## LORNA BYRNE MIDDLE SCHOOL - VIKING VIEWS

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### WORDS FROM MR. CROWSON.....

"Are You Proud to Be A Viking? I AM!"

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### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

- 3/4 & 3/5 SMILE FT
- 3/5 2<sup>nd</sup> Trimester ends
- 3/5 Gold Card FT
- 3/8 Clerical Day, K-12, NO CLASSES
- 3/8 TRSD Board Meeting @ District Office, 7 PM
- 3/10 & 3/11 Drama performance "Wizard of Oz",
   7 PM both nights
- 3/12 Late Start Friday, classes begin @ 10:30 AM
- 3/14 DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS -TURN CLOCK AHEAD 1 HOUR
- 3/16 LBMS Festival Concert, 7PM (student work to be displayed throughout bldg. before/during concert)
- 3/19 Last Day of Classes
- 3/22 through 3/26 SPRING BREAK
- 3/29 Classes Resume
  - > MONDAY, 3/1 TRACK PRACTICE BEGINS
    Track Event Schedule TBA

### ~~~~~ COMING IN APRIL ~~~~~

- 4/2 "Welcome Back" in-school dance, sponsored by the Leadership Group
- 4/10 Middle School Battle of the Books @ 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

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Remember, <u>Sunday, March 14<sup>th</sup></u> Daylight Saving Time begins.
Turn clocks **AHEAD** 1 hour



### ARE YOU PROUD TO BE A VIKING? I AM!

**I AM PROUD TO BE A VIKING BECAUSE** two of our students finished in the top 5 in a recent Three Rivers School District math competition. Solomon Zook finished 2<sup>nd</sup> and Brandon Orndoff finished 3<sup>rd</sup>. Congratulations to them and to their families!

**I AM PROUD TO BE A VIKING BECAUSE** our wrestling team recently went to the SOMSAC (Southern Oregon Middle School Athletic Conference) District Wrestling Tournament and did an amazing job!

### **Champions:**

95 Pounds - Brandon Orndoff 120 Pounds - Dillon Cook 215 Pounds - Julian Northrup

### 2nd Place:

88 Pounds - Manny Pimentel 154 Pounds - James Thompson

### 3rd Place -

78 Pounds - Gino Peretta 127 Pounds - Eric Householder

### 4th Place -

78 Pounds - Eric Miller 134 Pounds - John Britt

### 5th Place -

108 Pounds - Seth Williams

**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** of the amazing art work and projects that our students do each day. Mrs. Trammell has an amazing science project right now with systems of the human body. The student work and effort is amazing.

**I AM PROUD TO BE A VIKING BECAUSE** we have a drama teacher that pours his heart and soul into each production. Thank you Mr. Talty for believing in your drama students and working so hard to make your "Wizard of Oz" production the best it can be.

**I AM PROUD TO BE A VIKING BECAUSE** we have some very dedicated students trying to learn Chinese through a distance course on our Tandberg Video System. They meet twice a week after school through our 21<sup>st</sup> Century class. We have a dedicated Educational Assistant, Donna Thompson, which works with them each time. Way to go!!

**I AM PROUD TO BE A VIKING BECAUSE** we have some amazing readers in our school. Here are the TOP TEN 8<sup>th</sup> graders in the school for AR points: Leonard Ballard (516.9), Edilet Rodriguez (333.3), Amanda Brooks (325.6), Myles Hodge (283.8), Jay Tetone (282.4), Sam Milner (229.3), Kim Rodriguez (216), Kiana Lee (213.1), Brelyn Dhenin (212), Brian Bemis (199.3).

**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!

**I AM PROUD TO BE A VIKING BECAUSE** we are sending almost **200** students on a <u>Gold Card Field Trip</u> to Lava Lanes on March 5<sup>th</sup>. PBS has made a huge positive impact on our school and we are excited to celebrate that many students for coming to school and showing Viking Pride each and every day.

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 next Honor Society meeting will be Tuesday, March 9 during 5<sup>th</sup> period. We will be discussing the Induction Ceremony, on April 16, 8:45 a.m.

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.

I will be sending letters out soon on new inductees. We look forward to seeing as many family and friends as possible at the Induction Ceremony.

If you have any questions, feel free to call me at 592-2163 ext. 3057, or email <a href="mailto:charlotte.baker@threerivers.k12.or.us">charlotte.baker@threerivers.k12.or.us</a>.

Thank you all for your support of your students.

Charlotte Baker

Honor Society Advisor

### **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

## Sports briefing......



### 2009-2010 SPRING SPORTS

### Practice begins Monday, March 1st.....

Track & Field is open to all 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, & 8<sup>th</sup> grade students,

If your student is interested in participating, he/she must have all of their paperwork completed before they can stay after school to 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*. If a student has participated in a sport this year for LBMS, a note from the parent/guardian is all that is needed (the paperwork will roll over to this sport).

*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:

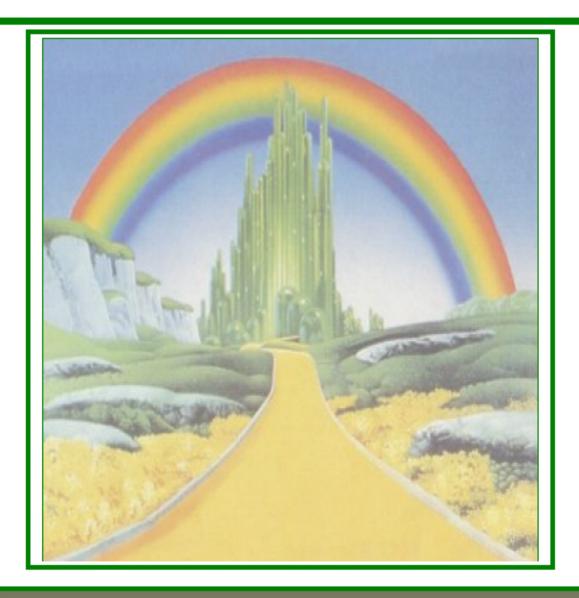
\* February 15, 2010 - March 11, 2010 \*

\* 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



## LBMS DRAMA PRODUCTION PRESENTS THE SCHOOL PLAY VERSION OF

## "Wizard of Oz"

Michele L. Vacca, Author Produced by Special Arrangement with Classics on Stage! Of Chicago

## Two evening performances

CAST A: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10TH @ 7:00 PM

&

CAST B: THURSDAY, MARCH 11TH 2010 @ 7:00 PM



# Spring Festival Concert

> Choir

Cadet Band

> Concert Band

Tuesday, March 16th, 2010 7:00 PM

LBMS Cafetorium

Also on March 16<sup>th</sup> before/during the Spring Concert teachers are planning to display student's work around the school. For more information, please call our office.



### 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.

That being said, plans are in place for a couple of activities, and some informational time for parents and students.

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  $6^{th}$  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.



CLASSIFIED STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK MARCH I<sup>ST</sup> - MARCH 5<sup>TH</sup>

**TAG -** Parents of TAG students with questions or concerns are encouraged to contact Mary Trammell, who will be coordinating, mentoring and supporting TAG students at Lorna Byrne.



## 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):

ORS 109.056

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