



LHCS News

A weekly publication of the Lake Harriet Community School PTA

May 29, 2018

40th ISSUE FOR '17-'18

Middle School Specialist sign-up

All students currently in grades 5, 6 and 7 should complete this google form to indicate their specialist preferences for the 2018-2019 school year: <https://goo.gl/forms/aXGX96z5jJZzJaCk2> (the link is also available from the Middle School page of the Lake Harriet website).

Students must choose either two-day visual art or a two-day music option. The two-day music options are choir, band and guitar orchestra. Choir and band will be performing groups, guitar orchestra is designed for students who want to learn or improve their guitar skills. All students will automatically have PE and Health one day a week.

The fifth day will be an elective day. The choices are Advanced PE, Rock Band, Wellness, and Visual Art. Some classes (specifically Advanced PE) could become over-enrolled. In that case, we will look at the previous two years of rosters and give preference to students who have not had a chance to be in Advanced PE. Not all students will receive their top choices, but we will do our best.

Elective Course Descriptions:

Advanced PE - students participate in more demanding PE activities. This course includes a triathlon as a capstone event.

Art - designed for students in music who also want visual art. This course will cover various art concepts.

Wellness - students do yoga, strength training, design healthy activities/games and discuss health topics.

Rock Band - students will work in small groups to learn songs.

Questions? Call the Upper Campus Office at 612-668-3310

5th & 6th Grade Math Competitions

Congratulations to LHCS 5th & 6th graders who competed in the MPS math competitions in the past month. Here's a shout out to 5th graders Oliver E, Theo B-Z, Jayce B, Reece J, Kai H, Evie S, Nithali P, Evan B, Will F, Evan M, Beckett K, Andrew W and Matthew W as well as 6th graders Milo S, Grace D, Emily S, Olyn R, Simon M, Zeke B, Meghan M, Darby Z, Sophie J, Ariana A, Intelligent A and Mason D. They all gave up five early mornings before school to practice and then competed against a host of other MPS teams in 3-hour competitions on a Saturday morning this past month. They represented LHCS very well.

- 5th grade award winners included Will F, Evan M, Jayce B, Andrew W, Theo B-Z and Reece J.
- 6th grade award winners included Zeke B, Grace D, Emily S, Sophie J, Ariana A and Darcy Z. In addition, the 6th grader group placed third in the overall school award category for aggregate performance.

Way to go Mathletes!

Box Tops "Silent Fundraiser" for PTA

Box Tops for Education is sponsored by General Mills. It is an easy way for LHCS to make money for our PTA! Box tops can be found on hundreds of General Mills products; each box top clipped and submitted is worth 10 cents for LHCS! For more information please visit the website. You can drop off your box-tops in the office at either campus by June 6. We redeem box-tops throughout the year since they do have expiration dates. If you have further questions please email Rhonda Geere at rkgeere@gmail.com

LCHS Site Council is looking for new members!

What is Site Council?

The Lake Harriet Community School (LHCS) Site Council is the school's site leadership team. As the advisory and planning body for LHCS, it is a forum for staff and parents to provide direction to the administration and to enhance student achievement. The purpose of the Site Council is to examine existing or proposed policies and procedures and make recommendations to ensure sustained student achievement. **It's a tremendous way to learn about how our school functions and to hear insight and perspectives from Staff and Parents at both campuses as well as and District representatives.**

The Site Council's responsibilities include, but are not limited to; long-range planning, monitoring of the school budget, advocating for our school's needs and regular assessment of the effectiveness of LHCS's shared-decision making. Our current subcommittees are the Academic SubCommittee and the Equity SubCommittee.

Site Council members serve a 2 year term (with an option to extend to a third year), with parent membership balanced to represent all students. Commitment is one Site Council meeting a month, with additional as needed meetings for subcommittees.

Interested? We hope so! The application deadline is Friday, June 1 and the link is below. Your energy and insight can make a difference!

http://lakeharriet.mpls.k12.mn.us/online_application

13 Reasons Why

On Friday, May 18, 2018, Netflix released the second season of the controversial show "13 Reasons Why." The content deals with issues of suicide, rape, bullying, drunk driving, and other sensitive topics. We understand that students are curious about these topics and that viewing this show is compelling for many teens and pre-teens. The National Association of School Psychologists (NASP) does not recommend the viewing of this series for vulnerable populations, particularly those struggling with suicidal ideation, depression, or anxiety. NASP has also provided resources and guides for educators and families so that they may engage in dialogue around the sensitive topics for students who choose to watch and to be aware of any concerns that may arise for students after viewing "13 Reasons Why."

