



TIGER NEWS

MARCH 2013

8th Grade

TERESA HALEY HAS VOLUNTEERED TO HEAD UP THIS YEAR'S 8TH GRADE DANCE. FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CALL TERESA @ 541-821-3464

TRACK

Track & Field will start on March 4th from 3:30 to 5:30. Students must have a current physical on file and health insurance before they can start practice. If you need health insurance please see Mrs. Commons for information. The fee is \$75.00 to participate.

Thank you

We would like to thank the following coaches for their time and energy volunteering to make the sports experience memorable for our students. A big thank you goes out to Roger Haberman and Aaron Mathews for girls' basketball; Keith Haley and Darrell Simpson for wrestling.

REPORT CARDS

The end of the Trimester is March 8; there is a clerical day on March 11(no school for students). The report cards will be mailed home March 15.

Spring Pictures

Spring pictures will be taken Thursday, March 7, 2013 by Newcomb Photography. All students will have their pictures taken and proofs will be sent home for you to order.

Changes

When personal changes are made to your phone number, address or email, please notify us as soon as possible. You may do this by sending a note to school with your child or calling the office at 862-2171. Also, when faxing or emailing a note, please check with the office to make sure it has been received.

Lost and Found

The Lost and Found is overflowing. Any items not picked up by Spring Break will be donated to charity. Please be sure to check for your items before that time. Thank you, Nancy Abruzzini (Family Advocate).

Moving On Program

Mark your calendars; a date has been set for this year's 8th grade Moving On Program. The date is June 6, 2013 at 6:30p.m. It will be held in the gym at Lincoln Savage Middle School.

Parent Assist

Parent assist is available on line. If you are interested please come to the office and fill out a form.

Dress Code

Spring clothing is already in stores & spring weather is just around the corner. When shopping, please be mindful of the school dress code. Our intentions are to minimize the distractions. PJ's & bedroom slippers remain at home they are not appropriate school attire.

BAND & CHOIR CONCERT

Lincoln Savage will be hosting a spring band and choir concert on Thursday, March 14, 2013 at 7:00pm in the gym. Please come and enjoy our students and their music.

Parent Thank you!!

Mr. Z would like to thank the parents of his 7th grade science classes for their support in helping students get their science projects to class. We had a 99% completion rate with only 2 students unable to complete the assignment on time. Again thank you for supporting this huge effort.

Change your Clocks

It's time for daylight savings time. Remember to set your clocks forward on Sunday, March 10.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Track Starts.....	3/4
Spring Pictures.....	3/7
End of Trimester activity.....	3/8
Daylight Savings Time.....	3/10
No school (in-service).....	3/11
Band & Choir Concert 7:00.....	3/14
Report Cards mailed home.....	3/15
School Dance 5:30 ~ 7:30 (gym).....	3/15
Site Council Mtg 3:30 (library).....	3/18
Spring Break no school.....	3/25 ~ 3/24
Spelling Bee	4/10
Site Council 3:30.....	4/15



A Message from the Principal

Dear Parents,

We wanted to share some information with you in regards to the success of our interventions from Trimester 1. We are very proud of the hard work from our teachers and students to make this data so incredible.

Interventions at LSMS: (Trimester 1: 2012)

1. ELO (extended learning opportunities)-30 minutes of core teacher instruction
2. 2 hour ELO schedule-students identified by grade level teams received a 2 hour core instructional period before and after the trimester to make improvements on assessment retakes.
3. We have 2 Academic Support classes at each grade level for Math and Language Arts-Target is to strengthen foundation of math and LA (identified gaps through assessments) and support current grade level curriculum (pre-teaching information and vocabulary).....Monday, Wednesday and Friday we work on identified deficiencies, Tuesday/Thursday we Pre-Teach information for the current grade level.
4. AST- 2 hours of After School Tutoring for students identified needing additional support. Always have Math and LA teacher after school.

The Data

1. We had 581 F's and Incompletes given at the 6 week mark (mid-term reports)
2. Our PLC goal was to eliminate all 581 F's and Incompletes by the end of the trimester. We posted 382 F's and I's at the end of the trimester (eliminating 199 F's from progress grades).
3. As of 12/21/12 we reduced that number to 134 F's in the entire school.
4. As of January 7th (end of the 10 day grace period for all Incompletes) we had only given 91 F's to all students for Trimester 1. (84% reduction of F's and I's based on interventions at LSMS: Tri 1)

Below is an actual example from a student report card reflecting the difference between traditional grading and Proficiency

Student: Joe Schmoe

Traditional Report Card (Before PLC/INTERVENTIONS): GPA 1.0 (passed 2 out of 6 classes)

Science	F
History	F
Math	F
Language Arts	F
PE	A
Technology	C

Student: Joe Schmoe

Report Card at Progress Report time (6 week mark) under PLT/ INTERVENTIONS

Science	Incomplete
History	Incomplete
Math	Incomplete
Language Arts	Incomplete
PE	A
Technology	C

Student: Joe Schmoe

Final Report Card at end of Trimester 1 with Interventions under PLT/INTERVENTIONS: GPA 2.28 (and passed 5 out of 6 classes)

Science	B
History	F
Math	B-
Language Arts	C
PE	A
Technology	C

If you have any questions about this data or questions regarding your son/daughter please feel free to contact me via phone or email. I would love the opportunity to help you better understand our new grading policy and curriculum at Lincoln Savage Middle School.

Sincerely,

Damian Crowson
Principal
LSMS