Lincoln Savage Middle School

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## **Board Report September 2011**

The start of the school year has been GREAT !!

We have some new things at LSMS for the 2011-12 school year that we want to share with the School Board:

- 1. Based on PBIS Data we made some changes to our lunch schedule. We now have 3 lunch times instead of 2. This allows us to serve a smaller group of students more efficiently. The lunches are divided by grade level to allow students to interact with their peers. The students have really enjoyed the increased seating and additional space on the play ground at lunch.
- 2. We have a leadership class at LSMS this year! Mr. Zurhellen meets with a large group of 8<sup>th</sup> graders the last period of the day. These students learn leadership skills and will get an opportunity to put these skills to use each day. They have been given the charge to bring positive energy to the school with fundraisers, organizing activities and brainstorming ways to increase school spirit.
- 3. We have a Guide Group added to our schedule. This allows us to teach and reteach expectations for PBIS. Our Guide Groups will meet each day to work on PBIS lessons, read AR books or participate in our new intramural program.
- 4. We have PE everyday for all students. We hope to improve physical fitness for all students at LSMS.
- 5. We have brought electives back to LSMS! Students will have an opportunity to participate in art, computers, science technology, and leadership.
- 6. We have almost 60 football players out for football this year! The team looks big, fast and tough. Excited to see them in action next week!
- 7. We have almost 33 volleyball players out for volleyball this year! The team looks very athletic and I already know they are better at it than me.
- 8. We have 14 Cross Country runners this year. They have already had their first two meets of the season and have finished extremely well.
- 9. We have 2 new teachers at LSMS. Mr. Aaron Mathews comes to us from Lorna Byrne Middle School. He brings 3 years of Social Studies experience and a wealth of basketball knowledge. Ms. Lacey Fox also joins us from Lorna Byrne Middle School. She has been an outstanding teacher for the past 14 years in all areas of Language Arts and Social Studies. She has a tremendous passion for reading and history. We are very lucky to have both of them joining the LSMS staff this year.
- 10. We have a new principal this year, me, Mr. Damian Crowson. My three weeks at LSMS have been amazing! The staff, community and students have been wonderful. I am a duck fan to the core but I am proud to don the black and orange for the Lincoln Savage Tigers! Thank you for this opportunity.