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Beginning this fall the Lafayette School Corporation is excited to announce the rollout of a new web application designed to help your school. The web application is entitled HELPLSC.COM and can be found by visiting the homepage of the school corporation's website or at www.helpisc.com.

The website allows school personnel to list their needs for volunteers, supplies, materials, and equipment then allows volunteers to register as a volunteer and sign up to help the schools by donating their time, talents, or needed items. Principals will be asking you to sign up. Please take some time and explore the website and become involved!



From the Superintendent

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. Included in this newsletter are legal notices the corporation is required to provide and information we hope you may find helpful.

This year the school district will be required to comply with a number of changes in the law. One of the changes deals with a new requirement to add an additional test for students in third grade. The IREAD test is intended to determine if a student is reading at grade level. If a student is not reading at grade level, the state would prohibit the child from advancing to fourth grade unless some special circumstances are met. The 2010-11 Indiana legislature also passed a law to increase the funding for the full day kindergarten grant. The grant provides enough funding to allow our school district to provide a full day kindergarten program to some of the children most in need of a full day of instruction. The funding of the grant is not the same level of funding as provided for all other full day students and does not provide sufficient funding to provide full day kindergarten for all children. The majority of children will attend kindergarten for a half day only! Please consider this information as you make child care arrangements for the coming school year.

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 22nd is the first school day. Students will attend school a full day on August 22nd. 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

STANDARDIZED DRESS CODE SUCCESS SPREADS

After a successful year of implementation at Miller Elementary, Sunnyside Middle School, and Tecumseh Junior High School, two more Lafayette schools are excited to have adopted the standardized dress code. This fall Murdock and Earhart Elementary Schools will also follow the same policy. There are many options in attire students may choose from. Feel free to check out the full Standardized Dress Code at www.lsc.k12.in.us.



Giving Back-Tecumseh Junior High students donated clothing back to the school to be used by other students next year. In fact, they donated so much it took staff and volunteers a full week to launder it all!!!

TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE

When students and teachers return to school this fall most will be greeted with new technology. Over the summer technology staff have been busy creating a more substantial infrastructure and new workstations. The new workstations are thin clients which operate in a virtual environment. The new workstations replace much of the district's computer equipment which was between four and six years of age, are easier to maintain, can only be used in the school environment, and are considerably less expensive than traditional computer stations.



Oakland High School

Coming to a neighborhood near you in August 2011...Oakland High School!

Oakland High School is intended for students who are looking for something different. It is a smaller learning community with individualized instruction for each student. Oakland is a public high school serving students on a first come first serve basis. Each student attending OHS this fall is doing so voluntarily; Taking that next step towards a high school diploma!! Students who successfully complete all Indiana graduation requirements will receive an Oakland High School diploma with the full benefits of a diploma from the State of Indiana. Students will be active participants in the community supported, project-based learning experiences specifically designed to align with the Indiana State teaching standards. Each student will graduate with the skills necessary to attend college, enter the world of work, to begin a career in the armed forces, or to dedicate time and energy to family and community.

- **Oakland's vision** is to establish and sustain a school that is highly regarded for its academic excellence and its contribution in actively serving and improving the community in which it operates.
- **Oakland's mission** is to provide comprehensive, rigorous secondary educational opportunities, and relevant community experiences that will prepare students for work, active citizenship, and post secondary endeavors.
- **The Pillars of Oakland: Tolerance, Justice, Ingenuity, Integrity, and Service**

Oakland High School is:

- A **voluntary** educational option for students who need individual academic support in and out of school.
- An **accredited**, independent LSC high school with designated Freeway School status by the State of Indiana.
- A **public school** providing all the benefits of an Indiana high school diploma.
- A high school that will offer **all diploma options**.
- A school that will be **evaluated** by PL 221 and NCLB.
- A school that will **co-construct curriculum** with students and their families.
- A school with a fully integrated, **standards based curriculum**.
- A school that will be **governed by Indiana law** and restorative practices.
- A school that will **utilize every adult** in the building in the educational process of children.
- A school with a **flexible, non-traditional** route to graduation.

If you have questions about Oakland High School or if you are interested in supporting the youth in our community, please phone Clare Lutgen at (765)771-6130 or by email clutgen@lsc.k12.in.us.



