

# Lakewood Middle Home of the Mustangs

## **Principal's Message**

The second semester is off to a great start at LMS. Parent-teacher conferences are just around the corner and will take place on Wednesday, February 7 and Thursday, February 8. This is a great time to check in on your students progress and hear about the supports we have available if your student needs more help. If you have yet to sign up for a conference, you can use the links below to schedule a time.

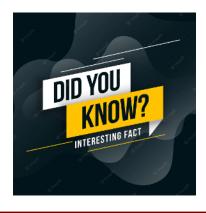
**6th Grade Conference Sign-Up** 

7th Grade Conference Sign-Up

8th Grade Conference Sign-Up

- Scott Chrisman, Principal





## Attendance Information

Did you know that you can email your child's attendance information?

Please email any absences to

la.attendance@usd305.com





#### **LMS Art**

Sixth, seventh, and eighth grades are all working on art projects reviewing and incorporating the elements (line, color, value, shape, form, texture) and principles (pattern, unity, contrast, balance, emphasis, movement, rhythm) of art through two-dimensional projects.

#### **LMS ELA**

All three grade levels are working through their Argumentative Writing Units. The sixth grade topic covers the importance of technology in today's society, seventh grade involves space exploration and the consideration of making homes in space, and the eighth grade is exploring the infinite number of ways humans express intelligence.





#### **LMS Digital Literacy**

Digital Literacy is a class where students establish keyboarding techniques for effective personal and professional use. They learn to use critical thinking skills to make good decisions concerning their digital life while demonstrating a sound understanding of technology concepts, systems, and operations.

#### LMS Tech Ed

Students in Tech Ed have been showing off their new skills of technical drawing and structural design. They have been tasked with designing and crafting their very own bridges and towers out of balsa wood. Once they get everything built, they will use a weight test to determine the best structure design as well as the most efficient.





#### **Lakewood Civics Club News**

The Civics club, which meets on Friday mornings and twice a month after school, was created to help increase student civic engagement. The club have done coat drives, river and trail cleanups, a Book Fair to raise funds for literacy at Lakewood, and many other students led service projects aimed to better their community. One activity they really enjoyed this last semester was making holiday cards and delivering them with candy canes to residents at local nursing homes.

Recently, the Lakewood Civics Club partnered with Youth Leaders in Kansas (YLINK) which provides opportunities for community awareness and teaches leadership skills. In March, the Civics students will be headed to the capital in Topeka for YLINK's Mental Health Advocacy Day. They will join students from around the state in hearing informative speakers, touring the Capital, and connecting with and sharing ideas with other Civic organizations.



#### **LMS Boys Basketball**

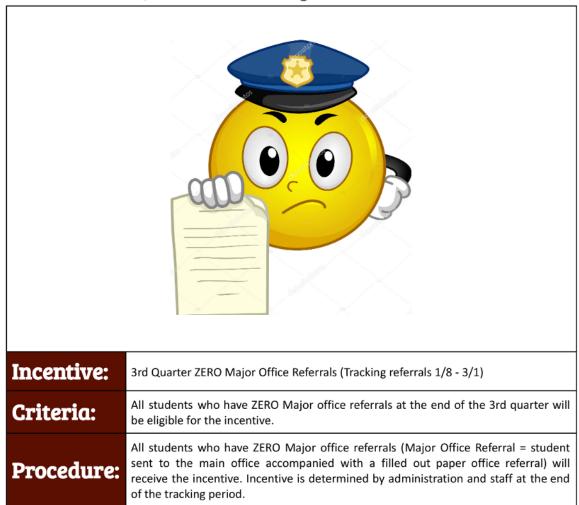
Boys basketball begun their season January 22 at home vs. Andover Central. Coached by Damon Boyer and John MacKinney, the 8th grade returns 15 players from last year's WSL North Championship team. The 7th grade team is coached by John Zamora and Isaiah Wills. These new Mustangs will have a tough schedule, taking on some of the top 5A teams from the WSL I & II and the WAC. We look forward to you coming out and supporting your Mustangs. (Home schedule included with this article.)







#### "3rd Quarter ZERO Major Office Referrals"







#### "3rd Quarter Lunch Behavior Pizza Incentive"

## !!!CONGRATULATIONS!!!

**LUNCHROOM BEHAVIOR INCENTIVE** 

6TH GRADE: Class Name (By Teacher)
7TH GRADE: Class Name (By Teacher)
8TH GRADE: Class Name (By Teacher)



## **!!!CONGRATULATIONS!!!**

Incentive:	3rd Quarter Lunch Behavior Pizza Incentive (Tracking cards 1/8 - 3/1)
Criteria:	A class at each grade level that has the most Green Cards at the end of the quarter wins.
Procedure:	A class at each grade level with the largest amount of Green Cards at the end of the quarter will receive a catered pizza lunch. If multiple classes at the same grade level tie, they will be placed in a drawing for the pizza lunch. This process starts over every quarter and a class can win multiple times throughout the school year. If positive lunchroom behavior excels, there could be multiple incentives in one quarter.





#### "3rd Quarter Incentive Drawings"



Learn to play



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Learn to play

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Kids & Adults!

## Sing Better!





## Yes! You want to make music!

Reach your goal at The Stiefel Theatre's Mike Finnigan School of Music.

Our 8-week classes this spring will connect you with top area teachers and enthusiastic fellow students. Classes are for both youth and adults.

