

POINTS OF PRIDE

LMS NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 26, 2021

From the Principal's Desk

As I thumbed through reports cards, I am so pleased with many of our students who have worked hard to make improvements on their grades. The start of the year had many students in quarantine due to COVID in their homes, but these students have worked hard to get all of their work completed. As COVID numbers continue to decline in our area, we are looking forward to getting back to good business. 😊

As we continue to focus on teaching and learning, I need help from our families. Student attendance goes hand-in-hand with student success. When your child is absent, they missed a day's worth of learning. It is your child's responsibility to have their make-up work completed within 5 school days of their return. This may mean working during their recess or arranging to come early or stay late.

I would also appreciate your help as we try to minimize classroom disruptions and maximize learning. Please adhere to the schedule below:

5th Grade Check Out Times	6th Grade Check Out Times
10:30-11:30	10:20-11:35
2:00-2:15	1:00-1:10
7th Grade Check Out Times	8th Grade Check Out Times
9:35-9:50	9:45-10:05
11:30-11:35	11:30-11:35
1:00-2:00	1:00-2:00

If you need to pick them up at a different time than the times listed below, please send a note with your child to give to the teacher. The teacher will send the child to the office at that time instead of the office having to interrupt the class.

I am looking forward to another great school year, and I appreciate all of your support as we move forward. Please feel free to contact me via email (Stephanie.ard@lattavikings.com) or by phone (843-752-7117) if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,
Stephanie J. Ard, Principal

Calendar of Events

Oct. 25-29.....Red Ribbon Week
 Oct. 26.....Report Cards
 Nov. 5.....Make-Up Pictures
 Nov. 18, 19, 20.....Shrek Musical
 Nov. 23.....Progress Reports
 Nov. 24-26.....Thanksgiving Holiday
 Dec. 3.....Latta Christmas Parade

(See all Sports schedules on our website

<http://www.dillon3.k12.sc.us/athletics.php>)

Red Ribbon Week

Red Ribbon Week will be held October 25-29. This year's theme is "Drug Free Looks Like Me." This theme is a reminder that everyday Americans across the country make significant daily contributions to their communities by being the best they can be because they live Drug-Free! To bring more light to a Drug-Free lifestyle, students will have lessons throughout the week along with the following dress up days:

Monday, October 25

Hat and Wacky Sock Day

"Use your Head, Sock it to Drugs"

Tuesday, October 26

Tropical Tuesday, "Wave Goodbye to Drugs"

Wednesday, October 27

Career Day, "Your Future is Bright"

Thursday, October 28

Camo Day

"Hide from Drugs"

Friday, October 29

Green and Gold Day

"Show your School Spirit-Stay Drug Free"

CHEEEEEEESE! 😊

Make up pictures will be taken on Friday, November 5th. If your child did not take their photo on Picture Day or if you were dissatisfied with the photo, students may take their photo again.

Office Reminders

- If you have not turned in your child's paperwork from the first week of school, please do that. Virtual students may drop theirs off at the main office Monday-Friday from 8:00-4:00. If you need additional copies, please contact the main office.
- The yellow emergency card is very important for our office to have on file so we can reach parents/guardians in the event of an emergency or if a teacher needs to contact you about your child's progress/school work.
- Tardy bell rings at 8:00. Students need to arrive by 7:50 if possible so they have time to get unpacked and eat breakfast.
- Three tardies constitutes one absence per our district policy. Students are tardy if they are not in their homeroom class before the tardy bell rings. If your child is late, a parent/guardian must be present to sign him/her in.

NJHS Food Drive

Our annual Clemson/Carolina food drive will begin on Monday, November 1st and end on Friday, November 19th. We will collect canned and dry boxed foods to be distributed throughout the local community. We need foods like canned vegetables, meats, spaghetti, etc. Each homeroom teacher will receive a tally sheet to keep track of the cans for Clemson or Carolina. A National Junior Honor Society student will come by each morning and collect the canned food items AND tally sheet.

Students, when you bring your canned food items in you will need to let your homeroom teacher know which team your canned food items represent- Clemson or Carolina.

At our last food drive, we collected a total of 5,857 cans in three weeks! This year our goal is to collect 6,000 cans! 6,000 cans are a lot, but if we work together, we can meet and even exceed our goal. Let the can collecting begin and may the best team win!

Reminder....

Items purchased as a pack, will be counted as 1 pack and NOT as individual items. Example: A 6 pack of Jif peanut butter cups will be counted as 1 item, NOT 6 items. *Think of it as a bag of individual chocolate candy, you would count the bag as 1 item NOT as 32 items.*

Reading Tip

While reading is something we want our students to do more of, forced reading often starts the beginning of "readicide" or turning kids off to reading. If your child is struggling or bored with a book, tell them it is OK to put it down. Forcing a student to stick with too difficult a book or one that is boring when it is intended for pleasure will reinforce the idea that reading is a chore. Support your student in finding reading materials that they will enjoy. Let's help make reading a lifelong learning pleasure!

Positive Office Referrals

Kwa'Dasia Campbell-Being Respectful

Ny'Asia Drawhorn-Being Respectful

Trinity Clark-Being Her Best

William Smith-Being His Best

Jha'ny Sellers-Being Responsible & Her Best

AJ Bethea-Being Respectful

Christian Smith-Being Responsible

Fabien Mitchell-Being Respectful & Responsible

Hayden Howell-Being His Best

Abigail Mudd-Being Responsible

Labrasia Davis-Being Her Best

Quintin Wilkes-Being Responsible & His Best

Bella Herring-Being Responsible & Her Best

Peyton Hunt-Being His Best

Jasmine Smiling-Being Her Best

Peyton Davis-Being Respectful & Responsible

Aubrey Williams-Being Respectful

Christopher Oxendine-Being His Best

Charlena Lane-Being Respectful

Mackeny Oliver-Being Responsible

Cam Taylor-Being Responsible

Jack Carmichael-Being Responsible

Jude Mew-Being Safe & His Best

Josiah Durant-Being His Best

Emma Page-Being Her Best

**Great job ladies and gentlemen!
Thank you for going above and
beyond what is expected!**

