

LP School District Newsletter

April 12, 2024

NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK: APRIL 7-13

This past week was National Library Week. We are so fortunate to have Dede Breimhorst in our library media center! Dede says the best part of her job is seeing all the smiling faces that come into the library...and she knows them all by name.

Dede loves to help students find books that will interest them. She goes through the books and pulls several each week that she likes to display. Dede says that popular books depend on the age of the student. Younger students like the *Dog Man* series, *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*, *Unicorn* series, and *Diary of a Pug* series. The older elementary students like hunting and fishing books, *Babysitter Club* books, stories about animals, and graphic novels. As for Dede herself? She loves *Pete the Cat* because her son's name is Pete.



We want to give a big shout-out to Dede and thank her for all she does to make our library a warm, welcoming, and interesting place to learn and find great books to read!



WE ARE HIRING!

Lester Prairie School District

Data & Systems Coordinator



Open Position

- Student Information Systems: Data Entry & Management
- Administrative Support
- Community Education Supervisor
- MARSS/EdFi State reporting

8 hours per day - 210 days

Includes Health, Dental, Life & LTD insurance, Matching 403B, personal/sick leave, and paid holidays.

Apply at: lp.k12.mn.us/page/3034

NEWS FROM PRINCIPAL LEE:

Social Media has changed the world.

As our world becomes more connected through social media, it's important to ask ourselves if we've properly prepared our children for this digital world. Parents and adults play a crucial role in guiding kids through the ever-changing landscape of social media. Before allowing them to have access to a smartphone and/or other devices, we must teach them how to use it responsibly, understanding the impact their words and actions can have on themselves and others. It's not just about knowing how to post pictures, chat with friends, watch you tube or Tik Tok; it's about understanding online privacy, cyberbullying, and the importance of critical thinking.

Being a kid is not always easy. There are very few places you can escape social media and the pressure and influence it puts on kids. Would you send your child out into the world to fend for themselves at the age of 8, 10, or even 16? Giving kids unlimited access to technology is like sending them off into the world by themselves. We need to help our kids navigate through a world of social media. By having open and honest conversations with our children about the social media, we can help them navigate this digital world safely and responsibly.

I miss the days of accidentally falling down or doing something silly and not having to worry if I will be made fun of on Snapchat or some other platform

ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR UPDATES:

Spring season is upon us. As I think back to last year and to all the snow we still had on the ground, I'm glad that this year was my first as AD. Spring activities have a lot of moving parts, I cannot imagine all of the "extra" it took just to re-work all the spring schedules last season. I know we won't have this type of spring every year, but I'm thankful for the good spring weather this first time through. As always, remember to check out the school calendar for dates and times to get out and support our Bulldog Activities. GO BULLDOGS!!

COUNSELOR CORNER:

Testing Season is upon us. In the months of April and May students in grades 3-8, 10, and 11 will be taking the Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments (MCA's). Testing can be a stressful time of year for both students and families, but here are some tips to help alleviate the stress.

- Develop healthy and consistent routines
- Get a good night's sleep
- Eat a healthy breakfast
- Come to school prepared with your chromebook charged
- Cultivate good study habits to help demonstrate knowledge
- Talk with your students about the upcoming tests and the importance of doing their best

Here are the upcoming testing dates

- Grades 3-6 Reading April 10th and 11th
- Grades 7, 8, 10-Reading April 17th
- Grade 3-6 Math April 23rd and 24th
- Grades 7-8, 11 Math April 24th
- Grade 5, 8, 10 Science May 1st

If you have any questions or concerns about the upcoming testing, please reach out to your student's teacher or Christine Mattson the District Assessment Coordinator.

SENIORS:



Eduardo Rocha Valenzuela

What activities do (did) you participate in while at Lester Prairie School?
None

What are your plans after high school?
Join the workforce and continue studying English.

What is your favorite memory of school?
Bulldog Challenges

Who has influenced you most in life? Why?
My mom because she always helps me with my decisions.

What are your hobbies and/or interests?
Traveling and seeing new places.

Favorite Movie
N/A

Favorite Restaurant
La Casita

Favorite Song/Artist
Banda MS

Favorite Quote
El Karma se celebra mejor que una venganza.

What is your dream job?
Entrepreneur

Would you rather:
~~Only be able to charge your cell phone once a week~~
Only have a cell phone without a camera

Would you rather eat:
Raising Cane's
Chick-fil-A

Would you rather:
only watch movies
~~only watch TV series~~

Favorite "dad" Joke
N/A



Allison Knoll

What activities do (did) you participate in while at Lester Prairie School?
FPS, Basketball, Softball, Volleyball

What are your plans after high school?
University of North Dakota for Occupational Therapy

What is your favorite memory of school?
PSEO or the senior class trip

Who has influenced you most in life? Why?
My grandma because she has always believed in me and pushed me out of my comfort zone

What are your hobbies and/or interests?
Weightlifting and watching tik tok

Favorite Movie
Anyone but you

Favorite Restaurant
Texas Roadhouse

Favorite Song/Artist
Unwritten by Natasha Bedingfield

Favorite Quote
"Procrastination is the key to motivation"

What is your dream job?
Stay at home wife

Would you rather:
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Only have a cell phone without a camera

Would you rather eat:
Raising Cane's
Chick-fil-A

Would you rather:
only watch movies
~~only watch TV series~~

Favorite "dad" Joke
I'm hungry! "Eat honey!" "I'm not!"



Charidy Ernhart

What activities do (did) you participate in while at Lester Prairie School?
Softball, Cheerleading, Choir, Lester Prairie Ambassador Program

What are your plans after high school?
Go to Ridgewater College and get my RN

What is your favorite memory of school?
Making ice cream in class.

Who has influenced you most in life? Why?
My mom, she helps me make plans and shows that I can finish them.

What are your hobbies and/or interests?
Horse back riding, playing with my goats.

Favorite Movie
Princess Anastasia

Favorite Restaurant
Tokyo Grill

Favorite Song/Artist
Faouzia

Favorite Quote
"The road is long so pick a fun one."

What is your dream job?
Working as a wound nurse

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Only have a cell phone without a camera

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Favorite "dad" Joke
A duck walks in to a drug store and ask chapstick and tell the cashier to put it on his bill.

Senior Plans

1989-1990 OFFICIAL HIGHWAY MAP MINNESOTA

MINNESOTA INDEX TO OTHER STATES

SCHEDULED INTERCITY PASSENGER TRANSPORTATION SERVICE

MINNESOTA INDEX TO COUNTIES

Ruff Ruff Report with Mr. Machemehl's Class:

[Click here for the latest Ruff Ruff Report.](#)

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:

- April 15: Regular School Board Mtg 5:45p
- May 17: Graduation 7pm
- May 20: Regular School Board Mtg 5:45pm
- May 23: last day of school for students
- May 24: last day of school for teachers

Next School Board Meeting: Monday, April 15 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.

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* 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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