ARE YOU PROUD TO BE A VIKING? I AM!

I AM PROUD TO BE A VIKING BECAUSE Lorna Byrne Middle School just completed a successful basketball (girls & boys) and wrestling season. We won numerous games and matches while still displaying great sportsmanship. Go team go!

I AM PROUD TO BE A VIKING BECAUSE our attendance for students is above 92%. We are working hard to make parent phone calls, home visits and create attendance incentives to help support families so kids come to school.

I AM PROUD TO BE A VIKING BECAUSE activity busses were started up again in January within the Illinois Valley. They run Mondays and Wednesdays and will continue through the end of the school year. This has made our 21st Century activity attendance numbers fly through the roof. Exciting!

I AM PROUD TO BE A VIKING BECAUSE we are implementing more PBIS activities and making data driven decisions. This is the first year where LBMS has been able to identify specific problem behaviors and target them school wide. We are working to address problems surrounding respect, tardies, preparedness, and attendance through this process.

I AM PROUD TO BE A VIKING BECAUSE all our teachers are becoming masters at proficient-based learning. Each content area teacher has been actively participating in extensive professional development with the other middle schools to develop common formative assessments, rubrics and learning standards. The Three Rivers middle schools are cutting edge with proficiency based learning at the middle level. Great job!

I AM PROUD TO BE A VIKING BECAUSE our teachers are continually working to develop their technology skills with our district math and tech coach. Each Wednesday our teachers meet in departments to further develop their instructional strategies and student engagement techniques while utilizing technology as it's seamlessly interwoven into their classroom instruction. A lot of hard work and time has been done to develop these skills. Keep it up!

I AM PROUD TO BE A VIKING BECAUSE we are taking a hard stance against drugs and alcohol at LBMS. Drug free is the way to be!

I AM PROUD TO BE A VIKING BECAUSE LBMS is a true family. We surround each other in times of need and celebrate life's joys together.

I AM PROUD TO BE A VIKING BECAUSE we have come together as a staff to problem solve ways to address the dire need for remediation with students. We are now using our advisory period for subject area remediation and enrichment. This is also a time students participate in making up proficiencies and read their independent novels.

These are just a few highlights of what Vikings are capable of achieving.

The students and staff at LBMS are truly special.

THIS IS WHY I AM PROUD TO BE A VIKING!

Sincerely,

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