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February 23, 2024

The end of Term 2 is Thursday, February 29th (LVS end date is Monday, February 26th). Wednesday, February 28th is an Early Release Day at 2:20 p.m. Students do not have school on Friday, March 1st. Term 3 begins on Monday, March 4th.

Good luck to Deegan Armagost, Landyn Freeman, Carter Freeman, Ben Weidman, Mark Jeske, Kailar Tritz, and Tanner Gormanson who qualified as our individual wrestlers this weekend at State Wrestling. Also a big congratulations to our wrestling team who qualified for WIAA Team State on March 1st and 2nd. Below is information for the Wrestling Team State Fan bus. Please have your son or daughter sign up to cheer on our team at STATE!!!



Tonight our girls' basketball team begins tournament play at Neenah, our gymnastics team is at sectionals tomorrow in Chippewa Falls, and our boys' basketball team begins tournament play at home vs Chippewa Falls next Tuesday.

A reminder to parents that student drop-off in the morning must occur in the student parking lot along the curb. Drop-off should not be occurring in the front lot until after 7:30 a.m.

The Arts Council of South Wood County and Mead Witter Foundation are offering a hands-on songwriting session led by Steve Leslie, a Grammy-winning songwriter and professor who performs the music of James Taylor. Steve will take suggestions from the audience and talk them through the process of writing a song on the spot. The workshop takes place at the PAC at 10:00 a.m. on March 7th and will last about an hour. Please contact the Arts Council's Executive Director at 715-421-4552 or email Director@SavorTheArts.org for more information or to save a spot. There is no charge for the student outreach, but we do have \$10.00 student tickets for the evening performance at 7:30 p.m. A flyer for this event is below.



The next Class Reunion Zero (CRZ) parent meeting is Wednesday, March 13th at 5:30 p.m. in the LHS main office conference room. CRZ will be on Friday, May 31st. [Please join their Facebook Page for more information and upcoming meetings.](#) The CRZ committee is selling "Class of 2024" yard signs for seniors. You can purchase them from Mrs. Wefel in the office for \$20.00 each. Proceeds will be donated to the Class Reunion Zero event.

We are beginning the state-required testing season. Juniors have a mandatory ACT exam on Tuesday, March 12th. Free ACT practice tests and preparation materials can be found on the [DPI ACT Practice Tests and Sample Items webpage](#). Below is a graphic for test-taking skill activities in English, Reading, and Writing.



Sophomores will have the FORWARD exam the week of March 18th. Freshmen and sophomores will have the PreACT Secure exam on April 9th. More information will be coming soon. **Please encourage your child to do their best on this assessment.** Earlier this year, LHS earned the highest school report card grade among conference and neighboring high schools.



Seniors will be participating in the “**Reality Check**” financial simulation requirement for graduation along with community engagement and round table discussions with business and industry professionals from 7:30 a.m. to 11:55 a.m. on Tuesday, March 12th. [More information is in the February newsletter.](#) Senior yard signs will be sold for \$20.00 immediately following Reality Check. Look for the CRZ table when you are done in the morning.

Freshmen and Sophomores will have brief work posted in Canvas for March 12th. In-person attendance is NOT required on March 12th for these two grade levels. Freshmen and Sophomores have mandatory state testing on Tuesday, April 9th. Juniors and Seniors will not attend in-building instruction on this date.

On March 12th buses will run as usual but most students will complete Reality Check around 11:30 a.m. and ACT testing around 1:00 p.m. **If the parent completes [this form](#), the student will be dismissed from school after ACT testing or Reality Check is complete.**

Seniors, be sure you have placed your order for cap, gown, and tassel. They will be delivered to students during the mandatory senior meeting on Monday, April 15th. Place your order at Jostens.com.

Is your child looking for employment? If so, have them sign up to attend the **Teen Job Fair**. It is on Wednesday, March 20th, from 2:00-5:00 p.m. at Lincoln High School. All teens must register to attend by clicking [here](#). Those who register in advance are entered into a prize drawing. They can also register at the door but are not eligible to win prizes.

Click this [link](#) to see which businesses are participating so far, and what type of employment opportunities they have. Volunteers will be available to provide employment resources and support, including interview and resume help. Stop by their booth to learn more.

There will also be an area for application help. Students who have never filled out an application or are unsure of what an application is asking can speak with one of our friendly volunteers. Multiple employers are ready to review applications and do onsite interviews during the job fair.

