

LES Greyhounds

NEWSLETTER

May 2023

Important Dates

- May 1-5- Teacher Appreciation Week
- May 8- PTO Meeting at 6:15
- May 11- Pre-K Graduation at 5:30
- May 23- 5th Grade DARE Graduation/Activities
- May 26- LES Fun Day
- May 29- No School- Memorial Day
- May 30- Last Day of School; 10:00 AM Dismissal; Report Cards Sent Home with Students

Important Reminders

- Parents of walkers, please remind your students about following the campus rules and about being safe on their walks to and from school.
- Parents of car riders, please pay attention to the directions and instructions of the staff members outside during pick-up/drop-off times. Please refrain from parking in spaces and releasing your students to walk across the parking lot. Please refrain from pulling out of your place in line unless directed by a staff member.
- Parents please work on getting your students in and out of your vehicles expediently. By this point in the year our pick-up and drop-off process should be moving a lot smoother and quicker than it was at the beginning of the year.
- LCUSD #9 will open up the online registration portal this summer on **July 10-21**. You will be able to access the portal at lcsd9.org. Reminder announcements will be sent out and posted.

Jaxson Schrock from Mrs. Hamm's class was the LES representative for the IPA Student of the Year Ceremony last month!



Grade Level Spotlight!

Kindergarten



Mrs. Burress teaches Kindergarten at Lebanon Elementary. This is her 14th year of teaching, and her first year at Lebanon. She received her Early Childhood Education degree from Eastern Illinois University and completed her student teaching in Darwin, Australia. She taught in Memphis for 4 years, and she also taught in St. Louis for 9 years. Her two daughters, Holland and Harper, attend Lebanon Elementary. When she's not teaching, you can find her traveling with her family, camping, reading, and gardening.

Mrs. Voss is new to Lebanon Elementary this year. This is her 5th year teaching and her 1st year in Kindergarten. She earned her degrees in Elementary and Early Childhood Education from Eastern Illinois University. Mrs. Voss, her husband and their 4 children live in O'Fallon. Her children are 18, 16, 12 and 10. In her free time, Mrs. Voss enjoys watching her children play sports, baking and soaking up the sun at the beach.

This is **Mrs. Nelson's** second year at LES, though her first teaching kindergarten at LES. Last year, she worked in the Pre-K room. Prior to moving to Lebanon, she taught 5th grade for one year and kindergarten for nine years. Her husband, Michael, teaches science at LHS and coaches baseball. They have three children and one on the way! Their older two children are both students at LES. When she is not teaching kindergarten, she loves to be with her family and friends, and you will often find her serving at Rooted Community Church here in Lebanon. She is very thankful to be teaching kindergarten at LES, and she loves her students very much!

Ms. Burcham is the Kindergarten and First Grade Special Education teacher at LES. She has taught for 16 years, but this is her first year with LCUSD #9. Ms. Burcham enjoys spending time with family, traveling, and being outside. She has two daughters, a 6th grader and 1st grader at Triad.



Our LES Students of the Month for April were:

- ★ **Annaka Finch (Nelson)**
- ★ **Ellie Schwaegel (Burress)**
- ★ **Amelia Blank (Voss)**
- ★ **Not pictured are Hayden Smith (Lange) & Madelyn Arnold (Lange)**

The Lebanon Elementary School Student of the Month program recognizes students each month who have done an exemplary job of displaying the attributes of Leadership, Citizenship, and Character. They have performed well academically, and have stood out amongst their peers. These students will receive a certificate, post a Student of the Month sign in their yard for the month, and receive a special reward from the principal! Congratulations to these students and their parents on this special honor. Keep up the great work!



LES Paraprofessionals

Megan Casperson is originally from Freeburg, IL. She went to Millikin University for college, ran Cross Country at MU, then moved to Lebanon. She loves spending time with family, running, camping, fishing, hiking, and anything outdoors! Her kids are also involved in lots of sports, so we are always on the go!

Nicole Miller just recently joined the LES staff in February. It has been a pleasure for her to get to know the staff and students. She has one daughter. They enjoy dancing and spending time outdoors.

Nedra Godwin

Pam Jennings is an Instructional Aide in the Title 1/RTI department. Pam has been teaching at LCUSD9 for 16 years. She and her husband Michael, live in Lebanon, and her 2 children, Michael and Jessica are Lebanon alumni.

Janel Housley is an Instructional Aide in the Title 1/RTI department. She has been teaching here for 3 years and lives in Mascoutah with her husband, Shawn and 2 daughters, Alyssa and Kaitlyn.

