

# September 2025

# **Lisle Elementary School**

### **Dot Day**

Lisle Elementary School celebrated International Dot Day on Monday, September 15, based on the story "The Dot", by Peter H. Reynolds, which tells the story of a caring teacher who dares a doubting student to trust in her own abilities by being brave enough to "make her mark". What begins with a small dot on a piece of paper becomes a breakthrough in confidence and courage, igniting a journey of self-discovery and sharing, which has gone on to inspire countless children and adults around the globe. To emphasize and celebrate this important theme, our students and staff were encouraged to wear dots to signify creativity, courage, and collaboration.

### **Start With Hello Week**

"Start with Hello" Week (September 15-19) was celebrated to make sure all students feel included and to help foster a culture of inclusivity and kindness. Activities and spirit days were held to emphasize *starting* with hello to encourage and model our message of working together as a team, being an "upstander" at LES, and confiding in a trusted adult.

### **Seeds of Character Assembly**

This month, we were excited to welcome Tim Hannig of ProKids for an assembly that celebrated and encouraged the qualities of good character. Through comedy, magic, and storytelling, Mr. Hannig shared the story of the "Seeds of Character" to remind our students about the importance of kindness and character. We appreciate LEHSO and their contribution to this amazing assembly for our students.

#### **MTSS Meetings**

Over the past few weeks, our students have engaged in classroom assessments, iReady, and FastBridge assessments, providing our staff with valuable data about our students' needs. Beginning next week, this data and IAR data will be compiled, reviewed, and discussed at our Fall MTSS data meetings at each grade level to ensure all our students receive the instruction necessary to improve their learning.

# **Lisle Junior High School**

### **New! STEM Workshops**

Our Technology teacher, Ms. Braun, in partnership with the DuPage County Regional Office of Education, will soon offer after-school STEM Workshops once a month for our junior high students. These experiences will be available to everyone including those who are interested in STEM but not able to sign up for the class in their course schedule. We are excited to offer the following sessions to kick-off the series!

- Bubble Mania STEM Workshop Wednesday, September 24 from 3-3:55pm
- Catapults STEM Workshop Tuesday, October 21 from 3-3:55pm
- Binary Beams STEM Workshop Wednesday, November 12 from 3-3:55pm

# **Lisle High School**

### **Homecoming 2025**

Homecoming week has long fostered a sense of school spirit and unity among our students. Homecoming Week kicked off on Sunday, September 14 with Decathorama. The week-long celebration featured several student activities such as dress-up days, fun contests during the lunch periods, an elementary school pep rally as well as our high school pep rally, and it culminated with the dance on Saturday evening - Rhythms of Rio!

## **Professional Development**

We held our second articulation meeting with the Junior High on September 12 to ensure a seamless transition for our students and a consistent philosophy on grading. These meetings are a strategic effort to study and apply the latest research in educational grading and assessment. The conversations have been extremely productive, and we are confident they will continue to be a valuable part of our ongoing work.