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Newsletter

June 2022

Important Dates and Upcoming Events	
June 8th	Summer Reading 9:30-11:30am
June 15th	School Board Meeting 7:30pm
June 22nd	Summer Reading 9:30-11:30am

1. Activities Calendar
2. Library updates
3. From the Desk of Mr. Barnes
4. Title Reading Tips
5. May Board Meeting Minutes
6. Job Openings
7. PTO Fundraiser

The purpose of this newsletter is to provide basic information for the Lewiston Consolidated School District that will keep all citizens informed on important school procedures, issues, and facts. This newsletter will be distributed to all patrons on the Lewiston Consolidated School mail routes. If you do not receive a newsletter and wish to or know of anyone who would like to receive this newsletter, please notify the Superintendent's office at (402) 865-4675.

June-22

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
			1 Summer Weights 7:30-9:00am	2 Summer Weights 7:30-9:00am	3	4
5	6 Summer Weights 7:30-9:00am	7 Summer Weights 7:30-9:00am	8 Summer Reading 9:30-11:30 HS GBB Camp @ Lincoln Summer Weights 7:30-9:00am	9 Summer Weights 7:30-9:00am	10	11 HS GBB @ KEARNEY
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19	20 Lewiston Elementary BB Camp 9:30-11:30 Summer Weights 7:30-9:00am	21 Lewiston Elementary BB Camp 9:30-11:30 HS GBB @ Sterling Summer Weights 7:30-9:00am	22 Summer Reading 9:30-11:30 HS GBB Camp @ Lincoln Summer Weights 7:30-9:00am	23 Concordia BBB Camp Summer Weights 7:30-9:00am	24 Lincoln BBB Camp	25
26	27 Summer Weights 7:30-9:00am	28 Summer Weights 7:30-9:00am	29 HS GBB Camp @ Lincoln Summer Weights 7:30-9:00am	30 HS GBB @ Concordia Summer Weights 7:30-9:00am		

Library Updates

and

Summer Reading Program

OCEANS OF POSSIBILITIES

Lewiston Summer Reading/STEM
(Science, Technology, Engineering & Math)

Where: Lewiston Library & Cafeteria

When: 9:30-11:30 a.m.

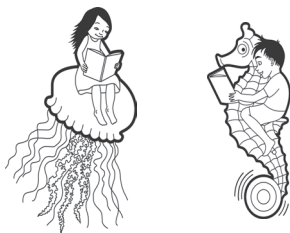
June 8: "Explore New Depths"

June 22: "Salt, It's Not Just for Taste"

July 6: "Our Blue Planet"

Students will be divided into 2 groups and alternate between STEM activities and a story time with a chance to check out library books.

Mary Moser, Pawnee County 4-H, will lead the STEM activities. Debbie Goossen, Lewiston School librarian, will provide the story time.



Fifty-seven students reached their Accelerated Reading goal for fourth quarter. The above students earned an ice cream party May 16:

Front row: Peyton Keedy, Sylas Peck, Liam Cookus, Colton Brethouwer, David Jaramio, Blaire Shields
 2nd row: Shyanne Peck, Justin Zoch, Delaney Rohmeyer, Nolan Janssen, Sophia Meyers, Lelan Leitschuck
 3rd row: Alexis Rule, Cam Antons, Abby Harms, Hunter Wiles, Jusslynne Thomsen, Regal Armstrong, Audrey Carel, Allen Sasse, Taylee Brethouwer
 4th row: Colt Schwandt, Lily Robertson, Sofia Snyder, Brekyn Weyers, Ansley Bredemeier, Ellie Snyder, Mason Hippen, Alivia Wehrbein, Micah Horne
 5th row: Braxten Eagleburger, Sutton Creek, Liam Swendener, Chloe Bogues, Hunter Keedy, Sunday Bowhay, Landon Rohmeyer, Dalton Heideman
 6th row: Ava Scheer, Mia Shinn, Issabel Meyers, Michael Schwandt, Beckem Eggert, Jameson Janssen
 7th row: Ashlynn Anderson, Maddie Janssen, Riley Smith, Nathan Harr, Zackery Ayala, Sara Wiles
 Not pictured: Tristan Bombard, Ellie Campbell, Lily Lewien, Grayson Inderlied, Evan Christen, Justice Currie, Kassidee Aken

Thirty-two students earned the pizza party this school year. The 2nd graders needed to reach at least 50 Accelerated Reading points. The 3rd graders and older each needed to reach 80 or more AR points.

