

Two LHS student organizations, Educators Rising and FCCLA, are on a mission to help save lives by participating in the American Red Cross high school program! Through this program, our students have the chance to take part in a meaningful effort to give hope to hospital patients in need.

The students will host a Red Cross blood drive on Friday, January 10, 2020 from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the East Junior High Gym, and your support can help make this blood drive a success! Did you know almost 20 percent of the millions of blood donations made each year come from high school and college blood drives? Now, eligible LHS students and their families will have a chance to make a difference in the lives of cancer patients, accident and burn victims, and many other blood recipients in our area and across the nation. This is a community service project that is rewarding and easy for you to help with!

Giving blood at this blood drive can also help our students earn scholarships! We're proud to take part in the American Red Cross High School Scholarship Program. This program is available to high schools that schedule at least one Red Cross blood drive during the school year. Scholarships are awarded to students that demonstrate leadership in the coordination of blood drive(s). Students and staff also are eligible to be trained in CPR/AED/First Aid at a reduced fee.

To schedule an appointment, contact Educators Rising Teacher Leader/FCCLA advisor, Valerie DeVries-Polman at <u>valerie.devries@wrps.net</u> or sign up at <u>www.redcrossblood.org</u>, using the sponsor code "WRPS." To be eligible to donate blood, you must be at least 17 years old (16 with parental consent), weigh at least 110 pounds, and be in generally good health. High school students and other donors 18 years old or younger may also have to meet certain height and weight requirements. To learn more, visit <u>redcrossblood.org/students</u>.

Thanks in advance for your support of the Educators Rising/FCCLA blood drive!