#### ★ Turn up the joy in your life – make music. III

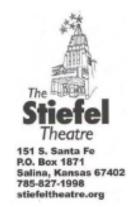
CLASS DATES (50-minute class sessions—voice class may go longer)

Most classes: Feb. 6 to Apr. 2 – Every Tuesday (no class spring break, March 12)
Ukulele class (5 sessions): Feb. 27 to Apr. 2 – Every Tuesday (no class spring break, March 12)

Recitals: April 2 - On Stage: 6pm Piano recital

7pm General recital

Start time	Class name	Teacher	Location at the Stiefel
4:00pm	Guitar 1	Brian Pekarek	Watson Room
5:00pm	Guitar 2	Matt Gerry	Watson Room
6:00pm	Guitar 3	Matt Gerry	Watson Room
4:00pm	Piano 1	Lori Persigehl	Green Room
5:00pm	Piano 2	Lori Persigehl	Green Room
6:00pm	Adult Piano	Lori Persigehl	Green Room
5:30pm	Voice	Bill Tuzicka	On Stage
7:00pm	Ukulele	Anna Morawitz	Watson Room



Hammond B-3 Organ lessons Paul Draper Green Room (times vary)

#### TEACHERS:

Paul Draper (Hammond B-3 Organ) - A member of the Kansas Music Hall of Fame, Salinan Paul Draper is a long-time player of the Hammond B-3. Now the leader of the Paul Draper Band, Mr. Draper plays gospel, rock, blues, country, jazz and pop music. He will be giving individual lessons on the Stiefel's own B-3, an instrument played by the School of Music namesake, Mike Finnigan, and donated to the Stiefel by its last owner in California. Lessons will focus on music listening and improvisation. Times and dates will be individually determined.

Matt Gerry (Guitar 2 & 3) - Founder of guitar classes at South Middle School, Mr. Gerry has built that program for two decades with grants and awards, producing thousands of young Salina guitarists. A graduate of Salina South, he has a music education degree from WSU and a master's in teacher leadership from KSU. He is married to Stephanie Gerry, has two teen daughters, sings and plays guitar for his church and collects vinyl records.

Anna Pauscher Morawitz (Ukulele) - Ms. Morawitz is a multidisciplinary artist and an arts administrator for the city of Salina where she serves as Operations & Development Manager for Salina Arts and Humanities. Her passion for the arts was ignited at a young age through music, and she has played a variety of instruments. She enjoys songwriting on the ukulele and is inspired by traditional and pop music.

Dr. Brian Pekarek (Guitar 1) - Former high school teacher and now senior class counselor at Salina Central, Dr. Pekarek has played guitar for over 35 years. He plays guitar, mandolin, violin and harmonica for his Abilene church. He may accompany his Stiefel guitar classes with those additional instruments to help students get a feel for playing in a band. Stiefel guitar students can learn to play either acoustic or electric guitar or both.

Lori J. Persigehl (Piano) - With two decades of experience as a music educator, Ms. Persigehl has a bachelor's degree from Bethany College and a master's from Northwest Missouri State. She has taught piano, voice, and general music in public schools, community colleges, music studios, recreation centers and churches. She is married to David Persigehl, and they have two adult children.

Bill Tuzicka (Voice) - Now in his twelfth year conducting the Salina Chorale, Mr. Tuzicka taught choral music for 37 years at Southeast of Saline Jr./Sr. High School, has a bachelor's of music degree from Bethany College and master's of music from WSU. He has many years of working one-on-one with performers. He is the Technical Director and Director of Operations for the Stiefel Theatre.

Ann Zimmerman (School Manager) - A singer-songwriter since the 1980s, Ms. Zimmerman performs about a hundred gigs a year in Salina, across Kansas and around the country, with four independent albums of music. Her award-winning songs tell stories of life, especially life on the windy plains. She sings for thousands of Salina school students each year, especially around Kansas Day. She is a local attorney and mediator with degrees from KSU and Harvard Law School. She has now been elected to her third term as a Salina Public Schools board member.

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## **Students of the Week**







Isabelle
Wilson
7th Grade

Dylan Atteberry 7th Grade

Cora Dill 6th Grade

Chloe Bohrer 8th Grade

## **Teacher of the Month**



Michaela Kroeker 6th Grade Reading



#### **February**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29		

#### **Calendar of Events**

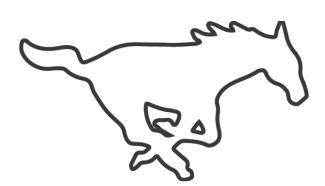
- February 1: Scholars Bowl @ 3:30 p.m. @ Andover Central
- February 7: Parent/Teacher Conferences (start @ 5:00 p.m.)
- February 8: NO SCHOOL Parent/Teacher Conferences
- February 9: NO SCHOOL
- February 12: NO SCHOOL
- February 13: Site Council @ 12:00 p.m. @ LMS
- February 29: Orchestra Concert @ 7:00 p.m. @ Central High Auditorium



#### LMS Fundraising- The Easy Way!

LMS receives donations from Dillons when customers sign up to participate in Dillons Community Rewards. It is a simple way to raise funds at no cost to you.

- 1. Create a digital account. A digital account is needed to participate in Dillons Community Rewards. If you already have a digital account, simply link your shopper's card to your account so that all transactions apply towards LMS.
- 2. Link your card to an organization. Selecting the organization that you wish to support is as simple as updating the Dillons community rewards selection in your digital account. Sign in to your digital account. Search for and select Lakewood Middle School and click "save."
- 3. Shop at Dillons. Once you link your card to LMS, just shop at Dillons and swipe your shopper's card. Any transaction moving forward using the shoppers card number associated with your digital account are applied to the program at no added cost to you. You keep all of your Dillons points and LMS receives community rewards!



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