When you arrive, please park in the student parking lot. You will need to walk around the Performing Arts Center and enter the school through the main entrance. Any adults must have a valid ID and check into the office if entering the building during the school day.

Good luck to our Athletic Department as they host the WIAA Division 1 State Gymnastics Championships on Friday and Saturday next week in the LHS Field House. We will welcome over 4,000 participants and spectators to Rapids on March 1st and 2nd. The schedule is below.

Proud To Be The Red & White of Rapids!

Ronald A. Rasmussen
Principal

2024 State Gymnastics Tournament Schedule

Friday-Saturday, March 1-2

Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln Fieldhouse

Friday, March 1 Team Competition

10:30 a.m. – Building opens for competitors

10:45 a.m. – Judges Meeting

11-11:30 a.m. – General stretching and bar settings

11 a.m. – Facility Opens for Spectators

11:30-11:40 a.m. – All gymnasts gather in balcony for march in preparation

11:45 a.m. – March in (Note: Athletes must be attired in school-approved warm-ups and/or leotards).

Noon – Competition begins

Saturday, March 2 Individual Competition

8:30 a.m. – Building Opens for Competitors

9-9:30 a.m. – General stretching and bar setting

9 a.m. – Facility Opens for Spectators

9:15 a.m. – All gymnasts gather in balcony for march in preparation

9:30 a.m. – March in (Note: Athletes must be attired in school-approved warm-ups and/or leotards).

10 a.m. – Competition begins ●



2024 State Team Wrestling Tournament Schedule

**Friday-Saturday, March 1-2
UW Field House, Madison**

Doors open for spectators one hour prior to the start of competition each session.



**Teams will be seeded on Sunday, Feb. 25,
and posted after seed meetings.**

Friday, March 1, 2024 (one session)

Weigh-ins – 4:30 p.m.

Admission \$16 for one session

Division 1 Quarterfinals – 5:30 p.m.

Match 1 - #1 Seed vs. #8 seed

Match 2 - #4 seed vs. #5 seed

Match 3 - #3 seed vs. #6 seed

Match 4 - #2 seed vs. #7 seed

Division 1 Semifinals – 7:30 p.m.

Match 5 – Match 1 winner vs. Match 2 winner

Match 6 – Match 3 winner vs. Match 4 winner

Saturday, March 2, 2024 (two sessions)

Weigh-ins all divisions – 9 a.m.

Admission \$11 for each session

Division 2/3 Semifinals – 10 a.m.

Match 1 - #1 Seed vs. #4 seed

Match 2 - #2 seed vs. #3 seed

Championships in all Divisions – 3 p.m.

All tickets may be purchased online through the GoFan ticket link. ●

Wrestling Team State Fan Bus



Friday, March 1st (State Quarterfinals and Semifinals)

Saturday, March 2nd (State Championship)

Location: UW-Madison Field House 1450 Monroe St Madison, WI, 53706

Pickup & Drop-off Location: East Junior High West Parking Lot (Rafters Lot)

Tickets: Ticket **MUST** be purchased by the student themselves. Lincoln High School is not responsible for purchasing any tickets for students. Please **DO NOT** purchase tickets until the trip is a confirmed go.

Friday, March 1st - Division 1 Team Quarterfinals & Semifinals (\$16.00) Start at 5:30pm

<https://gofan.co/event/1318409?schoolid=WIAA2>

Depart from pickup location at 2:30pm (Doors open one hour before competition)

Saturday, March 2nd - All Division Team Finals (\$11.00) Start at 3:00pm

<https://gofan.co/event/1318414?schoolid=WIAA2>

Depart from pickup location at 12:00pm (Doors open one hour before competition)

NOTE:

MUST NEED AT LEAST 30 STUDENTS SIGNED UP BY TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27th or else trip does not run

Students must also submit \$20.00 for payment for portion of Bus Payments for each trip (\$40.00) for both days. Students will be refunded if we do not go Saturday, or if bus does not run.

Students **MUST** return **SIGNED** "Parent/Guardian Field-Trip Permission Form" by Tuesday, February 27th

Return situations:

- If Rapids loses in Quarterfinals, Fan Bus will depart from UW Madison Field House immediately following Quarterfinal Match
- If Rapids wins/loses Semifinals, Fan Bus will depart from UW Madison Field House immediately following Semifinal Match
- If Rapids does not advance to the Championship Match, the Fan Bus will not run on Saturday 3/2
- If Applicable, regardless of State Championship Match outcome, Fan Bus will depart from UW Madison Field House immediately following Championship Match Awards Presentation. We will not stay after for socializing/pictures.

