

Leighton Elementary Circular

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To keep our school safe, any adult entering the building must provide a government issued ID to the secretary. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our students and staff safe!

IMPORTANT

Principals' Piece

Welcome to the second semester of our school year! It's hard to believe that we've already surpassed the halfway point in our school year. As we move towards the second half of our year, here are some things to remember in order to finish strong. It's important to get a head start on the third marking period.

1. Following BRAVE school rule: We've been practicing and promoting BRAVE school rules for more than half the year. The acronym BRAVE stands for- Be safe, respectful, and very responsible everyday. Our students have been saying this pledge every morning during announcements. BRAVE school rules should be followed in the hallways, lavatory, lunch room, encore classes, on the school bus, while playing at recess, during special events, and in all classroom settings. These rules have not changed. By this point in time our students should have mastered these everyday rules. Please make it a point to review and support BRAVE school rules daily.

2. Academics: We are all working hard to meet the academic requirements at each grade level. All students have completed winter benchmark assessments. If you are interested in seeing your child's results, please request a copy from the teacher. Second marking period report cards can also be available upon request otherwise you can always view the most up-to-date grades via Power School.

3. There are a lot of fun activities planned in our school and for your children coming up in the next few months. Please be sure to check out our school website, calendar, and continue to communicate regularly with the teacher.

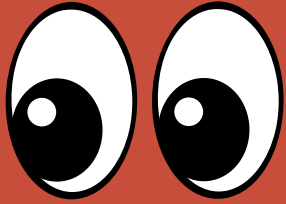
We are all looking forward to a productive, fun filled second half of our school year!

Sincerely,
Mr. Sebelin and Dr. McGalla



Vision Screenings are Underway!

Please check folders for any paperwork that may come home.



Click image for traffic rules for the 2023-2024 school year

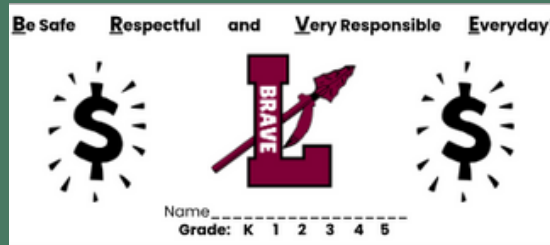


1st and 3rd Grade Students

Please return dental forms by May 3, 2024

BE BRAVE

Be Safe
Respectful
And
Very Responsible
Every Day



Click the heart to register for Jump Rope for Heart

Health Room News

- Students must be fever (less than 100) vomit and diarrhea free for at least 24 hours before returning to school.
- Please ensure you update your phone numbers and emergency contacts in PowerSchool so we can easily reach you in the event of an illness or emergency.
- Medication during school hours:
 - Parents need to bring in the original container with pharmacy label
 - Medication Authorization Form can be filled out with nurses when medication is dropped off
- Parents of young students - please send in a change of clothing in the event of bathroom accidents. Label items and place in a large Ziploc bag to keep in your child's locker.



NOTE - a fever is considered anything above 100.0 at school.

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Counselors Corner

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K-2 Guidance Counselor
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Ms. Lindh

3-5 Guidance Counselor
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SCHOOL
SUCCESS
starts with
ATTENDANCE

Happy February! As we move through the month, I want to remind parents and families to call or email for anything they may need. We are here as a service for all and want to make sure everyone feels comfortable and safe. As we move through Winter, we are trying to remind our students to complete an act of kindness a day to keep smiles wide and keep the happiness spreading! One kind word a day to another goes a long way!

Ms. Lindh is busy working with homerooms in grades 3-5 on the new Smart Futures computer program which helps students gain self awareness and knowledge of careers. We are doing 2 artifacts each year to satisfy the PA state requirements where grade 5 students must have 6 artifacts to move on to the Middle School. This program follows each student until they graduate and saves the info. they complete. LAVA cyber students are included as well.

As a reminder, please get your child to school on time. Being here on time ensures time management skills and helps our students maintain a routine. School counselors would also like to emphasize how important attendance is. If a child needs to miss school, please let us know. The online excuse process is best, but a call, email or message is also helpful. If you have other concerns, feel free to reach out. We thank you for all you do and as always, please reach out for any questions or concerns you may have.



