



**Lakeview Junior High School**  
November 2024 Board Report

**Goal One – Learning**

We were recently recognized as an *Exemplary School* by the Illinois State Board of Education, placing Lakeview in the top 10% of all schools in the state of Illinois!! This is a phenomenal designation that everyone has worked hard to achieve. We are extremely proud of our students, staff, and community. Our 8th grade students recently traveled to Washington D.C., enjoying an educational experience and bonding with classmates and teachers. Mrs. Newman’s class visited Honey Bee Farm to work on authentic photography, capturing real-life experiences through their lenses. Below is a picture from one of Mrs. Newman’s classes. Mrs. Mixon and Mrs. Burrows organized a visit with Prairieview’s 5th graders, who came to Lakeview for *Scary Stories*. Lakeview students wrote and shared spooky tales with the Prairieview students. It was wonderful to welcome our future Lakeview students to the building and see them interact with their soon-to-be classmates. The final picture is from Mrs. Divers’s class, where her 8th-grade math students applied real-world concepts to synthesize what they’ve been learning.



**Goal Two – Whole Student Development**

The end-of-quarter assembly was a huge success! Students in ACE classes were grouped by color and grade level, fostering a strong sense of unity and school spirit. Each group created chants, which they shared enthusiastically at the assembly. The picture below is from our most recent gathering. Our ACE program (Advisory, Culture, and Environment) continues to develop lessons focused on positive interactions and team building, helping students learn and practice respectful behavior with one another. Clubs and sports are also making a wonderful impact on students’ lives. Additionally, our band program recently hosted its first performance of the year, and all of our Lakeview bands did a phenomenal job!



### **Goal Three – Environment**

The Lakeview Cross Country team had an outstanding season this year! We qualified one boy for the state meet, and our girls' team earned a spot by placing 3rd at sectionals. Many athletes achieved personal bests (PBs) throughout the season. The Celebration Breakfast continues to be a huge success, allowing us to recognize students for their daily achievements at Lakeview. Girls' basketball and cheer have kicked off with great success! Additionally, our School Improvement Days (SID) remain invaluable for all staff members. Recently, we had the opportunity to learn about strategies for supporting English Language Learners (ELL) and methods for differentiating instruction to meet the needs of all students.



**Thank you for your leadership and everything you do to support our schools and district. Wishing everyone a wonderful November!**

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