October 2023

Lewistown Intermediate School

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NEWSLETTER

UPCOMING EVENTS

4th Grade Open House October 17 5:30 - 7:00 pm

5th Grade Open House October 18 5:30 - 7:00 pm

LIS Bookfair October 16-19 during school hours and during 4th and 5th grade Open House

> Act 80 Day October 20 No School

Halloween Parade October 27 9:00 am

Activity Night
October 27
6:00 - 7:45 pm
more details to come

Picture Retakes
October 31

HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

Hog Raffle tickets can be purchased until the night of the drawing on October 18th at the 5th Grade Open House. You do not need to be present to win.

Pizza Hut monthly fundraiser will be every 2nd Thursday of the month. HSA receives 20% of the profits! Forms will be sent home with students prior to that Thursday. Please remember to take your form with you when you pick up your order!

The next HSA Meeting is Thursday, October 12 at 6:30 pm in the LIS Cafeteria. Parents/guardians are encouraged to attend to learn why fundraising is necessary for our students and about volunteer opportunities.

Please send questions to lewistownintermediatehsa@gmail.com

PBIS

This school year LIS moved to an online positive behavior rewards system. When staff observe positive behaviors, they now reward students with Points. Students are able to use their Points to "buy" prizes at an online store! These points can also be used to earn school-wide celebrations!!

Our PBIS program is off to a great start! Students had their first chance to "go shopping" and buy prizes with their hard-earned Points! Encourage your child to keep earning points!!

The four core behaviors staff will be teaching and looking to acknowledge include being RESPECTFUL, RESPONSIBLE, READY and SAFE!

We can 't wait to see all the positive behaviors & academic growth in our 4^{th} and 5^{th} graders this year!



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Salvation Army Christmas Program

The online application dates are October 1 - October 31, 2023

Go to their Facebook page <u>The Salvation Army of Lewistown</u> for the link to the application.

Documentation needed for first time applicants:
Picture ID-Birth Certificates for children-Pay stubs (2)/SSI statement-Child Support Verification
Rent Receipt/Lease-Utility Bill (phone, cable, electric, gas, etc.)

PLEASE MAKE SURE TO GIVE AN ACTIVE EMAIL ADDRESS AS THIS WILL BE THE MOST EFFICIENT WAY TO COMMUNICATE

HELPFUL INFORMATION

LIS will communicate important information and events through this monthly newsletter, Skyward messages/emails and Class DoJo.

For additional helpful information, visit the Students/Parents tab on the MCSD website.

ACADEMIC ASSISTANCE/TUTORING

If your child is struggling academically or not attaining academic standards at the proficient level, please reach out to your child's teacher or the building principal for information about our tutoring programs & accessing additional academic assistance.

Mifflin County School District School Board Policy 105.1 requires annual notification to parents/guardians and students that parents/guardians and students have an opportunity to review instructional materials and have access to information about the curriculum, including academic standards to be achieved, instructional materials and assessment techniques.

Requests to review instructional materials and access information about the curriculum, including academic standards to be achieved, instructional materials and assessment techniques should be made by submitting a written request to the building principal.

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SKYLERT

The Skylert System is the main source of family contact for important district information.

To relay messages to parent/guardians, LIS must have accurate information stored in Skyward.

Please notify the LIS office immediately of any changes in contact information.

717.242.5801

FAMILY ACCESS

You can access your child's transportation arrangements, grades, Skylert information and more via Family Access.

Visit the MCSD webpage, and select Family Access Login from the STUDENTS/PARENTS menu.

To obtain your account information, contact the LIS office at 717.242.5801.

If provision of instructional supplies imposes a financial hardship on a family, the school district can assist with some of these costs. An application process for such materials is located under MCSD Policy 110, and is available for review on our website. Families may also contact Mr. Reeder to see if you qualify for any assistance with school materials.

ATTENDANCE

Students arriving after 8:20 AM are tardy.

Students arriving after 9:30 AM or leaving before 2:00 PM will be marked absent for $\frac{1}{2}$ of a day.

Excuses must be returned within three (3) days of an absence.

Excuses should include the student's full name, the date of and reason for absence, and a parent/guardian signature.

See your child's First Day Packet for information on submitting excuses via Family Access.

TRANSPORTATION

If a student will not be riding the bus, submit a written note with the student's full name, the time of pick-up, and who will be picking up the student.

Please park in the parking lot or along Green Avenue during dropoff/dismissal.

Please DO NOT park or drop-off/pick-up students along Kish Street or in the Bus Lane.

Remain in your vehicle during dismissal.

Afternoon dismissal begins at 2:45 PM. Pick-ups/walkers will be dismissed at 2:50 **PM**.

Lewistown Intermediate School has qualified to be a Community Eligibility Provision school. Which means we will be offering FREE Breakfast and Lunch for all students who attend Lewistown Intermediate School for the entire 2023-2024 school year.