

LEWIS & CLARK LEDGER

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Summer Newsletter

2009-2010



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Summer Office Hours:

Beginning August 10

8:00 AM - 3:30 PM

From the Principal

Dear Parents,

Greetings! I hope you are able to find time to relax and enjoy the presence of family and friends this summer. While there is still plenty of sun and vacation time ahead, I am looking forward to my first year as the Principal at Lewis and Clark Middle School. I have been a teacher and administrator in the Meridian School District for 15 years and am anxious to be part of the Lewis and Clark community.

As you browse this issue, please make note of the dates and times for registration. If you have multiple students attending Lewis and Clark Middle School and need to make arrangements to attend on only one day, it is asked that you come on the registration date for the youngest child. This will ensure that the schedules will all

be finalized upon your arrival. Lockers are pre-assigned and all other materials will be available each day of registration. The school office will open August 12, 2009. We will be transitioning to a new phone system and a new phone number, so please watch for that information.

The Lewis and Clark Middle School staff is looking forward to providing students with an education that exhibits both high academic and character expectations. We encourage and welcome all parents to be active participants in the day-to-day life of their children. The education of a child is most effective when the shared responsibility between student, parents and staff is consistent. Lewis and Clark Middle School will offer parents multiple options to track the pro-

gress of their child. Parent Teacher Conferences occur twice during the year, progress reports are printed quarterly and Power School Parent offers a real-time update of student's grades and attendance. Additional information about Power School Parent will be made available at registration.

The first day of the 2009-2010 school year is Monday, August 31. This will be a full day of school. The entire Lewis and Clark Middle School staff is looking forward to developing new relationships and strengthening the old relationships in the upcoming school year. Enjoy the remainder of the summer vacation and we will see you at registration in August!

Sincerely,

Kelly Davies, Principal

Our Mission: Lewis and Clark Middle School exists to guide the unique, academic, physical, social and emotional needs of students in order to achieve independent success.

Registration Information

August 18, 19, 20

At August registration, your students will receive their schedule, get lockers, sign up for activities and pay fees.

August 18 - 8th Grade

August 19 - 7th Grade

August 20 - 6th Grade

To cut down on lines and congestion we ask that you register during your assigned time by LAST NAME.

We recommend students new to LCMS spend additional time to navigate through the building, locate classrooms, and open lockers.

Sixth graders and their parents should practice opening their lockers and walking through their schedule.

Registration Times	8:00 AM - 12:00 PM
A - C	8:00 - 8:30
D - F	8:30 - 9:00
G - J	9:00 - 9:30
K - N	9:30 - 10:00
O - R	10:00 - 10:30
S - T	10:30 - 11:00
U - Z	11:00 - 12:00

Fees

Activity / Class	Fee
Activity Card	\$15.50 Tax included
Agenda	\$5.50 Tax included
Yearbook	\$20.00 Tax included
P.E. Uniform Shirt	\$9.00 Tax included
P.E. Uniform Shorts	\$10.00 Tax included
Atlas (8th Grade Geography Class)	\$7.00 Tax included
Art Classes—7th and 8th (Only)	\$13.25 Tax included
Ind. Technology	\$14.85 Tax included
Home Economics	\$15.90 Tax included
Drama	\$3.15 Tax included

Available at REGISTRATION

Lockers

Each student will be assigned a locker. Students are not allowed to share lockers. Students should never share their locker number with other students.

Bus Schedules

Bus schedule information will be posted. Be sure to write down the bus number and pick up times!

Transportation 855-4440

School Lunches

Cafeteria personnel will be at registration to explain payment information. Prices:

Classic Lunch \$2.25

Supreme Lunch \$2.75

Club Information

A list of clubs will be available. Club sign ups take place at school in September.

ID Cards & Pictures

ID cards will be issued and school pictures will be taken at registration. Dorian Studios will be mailing picture packets this summer. Retakes and pictures for student not at registration will be taken in October.

Spirit Wear

PTSA will be selling LCMS t-shirts and sweatshirts. See PTSA information on page ***

FOOTBALL Schedule

August 19, 2009

Mandatory Parent Meeting 6:00 p.m. in Large Gym

Weigh In, Parent Consent Forms Signed, and Equipment Check Out

First Practice: August 20 3:00- 6:00pm Practice: August 20 - August 28 3:00-6:00pm

First Day of School: August 31 Schedule to be announced

PLAYERS NEED: Water, cleats, t-shirt, shorts

Spirit Packs \$25 Sold by Coach Appell at Parent Meeting

Note: Players must have 10 practices before allowed to participate in games.

