## LORNA BYRNE MIDDLE SCHOOL - VIKINGVIEWS

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#### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

#### ~~~~~ APRIL EVENTS ~~~~~

- 4/2 "Welcome Back" in-school dance, sponsored by the Leadership Group
- 4/10 Middle School <u>Battle of the Books</u> @ LBMS
- 4/14 TRSD Spelling Bee @ TRSD main office
- 4/16 Honor Society Induction Ceremony, 8:45 AM
- 4/19 Board Meeting @ LBMS, 7 PM
- 4/21 Career Day
- 4/24 Scrabble Competition
- 4/26 PARENT & TEACHER CONFERENCES NO CLASSES
- 4/30 Late Start Friday, classes begin @ 10:30 AM

#### Track Event Schedule

- ⇒ 4/1 @ New Hope 3:30 PM
- ⇒ 4/8 @ Sacred Heart 4:00 PM
- ⇒ 4/15 @ Rogue River 4:00 PM
- ⇒ 4/29 @ Rogue River 4:00 PM
- ⇒ 5/7 CONFERENCE MEET

@ ST. MARY'S - 12:00 PM

## ~~~~MAY EVENTS~~~~

- WEEK OF MAY 3<sup>RD</sup> TEACHER APPRECIATION
- 4/29 ⇒ 5/11 Scholastic Book Fair
- 5/3 LBMS BBQ for 5<sup>th</sup> Grd Families, 5:30 PM
- 5/5 21<sup>st</sup> Century Family Activity Night "Cinco De Mayo" - 5:30 PM
  Book Fair will be open
- 5/7 7th Grade FT
- 5/11 TRSD Music Festival @ GPHS
- 5/17 TRSD Board Meeting @ LBMS, 7:00 PM
- 5/20 ⇒ 5/22 8<sup>th</sup> Grd FT
- 5/24 LBMS 5th Grd Orientation, 8:40 AM
- 5/25 LBMS POPS Concert, 7:00 PM
- 5/26 Gold Card FT
- 5/28 2.0 Hr. Delayed Start Friday
- 5/29 Boatnik Parade in Grants Pass (LBMS Band will participate)
- 5/31 MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY, NO CLASSES

### Here's what's inside:

- 1. Words from Mr. Crowson
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## **₩**SCHOLASTIC



Thursday, April 29th through Tuesday, May 11<sup>th</sup>

Lorna Byrne Middle School invites you to check out the neat stuff from Scholastic Book Fair that will be on display in our Library. All sales during this display will earn our Library free books and materials.

#### Hours of operation will be:

- Before the Morning Bell -8:00 - 8:30 AM
- During Lunch time –
- 11:45 12:20 PM
- After School Activity Time –
- 3:15 5:15 PM
- Wed. May 5<sup>th</sup> 5:30 8:00 PM during 21st Century Family Activity Night "Cinco De Mayo"

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## ARE YOU PROUD TO BE A VIKING? I AM! MARCH 31, 2010

**I AM PROUD TO BE A VIKING BECAUSE** Lorna Byrne Middle School was just rated a top 100 middle school in Oregon by the Johns Hopkins University Center for Talented Youth Talent Search. Way to go LBMS!!

**I AM PROUD TO BE A VIKING BECAUSE** our track team is continuing to grow! We now have 26 athletes participating in track and field. Thanks to donations by community members and parents our track program has new track uniforms. We look sharp!!

**I AM PROUD TO BE A VIKING BECAUSE** we have a truly caring staff that cares about each other and all of the students at LBMS. This is a special place to work.

**I AM PROUD TO BE A VIKING BECAUSE** our SMILE program just completed its trip to Western Oregon University and Oregon State. All 23 students, and our 2 wonderful advisors, represented our school with great pride!

**I AM PROUD TO BE A VIKING BECAUSE** we have a music teacher that pours his heart and soul into each concert. Thank you Mr. Cloyd for working so hard to make our music program the best program in the Three Rivers School District.

**I AM PROUD TO BE A VIKING BECAUSE** we have some very dedicated students taking advantage of our 21<sup>st</sup> Century After School Program. The Oregon Department of Education completed a walk-through of our facilities and our program before Spring Break and were MOST impressed with our coordinators Sandy Madden and JoAnn Snook and the programs that we had to offer!