Renovations are preparing Oakland High School for the inaugural class this fall!



Important 2011-2012 Dates and Information

REGISTRATION DATES

Parents of new students must provide a birth certificate and immunization record.

ALL parents will need to bring **PROOF OF RESIDENCY** to registration.

Students should register at their home school.

Elementary Schools:

Friday, August 12, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Monday, August 15, 12:00-6:00 p.m.

Sunnyside Middle School:

Students New to LSC:

Walk-In Registration – All Summer

Monday-Friday, 8:00-11:00 a.m., 12:30-3:00 p.m.

Orientation:

5th Grade and New Enrollees: August 9th and 10th, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Open Schedule Pick-Up/Building Orientation:

August 15, 16, 17, 18, 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Building Closed August 19th for Teacher Work Day

Tecumseh Junior High School:

Students New to LSC:

Walk-In Registration – All Summer

Monday-Friday, 8:00-Noon and 1:00-4:00 p.m.

7th Grade Orientation/Schedule Pick-Up

August 15, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

7:00 p.m. Orientation Presentation

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

August 16, 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

August 17, 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

August 18, 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Jefferson High School:

Students New to LSC:

Appointments for early enrollment can be scheduled on the following dates:

Monday, August 1-Friday, August 5

Wednesday, August 11

Call 772-4700 for an appointment.

New Student Orientation and Schedule Pick-Up:

Tuesday, August 16, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Oakland High School:

Registration dates are scheduled individually.

OPEN HOUSE DATES

All Elementary Schools will hold their Open Houses on Friday, August 19th at the following times:

Earhart 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Edgelea 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Glen Acres 5:00-6:30 p.m.

Miami 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Miller 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Murdock 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Vinton 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Sunnyside Middle School: Tuesday, August 30, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Tecumseh Junior High School: Monday, August 29, 6:00 p.m.

Jefferson High School: Wednesday, August 31, 6:00 p.m.

Oakland High School: Multiple dates as selected by enrolled students.

SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

<u>AUGUST</u>	22	FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL – Full day
<u>SEPTEMBER</u>	5	LABOR DAY - No school
<u>OCTOBER</u>	28 & 31	FALL BREAK - No school
<u>NOVEMBER</u>	24 - 25	THANKSGIVING - No school
<u>DECEMBER</u>	21 - 30	WINTER BREAK – No school
<u>JANUARY</u>	2 - 3	WINTER BREAK – No school (classes resume 1/4/12)
	13	End of First Semester
	16	MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY – No school
<u>FEBRUARY</u>	20	PRESIDENTS' DAY – No school (Provided no make-up days are needed)
<u>MARCH</u>	26 - 30	SPRING BREAK – No school
<u>APRIL</u>	27	Mid-Spring Break – No school (Provided no make-up days are needed)
<u>MAY</u>	28	Memorial Day – No school
	31	Last Day of School – Students attend a full day.
<u>JUNE</u>	1	Make-up day (if needed)



IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

Indiana law requires the following immunizations for school attendance:

Kindergarten and Grade 1:

5 DPT, 4 Polio, 2 MMR, 3 Hepatitis B, 2 Varicella

Grades 2- 5:

5 DPT, 4 Polio, 2 MMR, 3 Hepatitis B, 1 Varicella

Grades 6-12:

5 DPT, 4 Polio, 2 MMR, 3 Hepatitis B, 2 Varicella,
1 Tdap, 1 MCV4

To legally attend school, please see that your student receives these shots from their physician or the health department and bring the shot record to the school nurse or guidance department BEFORE your student attends the first day of school.

Free shots from the Tippecanoe County Health Department (TCHD) can be obtained by:

- 1) Calling the TCHD at 423-9222 to make an appointment to have shots administered any Tuesday or Thursday, or
- 2) Attending a walk-in clinic the 1st or 3rd Wednesday of each month

There will be NO school-based shot clinics this year.

MEAL PRICES

Breakfast* (Elementary) - \$1.10	Elementary Lunch - \$1.90
Breakfast (Secondary) - \$1.20	Secondary Lunch - \$2.10
Reduced Breakfast - \$.30	Reduced Lunch - \$.40
Adult Breakfast - \$1.45	Adult Lunch - \$2.75
Extra Milk - \$.35	

**Additional items may be purchased individually in some buildings.*

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 2011-12 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.

