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Lafayette

School Corporation

AUGUST 2009

Vinton Elementary students will be enjoying free snacks of fruits and vegetables. See story on page 8.



from the Superintendent

Save the Date October 10 & 11, 2009

Plans are in the works for a **HUGE reunion of Jeff music alumni** during this gala celebration weekend. You are encouraged to log on to www.jeffmusicreunion.com for continuing updates and information about the events surrounding the first ever Jefferson High School music alumni reunion.

Plans are also underway to formally dedicate the newly constructed, state-of-the-art **Rohrman Performing Arts Center** during this gala celebration weekend. You will have the opportunity to tour the Rohrman Center and see for yourself the extraordinary features of this structure. This facility is truly a testament to the unique, high quality programs offered at Lafayette Jefferson High School, to a community with a true appreciation of the Arts, and to Bob Rohrman who has chosen to make a difference in the lives of our children.

Safe School Helpline Call 237-1489

Help Make Your Schools Safe!

Call the Helpline when you know of any activity that may threaten your schools. The call is free and your name is never used.

Dear Parents,

Thank you for entrusting your child to our care! We welcome your participation in our schools and encourage you to become actively involved in your child's education.

Please make a note of the time and date to register your



child for school. This period of registration will allow you to gain information about your child's schedule, teacher's, and provide an opportunity to pay or make arrangements to pay book rental.

Monday, August 17th is the first school day. Students will attend school a full day on August 17th. Lunch will be served. Buses will operate. If your child is scheduled to ride a bus, you should have been notified on or before August 1st. If you have questions about your child's bus schedule, please call your child's school.

Again, thank you for your support of our children and our public schools! On behalf of all of the staff of the Lafayette School Corporation, we hope your child has a great school year.

Sincerely,

Edward E. Eiler

Edward E. Eiler, Ed.D., Superintendent

The Title 1 Preschool has the mission to provide a high-quality, developmentally appropriate and enriching early childhood education to Lafayette School Corporation preschool children. The program is also designed to assist children and families in preparing for a successful transition to Kindergarten through learning family literacy activities and ongoing parent involvement opportunities. The 12-month program provides half-day services, four days per week for up to 100 children not served by other community preschool programs. Interested families and community members may schedule a visit to the site at located at 3667 Braddock Drive, Suite C, by calling 588-6324.



Young children discover new ways to organize their learning world.

Opening School



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Regular school board meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 P.M. in the Board Room of Hiatt Administration Center.

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Edward E. Eiler, Ed.D., Superintendent.....	771-6000
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Our Phone Numbers

Earhart Elementary.....	772-4740
Edgelea Elementary	772-4780
Glen Acres Elementary.....	771-6150
Miami Elementary.....	772-4800
Miller Elementary	476-2930
Murdock Elementary.....	771-6120
Oakland Elementary.....	771-6130
Vinton Elementary	771-6140
Sunnyside Middle School .	771-6100
Tecumseh Junior High.....	772-4750
Jefferson High School	772-4700

School Hours

Kindergarten	
Morning.....	8:25 a.m.–11:00 a.m.
Afternoon.....	12:10 p.m.–2:45 p.m.
Elementary	
Schools.....	8:25 a.m.–2:45 p.m.
Sunnyside Middle	
School.....	8:05 a.m.–3:15 p.m.
Tecumseh	
Junior High ..	8:05 a.m.– 3:15 p.m.
Jefferson High	
School.....	8:05 a.m.–3:15 p.m.

Open House Schedule

Earhart	Thurs., August 13, 6:00-7:00 p.m.
Edgelea	Fri., August 14, 4:00-5:00 p.m.
Glen Acres.....	Fri., August 14, 5:00-6:30 p.m.
Miami.....	Fri., August 14, 4:30-6:00 p.m.
Miller.....	Fri., August 14, 4:00-5:00 p.m.
Murdock.....	Fri., August 14, 4:00-6:00 p.m.
Oakland.....	Fri., August 14, 5:30-6:30 p.m.
Vinton	Fri., August 14, 5:00-6:00 p.m.
Sunnyside.....	Tues., August 25, 5:00-7:00 p.m.
Tecumseh	Mon., August 24, 6:00 p.m.
Jefferson	Wed., August 19, 6:00 p.m.

Registration

Elementary Schools

Friday, August 7, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Monday, August 10, 12:00-7:00 p.m.

If unable to register on official registration dates, parents may stop in beginning August 3, 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

Sunnyside Middle School

Walk-In Registration—All Summer

M-F, 8:00 a.m.-12 Noon; 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Orientation—August 11 & 12, 6-8:30 p.m.

Tecumseh Junior High School

Walk-In Registration—All Summer

Monday-Friday, 8-11 a.m. and 1- 4 p.m.