**I AM PROUD TO BE A VIKING BECAUSE** we have some amazing readers in our school. Here are the TOP TEN 7<sup>th</sup> graders in the school for AR points for the 2<sup>nd</sup> trimester: Ashley Yelle (147.4), Liam Dwyer (151), Elijah Chavez (158.1), Shawn Laney (160.4), Kai Alvarez (176), Russell Benson (202.3), Colton Ward (206.1), Trina Castle (209.3), Hazel Randall (216.4), Peter Ahl (246.8)

Here are the TOP TEN 6<sup>th</sup> graders in the school for AR points for the 2<sup>nd</sup> trimester: Mary Anderson (124.1), Skyla Patton (140.4), Kynan Nordal (147.4), Jasmine He ((155.6), Aina Heise (163.3), Jordan Rubenstein (164.4), Sam Rumble Yarberry (189.7), Joey Ommert (215.9), Celeste Meek (225.3), and Oberon Fayland (557.7).

**I AM PROUD TO BE A VIKING BECAUSE** the students at LBMS are working so hard on their OAKS assessments. The students have accepted the challenges of our OAKS goals for the 2009-2010 school year and they are doing a great job! We just received our writing scores for the 2010 school year and we have made improvements again. Way to go 7<sup>th</sup> graders and Mrs. Woodruff for all her hard work this year.

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,

Damian, Crowson, Principal

Go Vikings!



## LBMS 2009-2010 Honor Society

The Annual Induction Ceremony will be held on Friday, April 16<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 8:30 AM. There will be 39 new students inducted into the LBMS Junior National Honor Society.

The following students will have a part in that ceremony: Cody Kinney, Shawn Laney, Josh Allan, Emily Deters, Abigail Miller, Seth Williams, Kiana Lee, Amber Webb, Shelbie Mason, and Erik Householder.

If you have any questions, feel free to call me at 592-2163 ext. 3057, or email charlotte.baker@threerivers.k12.or.us.

Thank you all for your support of your students.

Charlotte Baker

Honor Society Advisor

## LBMS Earns "Oregon's Top 100 Schools" Honors

From John Hopkins University Center for Talented Youth (CTY):

"We'd like to share some good news with you. Lorna Byrne Middle School is a "Top School" for the state of Oregon in the 2009 Johns Hopkins University Center for Talented Youth Talent Search. We looked at the top 100 schools by state to determine the number of student enrollments we received into our annual Talent Search, and we're pleased to let you know Lorna Byrne Middle School received this honor. We hope this achievement will be a source of pride for you, your staff, students and families.

We're very thankful for your participation, of course, but we are also mindful of what this award says about your school. It suggests you have a solid core of very high achieving students. It also suggests that you look out for your top students' best interests by encouraging them and their parents to investigate outside academic options like CTY."

The web page that announces the Top Schools for 2009 can be found at <a href="https://www.cty.jhu.edu/ts/topschools/ORtop.html">www.cty.jhu.edu/ts/topschools/ORtop.html</a>

This recognition is because of the hard work and dedication of our Students, Families & LBMS Staff.
Thank You, Damian Crowson, LBMS Principal

## Sports briefing......



Volleyball is accepting donations to help off-set the cost of new uniforms.

Donations are tax-deductible.

Please call our office for more information

### **BE PREPARED FOR NEXT YEAR**

If your student is interested in participating in sports next year, he/she must have all of their paperwork completed before they can practice. Packets are available in the office.

Participation fee is \$75.00.

Participation payment must be made before they can actually compete.

#### WHAT CAN BE DONE TO PREPARE.

Parent/guardian will need to complete the *Athletic Participation Form*.

*Insurance coverage* is also required. We have applications for families that would like to purchase insurance from Myers, Stevens & Hooey. Insurance is not provided by LBMS or TRSD.

**Sports physicals** are good for two years. If your child is in need of a physical, please contact your physician, or the LBMS/IVHS Health Center in plenty of time PRIOR to the start of your chosen sport.

Below is information from the LBMS/IVHS Health Center, pertaining to their sports physicals dates & fees.

In order to accommodate the high school and middle school sports, the schedule for reduced rate sports physicals at the IVHS & LBMS Student Health Centers is as follows for the remainder of this school year:

\* February 15, 2010 - March 11, 2010 \*

\* May 24, 2010 - June 9, 2010\*

\* During those times the cost will be **\$20.00** \*

At all other times the cost of a sports physicals at the Student Health Centers is **\$35.00**.