Hannah Ragnetti

Teresa Rogers

Monae Abrams

Not Pictured: Crissy Ragnetti & Benjamin Richter



LES Cafeteria & Custodial Staff

Ms. Gloria has worked for LES for 2.5 years. She is a cook in the LES cafeteria. She has 3 children, 10 grandchildren and 1 great-Grandchild. She likes to spend her free time with her family and friends! Her favorite hobby is line dancing.(She is also Ms. Marsha's mom.)

Ms. Marsha started as the volleyball coach at Lebanon School District 11 years ago and has worked as the LES cafeteria manager for the past 8 years. She has 4 children, and 1 grandchild. Marsha enjoys camping, gardening, and playing volleyball. You usually see her at her children's sporting, scouting, or church events.

Mr. Darryl has worked for the Lebanon School District for 18 years. He is the custodian at LES. He has twin boys and 7 grandchildren. (Ms. Marsha says,"Mr. Darryl is always lending a helping hand! He goes above and beyond to make sure that all of us at LES have what we need. He enjoys the students and they enjoy him!)

Ms. Fritsch has worked for the Lebanon School District for 30 years. She is the dishwasher in the LES cafeteria. In her spare time she enjoys reading and going for walks.



LES Office Staff

Kim Wright, District 9 Nurse

Tiffany Reeser, LES Secretary

Julie Hunter, District 9 Social Worker

May Lunch Menu

2nd Options: Monday, Wednesday, & Friday an Uncrustable Tuesday & Thursday a salad with meat and cheese

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
1	2	3	4	5
Polish Sausage	Grilled Cheese	Swedish Meatballs	Popcorn Chicken	Sub Sandwich
Baked Beans	Tomato Soup	w/Bread	Sweet Potato Fries	Carrot Sticks
Pineapple	Green Beans	Garden Salad	Sweet Corn	Apricots
Milk	Craisins	Peaches	Applesauce	Milk
	Milk	Milk	Milk	
8	9	10	11	12
Fiestada	Nacho Deluxe	Mostaccioli w/Bread	Chicken Nuggets	Chicken Patty on Bun
Celery Sticks	Refried Beans	Garden Salad	French Fries	Baked Beans
Pineapple	Sweet Corn	Peaches	Glazed Carrots	Craisins
Milk	Pears	Milk	Applesauce	Milk
	Milk		Milk	
15	16	17	18	19 Fish Sandwich
Pepperoni Pizza	Chicken Fajita	Chicken Alfredo	BBQ Rib on Bun	Hush Puppies
Peas & Carrots	Black Beans	w/Bread	Au Gratin Potatoes	Green Beans
Pineapple	Sweet Corn	Garden Salad	Carrot Sticks	Blueberry Crisp
Milk	Pears	Peaches	Applesauce	Milk
	Milk	Milk	Milk	"Birthday Treat Day"
22	23	24	25	26
Corn Dog	Soft Taco	Cheese Tortellini	Sloppy Joe on Bun	Hot Dog
Carrot Sticks	Refried Beans	w/Bread	French Fries	Sack Lunch
Green Beans	Sweet Corn	Garden Salad	Green Beans	
Raisins	Pears	Peaches	Applesauce	Fun Day
Milk	Milk	Milk	Milk	
29	30	31		
NO SCHOOL	Early Dismissal	Find a Summer Meal Site		
Memorial Day		(800) 359-2163		
	Last Day of			
	Student Attendance			

May Breakfast Menu

Breakfast Entree or Cereal served with Toast, Fresh Fruit, Juice & Milk

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
1	2	3	4	5
French Toast Sticks w/Sausage or Cereal	Cheesy Scrambled Eggs or Cereal	Biscuits & Gravy or Cereal	Breakfast Pizza or Cereal	Cinnamon Roll or Cereal w/Yogurt
8	9	10	11	12
Pancake on a Stick w/Sausage or Cereal	Scrambled Eggs or Cereal	Sausage & Egg Biscuit or Cereal	Breakfast Pizza or Cereal	Donut or Cereal w/Yogurt
15	16	17	18	19
Waffles w/ Sausage or Cereal	Eggstravaganza or Cereal	Breakfast Bagel or Cereal	Breakfast Pizza or Cereal	Apple Turnover or Cereal w/Yogurt
22	23	24	25	26
Pancakes w/Sausage or Cereal	Scrambled Eggs or Cereal	Sausage Biscuit or Cereal	Breakfast Pizza or Cereal	Muffin or Cereal w/Yogurt
29	30	31		
NO SCHOOL	Cook's Choice			
Memorial Day	or Cereal			