



Lena Whitmore Elementary School

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Student Directories -Lexie has compiled the student directories and we're ready to email them out upon request! Please send either of us an email requesting the class(es) that you'd like (mcmillank@msd281.org and lhamma@msd281.org).

Kindergarten Registration - Hard to believe that it's already time to start thinking about kindergarten registration for this fall! If you have a child that will be 5 on or before September 1st, 2017, please plan to call Lexie anytime now to schedule your time to register your kiddo. Like last year, we're going to have two registration/screener days at each elementary school where parents schedule a time to come in and complete paperwork while your child rotates through stations assessing their literacy/numeracy skills, fine motor and speech skills. We will also have a hearing and vision screening station. This information helps us with class placements of our kindergarten friends in the fall. Our Lena registration/screening dates this spring will be April 12th and 13th. Again, please give Lexie a call after March 1st to get your time booked! We are looking for a couple parents to help with the vision and hearing screening stations those two days. Our Nurse will train volunteers on the process. If you are able to help either the 12th or 13th (or both), please email me! Many thanks!

Artist in Residency - Once again our school is the lucky recipient of an Artist in Residency grant (thanks to Mrs. Weesner's hard work!)- Our guest artist, Lizette Fife, will be returning to Lena Whitmore the week of March 27th. Our students will be creating individual fused-glass squares that will be wired together and installed in our main entryway. We are looking for parent volunteers that week of March 27th to help work with classes on this amazing project! We have

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each class scheduled for 2 hours in the library with Lizette and would love to have as many hands on deck as possible. If you are able to volunteer that week, please email me!

Reading is the Ticket - Don't forget to send in your "Reading is the Ticket" reading logs to the classroom teacher by Monday, March 20th. We have extra reading logs in the office if you need one and have also included a pdf of it with the parent bulletin. This is the reading program where students can earn a ticket to Silverwood theme park by reading ten hours outside of school. Let us know if you have any questions!

International Day - Our 25th annual International Day is coming soon...Friday, April 14th! This special day is set aside to celebrate different countries and cultures from around the world. Our committee is looking for any parents who would like to share about a country they've lived in or traveled to. I've attached the parent flyer to sign-up if you are interested!

Congratulations February LENA Way Students - Many congratulations to the following February LENA Way students: Helen Spencer, Madelyn Krenz, Amaria Carr, Laura Pollard, Katherine Bradley, Johnathan Rogalski, Peyton Bentley, Seth Mathews, Tre' Parker, and Riley Lambert. We are so proud of how you model the LENA Way for our entire school!

PAT Family Bingo Night - I hope to see you and your family this Friday, March 24th from 6:00-7:30 p.m. at our PAT Family Bingo Night! We'll have pizza, pop, water, and candy for sale that evening. Bingo cards are only \$1 each or 6 for \$5. We have lots of fabulous prizes to win! We'll see who our guest celebrity bingo callers will be this time around!!?? ☺

All School Field Trip - This Friday, March 24th our entire school is going on a field trip to see an exclusive performance of "Dancers, Drummers, and Dreamers" at the Hartung Theater on the UI campus! This is a special performance just for Lena and it is always an amazing treat! We'll be loading the buses by 9:15 a.m. and back by 10:30 a.m.

Up-coming events:

3/20 - Reading is the Ticket log due to teacher

3/21 - 5th grade parent night at MMS, 6 p.m.

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3/24 - PAT Family Bingo night, 6 - 7:30 p.m.; DDD performance for the entire school, 9:30-10:15 a.m.

3/27 - 3/31 - Artist in Residency week

3/27 - 3/29 - Science Fair at McDonald Elementary

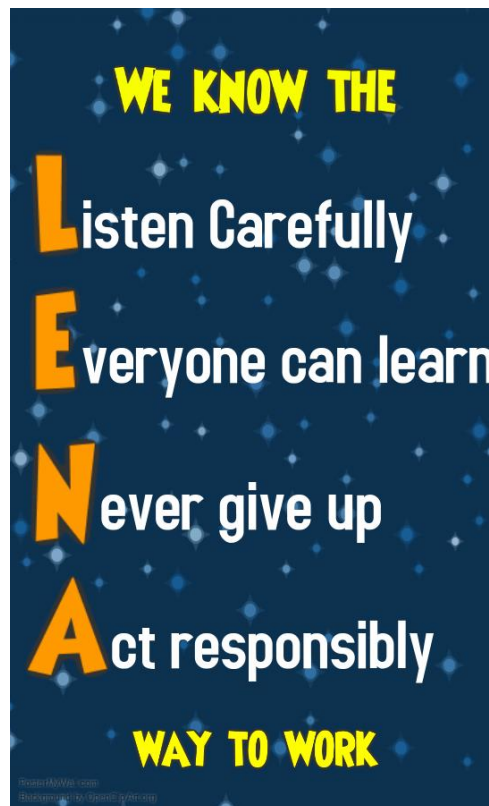
4/7 - No school, parent/teacher conferences, end of 3rd quarter

4/10 & 4/12 - 4th grade UI pool unit, 8:30-10:30 (more details to come from teachers)

4/11 - PAT meeting, 6:30 p.m.

4/12 - 4/21 - Box Tops for Education drive

4/14 - International Day!



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