Please contact the Student Health Center(s) to schedule an appointment, or if you have any questions.

Thank You, Carolyn Litak, PA IV/LB Health Center



#### Lorna Byrne Middle School & Evergreen Elementary Make Plans for Next Year's In-Coming 6th Grade Students

The LBMS & Evergreen Elementary Administrators have been brain-storming ways to help the 5<sup>th</sup> grade students make the transition from Evergreen Elementary to LBMS as 6<sup>th</sup> graders next year.

LBMS BBQ for Valley 5<sup>th</sup> Grade students & their families, Monday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5:30 PM

LBMS 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Orientation for ALL VALLEY students entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade at LBMS next year, Monday, May 24<sup>th</sup> – 8:40 AM

If you have a student, or know of someone that has a student that will be attending Lorna Byrne Middle School next year, be looking for flyers and informational material coming your way within the next month or so.

By the way: If you know parents that have a student that will be 6<sup>th</sup> grade and attending LBMS next year, but are NOT an Evergreen student at this time, please ask them to contact our office and we will get them up to speed with any plans that are in place. Thank you for your assistance.

#### **LBMS Student-Based Health Center**



Siskiyou Community Health Center is established in all three valley schools. Please call each school for their times/days of operation.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call our office at:

LBMS - 592-2163 x 3030 LB SBHC DIRECT - 592-6978 LB SBHC DIRECT FAX - 592-6702

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Trimester Conferences Monday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2010

11:00 AM - 3:00 PM & 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Look for flyers to be going home with students in the next few weeks.

If you would like to make arrangements, please contact our office, or email at:

www.threerivers.k12.or.us

LORNA BYRNE MIDDLE SCHOOL &
21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY COMMUNITY LEARNING GRANT
IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE

## SUMMER SCHOOL 2010

JUNE 28, 2010 THROUGH JULY 23, 2010 8:15 AM — 12:15 DM MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY

We will be sending invitations to parents and students at conferences on April 26.

# ATTENTION PARENTS:

Looking for ways to improve communication and managing skills with your teen or preteen at home?

## WE HAVE THE SOLUTION!

Join us for the Strengthening Families

## "FAMILY CAMP"

## Starting April 15th

Strengthening Families is a nationally recognized class aimed to teach parents and youth (ages 10-14) the skills they need to communicate effectively, manage household responsibilities, and get along!

## Who should attend?

Parents and their children ages 10-14, who are looking to have fun and learn about each other. Especially families dealing with conflict or other issues.

## What will we do?

Enjoy FREE dinner together (provided by the facilitators) and then separate (parents and children) for session one, joining back together as a group to end session two. We will teach you amazing techniques to use at home to help better understand each other.

## Can I bring my younger kids?

Yes, we will provide **FREE childcare** for you while you attend the classes!

## Where is Camp held?

Strengthening Families will be held at Lorna Byrne Middle School.

## When is Family Camp?

Strengthening Families will be held for seven weeks in a row beginning on **April 15th and ending May 27th**. We will meet every **Thursday** evening from **5:30 to 8:00pm**.

## How much does the Camp cost?

Nothing! The Family Camp is free, Babysitting is free, and if you complete all 7 sessions <u>you earn \$50!!!</u>

**HURRY! Spaces** are limited!

Contact Monet Talty
College Dreams for more
information
541-218-7124
mtalty@collegedreams.org

FREE Babysitting provided!!

## LORNA BYRNE MIDDLE SCHOOL CAREER DAY 2010

Each year, Lorna Byrne Middle School organizes a Career Day to provide an opportunity for our students to become better informed about possible careers for the future.

We invite volunteers from ours and surrounding communities to share their knowledge about the education, skills, and training needed for a particular interest or career.

We also ask that they share their feelings regarding job satisfaction, intrinsic fulfillment and the extrinsic rewards that may provide meaningful insights to our young adolescents.

We feel that the more students can see the relevance between work today and their future, the more motivated they will become.