- National Association of School Psychologists (NASP) "13 Reasons Why Netflix Series: Considerations for Educators" <https://www.nasponline.org/resources-and-publications/resources/school-safety-and-crisis/preventing-youth-suicide/13-reasons-why-netflix-series-considerations-for-educators/information-regarding-the-upcoming-release-of-13-reasons-why-season-2> ·
- American Foundation for Suicide Prevention 13 Reasons Why <https://afsp.org/campaigns/talk-about-mental-health-awareness-month-2018/13-reasons-why/> ·
- Netflix 13 Reasons Why Discussion Guide for watching/rewatching Season 1 <http://13reasonswhy.info/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/13-Reasons-Why-Season-1-Discussion-Guide.compressed.pdf>

School support staff, such as our school social worker, Lynne McCoy, and school psychologist, Julie Hirsch, are available to support students with any feelings that may emerge due to viewing the show or from conversations stemming from the show "13 Reasons Why."

Lost and Found items

Please pick up any Lost and Found items at both LC and UC by June 8th. After that they will be donated to charity.

School supplies are flying off the shelf!

Wow! Over 200 kits have been ordered in the last week. Have you visited https://www.1stdayschoolsupplies.com/list.php?school_zip=55410 yet to purchase your

child's K – Grade 5 back to school kit? The ordering is easy and quick. Our store is open now, get started! Kits will be shipped directly to the appropriate campus for pick up at the Open House nights in August. (NOTE: School supply packs are NOT available for Grades 6 – 8).

Ordering Instructions:

1. Go to the Supply website https://www.1stdayschoolsupplies.com/list.php?school_zip=55410
2. Choose either Lake Harriet Lower or Upper.

REMINDER: Choose NEXT YEAR's grade pack!

Questions: Contact LHCS PTA School Supply Chair, Amy Mimick (amymimick@yahoo.com).

<http://lakeharriet.mpls.k12.mn.us/schoolsupplies>

8th Grade families - Reminder

Information about all the 8th grade year-end events can be found on the Middle School page of the school website. http://lakeharriet.mpls.k12.mn.us/middle_grades_6-8

Mark your calendars today! Notice that due to the size of this class, all events are limited to 2 guests per student. If you have any questions, contact the school office, or email Rhonda Bonnabeau Rhonda.Bonnabeau@mpls.k12.mn.us

8th Grade Recognition Day: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Friday, June 8 is the **8th Grade Recognition Ceremony**. While this is not a graduation, this is a ceremony where we honor our 8th grade students and celebrate the time they have spent at LHCS. It is a major milestone event for our school and we need help to make it successful! Please volunteer if you can!

*Volunteers will be contacted by someone from the 8th Grade Recognition committee with further instruction. If you have questions about volunteering, please contact Kjerstin Cameron at kjerstincameron@gmail.com

Click here to sign-up <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0e4ea4ad2fa2f85-8thgrade3>

Upper Campus Field Days

Parents are more than welcome to come out and watch. Events take place at Pershing Park.

Field Day Grades 4-6 – Wednesday, May 30th (9:45 AM – 12:45 PM)

Field Day Grades 7-8 – Thursday, May 31st (1:00 PM – 4:00 PM)

(June 1st is the rain date for both events)

Bicycle Taproom Tour Fundraiser

Join LHCS parents for our 5th annual afternoon of biking and beer tasting! This fun tour will head to three or four local brewery taprooms and provide the opportunity to buy food along the way. Saturday, June 2nd, 11:00 – 5:30 PM. For more info or to purchase tickets go to: http://lakeharriet.mpls.k12.mn.us/Parties_Galore

Art Show Winners

I wanted to extend a very warm thank you to all the volunteers that helped me this year with the art show. I feel like it was successful and it was a pleasure to put on for you. I want to shout out a huge thank you to Meredith Smith, Jozie Rutten, Jen Cuff, Mark Deyoung, Ian Kees, Tiffany Moore, Rhonda Bonnabeau, Corrine Tomasko, Deb Hansen, Peter Thein, Matt Striet, Katie Bloomer and Melissa Pederson. I could not have pulled this off without you guys! The students that were in the art show were selected during our critique day when fellow students decided who should represent their class in the art show at the end of the year. I then had judges come through with various backgrounds to make sure that all aspects of the art was taken into consideration. Following below is the list of winners at this year's show. Overall winners receive a \$10 gift card to Michael's craft store! I had four qualified judges this year going around to make sure we chose the best ones. The overall for each grade level was determined by the fourth judge taking into consideration all votes and projects that was present in the art show. Thank you again for everyone's support and for everyone who participated.

-Mrs. Laura Hale

4th Grade Winners

Overall Winner: Willa T.

First Place:

- Keira W.- Taking a Line for a Walk
- Amber C.- Dream Catchers
- Helen C.- Pop Art Social Statements
- Willa T.- Forms

Second Place:

- Katrin W.- Taking a Line for a Walk
- Katrin W.- Dream Catchers

- Willa T.- Pop Art Social Statements
- Isabelle J.- Forms

Third Place:

- Julie R.- Taking a Line for a Walk
- Sequoia B.- Dream Catchers
- Mary B.- Pop Art Social Statements
- Helen C.- Forms

5th Grade Winners

Overall Winner: Nithali P.