TEXTBOOK RENTAL, WORKBOOKS AND SUPPLEMENTARY FEES

	<u>Elementary</u>	<u>Challenge</u>
Kindergarten	\$ 81.45	\$ 92.75
Grade One	\$ 101.65	\$ 113.75
Grade Two	\$ 95.05	\$ 123.30
Grade Three	\$ 112.35	\$ 128.85
Grade Four	\$ 107.50	\$ 120.55

Middle School, Junior High and High School:

Cost varies depending on courses selected.

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:

1. Students are always to observe classroom conduct while on the school bus.
2. Students should always co-operate with the bus driver and obey the driver's instructions promptly and respectfully.
3. 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.
4. STUDENTS SHOULD NEVER ATTEMPT TO RETRIEVE PAPERS OR ARTICLES WHICH ARE NEAR OR UNDER THE BUS!!
5. 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.
6. 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.
7. 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.
8. Electronic communication devices (cell phone, pager, etc.) and all other electronic devices MUST be turned off and placed out of sight while on the school bus.
9. All students, especially younger children, should know their first and last names, address, and where their bus stop is located. If they have not memorized this information, they should have it in writing on their person or in their backpack.

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

New Faces and Places



Mr. Brian Baker

The Lafayette School Corporation provides transportation for over 4,000 students each day. Making this happen in a safe and timely manner is the number one priority of new Operations Manager, Brian Baker. Mr. Baker brings with him the experiences 30 years in law enforcement and 9 years in US Army Airborne Units.

Fun Facts

- Loves bow hunting, bow fishing, and target archery.
- Enjoys having 5 grandchildren!



Mrs. Alicia Clevenger

This August, there will be a new smiling face greeting the students at Edgelea Elementary! Mrs. Alicia Clevenger will be welcoming students back from summer break! Former Sunnyside Middle School Assistant Principal, Mrs. Clevenger, has been appointed the new principal of Edgelea Elementary. Kicking off her 17th year in education, Mrs. Clevenger is extremely excited to bring her experience and enthusiasm to Edgelea students, staff, and families.

Fun Facts

- While in college, Mrs. Clevenger played basketball for Saint Joseph's College and was recently inducted into the Sports Hall of Fame.
- Mrs. Clevenger is an athletic trainer.



Mrs. Clare Lutgen

When Oakland High School opens its doors for the first time this August, Claire Lutgen proudly will serve as principal. During her twenty years spent teaching biology and most recently serving as Assistant Principal at Lafayette Jefferson High School, Mrs. Lutgen has gained the experiences needed to help OHS students succeed.

Fun Facts

- The Lutgen Family lives in a log cabin.
- Riley, Ruger, and Sydney Lutgen are the family dogs.



Mr. Eric Rody

Lafayette School Corporation is pleased to announce, Eric Rody, as the new Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Rody has over 20 years' experience in school business management. His experiences include working with Kokomo-Center Schools, Marion Community, and Peru Community Schools. Mr. Rody is also a very active member in the Indiana Association of School Business Officials. Welcome to Lafayette!

Fun Facts

- Mr. Rody is a newlywed and honeymooned right here in Lafayette!!
- Spanky is his 16 year old dog.
- Enjoys playing drums in a jazz band.

2011 LAFAYETTE JEFFERSON WINTER GUARD

The Lafayette Jefferson High School Winter Guard was crowned the 2011 Indiana High School Color Guard Association Class A State Champion on March 19th at Center Grove High School. This prestigious group is comprised of 12 dedicated young ladies. The winter guard is a select group chosen from the Marching Bronchos Fall Color Guard Program. Under the direction of Mr. Chad Young, preparing for competition began months in advance. In November of 2010 a typical practice schedule consisted of two nightly rehearsals a week and Saturday mornings before competition adding up to a total of 10-15 hours.

After securing the State championship, the Jefferson Winter Guard was visited by Representative Sheila Klinker. Mrs. Klinker presented the group with a certificate from the Indiana House of Representatives and expressed how proud the community was of their efforts and representing Jefferson High School in such a positive way.