The following students were rewarded:
 2nd Grade: Cam Antons, Regal Armstrong, Ansley Bredemeier, Taylee Brethouwer, Audrey Carel, Abby Harms, Mason Hippen, Micah Horne, Lily Lewien, Lily Robertson, Alexis Rule, Allen

Sasse, Colt Schwandt, Ellie Snyder, Sofia Snyder, Alivia Wehrbein, Brekyn Weyers, Hunter Wiles
 3rd Grade: Chloe Bogues, Sunday Bowhay, Grayson Inderlied, Jameson Janssen, Landon Rohmeyer, Michael Schwandt, Liam Swendener
 5th Grade: Issy Meyers
 7th Grade: Darrien Howe
 8th Grade: Nathan Harr, Maddie Janssen, Rylie Smith
 9th Grade: Ashlynn Anderson, Kassidee Aken



These second graders enjoy their pizza at the Lewiston Park May 16.

From the Desk of Mr. Barnes

The American History students had to choose one of five prompts and hand write an essay for their final today. Emma deKoning's essay was so good and made me so proud of her that I felt like it should be shared and read by everyone in the Lewiston community. Her prompt was the following:

“Explain how, as a U.S. citizen, the study of history is beneficial to becoming a more informed individual and helps us develop ‘Intellectual Empathy’. Conclude with why ‘Intellectual Empathy’ is so important in our society today.”

You can read her Essay below:

“As a U.S. citizen, the study of history is beneficial, necessary even, to becoming a more informed individual. History often repeats itself and by becoming informed of our background and history, we become a better citizen and individual. Learning about history cultivates a more cultured mind and in turn can advance our society.

Racism, sexism, prejudice, inequality, wars, treaties, all of these are things that occurred in the past. Whether it was the Holocaust, Civil War, the Civil Rights Movement, or WWI. These events occurred with the same issues repeating. However, these issues are not commonly a hot topic of discussion, especially if you're not in school. When talking to a person it is easy to tell which ones had schooling on history as a whole and which ones did not. It also becomes very easy to tell how knowledge of history makes for a more informed individual.

Knowledge of history not only makes for a more aware, more informed individual, it also makes for a more intellectual, empathetic individual. Several times I have presided over a historic-related debate. It could have been over racism, WWI, or any event that we heard of. Each of those times I found the less informed person more likely to become irritated, loud, and aggressive. On the other hand the more aware and informed person stayed calm, quiet, and patient.

This is not to say every person who is ill informed on history exhibits the above traits. I could have merely encountered aggressive people. It is more an indication of how well informed people interact. I personally believe that the more informed you are the better you

are as an individual and member of society. For example, when I was in sixth grade my debating manner was similar to an ill informed person. I had little knowledge on much of history so I responded with inaccuracy and oftentimes irritation.

As I aged and began to learn more about history, I found I became more aware, more patient, and more empathetic towards others. I refused to debate if I didn't have knowledge on the subject. I became more empathetic towards current events going down (BLM, women's equality, global warming). Overall, becoming more informed on historic events let me see the world and ongoing events in a different light and changed me to be a more caring, compassionate person.

Studying history, becoming a more informed individual, helps us become an all-around citizen. Along-side that we develop intellectual empathy. While being informed is important, containing intellectual empathy is more important, as society badly needs it to progress. Without it we would continuously repeat history, truthfully without intellectual empathy we would still be stuck in the 20th century. It is because people with intellectual empathy that we have progressed from era to era. This is why intellectual empathy is so important.”

-Emma deKoning, Class of 2023 - Lewiston Consolidated Schools

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WAYS TO HEAD OFF THE *Summer Slide*

FILL KIDS' SUMMER BREAK WITH READING!

It's a fact: Kids who don't read over the summer fall behind their peers when school starts up again, and the effects of this "Summer Slide" can last a lifetime.



Kids can lose about two months of grade level equivalency in Math and Reading over the summer.

2 to 5
YEARS



Over time this loss can create a gap of 2 to 5 years by the time kids reach high school.

TIPS to prevent the summer slide:

Visit your local library or attend a summer reading program at your school!

Get your child involved by helping you read menus at restaurants, signs on the road, mail, the cereal box at breakfast, etc.

Read with your child for 20 minutes a day.

Make reading a game by timing your child read for one minute. Then see if they can beat their record each day.