First Place:

- Isabelle A.- String Art
- Maeve R.- Baskets
- Isabelle H.- Pop Art Social Statements
- Nithali P.- Forms

Second Place:

- Nithali P.- String Art
- Nithali P.- Baskets
- Finnian L.- Pop Art Social Statements
- Vivian P.- Forms

Third Place:

- Oliver E.- String Art
- Vivian J.- Baskets
- Sammy W.- Pop Art Social Statements
- Lael T.- Forms

6th Grade Winners

Overall Winner: Adeline S.

First Place:

- Owen S.- Catapult Expressionism
- Adeline S.- Build your Bedroom
- Lewis W.- Under the Lines
- Kat G.- Rugs

Second Place:

- Darby Z.- Under the Lines
- Eliza B.- Rugs
- Mason D.- Catapult Expressionism

- Avery S.- Build your Bedroom

Third Place:

- Ariana A.- Under the Lines
- Adeline S.- Rugs
- Cash C.- Catapult Expressionism
- Ariana A.- Build your Bedroom

7th Grade Winners

Overall Winner: Gunnar S.

First Place:

- Ella K.- Optical Illusions
- Ruby C.- Ink Block Origami
- Maia M.- 3D Idioms

Second Place:

- Elsa F.- Optical Illusions
- Xaria W.- Ink Block Origami
- Lily H.- 3D Idioms

Third Place:

- Clare B.- Optical Illusions
- Aidan M.- Ink Block Origami
- Sylvi B.-3D Idioms

8th Grade Winners

Overall Winner: Elena W.

First Place:

- Talia C.-Combined Optical Illusions
- Elise K.- Drawing Unit
- Allison H.- 3D Idioms

Second Place:

- Georgia R.- Drawing Unit
- Bryn G.- 3D Idioms
- Elena W.- Combined Optical Illusions

Third Place:

- Ava P.- Combined Optical Illusions
- Molly K.- Drawing Unit
- Ameya P.- 3D Idioms

Advanced 8th Grade Winners

Overall Winner: Sophia B.

First Place:

- Sophia B.-Zentangle Illusions
- Sophia B.- Graphic Novels/ Comic Books

Second Place:

- Sydney T.- Zentangle Illusions
- Owen R.- Graphic Novel/ Comic Books

Third Place:

- Olivia F.- Zentangle Illusions
- Sam F.- Graphic Novels/ Comic Books

Community News:

SWHS Girls' Soccer Camp!

When: June 11 – 14, 11:00 – 1:00 PM (could add a second section from 9:00 – 11:00, if needed)

Where: SWHS Stadium

Who: Current and Potential High School players

Register: <https://swwomensoccer.weebly.com/>

Led by varsity coach Taylor Greathouse, this camp is the one opportunity for all current and potential players to work with and be seen by Coach Greathouse before the August tryouts. It's a wonderful opportunity and very inexpensive summer soccer activity at just \$100 (Camp T-Shirt included). There will also be specific focus on goalie training during the camp for participants interested in goaltending. **Incoming 8th and 9th graders are strongly encouraged to participate.**

June 11 will be from 11-1 pm for all participants. June 12 – 14 could be divided into 2 sections depending on how many people sign up.

Questions? Contact Carl Flink at 612-812-3260 carllindsayflink@gmail.com

Southwest FTC Robotics Informational Meeting

Southwest FTC Robotics is looking for current 6th - 8th grade students interested in forming new teams for next years First Tech Challenge robotics competition! We are holding an informational meeting at Southwest High School on Thursday, May 31st from 7 - 8 PM (in the commons area, enter at 47th and Beard). See some robots, talk to current teams (featuring many current LHCS students), and learn about our plans over the summer and fall. Interested students and families are encouraged to attend. Visit our website at <https://southwestftc.wordpress.com/> for more details, or e-mail us at swftcteams@gmail.com with any questions.

Camp GOTR - Spots Still Available!

Girls on the Run is offering a new camp at Lake Harriet this summer and spots are still open! Camp GOTR: Girls Have Heart. Throughout the week, incoming 3rd - 5th grade girls will have fun exploring friendships with activities designed to discover what makes a good friend and how to be a good friend to others. Girls will build, create, write, discuss, connect, and laugh all while participating in games and activities that will leave them feeling confident and appreciated by their teammates. July 16 - 20 8:30 - 12:30, with full day on Wednesday the 18th. Register at: <https://www.gotrtwincities.org/camp-gotr>

High School Boys Soccer

Families of boys interested in playing soccer at Southwest High School in the fall should visit the Southwest Soccer Booster website at <https://southwest-soccer.com/> - Be sure to fill out the contact form for more information throughout the summer. We hope to see you on the pitch!

2017-2018

LHCS

News

Contacts:

Julie Adams: julieadamsgerth@gmail.com

Anne Arden: annearden@yahoo.com

Gwen Spurgat: gwen.spurgat@objectpartners.com

Published every Tuesday. Deadline for submission is 4pm the preceding Thursday.

Submissions: email to Anne Arden: annearden@yahoo.com or use the online submission form at:

<http://lakeharriet.mpls.k12.mn.us/connection1.html>.

Please try to limit each submission to approximately 150 words in length.