Lightweight Head Coach: Mr. Dew

Heavyweight Head Coach: Mr. Appell

Volleyball

7th & 8th Gr. Girls

Starts August 20th

Get paperwork and practice information at Registration.

Cross Country

6, 7 & 8 Boys/Girls

Starts August 20th

Get paperwork and practice information at Registration.

Cheerleading

7th & 8th Gr. Girls

Starts August 24th

Get paperwork and practice information at Registration.

Student Information

First Day of School

Monday, August 31st will be the first day of school. Classes begin at 7:45am and dismiss at 2:35pm.

NO EARLY RELEASE!

POWER SCHOOLS

Want to know what is going on at school? Parents and students can view their grades everyday.

Students will get a POWER SCHOOL login their schedule.

School Procedures & Policies

General school policies and procedures are outlined in The Parent/Student Handbook located in the Agenda book and online at www.meridianschools.org.

Information includes dress code, attendance policies, and disciplinary policies. These policies and procedures are the same for all Meridian School District middle schools.

Attendance Policy

The laws of the state of Idaho require all youth to attend school regularly. Joint School District No. 2 defines regular attendance as missing NO MORE than SIX (6) days per semester.

Proper documentation provided by a medical or dental office and/or legal verification for any extraordinary absence must be turned in within five days of the absence. All absences except school excused or extraordinary are counted in the six allowable days. **Parent phone calls inform the school that the student is absent but does not excuse the absence.**

Cell Phones, IPODs, and Electronic Devices

In the Handbook, you will find the general policies and procedures for electronic devices. These devices include, but are not limited to, PDA's, pagers, **cell phones**, and music playing devices. Remember, students who bring any electronic device do so at their own risk. The school assumes no liability.

If electronic devices are brought to school they must to be turned

OFF once students enter the building and placed in the students' lockers. This includes cell phones.

Students will not be allowed to have cell phones or other electronic devices in their pockets or binders during the school day. Students are free to use these devices after the dismissal bell at the

end of the day.

If the policy is violated, the device (cell phone, iPOD, etc.), will be confiscated until a parent picks it up.

Additional consequences may be assigned.

**ALL CELL
PHONES MUST
BE TURNED OFF
AND IN YOUR
LOCKER DURING
THE DAY.**

Student DRESS Code

Taken from the Handbook:

Inappropriate for schools:

- Clothing that does not cover the stomach, back, chest/cleavage, or undergarments.
- Tank Tops

- Shorts or skirts shorter than mid-thigh or holes above mid-thigh
- Chains connecting the wallet to a belt loop or worn anywhere on a student
- Spiked clothing, belts or jewelry

- Pajamas or boxer shorts worn as outerwear
- Hats, headbands, hoods, bandanas, head coverings

Students violating the policy will be allowed to call home for a change of clothes or given something to wear.

Middle School Exit Standards

The Middle School Exit Standards will be in effect for the 2009-2010 school year. It is the goal of the Joint School District No. 2 that each student exiting middle school demonstrates learning competencies prior to transition to high school.

Eighth grade

All eight grade students are expected to have accomplished the following by the end of the school year:

- Cumulative (four quarters) passing grades in English, math and science during eighth grade year.
- Successful completion of PACE.
- No more than 6 absences per semester.

Seventh grade

All seventh grade students are expected to have accomplished the following by the end of the school year:

- Cumulative (four quarters) passing grades in writing composition, literature, math and science during seventh grade year.
- No more than 6 absences per semester.

Sixth grade

All sixth grade students will be expected to have accomplished the following by the end of the school year:

- Cumulative (four quarters) passing grades in writing composition, literature, math and science during sixth grade year.
- No more than 6 absences per semester.

Failure to meet the standards may result in the following:

- ⇒ After school/ Saturday School attendance for assistance
- ⇒ Removal of electives for lab placement
- ⇒ Summer school /Cyber classes (7th and 8th grade only)
- ⇒ Placement review

The LCMS counselors and administrators will be working with students who are at risk of not meeting the requirements. If you have any questions or concerns regarding your student's progress or the new policy, please contact the grade level counselor.



