



## Lakeview Middle School Newsletter

September 2025

### IMPORTANT DATES

September 5, 2025 – PBIS Guest Speaker  
& Pep Assembly  
September 9, 2025 – Picture Day  
October 10, 2025 – Act 80 Day  
(No School for Students)  
October 13, 2025 – School Closed  
October 28, 2025 – Last Day of First 9-Weeks

### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hello, and welcome to the 2025-2026 school year! I am excited to be in my new position as principal for grades 6-8. I am honored to be able to work with and support the Lakeview students, parents/guardians and staff. I am committed to fostering a school culture that values academic excellence, personal growth, and a strong sense of community.

One of my goals is to maintain a monthly newsletter that is specifically focused on providing information that pertains to grades 6-8 of our school. I hope you find the newsletter informative. This month's edition is all about our students getting off to a great start with the new school year and being aware of resources available so that they can be successful.

So, again, welcome back and here's to another great school year! If there is anything I can do to help any of you, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Go Sailors!

Mr. Ace



### BACK TO SCHOOL TIPS

- ✓ Develop a well-organized system to keep track of your assignments.
- ✓ Create a daily routine and stick to it to manage time effectively.
- ✓ Participate actively in class and don't be afraid to ask questions.
- ✓ Don't hesitate to reach out to teachers, counselors, or other resources when you need assistance.
- ✓ Find study methods that work best for you.
- ✓ Don't be afraid to do extra work to boost your learning.
- ✓ Participate in extra-curricular activities such as sports, choir, band, clubs, etc.
- ✓ Form friendships with like-minded individuals and seek guidance from trusted mentors.
- ✓ Engage in activities that promote relaxation and well-being.
- ✓ Develop healthy coping mechanisms for dealing with challenges and setbacks.
- ✓ Eat healthy and get enough sleep.
- ✓ Make good choices.

# ***Keep Your Child on Track in Middle and High School: Pay Attention to Attendance***

Showing up for school has a huge impact on a student's academic success. Even as children grow older and more independent, families play a key role in making sure students get to school every day and understand why attendance is so important for success in school and on the job.

## **DID YOU KNOW?**

- Students should miss no more than 9 days of school each year to stay engaged, successful and on track to graduation.
- Frequent absences can be a sign that a student is losing interest in school, struggling with school work, dealing with a bully or facing some other difficulty.
- By 6<sup>th</sup> grade, absenteeism is one of three signs that a student may drop out of high school.
- By 9<sup>th</sup> grade, attendance is a better predictor of graduation rates than 8<sup>th</sup> grade test scores.
- Missing 10%, or 2 days a month, over the course of the school year, can affect a student's academic success.

## **WHAT YOU CAN DO:**

### **Make school attendance a priority.**

- Talk about the importance of showing up to school every day.
- Help your children maintain daily routines, such as finishing homework and getting a good night's sleep.
- Try not to schedule dental and non-urgent related medical appointments during the school day.
- Keep your student healthy. If you are concerned about a contagious illness, call your school or health care provider.
- If your children must stay home because they are sick, make sure they have asked teachers for resources and materials to make up for the missed learning time in the classroom.

### **Help your teen stay engaged.**

- Find out if your child feels engaged by their classes and feels safe from bullies and other threats.
- Make sure your teens are not missing class because of challenges with behavioral issues or school discipline policies. If any of these are problems, contact the school and work with them to find a solution.
- Monitor your teen's academic progress and seek help from teachers or tutors when necessary. Make sure teachers know how to contact you.
- Stay on top of your child's social contacts. Peer pressure can lead to skipping school, while students without many friends can feel isolated.
- Encourage your child to join meaningful after-school activities, including sports and clubs.
- Support your child if you notice signs of anxiety, and if needed, seek advice from your school or health provider.

### **Communicate with the school.**

- Know the school's attendance policy – incentives and penalties.
- Check on your child's attendance to be sure absences are not adding up.
- Seek help from school staff, other parents, or community agencies if you need support.

## ParentSquare

Lakeview continues to utilize ParentSquare to communicate with parents/guardians. It provides a simple and safe way for everyone to connect.

With ParentSquare, you will be able to:

- Receive all district, school and classroom communication via email, text or app.
- View the school and classroom calendar and RSVP for events.
- Easily sign up to volunteer and/or bring items.
- Securely receive report cards, IEPs and other important student documents.

You can download the free mobile app for iOS or Android or use the desktop version at [www.parentsquare.com](http://www.parentsquare.com). Our goal is for every family to join ParentSquare and engage with our school community.

Android App



iOS App



**Be Here/Be Ready**



**Be Respectful**



**Be Safe**



**Be Positive**

## PBIS

The middle school implements a program called Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS). This program takes the approach of having a proactive role in promoting a positive learning environment for students and staff. It is driven by three major focus areas:

- A positive environment
- An inclusive setting
- Acknowledgement of positive efforts

There will be several activities and incentives in school this year as part of PBIS. These will include a guest speaker, assemblies and pep rallies with games, the Sailor Store, and other activities.

The Sailor Store is a store that allows for students to show, with "Sailor Bucks," that they have been awarded for getting caught in the act of following the Sailor Code (Be Here/Be Ready, Be Respectful, Be Safe, Be Positive). Students use the Sailor Bucks to purchase awesome items from the store.

PBIS doesn't forget the school staff. Staff Appreciation Days may include things like free donuts, fun games, and other gestures to show appreciation for all they do.

# GET INVOLVED!

Students who participate in extracurricular activities generally show improved academic statistics, including better attendance, higher test scores, and increased rates of college attendance and degree completion compared to non-participants. Also, participation in sports and other activities may increase school belonging and social ties.

## MIDDLE SCHOOL EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

**Band**

**Baseball**

**Basketball**

**Cheerleading**

**Choir**

**Cross Country**

**Football**

**Softball**

**Student Council**

**Track & Field**

**Volleyball**

**Wrestling**

