



Lighthouse Highlights

September 12, 2011

Important Dates

- JLCS Board meeting Tuesday, September 13th, 2011 at 6:00 pm.
- Watch D.O.G.S. introductory meeting September 13th 6:30 pm, JLCS Multipurpose room.
- Booster Pizza Day will be Friday, September 16th. Slices of cheese pizza can be purchased for \$1. Proceeds will go to fund further booster projects.
- Girls Scouts Information night September 22, 2011, in the JLCS Multi-purpose room.

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Message from Mr. Whitfield, Lead Principal

Focus on Data

Over the last couple of weeks scholars have been taking their fall NWEA exams. These fall scores will be the baseline we will use to measure their academic growth over the school year. We will take this exam again in the winter and the spring.

On September 22nd we will take our first TLI exam. These exams help us to ensure our scholars are mastering state standards and are adequately prepared for the 2011

ACTAAP exam.

Arrival and Dismissal

Please remember that

scholars who arrive after 7:45 am will be counted as tardy for the day. Please continue to make every effort to have your scholar(s) at school prior to 7:45 am to avoid being counted as tardy. As a school we have experienced excellent attendance rates over the first four weeks. We are currently averaging 98% attendance. Let's work together to maintain these high attendance numbers.

Uniform Excellence!

As we approach Fall and Winter our scholars will start to wear jackets and coats to school. Each year we accumulate a large number of jackets, sweat-shirts and coats in our lost

and found.

Please write your scholar's name or initials on the tag of their fall and winter garments. This will help us identify the owner of lost articles of clothing.

Health Tip of the Week

With the arrival of colder weather, comes more incidents of colds and flu. Remind your scholars of the importance of washing their hands and covering their mouths when they cough or sneeze.

Saturday Academy

Saturday Academy will begin Saturday, September 17th! Please return enrollment forms prior to September 16th, 2011.

Message from Ms. Kelly, UA/CPA Principal

NWEA

Next week is our last week for NWEA (Northwest Evaluation Association) testing. NWEA tests allow educators to make informed decisions to promote your child's academic growth. Scholars have been working hard and doing their best during testing.

As scholars advance in grades, their academic growth becomes more and more dependent on how much out of school work they are completing. Reading on grade level books, novels, and articles become

extremely important. Please encourage your scholar to read, read, read. This will help to ensure they see continued academic growth.

TLI

TLI (The Learning Institute) provides curriculum alignment, interim assessments, research, and technology services to help teachers and administrators more effectively meet the needs of all students. The following assessments will be given September 22, 2011:

- Math (5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, and Algebra 1)
- Writing (5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th)

Science will be given September 30, 2011, for grades 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th.

Academic / Behavior Reports

Students will receive academic / behavior reports on a weekly basis from their teachers. These reports will go home every Friday. Please check with your child's teacher if you have any questions about the report.

Lower Academy Shining Stars

Kinder

Charmyiah Nelson
Kylie Burriss

1st Grade

Talia Henderson
Terrius Williams

2nd Grade

Ariel Lopez
Brianna Foy

3rd Grade

Kimberly Ramos
Devin Johnson

4th Grade

Kyla Harton
Kyle Williams

Upper Academy Shining Stars

5th Grade

Braylen Jones
Taylor Brown

6th Grade

Casey Loftin
Daelyn Farrow

7th Grade

Marla Duke
Cameron Leonard

8th Grade

Edward Morrison
Ana Ruiz

Music

Diamond McGloan

Art

Diamond McGloan

P.E.

Kyron Thompson

Spanish

Ana Ruiz

Message from the Director of Instruction- Tom Kloske

Hello everyone. I hope all is well with you and yours. As you may know we've been very busy completing the NWEA testing the last few weeks and from the scores we are obtaining very encouraging and outstanding scores. Over the next couple of weeks, teachers will begin to meet with scholars to discuss and set end of the year growth goals. Please take the time to discuss these goals with your scholar and the importance of working hard in school everyday to facilitate reaching and exceeding these goals.

Lastly, please encourage your scholar to read for at least 20 minutes a night. Studies have repeatedly shown that children who read daily, test significantly higher than those who do not. So let's work hard to get smart, to ensure they graduate from college.

Spirit Stick!

Each week we recognize one lower academy and one upper academy class who has exhibited the SHINE qualities in transitions, homework completion and attendance.

The class with the highest average in those three areas wins the "Spirit Stick". The spirit stick class wins extra rewards such as but not limited to, SPARK time, Pizza Parties, or free dress days.

This week we are proud to announce that Mrs. Pegram's class is the Spirit Stick winner! Way to go to Mrs. Pegram and her scholars!