Lewis & Clark Athletics 2009-10

SPORT	GRADE	START DATE	HEAD COACH
Cheerleading	7,8	August 24	Shannon Honeycutt
Volleyball	7,8	August 20	Nikki Johnson
Football (Light Wt.)	7,8	August 20	Scott Dew
Football (Heavy Wt.)	7,8	August 20	Ricky Appell
Cross Country	6,7,8	August 20	Jeff Kelley
Intramural Tennis	6	September 14	Kim Wilper
Intramural Volleyball	6	September 16	Kim Wilper
Wrestling	6,7,8	October 14	Fred Bartlet
Girls Basketball	8	October 14	Tammy Gay
Boys Basketball	8	January 4	Thom Baker
Intramural Girls & Boy Basketball	6	February 24	Kim Wilper Ricky Appell
Tennis	6,7,8	March 22	Kim Wilper
Track	6,7,8	March 22	Kerri Wilkens Lisa Churchman
Girls Basketball	7	March 15	Tammy Gay
Boys Basketball	7	March 15	Thom Baker

Ricky Appell Athletic Director
appell.ricky@meridianschools.org

Students must purchase an Activity Card to participate in athletics.

PTSA INFORMATION

PTSA Leaders for 2009-2010

President: Molly Stump

Vice-President (Fundraising): Jeni Carlson

Vice-President (Events): Gail Carrithers

Treasurer: Richard Bowring

Secretary: Jeni Carlson

Membership/Volunteer Coordinator:

Robin Sosin

Concessions Coordinator: Virginia

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Boogie Bash Coordinator: Shelly Hiner

Join PTSA and support the group that supports the school!

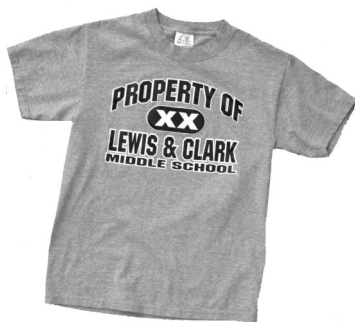
Our school values and depends on a supportive network of parents, and PTSA plays an important role in the success of our school. We encourage all parents and students to become PTSA members. Membership is \$5 per person. PTSA meets once per month, but attendance at the meetings is not required. As a PTSA member, you will receive monthly email updates about events and volunteer opportunities. Stop by our table at registration to learn more.

Questions about LCMS PTSA? Contact Molly Stump at 322-6706 or stumps@q.com

Spirit Wear

LCMS Spirit Wear

“Property of LCMS” T-shirts and sweatshirts will be available for purchase at registration and at the fall open house. Gear Up! These are great for students to wear for spirit days, pep rallies, sporting events, or just every day. They are also a perfect way for parents to let everyone know that they are LCMS



We're looking forward to seeing you! Stop by the PTSA table at registration for info on:

LCMS T-Shirts/Sweatshirts
Volunteer Opportunities & Sign-up
PTSA Membership Info & Sign-up
PTSA Fall Meeting Schedule
Details about Boogie Bash and other upcoming events

Volunteers Needed

We realize that you have many demands on your time, and we appreciate any amount of volunteer time that you give. There are numerous volunteer opportunities available throughout the year ranging from one-hour, one

-time events to on-going commitments. Would you like to work a shift at the Boogie Bash? Sell concessions? Prepare food for a teacher event? Chair a committee? Pick up a

appreciation event? Chair a committee? Pick up a volunteer sign-up form at the PTSA table during registration and choose how you would like to be involved.

SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST 2009-10



6TH GRADE

Black Pens	Ruler
Expandable folder or three ring binder	3-ring Spiral Notebook (5)
Loose Leaf Paper	Markers
Scissors	Colored Pencils
Calculator (Required for those enrolled in Pre-Algebra)	Pencils and Sharpener
Colored Highlighters	

Turn the following into your Advisory Teacher: (1) Box of Kleenex (1) Glue Stick

7th GRADE

Three-ring binder w/dividers and notebook paper	Colored Pencils
(no spiral)	Blue and Black pens
Pencils and Sharpener	4 pack of Highlighters
Red Pen for correcting	Protractor and Compass set
Scissors	Spiral Notebook (1)
Ruler (metric and standard measurement)	White Board Markers
Scientific Calculator	(4) Glue Stick

Turn the following into your Advisory Teacher: (1) Box of Kleenex (1) Glue Stick to (Science Teacher)

8th GRADE

(2) Spiral notebooks 70 sheet	4 pack of Highlighters
Box colored pencils	1 4oz. Bottle Elmer's Glue
Pens (2 each) blue, black, and red	Scientific Calculator (Not graphing)
Loose leaf, college ruled notebook paper	(4) Glue Sticks
Three-ring binder	Pencils and Sharpener
Ruler (metric and standard measurement)	Scissor

Turn the following into your Advisory Teacher: (1) Box Kleenex