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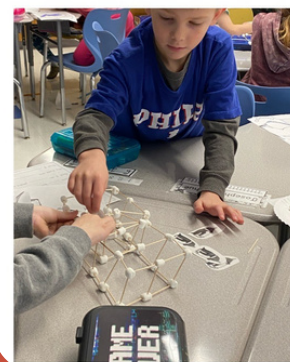
3rd graders being
leaders, reading to
kindergarten and STEM
fun! Class pizza party!



(Right)

"Stick your tongue out
and catch one more
snowflake!"

1st grade STEM and fine
motor fun related to
some reading stories!






LEC Monthly Calendar

Lehigh Area School District www.lehighton.org Click for [Parent Portal](#) or enter <https://powerschool.lehighton.org/public/home.html>
3 Indian Lane Lehigh, PA 18235 Phone: (610) 377-7880 Fax: (610) 377-0908

Lehigh Area Elementary Center

February 2024

4 Day Schedule

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
March 1: Early Dismissal 1:05 PM Book Fair Family Night: March 20 2nd grade Parent Lunches: March 12-15 KG Pre-registration Portal open: February 15 Kindergarten Registration/Assessment: May 6 - May 10, 2024		PTO Meeting: March 12 PTO Glow with My Gal Event: March 15 Easter Break: Mar. 26 (Early Dismissal 1:05) March 27 - April 2: School Closed.		1 - Day 4 Science Explorers	2 - Day 1	3 
4	5 Day 2 Motivational Monday	6 - Day 3 Good News Club PTO Planning Meeting 6-8 PM	7 - Day 4	8 - Day 1 Science Explorers	9 - Day 2	10 PTO 'Donuts with Grown Ups' K-2: 8 - 10 am 3-5: 10 am - 12 pm
11 Kindness Week Feb. 11 - 17 	12 - Day 3 We don't hide from Kindness - wear camouflage	13 - Day 4 Peace, Love, & Kindness - wear tie dye Good News Club PTO Mtg. 6:30 PM	14 - Day 1 Share love & kindness - wear red/pink K, 1, 2 Valentine's Parties	15 - Day 2 Powered by Kindness - dress like a superhero	16 - Day 3 Snow makeup day Share the spirit of kindness - wear your Lehigh Indians gear 3, 4, 5 Valentine's Parties	17 
18	19 President's Holiday School Closed	20 - Day 4 Jump Rope for Heart Good News Club PTO Planning Mtg. 6-8 PM	21 - Day 1 Jump Rope for Heart	22 - Day 2 Science Explorers Jump Rope for Heart	23 - Day 3 Jump Rope for Heart	24
25	26 - Day 4 School Board Mtg. 7 PM	27 - Day 1 Good News Club PTO Planning Mtg. 6-8 PM	28 - Day 2 SOM	29 - Day 3 Science Explorers	PSSA Dates: ELA (3rd, 4th, 5th): April 22, 23, 24; Math (3rd, 4th, 5th): April 29, 30 Science (4th): May 1, 2	

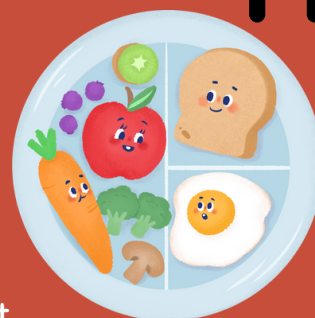
Primary (Pre-K - 2nd grades) Principal: Mr. Aaron Sebelin

Intermediate (3rd - 5th grades) Principal: Dr. Mark McGalla

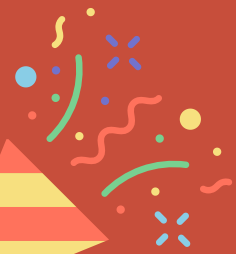
Nutrition News

FREE

Remember BREAKFAST and LUNCH is FREE for ALL STUDENTS regardless of family income 😊. Any questions or concerns, please reach out to Nicole Hayes, Director of Food and Nutrition at nhayes@lehighton.org.



