

LP School District Newsletter

December 8, 2023

Dear Bulldog Families,

I'm proud of our amazing school district for so many reasons. I'm proud of the vibrant Bulldog spirit that unites all of us. Bulldogs have a strong sense of community and express it enthusiastically. I'm proud of the dedication of our talented staff and of how our students continuously strive to learn and achieve. I'm proud of the caring and engaged families who partner with us to form a supportive community for our students. Our excellent programs, activities, and opportunities promote the development of every learner to achieve and succeed in a changing world. (Sounds like our mission statement at work!) I'm proud that at Lester Prairie Schools, kindness is a core value shaping compassionate individuals. We are a community that values character and compassion.



There are so many other things to be proud of about our wonderful school district. What are you proud about Lester Prairie Schools? I'd love to chat with you about that!

Sincerely,
Dr. Melissa Radeke
Superintendent
Lester Prairie Schools

[Apply online to become a Math Tutor for 4-8th graders at 25 or 35 hours/week at Lester Prairie Elementary.](#)

Application deadline for the January 15th start is December 15th. For more information call Joe McLean at 612.206.3048.

Put Your Passion in
ACTION

Become a Tutor!

AmeriCorps | Math CORPS

The advertisement features a photograph of three people: an older man with a white beard and glasses wearing a blue Math Corps t-shirt, a young girl with long brown hair in a red shirt, and a young boy in a green striped shirt. The background is white with yellow and blue graphic elements, including arrows and a paperclip. The AmeriCorps logo is a stylized 'A' in a circle, and the Math Corps logo is a blue arrow pointing right with the text 'Math CORPS' next to it.



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THANK YOU FOR YOUR
GENEROUS GRANT IN 2023!
YOUR GENEROSITY HELPED
SUPPORT 2B CONTINUED'S
TEEN MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID
PROGRAM AT:



LESTER PRAIRIE HS
(37 STUDENTS TRAINED SPRING 2023)



GLENCOE SILVER LAKE HS
(53 STUDENTS TRAINED FALL 2023)



HUTCHINSON HS
(62 STUDENTS TRAINED FALL 2023)

TOGETHER WE'RE

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

152 10th grade students trained in
Teen Mental Health First Aid!



Lester Prairie Lions Club



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Don't forget to stop up at City Hall this Sunday December 10th for the annual Lions Club Pancake Breakfast serving from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm , Santa will be there from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm for pictures, and also handing out treat bags.



NEWS FROM PRINCIPAL LEE:

Making appointments for your children's eye, dental, medical, therapy, etc., can sometimes be challenging. These appointments are considered excused absences. Please try to schedule necessary appointments outside of the school day so that your child can be present at school. If you are unable to schedule outside the school day, your child is expected to bring a note specifying the time, day, and reason for the appointment to excuse the absence.

ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR UPDATES:

This past Wednesday, I had the unique opportunity to take 12 students to the first ever MSHSL SALT Together in Partnership Statewide Conference held at the RiverCentre in St. Paul. SALT (Student Advisory and Leadership Team) developed and ran many aspects of this conference. The conference centered around leadership and culture building within the school setting.

The conference hosted 680 students from 70 districts from around the state of Minnesota. Students were put into groups and



Mental Health and Managing Adversity, Life Beyond High School, Strategies for Building Better Relationships and Speak Up! During lunch time, students engaged in a T-shirt exchange. Students brought a t-shirt with their school name/logo on it and had to exchange it with someone new they had met that day (thank you booster club for the T-shirts). The conference ended with a very high energy, motivational talk about how making good choices and being accountable to yourself in highschool will pay off later in life.

On the bus ride home I asked about each student's favorite session. They all agreed that all the sessions were informative but that the Life Beyond High School presenter, who was also the final keynote speaker, was by far their favorite of the day. This was a great experience for our Lester Prairie students to step out of their comfort zones and be able to learn how to be a leader of a positive culture within our school community.



RUFF RUFF REPORT - Mr. Machemehl's Class

[Click here for the latest report.](#)

Free COVID-19 Tests Available

As of Nov. 20, individual households can order four more free tests through [COVID.gov](https://www.covid.gov) ahead of the holidays.

Families are also able to get free tests from the School District as long as supplies last. Please contact the Ashley Heckson in the Health Office or email her at: heckson@lp.k12.mn.us

Does the School District have your most current contact information?

The School District uses the School Messenger Alert System to inform parents of school closings, late starts, early outs, and emergencies. Please make sure we have your current contact information so you receive our communications!



Community members can sign up to receive our inclement weather and emergency messages using a form on our website under the Community tab or [click here](#).



Dates to Know:

- December 18 - Regular School Board Meeting
- December 23 through January 1 - Winter Break - no school
- January 2 - School resumes
- January 15 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - no school

Next Regular School Board Meeting: Monday, December 18th at 5:45pm in the Media Center

Please visit the School Board tab on our website to view upcoming Board Meeting agendas.

<https://www.lp.k12.mn.us/page/2452>



Do you have any comments or feedback to share?

We would love to hear from you because your voice is important to us. Please click on the Google Form below. Thank you!



Comments and Feedback

We would love to hear your thoughts and/or feedback about our school district. Please include your contact information so we can follow up with you.

[Sign in to Google](#) to save your progress. [Learn more](#)



* Indicates required question

It is the mission of ISD 424 to develop every learner to the learner's maximum potential, to succeed and continue to learn in a changing world.



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