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Friday, April 26, 2024 | Newsletter #31 BE A DIFFERENCE MAKER

NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Monday, April 29 - 148th Day of School - Day 4 (A & M) -

- Regular Day of School for TK through 5th Grades(No Preschool on Mondays)

Tuesday, April 30 - 149th Day of School - Day 5 (L & PE)

- Regular Day of School for Preschool through 5th Grades

Wednesday, May 1 - 150th Day of School - Day 6 (M & PE)

- Regular Day of School for Preschool through 5th Grades

Thursday, May 2- 151st Day of School - Day 1 (M & L)

- Regular Day of School for Preschool through 5th Grades

Friday, May 3 - 152nd Day of School - Day 2 (A & PE)

- Regular Day of School for Preschool through 5th Grades

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Next Week's May Calendar will list all the end of the year important dates

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APRIL PILLAR OF CHARACTER SPOTLIGHT: PILLAR OF TRUSTWORTHINESS

April's Pillar of Character Spotlight is on the Pillar of Trustworthiness. The Pillar of Trustworthiness is being honest and loyal. Telling the truth and doing the right thing. Each class nominated a student who shows trustworthiness. The nominated students will be celebrated each day on the morning announcements next week and have each grade level from the Union Elementary buildings highlighted on the school district's Facebook Page. Here are this month's nominated students:

K Elliott Dinnebier	K Landen Alderman	
1st Izabella Adams	1st Colton Wellman	
2nd Corbin Osmundson	2nd Olivia Meyer	
3rd Paige Quint	3rd Roger Burns	3rd Peyton Reiter
4th Sophia Wubbenan	4th Nina Bormann	
5th Macy Buckingham	5th Cael Reiter	

KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION - 2024-25

Calling all incoming kindergarten students! The secretaries at Dysart-Geneseo and La Porte City Elementary buildings are creating their list of students who will be five years old by September 15, 2024, so they can send you kindergarten registration materials. If your child currently attends the four-year-old preschool program in either school building, the materials will be sent home with the students the first week of April. Please complete the forms once you receive them, and return them to your child's preschool teacher no later than April 29.

If your child does not attend preschool, please contact the secretaries at 319-476-7110 for Dysart-Geneseo Elementary students, and 319-342-3033 for La Porte City Elementary students, so they can get your child added to the list of incoming kindergarten students. They will need your child's name, parents' names, address, phone number, email, and child's date of birth. After you contact the building secretaries they will send you the registration materials. Please complete them and return no later than April 29.

The kindergarten packets will contain useful information about the upcoming 2024-25 school year. In addition to this there will be a powerpoint sent to you with more information about the specific building your

child attends. If you are new to our building and would like a tour, please contact the building that your child will be attending.

In early August the JMC online registration portal will open. You will need to go in and complete the last segment of the registration process, which includes payment of school fees, and depositing funds into your child's meal account. Be sure and watch the slideshow sent to you via email for information on accessing the online portal. If you already have children in the district you do not need to create a new account. If this is your first child to attend Union schools the PowerPoint will explain how to set up your username and password for the JMC online portal.

There will not be a kindergarten round-up or parent meeting. Your child's teacher will contact you prior to school starting on August 23, to set up a 15 minute kindergarten orientation time. If you have further questions, please contact the building that your child will be attending.

HURTS DONUT FUNDRAISER

Last week notes were sent home about our PTO Hurts Donut Fundraiser. Order forms are due Wednesday, May 1. Parents need to pick up your orders on Friday, May 10 between 3:15-5:30 at the LPC Elementary gym. Please enter on the playground side.

TRACK & FIELD DAY - FUN & FITNESS DAY

On Wednesday, May 29, we will have our Track & Field Day for 3rd, 4th, & 5th grade students in the morning @ Union High School Track. In the afternoon we will then have our Fun & Fitness Day for K, 1st, and 2nd grade students @ LPC Elementary Playground from 12:45-3:00. As always, you are welcome to come and watch your child participate in this fun day.

LPC ELEMENTARY YEARBOOKS

If you ordered a yearbook they will be coming home with your son/daughter today. We have a few extra 2023-2024 LPC Elementary Yearbooks for sale. They are $15 a piece, check or cash. They will be first come, first serve. Thank you for supporting the school and purchasing your son/daughter a memory keepsake.

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LAST DAY OF SCHOOL NOW SET FOR 2023-24

Superintendent John Howard announced that based on action by the Union School Board at their last board meeting, the final day of school for TK-12 students will be ***Thursday, May 30.*** District students will have met the state mandated requirement for instructional hours for the year. This day will be a 11:00 dismissal time and at the elementary that translates to 11:10 for walkers/car riders and 11:25 for bus students. Breakfast will be served on the last day of school, but no lunch will be served on that day.