Some of the careers to be presented this year are:

Airplane Mechanic	Artisan	Catering	Corrections	Costume Designer
EMT	Engineering	Farm Manager	Fire Department	Florist
Food Service/Chef	Forest Service	Game Warden	Manicurist	Meteorologist
Nursing	Optometry	Plumbing	Radio DJ	Small Business
Teaching	TV News Anchor	Veterinarian	Zookeeper	

Wednesday, April 21, 2010 101 S. Junction Avenue Cave Junction, OR

Joann Snook ~ Career Day Organizer/GEAR UP Coordinator ~ 592-2163 ext. 3010

## TITLE 1 PROGRAM EXPECTATIONS AT LBMS

Our school receives federal funds for Title One programs that are part of the No Child Left Behind Act. Under this law, you have the right to request information regarding the professional qualifications of your child's classroom teacher(s). If you request this information, the district will provide you with this information in a timely manner. You have the right to request the following information:

- If the teacher has met state licensing requirements for the grade level and subjects in which the teacher is providing instruction
- If the teacher is teaching under an emergency status for which state licensing requirements have been waived
- The type of college degree major of the teacher and the field of discipline for any graduate degrees and certificates
- If your child is receiving Title One services from paraprofessionals and if so, his/her qualifications If you would like this information, please contact Lorna Byrne Middle School.



2009-2010 Yearbooks are in the making.

They will be available at the end of the school year.

Cost will be \$20.00.

Reserve yours now and beat the rush!!



#### **Book Share Program partners LBMS & OregonBooks**

Oregon Books, Grants Pass, OR, is encouraging children to read by providing a partnership program which gives direct credit to LBMS Library, which can be used at any time.

Here's how it works: Any supporter who mentions LORNA BYRNE when purchasing books, triggers a donation of 5% of the total purchase to the Lorna Byrne account. When Lorna Byrne supporters order books online at oregonbooks.com, just add the schools name in the comments section, or mention it when picking up the books.

As an example of how all this works, if we have 50 supporters buying \$10.00 worth of books each month, our library would have \$300.00 during the year to spend.

Spread the word!!!

Thank you for your support & HAPPY READING

#### TRSD/LBMS SCHOOL - PARENT COMPACT

This compact outlines how the parents, the entire school staff, and the students of Lorna Byrne Middle School will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents will build and develop a partnership that will help children achieve the State's high standards.

This school-parent compact is in effect during school year 2009-2010.

## **School Responsibilities**

Lorna Byrne Middle School will:

- 1. Provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables the participating children to meet the State's student academic achievement standards.
  - Quality instruction and programs in reading and mathematics
  - Appropriate and effective remedial programs in basic skills
  - Individualized assessment and instruction as necessary
  - A staff committed to meeting the needs of the whole child
- 2. Hold parent-teacher conferences, during which this compact will be discussed as it relates to the individual child's achievement. Specifically, those conferences will be held:
  - October 8, 2009
  - January 27, 2010
  - April 26, 2010
- 3. Provide parents with frequent reports on their children's progress. Specifically, the school will provide reports as follows:
  - Trimester Progress Reports.
  - School Newsletters
  - Periodical Classroom Progress Reports (as requested by parent or teacher)
- 4. Provide parents reasonable access to staff. Specifically, staff will be available for consultation with parents as follows:
  - Voice mail is accessible to all teachers, who will return your calls promptly.
  - Parent/Teacher staffings are usually held on Mondays & Wednesdays, 8:00 8:30 AM. Parents may
    call to schedule appointments at any time.
  - Class hours are 8:30AM until 3:05 PM, Monday through Friday.
  - Office hours are 7:15 AM until 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday.
- 5. Provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class, and to observe classroom activities, as follows:

Parents are encouraged to volunteer and be active members of the Lorna Byrne MS community. Please call your child's teacher to find out about how you may best offer your time and services.

## Parent Responsibilities

We, as parents, will support our children's learning in the following ways:

- Monitoring attendance.
- Making sure that homework is completed.
- Staying informed about my child's education and communicating with the school by promptly reading all
  notices from the school or the school district either received by my child or by mail and responding, as
  appropriate.

## Student Responsibilities

We, as students, will share the responsibility to improve our academic achievement and achieve the State's high standards. Specifically, we will:

- Do our homework every day and ask for help when we need to.
- Give to our parents, or the adult who is responsible for our welfare, all notices and information received by us from our school every day.
- Follow PBS protocol Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Responsible

#### LA ESCUELA DE LBMS / TRSD – PACTO de PADRES DE FAMILIA

Este pacto indica como los padres, el personal de escuela y los alumnos de la secundaria de Lorna Byrne Middle School (LBMS) compartirán la responsibilidad de mejorar los logros académicos, y medios bajo los cuales escuela-padres de familia, desarollaran una sociedad que permitará que los niños obtengan los niveles estatales más altos.