7th Grade Orientation/Schedule Pick-up

August 10, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

7th & 8th Grades Registration/Schedule Pick-up

August 11, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

August 12, 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

August 13, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Jefferson High School

Fri., August 7—Thurs., August 13

Call 772-4700, Ext. 2736 for appointment

Freshman Transition Day

Tuesday, August 11, 8:00-5:00 p.m.

Freshman Parent Meeting

Tuesday, August 11, 6:30 p.m., Cafeteria

Information

Book Rental and School Lunch Assistance

Students who apply and qualify under the School Lunch Program for free or reduced-price lunch will qualify also for assistance for state adopted textbooks and the workbooks that accompany the state adopted texts.

Students who receive food stamps and/or TANF will receive a letter notifying them of their free status for the 2009-10 school year. If you receive this notification letter, you do not need to complete a new application. Students not receiving a notification letter will still need to complete an application. Only one application per household needs to be completed.

Applications for free and reduced lunches and textbook assistance will be mailed to high school students with student schedules by the first week in August. Applications for elementary, middle, and junior high school students will be available at all elementary, middle and junior high schools to help parents who think they may qualify for assistance. If you have questions or need help completing the form, please call the building where your child is a student or phone Food Services at Vinton Elementary School, 771-6145.

2009–2010 Textbook Rental, Workbooks and Supplementary Fees

	<i>Elementary</i>	<i>Challenge</i>
Kindergarten	\$ 69.00	\$ 69.00
Grade One	94.50	94.25
Grade Two	88.50	100.25
Grade Three	87.00	106.25
Grade Four	82.00	102.50
Grade Five	97.00	118.25

Please note: Middle School, Junior High and High School: Cost varies according to courses selected.

2009–2010 School Year Calendar

August 17	First Day of School—Full day Elementary students report before 8:25 a.m. Middle School, Jr. High, and High School students report before 8:05 a.m.
September 7	Labor Day—No school
September 15-26	ISTEP+ Achievement Tests, Grades 3-9
September 15, 16, 17	ISTEP+ Graduation Qualifying Exam, Retest
October 23	Fall Break—No school
November 26, 27	Thanksgiving—No school
December 21–January 1	Winter Break—No school Students dismissed end of day 12/18; classes resume 1/4/10
January 8	End of Course Assessments (Jeff)
January 18	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day—No school
February 15	Presidents' Day—No school
March 1–10	ISTEP+ Writing (written portion), Grades 3-8
March 9, 10, 11	ISTEP+ Graduation Qualifying Exam, Retest
March 29, 30, 31	Spring Break—No school
April 1, 2	Spring Break—No school
April 26–May 5	ISTEP+ Progress (multiple choice), Grades 3-8
April 26– May 21	End of Course Assessments (Tecumseh & Jeff)
May 10-14	Advanced Placement (AP) Exams (Jeff)
May 24	Last Day of School—Students attend a full day.
May 25, 26, etc.	Make-up Days if Needed

2009–2010 Meal Prices

Breakfast* (Elementary).....	\$1.10
Breakfast (Secondary).....	1.20
Reduced Breakfast.....	.30
Adult Breakfast.....	1.45
Elementary Lunch.....	1.90
Secondary Lunch.....	2.00
Reduced Lunch.....	.40
Adult Lunch.....	2.75
Extra Milk.....	.35

*Additional items may be purchased individually in some buildings.



Transportation

Approximately two weeks before the start of school a letter of notification will be mailed to each family who has a student eligible to receive bus transportation. This letter will indicate the bus number, bus stop location, and the approximate pick-up and drop-off times. In addition, a copy of the expectations for student behavior will be included. It is imperative to remind parents that your children's safety is the most important concern of the Lafayette School Corporation Transportation Department. You can help us with this by reminding your child of the following expectations:

- Students are always to observe classroom conduct while on the school bus.
- Students should always co-operate with the bus driver and obey the driver's instructions promptly and respectfully.
- Students should walk safely to and from the bus stop. Walk facing oncoming traffic when there are no sidewalks. Cross in front of the bus when signaled by the driver. Walk 10 steps in front of the bus before crossing to and from the bus stop.
- **Students should never attempt to retrieve papers or articles which are near or under the bus!**
- Students should be at the bus stop at least 5 minutes before the assigned pick up time. Wait at least 10 feet from the roadway.
- Students should never attempt to enter or leave the bus until it comes to a complete stop. The driver will signal students when to load or unload.
- Students should sit in their assigned seats as promptly as possible and are not to block the aisles. Students are not to stand or move from seat to seat while being transported.

Should you have any questions about transporting your child, do not hesitate to contact the Transportation Office at 771-6059 for assistance.