SLED

Science Learning through Engineering Design

Teachers from Sunnyside Middle School are actively involved the Science Learning through Engineering Design (SLED) Math Science Partnership. The SLED project is a multi-year, \$6.7 million grant funded by the National Science Foundation. The SLED vision is to increase grade 3-6 student learning of science by developing Indiana's first integrated, engineering design-based approach to elementary/intermediate school science education. Over the next five years, engineering, science, technology, and education faculty from Purdue University will be working directly with teachers from Sunnyside Middle School as well as teachers from three additional Indiana school partners (Tippecanoe, Plymouth, and Taylor) to develop and implement a series of high quality engineering design and standards-based science and mathematics lessons. This past year, Sunnyside teachers worked closely with teams of STEM faculty to create and pilot design challenges including the construction of a prototype of a prosthetic leg that can kick a ball; a sensor to detect ultra violet radiation; and a protocol for making cost-effective and odorless compost.

This summer sixteen Sunnyside teachers will participate in a two-week (~70 hours) intense, content-specific, design-focused SLED Summer Institute where they will meet STEM faculty who are conducting cutting-edge research in areas such as, nanotechnology, water purification, and biomedical engineering. Teachers will engage in challenges designed to develop teachers' understanding of the engineering design process, science content knowledge, and the pedagogies needed to teach science through authentic, inquiry-based, multi-disciplinary, design units. With assistance from Purdue disciplinary faculty, teachers will compose design-, standards-based science lessons, map and integrate these lessons within their existing curriculum and develop an action plan for integrating at least two multi-week, design-based, thematic units in the subsequent school year. Team members will work collaboratively to develop, test, and assess newly generated curriculum. Purdue scientists and engineers will serve as classroom-based consultants, mentors, co-teachers, and critical friends for each teacher.



The Lafayette Jefferson High School Music Department wows the audience with its rendition of "Suessical the Musical"!



Miller Elementary celebrated their yearlong efforts with a student and staff talent show.



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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.

ADMINISTRATORS

- Edward E. Eiler, Ed.D., Superintendent 771-6000
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- Kevin Little, Dir. Facilities Mgmt./ Chief Tech. Officer 772-4790
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ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

- Earhart Pat Miller, Principal 772-4740
- Edgelea Alicia Clevenger, Principal 772-4780
- Glen Acres Karen Combs, Principal 771-6150
- Miami Matt Rhoda, Principal 772-4800
- Miller Brandon Hawkins, Principal 476-2930
- Murdock Janell Uerkwitz, Principal 771-6120
- Vinton Rick Hobbs, Principal 771-6140

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- Greg Louk, Principal 771-6100
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TECUMSEH JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

- Brett Gruetzmacher, Principal 772-4750
- Dan Guckien, Asst. Principal
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- Kelly Coleman, Administrator 476-2900

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- General Office 772-4700
- Athletic Office 772-4711
- Jeff Studebaker, Principal
- John Forville, Asst. Principal
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- Cheryl Wiles, Asst. Principal
- Mark Preston, Asst. Principal/Dir. of Athl.

OAKLAND HIGH SCHOOL

- Clare Lutgen, Principal 771-6130

BEGINNING and ENDING SCHOOL TIMES:

- Kindergarten:**
- Morning Session 8:25 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
- Afternoon Session 12:10 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.
- Elementary Grades 1-4:** 8:25 a.m. – 2:45 p.m.
- Sunnyside Middle School** 8:05 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.
- Tecumseh Junior High School** 8:05 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.
- Jefferson High School** 8:05 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.
- Oakland High School** 8:30 a.m. – 2:55 p.m.

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IREAD

Schools in Indiana will be required to administer the *Indiana Reading Evaluation And Determination (IREAD-3)* examination in the spring of 2012. The purpose of the IREAD-3 assessment is to measure foundational reading standards through grade three. Based on the Indiana Academic Standards, IREAD-3 is a comprehensive assessment that was developed in accordance with Public Law 109 which "requires the evaluation of reading skills for students who are in grade three beginning in the Spring of 2012 to ensure that all students can read proficiently before moving on to grade four".

Every accredited school in Indiana with grade 3 students will be required to administer IREAD-3 in March 2012. Results of this assessment are expected to be returned to schools the first week of April 2012 so schools can plan for possible summer interventions. Successful completion of the IREAD-3 exam is expected in order for students to be eligible to move on to grade 4.

Should you have further questions regarding the IREAD-3 assessment please contact the principal of your elementary school.

