, please bring \$7.50 and arrive between 11:00-11:30 a.m.

Our vision:  $E^3$  Empowering Students + Engaged Community = Endless Possibilities



# WE'RE ON THE BALLOT

## Issue 34: Substitute Levy

### STATEMENT



### OF FACTS

- Issue 34 is a 5-year substitute levy to take the place of an expiring \$1,835,000 emergency operating levy. It will be on the November 7, 2023 ballot.
- The substitute levy will not increase taxes for current property owners.
- The substitute levy will allow our schools to get additional revenue from new construction only.
- Issue 34 is the final opportunity for our schools to maintain this \$1,835,000 annual revenue before it expires.
- If passed, the substitute levy will allow our schools to maintain current programs and operations, such as extracurricular activities, field trips, staffing and transportation.
- If not passed, the District will need to reduce programs and operations due to the loss of revenue.



Visit our website for more information.

Disclaimer: The information presented is intended to provide factual information only. District resources are not permitted to be used to advocate for or against the passage of a levy.

## Ballot Language Explained

### 34 Proposed Tax Levy (Substitute) Louisville City School District

A majority affirmative vote is necessary for passage.

Shall a tax levy substituting for an existing levy be imposed by the Louisville City School District for the purpose of providing for the necessary requirements of the school district in the initial sum of \$1,835,000, and a levy of taxes be made outside of the ten-mill limitation estimated by the county auditor to require 3.8 mills for each \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$116 for each \$100,000 of the county auditor's appraised value for the initial year of the tax, for a period of 5 years, commencing in 2023, first due in calendar year 2024, with the sum of such tax to increase only if and as new land or real property improvements not previously taxed by the school district are added to its tax list?

NO NEW TAX FOR EXISTING PROPERTY OWNERS

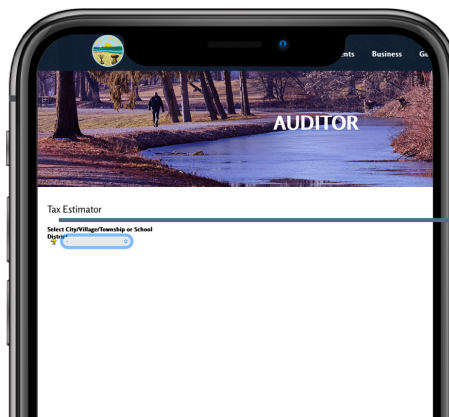
THIS IS THE SAME AMOUNT THAT WAS PASSED IN 2013

EXPIRES IN 2028

THIS IS WHAT MAKES THIS A SUBSTITUTE LEVY (AND NOT A RENEWAL)

- ☐ For the Tax Levy  
☐ Against the Tax Levy

Our schools will receive additional funds from **new construction ONLY**- starting in 2024



VERIFY HERE

The Stark County Auditor's website has a tool where property owners can see how each levy on the ballot will affect their taxes. Verify this ballot language here:  
[tinyurl.com/starktaxestimator](https://tinyurl.com/starktaxestimator)