Have your child write letters or postcards to family and friends.

Search the internet to find reading games for your family to play together.

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School Board Meeting Minutes
May 12, 2022

A regular meeting of the District 69 Board of Education, Pawnee County, was held on Thursday, May 12th, at 7:30 p.m., the meeting being open to the public and proceeded in notice as required by law. Notice of this meeting was given to the President and all members of the Board and a copy of the acknowledgement of notice and the agenda is noted in the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated to the public in advanced notice and to the President of the Board and all Board members.

The meeting was called to order, the Open Meetings Law poster recognized, and verbal notice that the meeting was recorded was given by the President and on a roll call vote, the following members were present: Bredemeier, Howell, Rule, Schuster, and Searcey. Excused Absence: Wehrbein. Also present: Rick Kentfield, Juli Smith, Brady Bledsaw, and guests

The agenda was reviewed. Moved by Searcey and seconded by Howell "to approve the agenda as presented." Those voting in favor of said motion: Howell, Rule, Schuster, Searcey, and Bredemeier. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 5-0.

There were no visitor comments.

Moved by Searcey and seconded by Howell "to approve the consent agenda removing item 4.5 for further discussion as presented." Those voting in favor of said motion: Rule,

Schuster, Searcey, Bredemeier, and Howell. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Moved by Searcey and seconded by Bredemeier "to approve the employment agreement for Mary Thompson as presented." Those voting in favor of said motion: Schuster, Searcey, Bredemeier, Howell and Rule. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Brad Thompson, Field Sales representative for MUSCO Lighting out of Lenexa, Kansas presented information regarding football field lighting.

Brady Bledsaw, student member of the board reported on results of the district track meet.

Juli Smith, Principal, reported on several end of the year topics.

Rick Kentfield, Superintendent, reported on school lots, sprinkler bids, rental house improvements, and bus driver salaries.

Board Committee report – no report

Moved by Searcey and seconded by Bredemeier "to adjourn at 8:58 p.m." Those voting in favor of said motion: Searcey, Bredemeier, Howell, Rule, and Schuster. Those opposed: none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Next regular school board meeting will be Wednesday, June 15th, at 7:30 p.m.

Rick Kentfield

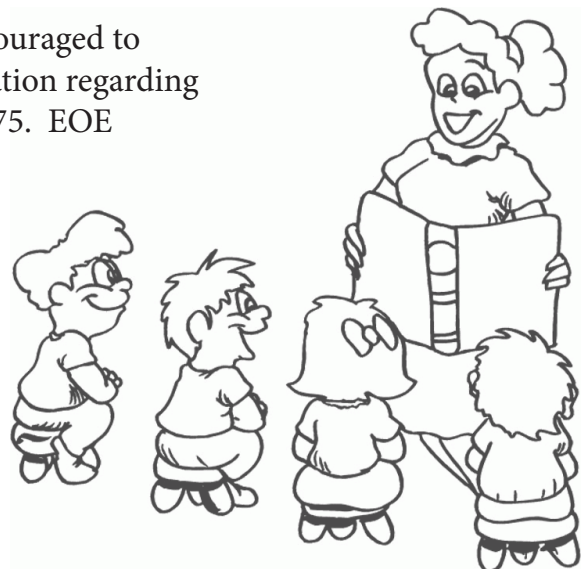
Board Secretary, Dist. #69

* Hiring *

Lewiston Consolidated Schools is accepting applications for a Bus Driver and Paraprofessional for the 2022-2023 school year.

(These positions have a very competitive starting wage)

Interested individuals are encouraged to contact Rick Kentfield for information regarding the positions at 402-865-4675. EOE





HAPPY END OF THE 2021-2022 YEAR!

PTO IS WORKING ON PLANS FOR 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR!

WATCH FOR MORE DETAILS TO COME

BACK TO SCHOOL FAMILY PARTY IN AUGUST



WE NEED YOUR HELP TO SUPPORT OUR TEACHERS & STUDENTS!

PLEASE CONSIDER GIVING A DONATION, YOU WILL BE RECOGNIZED ON OUR T-SHIRTS IF WE HAVE YOUR INFORMATION BY AUGUST 31, 2022

Questions, Contact: Mikayla McEvers – mikayla8592@gmail.com, Amber Myers – mamamyers3@gmail.com, Julie Stake – vrtistake13@gmail.com, Pandora Worthey – pworthey@lewistonschool.net

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