

LP School District Newsletter

May 10, 2024

Dear Lester Prairie Bulldogs,

As Teacher Appreciation Week draws to a close, I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude to all of our wonderful Lester Prairie educators who nurture our students' learning and growth. I would also like to extend my appreciation to our support staff, administrators, School Board members, and all others who contribute to the smooth operation of our school community. The dedicated hard work of all benefits our number one priority: our students!

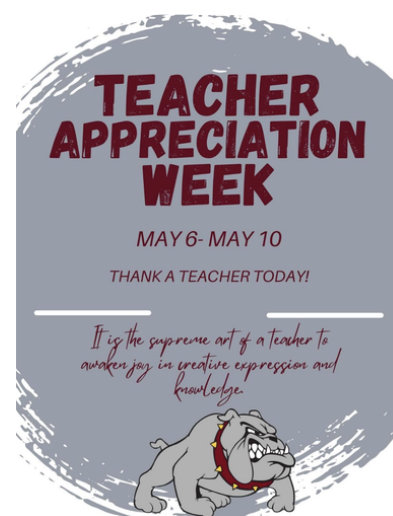
The video below might inspire you to think of teachers who believed in and supported you. (You will need to click on the video 2 or 3 times to get it to load properly.) I am incredibly fortunate to have had so many great teachers who cared for, supported, and encouraged me from preschool through my post-secondary years. It explains, in part, why I chose to be an educator. The video ends with a beautiful tribute:

"Teachers,
We see you.
We value you.
You make a difference."

This week, the LP Booster Club and LP PTO sponsored some Teacher Appreciation Week celebrations in the spirit of "Raising the Bar" for our students.

- Monday: Yogurt Bar
- Tuesday: "Nacho" average teacher Taco Bar
- Wednesday: Donut and Coffee Bar
- Thursday: "You are Sub-sational" sub and salad bar
- Friday: Sweets Bar for the sweetest educators

Many thanks to the Booster Club and PTO for supporting and celebrating our staff!

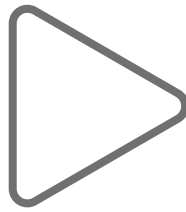


We are grateful for the awesome educators at Lester Prairie Schools!

Sincerely,
Superintendent Melissa Radeke

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Teachers ❤️ | A teacher's impact lasts a lifetime. #TeacherAppreciationDay | By The Female Quotient Facebook



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NEWS FROM PRINCIPAL LEE:

WE'RE

HIRING

**SPECIAL EDUCATION
PARA PROFESSIONAL**

**PRE-K - 12 BUILDING
7:45 - 3:00**

QUALIFICATIONS

ASSIST DISTRICT PERSONNEL IN SUPERVISING AND SUPPORTING PRE K-12 STUDENTS WITH AND/OR WITHOUT SPECIAL NEEDS IN A VARIETY OF ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING BEFORE SCHOOL, BREAKFAST/LUNCH, CLASSROOMS, PLAYGROUND, STUDENT PICK-UP, ETC.

PERFORMS OTHER DUTIES OF A COMPARABLE LEVEL OR TYPE, AS REQUIRED.

ATTENDS WORK REGULARLY AND PUNCTUALLY.

ISD 424 IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER AND SUPPORTS WORKFORCE DIVERSITY



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ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR UPDATES:

As summer break fast approaches, I can't help but think back to my summer breaks during my childhood years. I'm a Gen Xer, so no internet, no cell phones, no Insta-chat or snap a gram. We basically got locked out of the house all day and were allowed back in when it got dark out. Maybe a slight exaggeration, but you get my point. I had a pretty close group of friends and we were always on the go. Mornings consisted of Little League baseball, afternoons at the pool and after the pool closed we continued with the pick up baseball game that never ended. We did this day after day all summer long. We didn't have a lot of options of organized sports camps or league games outside of Little League. Now don't get me wrong, I find a lot of value in the organized camps, and we have a very good offering of summer camps at Lester Prairie School. Make sure you check them out and get signed up if your student has an interest. My point is, don't be afraid to "lock the doors" every once and a while and make sure your kids are staying active during their summer break. In our technology driven world, it's a great refresher for your kids to "unplug" from the technology, get outside and enjoy the summer weather. Have a great summer break!!