Fan Bus Chaperone is Mr. Justin Abraham, IT Support Specialist for the District








Permission Forms can be picked up in either Mr. Gerndt's or Ms. Austin's office

Permission Form & Money can be turned into Ms. Austin in the Athletic Office. Both **MUST be turned in by Tuesday, February 27th. A decision on the trip will be made after that.**

English, Reading, & Writing PreACT Secure and ACT Prep

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS

ACT SKILL PREP ACTIVITIES TRIMESTER 2

 ACT ITEM ANALYSIS & RESOURCES	 ENGLISH SECTION	 READING SECTION	 WRITING	 TEST STRATEGIES
<p>Utilize Pre-ACT booklet and individual results report to review errors (see Mrs. Kozlowski for a new report)</p> <p>Refer to the free guide from ACT: 2023-2024 Preparing for the ACT</p> <p>Utilize free practice and review options:</p> <div style="display: flex; align-items: center; gap: 10px;">  <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> <p style="font-size: 8px; margin: 0;">Free ACT Test Subject Practice Questions</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; font-size: 8px;"> ACT Math ACT Science ACT Reading ACT Writing </div> </div>  <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;"> <p style="font-size: 8px; margin: 0;">ACT HALF-LENGTH PRACTICE TEST</p> <p style="font-size: 8px; margin: 0;">ACT POP QUIZ</p> <p style="font-size: 8px; margin: 0;">ACT QUESTION OF THE DAY</p> </div> </div>	<p>Complete No Red Ink lessons -- assigned through ELA teacher</p> <p>Revisit Methodize English lessons through XELLO; review answer explanations for questions answered incorrectly</p> <p>Review ACT English Study Guide for tips and strategies</p> <p>Review Methodize punctuation rules</p>	<p>Complete No Red Ink lessons-- assigned through ELA teacher</p> <p>Revisit Methodize Reading lessons through XELLO; review answer explanations for questions answered incorrectly</p> <p>Complete a paired-passage sample (did not appear on Pre-ACT)</p> <p>Review ACT Reading Study Guide for tips and strategies</p>	<p>Complete No Red Ink lesson-- assigned through ELA teacher</p> <p>Visit the ACT website for sample essays and a scoring rubric overview</p> <p>Review ACT Sample Prompt and Essay for tips and strategies</p>	<p>Listen to info during RPT</p> <p>Review ACT Prep Basics</p> <p>LEAVE NO BUBBLE EMPTY!</p> <p>Get enough sleep the night before. Eat a healthy dinner and breakfast.</p> <p>Dress in layers.</p> <p>Come to your assigned room with all required materials!</p> <p>(We repeat) LEAVE NO BUBBLE EMPTY!</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Give your best effort on March 12!</i></p>

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Senior Yard Signs are sold in the main office for \$20.00. Pick yours up today.





How Sweet It Is!
STEVE LESLIE sings JAMES TAYLOR

Outreach Opportunity

Students will embark on an unforgettable journey of musical discovery with Grammy-winning singer/songwriter Steve Leslie, the star of HOW SWEET IT IS!, a captivating musical tribute to James Taylor. Delve into the heart of the vibrant Nashville music scene as Steve shares his persona journey, filled with fascinating anecdotes and valuable insights gained from working alongside iconic artists such as Kenny Rogers, George Strait, and Darius Rucker. In addition to performing soulful renditions of James Taylor's timeless tunes, Steve actively engages the audience by inviting suggestions for themes or topics, seamlessly weaving them into the fabric of a brand-new song on the spot. This workshop promises to be a unique fusion of storytelling, music, and creativity, leaving audiences of all ages inspired and uplifted.



The Arts Council of South Wood County and sponsor Mead Witter Foundation are excited to present this workshop. It takes place at the Performing Arts Center of Wisconsin Rapids at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, March 7, and will last about an hour. There is no charge, but pre-registration is required. The Arts Council is happy to cover transportation costs for students as needed. Please contact the Arts Council's Executive Director at 715.421.4552 or email Director@SavorTheArts.org for more information or to confirm attendance.



Student tickets for the evening performance are \$10.



Let Us Entertain You!