

# LP School District Newsletter

December 22, 2023

## HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Dear Bulldog Scholars, Staff and Families,

*However you choose to spend this holiday season, I hope you will experience many moments of joy and find time to create cherished memories with family, friends, and those you hold dear.*

*Wishing you good health and much happiness in 2024!*

*~Superintendent Melissa Radeke*





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[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.



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## NEWS FROM PRINCIPAL LEE:

I wanted to take this opportunity to wish each and every one of you an awesome winter break! I hope you get to spend time with family and friends, enjoying the holiday spirit and creating unforgettable memories. Remember to stay safe, keep warm, and embrace the joy of the season. Happy holidays, and see you in 2024!

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## ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR UPDATES:

Happy Holidays from the Activities Department

Both girls and boys basketball teams will be participating in Holiday tournaments over the break. The girls will be traveling to Rushford-Peterson schools to compete in a 3 day tournament. The boys will be competing in a two day tournament at Legacy Christian Academy.

And don't forget...Future Hoopsters starts on Saturday, January 6th.

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## COUNSELOR CORNER:

My name is James Bettcher and I'm thrilled to join the staff as a part-time guidance counselor! I am a proud graduate of Lester Prairie High School. I began my teaching career in Pequot Lakes, MN as an English teacher, drama director, and coach before completing my masters program at St Cloud State University. My guidance counseling journey began here at Lester Prairie serving as guidance counselor in the mid 90's. For the last 23 years I've worked in the Waconia School District before returning home to my alma mater. I'm looking forward to working with students, parents, and staff at Lester Prairie. I am available daily from 7:30-11:30 to provide career guidance, social/emotional support, or just to chat! Stop by the guidance office and say hello!



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### RUFF RUFF REPORT - Mr. Machemehl's Class

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

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### 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](mailto:heckson@lp.k12.mn.us)

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### 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!



SCHOOLMESSENGER®

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](#).

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### Dates to Know:

December 23 through January 1 - Winter Break - no school



January 2 - School resumes

January 8 - Reorganizational & Regular School Board Mtg 5:45pm

January 15 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - no school

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## Next School Board Meeting: Monday, January 8th 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>



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## 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

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