COUNSELOR CORNER:

On May 17th we will be shaking hands with aspiring carpenters, architects, police officers,

across the stage, receive their diplomas, and exit Lester Prairie High School in pursuit of their dreams. Checking grades and counting graduation credits are complete as anxious seniors prepare for their graduation day. As counselors, having the privilege to work with all students K-12 is a responsibility we hold dear. Beginning in elementary school and continuing through senior high, lessons in personal responsibility, emotional maturity, career development, and sense of community help foster the growth and potential of every student who wears the maroon robe. Your future is bright! Go Bulldogs!

SENIORS:



Avery Heimerl

What activities do (did) you participate in while at Lester Prairie School?
Softball, Cross Country, Play, and FPS.

What are your plans after high school?
I plan to continue my education at MNSU Mankato to major in Nursing.

What is your favorite memory of school?
Either the sporting events or the different class challenges we do each year.

Who has influenced you most in life? Why?
My family, they have always been constant supporters of me whether that be showing up at my games or even wishing me a happy birthday each year. They have showed me what it truly means to be cared for and loved.

What are your hobbies and/or interests?
Softball, Tubing, Going up to our Cabin, Fishing, Traveling, and Hanging out with friends and family.

Favorite Movie
50 First Dates.

Favorite Restaurant
Chickfila.

Favorite Song/Artist
"All the Stars." - Kendrick Lamar and Sza.

Favorite Quote
"You can do anything with Christ who strengthens you."

What is your dream job?
NICU Nurse.

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
"I was making a joke about retirement. It did not work."



Gibson Kerkvliet

What activities do (did) you participate in while at Lester Prairie School?
Baseball, Football and Trap

What are your plans after high school?
Work and maybe take some fabrication classes

What is your favorite memory of school?
When a classmate set off the fire alarm in small engines class!

Who has influenced you most in life? Why?
I would like to say I have been influenced in some way by most of the people in my life.

What are your hobbies and/or interests?
Outdoor activities like snowmobiling and snowboarding. I also enjoy fishing and Hunting.

Favorite Movie
Top Gun Maverick

Favorite Restaurant
Joe's Kanas City Barbecue

Favorite Song/Artist
Wolves at the Gate

Favorite Quote

What is your dream job?
Custom Fabrication and Business owner

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Favorite "dad" Joke
Mom said to come home in 10 minutes or she is going to give my supper to the dog. I was home in 5 minutes, I didn't want anything to happen to the dog!



Harper Lowe

What activities do (did) you participate in while at Lester Prairie School?
Baseball, football

What are your plans after high school?
College. But undecided which college.

What is your favorite memory of school?
The Ruff Ruff Reports

Who has influenced you most in life? Why?
My dad, he has been my best friend for my whole life and I've always looked up to him.

What are your hobbies and/or interests?
Lifting, and hanging out with friends

Favorite Movie
Benchwarmers

Favorite Restaurant
B dubs

Favorite Song/Artist
Brent Faiyaz

Favorite Quote
"The best way to predict your future is to create it"

What is your dream job?
Sports analytics for a big company.

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Favorite "dad" Joke



Karlee Trittabaugh

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

What are your plans after high school?
College

What is your favorite memory of school?
Beating Mayer Lutheran in sports

Who has influenced you most in life? Why?
My dad is the most influential person in my life because he pushes me to be the version of myself.

What are your hobbies and/or interests?
Hunting, fishing, going to the lake, hanging out with friends

Favorite Movie
Cars

Favorite Restaurant
Olive Garden

Favorite Song/Artist
The Painter by Cody Johnson, I remember everything by Zach Bryan

Favorite Quote
"If you got a dream chase it. Because a dream won't chase you back" - Cojo

What is your dream job?
Stay at home mom

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Chick-fil-A

Would you rather:
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only watch TV-series

Favorite "dad" Joke
Why is dark spelled with a "k" instead of a "c"? Because you can't c in the dark

Ruff Ruff Report with Mr. Machemehl's Class:

[Click here for the 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:

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, May 20 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

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