

LSM High School Headlines

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Hello LSM Community,

I can't believe it is already December! I am sure you all saw the Superintendent's announcement this week that we will move to remote learning starting next Friday, December 11th through Wednesday, December 23rd. As of now we plan on returning to in-school classes on Monday, January 4th. Our teachers are working hard to make sure these remote days maintain a high level of academic focus. I will send all students a full schedule for these days next week.

Our honor roll for the first quarter has been posted on the LSM homepage. Letters will be mailed home later this month.

There are a few important things that I would like to highlight. The first is coming up this Monday, December 7th. We will have a virtual evening presentation from former police officer Scott Driscoll. He does an excellent job of discussing the uses and potential issues of social media. Look below for more information about this great opportunity including the link to join the webinar.

The second event is a new twist on our annual Toy Drive. With the limited access to our building, we are combining our efforts into one large event on Saturday, December 19th. From 10-2 we will be out in the LSM parking lot attempting to "Stuff a Bus" full of new, unwrapped toys and non-perishable food items. We are hoping that all of Region 10 will come out to support this great event. We will have students (nicely socially distanced) ready to take all of your donations. You won't even need to get out of your car! Please check out the flyer attached to the announcement below.

Finally, make sure you check out the Acoustic Café announcement below for some great work from our Creative Writing students!

Here are some important dates to start thinking about. Do not hesitate to contact the school at 860-673-0423 if you have any questions or need more information.

December 7th – Internet Safety Presentation: 7-8:30 PM. Details below.

December 19th – “Stuff a Bus” event at LSM: 10 – 2. Details below.

December 23rd – ½ Day Schedule – last day of classes before break.

December 24th – January 3rd – No School – Holiday Break

January 4th – Return from break. “A” Day Schedule

Some Additional Details:

Internet Safety Presentation: Please join us this coming Monday, December 7th, for a virtual presentation for parents related to Internet Safety from 7-8:30 PM. This outstanding presentation from Scott Driscoll is a great opportunity for parents to understand the pitfalls of social media. Check out these two flyers for more information. The link to join the presentation is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82268042013>

Stuff a Bus Event!: In place of our yearly Toy Drive, we are running a one day Region 10 event. Please plan on dropping by the LSM parking lot between 10 and 2 on Saturday, December 19th. We will be collecting new unwrapped toys, non-perishable food items and monetary donations. Help us fill an entire bus with your generosity! Check out this flyer. [2020 Stuff A Bus.pdf](#)

Acoustic Cafe: Although they were not able to do their usual evening presentation this year, once again our Creative Writing students have done a wonderful job presenting their poems. Please check out this link to view their Flipgrids. As an added bonus this year, all of the poems have introductions from the students. Enjoy! <https://flipgrid.com/+poetry2020>

Hour of Code: The mathematics department is hosting a friendly competition to celebrate Computer Science Education Week. Students from grades 5-12 can participate in daily challenges. For more information visit http://lewis.region10ct.org/for_staff/t_w_s/math_department/computer_science_education_week

Financial Aid Presentation: For those of you that were not able to watch our financial aid presentation this past Wednesday evening, please use this link to view the recording. <https://youtu.be/x2x1Xs3mAyE>

Meal Update: Please check out this flyer for more information about the free meals being offered by Region 10 Food Services. [Region 10 Free Meals Flyer.pdf](#)

Project Graduation: Please check out this flyer for an upcoming Pizza Night to support our project graduation event. It is happening next Tuesday, December 8th. Your support is appreciated! [Proj Grad Pizza Fundraiser Dec 2020.pdf](#)

Yearbook: Time is running out to place your yearbook ads. There is a Jostin's link on the LSM website. This can be used to order your yearbook and place your ad. All ads must be in by January 2nd. Any questions - angelicolab@region10ct.org

Athletic Information

The CIAC has announced that the winter season will be delayed until January 19th, 2021. As we get more information we will share it with everyone.

We appreciate all of your support as our schedule has shifted quite a bit during these challenging times. Ultimately our goal is to present the best academic experience we can for all students while keeping everyone healthy.

Stay Safe,

Chris Rau

Principal

Contact Information – Have questions for us? Here are some quick contacts. Information for all teachers and staff is available on the Region 10 website: region10ct.org.

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