



Lakewood Middle

Home of the Mustangs

Principal's Message

Lakewood is committed to making our building a safe place for all students. You may be aware that in recent years, the number of threats on social media made by students has increased. This is a national, state and even local trend.

Sometimes students will do this in a "joking" manner. These types of social media posts have serious legal and school consequences. Here at Lakewood MS, every concern is investigated and we follow protocols for reporting threats to law enforcement.

What can parents and guardians do to help? Please talk to your student about the gravity of making threatening statements. Threats of harm to anyone is not something to joke about. Encourage your student to speak to a trusted adult if they see or hear something concerning. Social media is not a necessity for young teens, but if you choose to let your students have social media accounts, check them frequently.

Everyone working together will help keep our school and community safe.

- Scott Chrisman, Principal

Visible Learning in Action at SPS

As educational partners with parents and guardians, we want to update you about classroom strategies. You may have heard about *Visible Learning* at Salina Public Schools – and if so, you're probably curious what this means.

Through *Visible Learning*:

- Students see themselves as more than just pupils. They see themselves as **active learners** who are eager to explore and grow.
- Each of our schools have chosen learning dispositions that support development of critical thinking, communication and social-emotional skills.

These learning dispositions are attitudes or habits that help students become better learners. Examples in action could include:

- Self-managing: taking charge of your own learning by setting goals
- Curiosity: asking lots of questions
- Embracing Challenges: continuing to learn even when it is difficult

Your child's school will be sharing the learning dispositions with you. When you read or hear about them, they're a great way to connect and reinforce the critical, lifelong skills your child is learning. We encourage you to use them as a conversation point with your child. These discussions will strengthen your bond with your child and support them on their educational journey.



Seventh Grade Culture Crawl

Our seventh grade students will have the opportunity to participate in the Culture Crawl on Friday, October 18. The mission of the culture crawl is to expose students to the interconnectedness of culture and community. Students will be traveling downtown where they will have the chance to learn about culture in Salina. Stations for seventh graders will consist of Friends of the River, The Salina Symphony, The Smoky Hill Museum, The Rolling Hills Zoo, The Salina Art Center, The Garage, and Salina Arts and Humanities. Students will be leaving Lakewood by bus around 8:45 a.m. on the morning of the Culture Crawl and will return around 2:00 p.m. Permission slips will be going home on September 30.



Mustang Achievement Club

On October 25 LMS will be celebrating our Mustang achievers. Students that meet the criteria for our achievement club will be invited to LMS for a fall social and celebration for meeting their quarter one goals. Students that make the Mustang achievement club will receive an invitation to the fall social during the week of October 21. In order to make the Mustang achievement club, students must have no disciplinary referrals, all A's, B's, or C's, and cannot be chronically absent.



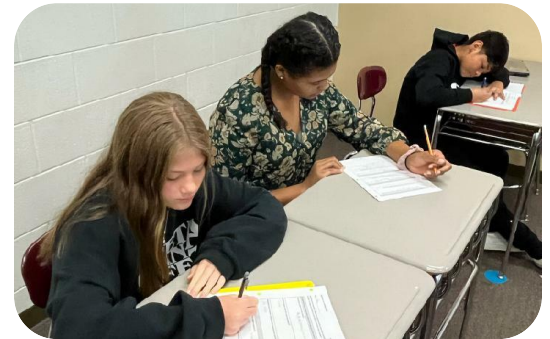


LMS Physical Education

The PE classes started the year off with fitness testing. Sixth grade is in the middle of their first unit, human reproduction. Seventh grade is starting units in team sports, starting with volleyball. They will be introduced to lacrosse and disc golf as well. Eighth grade is starting team sports as well. They are currently learning about pass football, after finishing volleyball last week.

LMS English / Language Arts

Seventh grade English finished their first essay of the school year. They will be wrapping up their first unit, "Generations" and beginning their next unit, "Turning Points."



LMS Cross Country

The Mustang Cross Country team is having a great season. They have multiple athletes who have received medals and everyone is making individual improvements.

Lakewood Chocolate Fundraiser

Lakewood students have been busy participating in the building wide World's Finest Chocolate fundraiser. All money raised goes directly to supporting and celebrating Mustang accomplishments. We greatly appreciate all the students who have sold chocolate and their families supporting them through this fundraiser. GO MUSTANGS!