Este pacto escuela-padres de familia será efectivo por el año escolar 2009-2010.

#### Responsibilidades de La Escuela

Lorna Byrne Middle School:

- 1. Proporcionará plan de estudio e instrucción de calidad en un ambiente de apoyo efectivo, que permitirá a los niños alcanzar logros académicos requeridos por el estado.
  - Instrucciones y programas de calidad en lectura y matemáticas
  - Apoyo apropriado y efectivo para el programa correctivo de habilidad básica
  - Evaluaciones individuales e instrucción necesaria
  - Personal cometido a alcanzar las necesidades del alumno
- Mantener conferencias de maestro-padre de familia durante los cuales el pacto será discutido, relacionado con cada niño individualmente. Las conferencias se llevarán a cabo:
  - Octubre 8, 2009
  - Enero 27, 2010
  - Abril 26, 2010
- 3. Proporcionará a padres de familia con frecuentes reportes de los progresos de sus niños, especialmente la escuela proporcionará los reportes de la siguiente manera:
  - Reporte de progresos cada trimestre
  - Noticias escolares informativas
  - Reporte de progreso a nivel grado o clase (como requerido por los padres)
- 4. Proporcionará a los padres con un acceso rasonable al personal. Especificamente, el personal estaá disponible para consultar con los padres como sigue:
  - Hay un buzón de voz para cada maestro que devolverá la llamada en corta tiempo.
  - Maestro-padre reuniones normalmente estan los lunes y miiércoles, 8:00-8:30 AM. Padres de familia pueden hablar a cualquier hora y solicitar una cita.
  - Horario de clases diario es de 8:30 AM -3:05 M, lunes por viernes
  - Horario de oficina diario es de 7:15 AM a 3:30 PM., lunes por viernes
- 5. Proporcionará a padres con trabajo voluntario y participativo en las clases de sus hijos, y observar las actividades de la clase de la siguiente manera:

Padres de familia están invitados a ser voluntarios y miembros activios de la comunidad escolar de Lorna Byrne. Por favor hable al maestro/a de su hijo<mark>/a</mark> para saber cual es la mejor manera de ofrecer su tiempo y servicios.

#### Responsibilidades de Los Padres de Familia

Nosotros los padres apoyaremos el aprendizaje de nuestros hijos de la siguiente manera:

- Monitoreando asistencia
- Asegurándonos que las tareas estén completas
- Manteniendonos informados acerca de la educación de nuetros hijos, y comunicándonos con la escuela al leer noticias a
  información enviada por la escuela o el distrito escolar, ya sea mandada por correo o por medio del alumno y respondiendo
  apropriadamente.

#### Responsibilidad del Alumno

Nosotros los estudiantes compartirémos la responsibilidad de mejorar el nivel académico y llegar años niveles más altos del estado. Especialmente:

- Haré mi tarea cada día y pediré ayuda de ser necesario.
- Entregar todo tipo de información que haya recibido de las escuela para mis padres o tutores, cada día.
- Sigue el protocol de PBS Sea seguro, sea respetuoso, sea responsible

#### J Students

#### J.JED Student Absences and Excuses

Policy: JED

## Three Rivers School District

8550 New Hope Rd \$ PO Box 160 \$ Murphy, OR 97533

#### STUDENT ABSENCES AND EXCUSES

Daily attendance and punctuality are absolutely necessary for a student to gain maximum benefits from his/her educational experience.

Oregon school law supports the Board's view, and restricts excused absences to illness of the student, student medical or dental appointments (confirmation of appointments may be required), illness in the immediate family which requires the student's presence at home, when the tenets of the student's religion require an absence for religious observance of a holiday or emergency situations that require the student's absence. All other absences must meet the approval of the school officials or be treated as unexcused absences. An absence that does not meet the criteria of an excused absence but has been confirmed by the parent will be marked as a "verified" absence.

Absences will only be excused or verified if a phone call is received from the parent/guardian the day the student is absent or a note received in the school office not more than 3 days after the child returned to school.

#### **END OF POLICY**

Legal Reference(s):

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