Just a friendly reminder..we continue to offer the Classroom Celebration Cart for birthdays, class parties or just because. We deliver the treats on a decorated cart with festive napkins and an invoice comes home with your child that very day..Super Convenient!!! Call or email to set up a celebration cart!



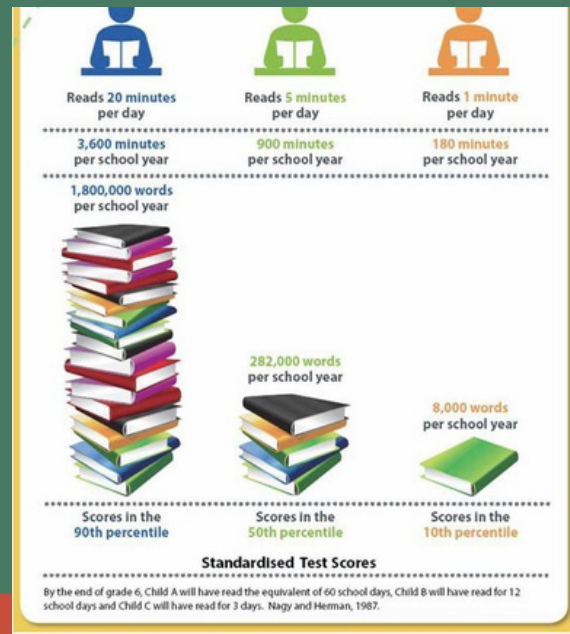
Job opportunity: high school for 4-4.5 hours a day Monday-Friday
email nhayes@lehighton.org

Click Here

Curriculum Guide



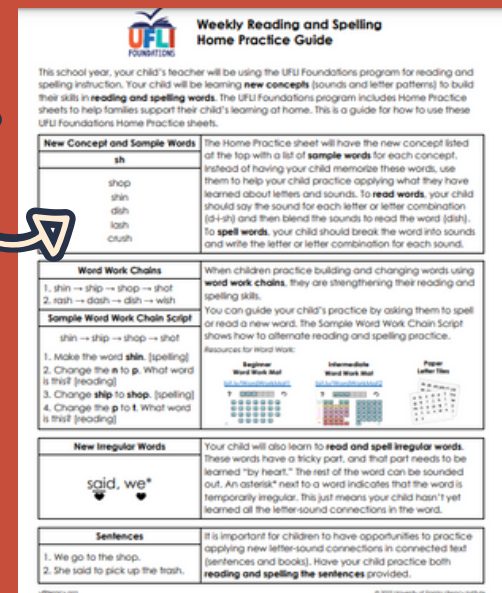
UFLI Parent Resource Hub



Click the picture to find ways to support reading at home by

Click here

Homework practice help



Home Tip: Turn on closed captioning. This is a free and simple way to help build foundational reading skills!

A big part of i-Ready is conversations about math.

Click for discussion cards

i-Ready

Click HERE to learn more about how to support this at home.

Click here

...to watch a video explaining more behind iReady Math!

Math is very hands on. Click the hands to find ways to use common home materials to practice math!



PTO News

Join our Facebook page ([Lehighton Elementary Center PTO](#)) for the most up to date announcements!

PLEASE CHECK THE CALENDAR ABOVE FOR UPCOMING COMMITTEE MEETINGS!

General Meeting
Tuesday, February 13th
@ 6:30pm
LAEC Cafeteria

Clearances must be updated at central admin. All volunteers must bring a valid driver's license to every event.



SALE

Click the image to shop the ongoing PTO Spirit Wear sale!



RACE PACKETS CAME HOME!!
Labels are due by February 7th!!

DON'T FORGET!

Sign Up



The PTO has graciously allowed for IMMEDIATE FAMILY only to attend this event. Donations will be accepted.

Important Links

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[Menus](#)

[PowerSchool](#)

[District Calendar](#)

[Daily Bulletin](#)

[Excuse Blanks](#)

[Lehighton School District Website](#)