Immunization Requirements

All students attending Indiana public schools are required by law (P.L. 103, 150 and 205) to be immunized against diphtheria, whooping cough, tetanus, measles, rubella, poliomyelitis, mumps and Hepatitis B and varicella. Measles, rubella and mumps **MUST** be given on or after the child's first birthday. Students are required to have the following:

1. Students in Kindergarten and Grade 1: 5 DPT, 4 Polio, 2 MMR, 3 Hepatitis B, 1 varicella
2. Students in Grade 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12: 5 DPT, 4 Polio, 2 MMR, 3 Hepatitis B and 1 varicella

These requirements are necessary because of the continuing outbreaks of vaccine preventable diseases which occur among students. The **ONLY** exception to these requirements are children for whom the vaccines are medically contraindicated or children whose parents have filed a written statement of religious objection. All exemptions must be renewed with the school **YEARLY**.

Indiana Code 20-34-4-5: (c) A child may not be permitted to attend school beyond the first day of school without furnishing proof of immunization or complying with the rules for immunization exemption as stated above.

Parents are required to submit a written statement of their child's immunizations complete with month, day and year given and signed by the physician, or provide a medical record with dates of the immunizations to the school.



High School

Allen Sauer, winner of car give-away.

LJHS Car Give Away

Jefferson High School's Student Services Department introduced a new attendance program for the 2008-09 school year. The program rewarded students for exemplary school attendance. Students in grades 9 through 12 were eligible to win prizes throughout the year. Thanks to a donation from the Tippecanoe County Department of Child Services, MP3 players and laptops were awarded to students for their attendance efforts. Community partner, Mike Raisor Ford, graciously donated a 1999 Ford Mustang to recognize

one lucky Broncho. During an end of year celebration at Scheumann Athletic Stadium, ten students were randomly drawn and given a car key to try and unlock the door. As students, faculty, and family members watched, junior, Allen Sauer's key unlocked the door! When asked if getting up early and off to school had been worth it, Allen grinned and answered, "Absolutely!!"

Lafayette Jefferson High School Student Services plans to have a similar program for the 2009-10 school year.

Middle School



School Based Health Program to Open at Murdock

This Fall, Lafayette School Corporation will partner with the Riggs Community Health Center to provide a school based health program located at Murdock Elementary School.

The goal of this partnership is to offer comprehensive primary medical, mental health, and oral care in school environments. Staffed by qualified health care professionals, the program will provide quality services, such as physical exams, immunizations, nutrition advice, and mental health services including grief and loss therapy, help with handling peer pressure and bullying, and suicide prevention.

School-based health care centers give young people medical attention when they need it, catching problems like asthma and diabetes now, before they become worse.

Lafayette Sunnyside Middle School Construction Progresses

Students and staff of Lafayette Sunnyside Middle School will enjoy new classrooms, cafeteria and media center this August. Also completed for the school year will be the new administrative suite and large group instruction room. A portion of the old structure is scheduled to be renovated during the 2009-2010 school year. The renovated areas include: the special education suite, both gymnasiums, the performing arts areas, and the auditorium. The project is also slated to improve the overall site plan of Lafayette Sunnyside Middle School to ensure that the school community has a safe and efficient method to arrive and depart.

Some highlights of the building project include the technology each classroom will contain. Many of the classrooms at LSMS will include Smart Board technology, voice reinforcement, and document cameras. This technology will allow instruction at LSMS to evolve into a more interactive experience and free the teacher to effectively instruct from anywhere in the classroom. Another highlight is the enlarged library. The new library will allow LSMS to enhance the collection and serve more students in an efficient manner. This is an exciting time for the Lafayette School Corporation. This facility will serve the children of the Lafayette School Corporation for many years to come.



New academic classrooms complete with state-of-the-art technology



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programming. Listen to student-run radio
station WJEF 91.9 FM.



Elementary Schools



Healthy Choices for Vinton Students

Students at Vinton Elementary will be enjoying free snacks of fruits and vegetables for the second year in a row. Made possible by a grant from the Indiana Department of Education, Division of School and Community Nutrition Programs, a wide variety of fresh fruits and vegetables are served to students outside of meal times. The goal of the program is to introduce new foods and promote healthy choices for snacking.

Glen Acres Elementary Receives Generous Grant

Students cheered as Glen Acres Principal, Karen Combs, accepted over \$91,000 from Lowe's Home Improvement Stores! The generous grant will be used to remodel the school media center and computer lab. Also included in the plans are two state of the art mobile laptop labs. Mayor Tony Roswarski, State Representative Sheila Klinker, and LSC Superintendent Dr. Ed Eiler looked on as Mrs. Combs reminded the children of the importance of community and teachers working together to enhance their school experience.



"Glen Acres Elementary students will enjoy using the new refurbished spaces as well as the additional computers. We are grateful to Lowe's for all they've done for our school and appreciate their help in making our school an even better place to be! We are looking forward to seeing great things from our students."