



Lewistown Elementary School

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Dates to Remember

- September 2 – No School. Labor Day.
- September 5 - Home and School meeting 6:30-7:30
- September 13 – No School. Act 80 Day
- September 17 - 3rd Grade Farm Field Trip
- October 3 - Home and School meeting 6:30-7:30
- October 9 – Open House 5:30-7:00
- October 11 – No School – ACT 80 Day
- October 15 – Individual Pictures
- November 7 - Parent Conferences 4:30-7:30
- November 7 - Home and School meeting 6:30-7:30pm
- November 8 – No School. Parent Teacher Conferences
- November 11 – No School. Veteran's Day.
- November 25 – Picture Make-up Day
- November 27 – Early Dismissal at 1:15 for Elementary Students. Thanksgiving Break.
- November 28 – Dec 3 – No School. Thanksgiving Break.



Welcome Back!

We would like to make note of some staff changes at LES this year.

- Miss Korinne Sackela is our new Autistic/Emotional Support teacher
- Mrs. Kerry Harper is MCSD's new Social Worker.
- Mrs. Gina Mitchell, Mrs. Marci Rhoades, Mrs. Courtney Kephart and Mrs. Cheyenne Wagner have joined us as paraprofessionals supporting our students.
- Mr. Lucas Goss and Mr. Chris Miller have joined our Custodial Staff.

We are thrilled with our LES staff! We are all looking forward to a stellar year with our students!

Respectful, Responsible, Ready, and Safe

LES staff and students continue to work on our Positive Behaviors this year! We are RESPECTFUL, RESPONSIBLE, READY, and SAFE! Ask your child to let you know when they receive a PAW ticket!



Home and School News

Our Home and School meets at 6:30 PM in the library. Currently, the meetings are scheduled monthly. Our first meeting is September 5th. Our Home and School supports our students and staff with many activities throughout the school year. Please consider joining this group who help to make Lewistown Elementary School the wonderful school it is!

Right to Know

As a parent of a student attending a school that is receiving Federal Title I dollars, you have the right to know the professional qualifications of the teacher(s) and instructional paraprofessional(s) who instruct your child.

Federal law requires every Title I school district to comply and to provide you with the requested information in a timely manner.

- December 5 - Home and School Meeting 6:30-7:30
- December 23 through January 6 – Christmas Break.

Important Information

Remember to update your Skylert information.

It is critical that all emergency contact information is up to date. Please contact the office if phone numbers change.

All visitors must sign-in at the Main Office.

The MCSDK website has the following important pieces of information: All Hazards Plan, Student Handbook, Bullying Policy, Curriculum Links, District Calendar, Lunch Menu, CYCLE Day calendar, and much more! Check it out at www.mcsdk12.org

Be sure to submit a "Permission to Give Medication" form for students who need to take meds/inhalers at school.

Students are able to take up to 5 Educational Trip days per school year. Be sure to fill out the form and have it signed PRIOR to taking the educational trip. A report is due to the office within 3 days of returning from the trip for it to be considered a lawful absence.

Accident Insurance for your child can be found at

We are happy to provide this information to you. At any time, you may ask:

- Whether the teacher met state qualifications and certification requirements for the grade level and subject he/she is teaching,
- Whether the teacher received an emergency or conditional certificate through which state qualifications were waived, and
- What undergraduate or graduate degrees the teacher holds, including graduate certificates and additional degrees, and major(s) or area(s) of concentration.

You may also ask whether your child receives help from a paraprofessional. If your child receives this assistance, we can provide you with information about the paraprofessional's qualifications.

The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) which was signed into law in December 2015 and reauthorizes the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1956 (ESEA) includes additional right to know requests. At any time, parents and family members can request:

- Information on policies regarding student participation in assessments and procedures for opting out, and
- Information on required assessments that include
 - subject matter tested,
 - purpose of the test,
 - source of the requirement (if applicable),
 - amount of time it takes students to complete the test, and
 - time and format of disseminating results.

Our staff is committed to helping your child develop the academic knowledge and critical thinking he/she needs to succeed in school and beyond. That commitment includes making sure that all of our teachers and paraprofessionals meet applicable Pennsylvania state requirements.

If you have any questions about your child's assignment to a teacher or paraprofessional, please contact Kevin O'Donnell at East Derry Elementary School at 717-543-5615 or email me at kjo47@mcsdk12.org.

We look forward to the upcoming school year, and together we will make a difference in your child's life.

Sincerely,
Kevin J. O'Donnell

Meet LES's New Special Education Teacher



Hello, my name is Korinne Sackela and I am the new Emotional & Autistic Support Teacher. Having just moved to Pennsylvania from my hometown in Ohio, I am so excited to be a part of the Husky community! In my role, I hope to encourage the students at LES to be comfortable with their emotions, self-regulate, cope, and take an active role in their social-emotional learning within their classrooms and at home. When children can take responsibility and accountability of their own emotions, their ability to learn grows exponentially and I am thrilled to be a part of that process.

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/mifflincounty. If your
child is uninsured, call
1-800-986-KIDS for CHIP.

Third Grade Farm Field Trip

Attention 3rd grade families! Be on the lookout for the permission slip and information for the 3rd Grade Farm Field Trip. The trip is scheduled for Tuesday, September 17, 2019.



Bar Code Tags and Student ID Numbers

Have you noticed a bar code tag on your kindergarten or first grade student's backpack? Has your second or third grade student told you they have to learn their student ID number?

Every day about 200 students eat breakfast at LES. All grades eat together and they are served in about 25 minutes. To help things move faster at the cashier, we have put bar code tags on kindergarten and first grade students' backpacks so they can be scanned. Second and third grade students are learning their 8-digit ID number to key it into the keypad.

We are asking that you don't remove the bar code tags from backpacks. It slows things down when a student doesn't have the bar code and the cashier has to look up the code in a book with over 500 bar codes.

Second and third grade students have cards with their ID number written on it. The ID numbers can also be found on Skyward.

Around mid-year, we will be helping our first-grade students learn their ID numbers. Last year many first grade and kindergarten students learned their ID numbers and were able to key them in because they watched the older students doing it.

If you have any questions about the bar codes or ID numbers please contact us at 717-242-5823. Thank you!