S.T.a.R. Achievement Club

Lakewood S.T.a.R. Achievement Club



CLUB LEVEL	★ MUSTANG	☆ SILVER	☆ BRONZE
GRADES	All A's	A's & B's	A's, B's, & C's
ABSENCES	95% Attendance	95% Attendance	92% Attendance
TARDIES TO CLASS	0 Tardies To Class	No More Than 2 To Class	No More Than 5 To Class
DISCIPLINE	0 Office Referrals	0 Office Referrals	0 Office Referrals
CIVIC WORK	1 Activity (LMS or Salina)	1 Activity (LMS or Salina)	NA

Club Incentives



Friday VIP Lunchroom Seating	3 Free Advisories (Wed or Thur)	1 Free Advisory (Wed or Thur)
Personalized Mainstreet Hallway Ceiling Tile	2 Snacks From Mr. Emig's Office	1 Snack From Mr. Emig's Office
Mustang Swag Bundle (T-Shirt, Sunglasses, Dogtags, Wristband)	Mustang Swag (Choice of Sunglasses, Dogtags, Wristband)	Free Stang Store Trip

Lakewood's STaR Achievement Club was created to bring attention to and celebrate the successes of our Mustang student body. Strong academic achievement, responsible and safe behavior, and a conscious display of maturity exemplifies what makes a Lakewood Mustang.

The Basics To Know:

1. To be eligible for a club, your student has an entire grading period. The next grading period is when they receive their incentives.
2. Their eligibility for a club starts over every new quarter.
3. Fourth quarter data will still earn your student a Club Level but instead of receiving the predetermined incentives, they will be entered in drawings for the end of the year incentives. (Due to not seeing them in the summer.)
4. To be eligible for the Mustang or Silver Clubs, your student must participate in a civic activity. Guidance has been provided to the students and Mr. Emig is available for help.

The overall program was discussed in Advisories and fliers sent home for parents/guardians. Ask your student for the flier and take the opportunity to set goals for the school year with them. Any questions, ask them for clarification.



LMS Receives Civic Advocacy Network Award

23-24 KSDE Civic Advocacy Network Award

Lakewood Middle School "Mustang STaR Culture"
USD 305



Lakewood Middle School has been honored with the Civic Advocacy Network award, a recognition that underscores the school's commitment to community service and civic engagement. The award highlights the many opportunities Lakewood students have to share their skills and knowledge through actions that benefit Salina and beyond.

Students have embraced service-based learning projects, applying their classroom knowledge to real-world situations. For instance, on Earth Day 2023, students cleaned Lakewood Park as part of a science project that incorporated lessons on the water cycle, biodiversity and human impact on the environment. The school's Student Council has also led various fundraising initiatives including a successful campaign for the Love Chloe Foundation.

The Lakewood Civic Engagement Club, now in its second year, adopts impactful projects focused on service-based learning and community volunteerism. Activities include:

- participation in the Salina Fall Cleanup Day,
- organizing donations of winter clothing for local charities and schools and
- working with Student Council, brought joy to residents of a local nursing home by delivering cards and candy, playing games and introducing them to puppies.

Lakewood's Civics Club sponsor, Chelsey Crawford-Cline, presented about Lakewood's commitment to civics education at the Dole Institute of Politics on Civic Engagement during the summer of 2024.

"We are proud of our students and their dedication to making a difference," said Scott Chrisman, Lakewood Middle School principal. "This award recognizes their hard work and also encourages us all to keep striving for excellence in service and learning."

Students of the Week



Kayden
Hansen
Grade 8



Edman
Rodriguez-
Dominguez
Grade 8



Gabby
Ostmeyer
Grade 7



Naomi
Huseman
Grade 7

Teacher of the Month



Mitchell Boggs
Grade 6
Social Studies



Calendar of Events

October

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	30	31		

October 1: Girls Tennis @ LMS 3:30 p.m.
 Cross Country Meet @ Bill Burke, 4:00 p.m.

October 3: Football @ LMS 4:30 p.m.
 8th Grade Volleyball @ Newton 5:00 p.m.
 7th Grade Volleyball @ LMS 5:00 p.m.
 Girls Tennis @ Hutch 3:30 p.m.

October 7: 7th/8th Volleyball @ LMS 5:00 p.m.
 Tennis League Tournament @ Andover 3:30 p.m.

October 8: Cross Country @ Newton Centennial Park 4:00 p.m.

October 10: Football @ LMS 4:30 p.m.

October 11: NO SCHOOL/INSERVICE DAY

October 12: 7th & 8th Grade Volleyball Tournament @ Newton 9:00 a.m.

October 14: NO SCHOOL/INSERVICE DAY

October 15: Cross Country League Meet @ Valley Center 4:00 p.m.

October 17: Football @ LMS 4:30 p.m.

October 22: Music Concert @ LMS Commons 7:00 p.m.

October 24: LMS/CHS Orchestra Concert @ CHS 7:00 p.m.

October 26: Honor's Music @ LMS 9:00 a.m.



Teacher of the Year Award

Mandy Ediger, Secondary Teacher of the Year!

Lakewood is proud to announce that our very own, Mandy Ediger, has been recognized as the USD 305 Secondary Teacher of the Year. Ms. Ediger is most deserving of this award as she is a model for relationship building, positive praise, and collaborative problem solving.

She is a skilled communicator and works tirelessly to find ways for her students to achieve. She teaches her students to have a growth mindset and embodies that trait herself. We are lucky to have Ms. Ediger at LMS!



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