NEXT YEAR'S ELEMENTARY CLASS LISTS

We will soon be in the process of compiling class lists for next year. We believe we have a competent and experienced teaching staff which works hard to provide the best education possible for all students. We take many factors into consideration when putting together these lists. They are: number balance, gender balance, behavior balance, and academic balance, which involves Title I reading, ELP, and Resource students. If you have a ***special concern based on only educational reasons and not in the area of social reasons for your child's placement next year, please contact me at the elementary office by May 3.*** We use the FAST data to help place students to have balanced classrooms. This is state mandated and involves weekly progress monitoring and interventions for students. Parent special concerns will be considered but may not be able to be met. We have to keep a balance of student academics with the FAST progress monitoring and assessments in each classroom.

2024-25 Grade Level Teachers Listed Below:

Preschool - Stephanie Estling

Kindergarten - Dana Junge
1st Grade - Caitlin Schmitz
2nd Grade - Dana Neuman
3rd Grade - Vanessa Arhart
4th Grade - Angie Bechthold
5th Grade - Rachel Hellman

Kindergarten - Angela Petersen
1st Grade - Bekka Pierson
2nd Grade - Sarah Pospisil
3rd Grade - Tracie Grosse
4th Grade - Amy Nading
5th Grade - Kelsey Murphy

CAREER DAY COMING UP

"LPC Elementary is very excited to host our 2024 Career Day on **Friday, May 17th**. Interested in sharing about your career with our students at LPC? Remember to fill out the sign-up form your student brought home. You may also reach out to our school counselor, Hannah Black, via email to sign up. Please let Hannah

know if you are interested by **Monday, April 15th**. Note, K-2nd grade students will be participating 8:30am-10:30am and 3rd-5th grade students will be participating from 12:30pm-3:00pm. More information regarding those selected and other related details will be shared around the April deadline. Please do not hesitate to reach out to Hannah if you have any additional questions!"

HAWKINS MEMORIAL LIBRARY:

- Courtesy of PBS STEAM Education, the Library has special activities out for teaching and challenging kids for the next week. Try building a flower garden, view and identify bones in your body by using X-rays , build a marble run, identify bugs, make patterns with geoboards or pattern blocks, build with gears, try matching eggs… and more. Drop in and try them!
- A tisket, a tasket, come create **May Day baskets**… make your own special baskets for May Day, Monday, April 22 through Wednesday, May 1.
- Migration is the **movie showing** on Wednesday, April 24, at 1:30 PM. Take flight with the Mallard family, whose vacation goes awry in this animated comedy filled with humor and heart. This movie is rated PG, plays 1 hour 22 minutes, and you get popcorn!
- Remember, the library has computers, tablets, and Wi-Fi for use by the public.

WE ARE SELLING
HURTS SIGNATURE DOZENS
TO RAISE MONEY FOR

$25

La Porte City Elementary PTO

HURTS DONUT Company

THE HURTS DOZEN
RAISING DOUGH FOR A CAUSE

Order forms are due Wednesday, May 1st.

Parents need to PICK UP your order on

Friday, May 10th
Between 3:15 - 5:30 PM
From the LPC Elementary Gym

Please use the back entrance near the playground.

Hurts Donut Fundraiser

Join us for our spring fundraiser of selling

HURTS DONUTS

Order forms are due Wednesday, May 1st.

Parents need to PICK UP your order on Friday, May 10th between 3:15-5:30 pm at the LPC Elementary gym.

Please enter the gym from the playground side.

Student's Name:_____

Teacher:_____

Parent/Guardian's Name:_____

Parent/Guardian's Cell Phone:_____

Parent/Guardian's Email:_____

All orders must be paid for at the time of ordering.

Checks payable to **La Porte City Elementary School PTO**

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UNION COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

LUNCH — LPC ELEMENTARY — MAY 2024

CHOICES OFFERED DAILY WITH A FRUIT / VEGETABLE BAR & FRUIT / VEGETABLE OF THE DAY

COOK'S CHOICE WILL BE ANNOUNCED ONCE WE CLOSER TO THE END OF THE MONTH
email c_glenn@union.k12.ia.us with questions

HAMBURGER ON BUN

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
SEASONED GRILLED CHICKEN ON BUN 4/29 FRENCH FRIES PINEAPPLE FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK	**CRISPITO BURRITOS** 4/30 CORN MANDARIN ORANGES FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK	**POPCORN CHICKEN WITH GARLIC BREAD** 1 BAKED BEANS PEACHES FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK	**MACARONI & CHEESE WITH CINNAMON ROLL** 2 PEAS 100% JUICE FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK	**CHEESE FILLED BREADSTICKS (OLD STYLE)** 3 GREEN BEANS APPLESAUCE CUP FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK
COD NUGGETS WITH CHEESE STICKS 6 CORN PEARS FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK	**WALKING TACOS** 7 REFRIED BEANS PINEAPPLE FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK	**CHICKEN DRUMSTICK WITH DINNER ROLL** 8 MASHED POTATOES & GRAVY ROSY APPLESAUCE FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK	**CRISPY CHICKEN ON BUN** 9 SWEET POTATO FRIES FRESH FRUIT FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK	**PIZZA CRUNCHERS** 10 MIXED VEGGIES MANDARIN ORANGES FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK
PRETZEL DOG 13 CORN PEACHES FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK	**SENIOR MEAL** 14 **CRISPITOS & QUESADILLAS** CHEESY POTATOES STRAWBERRIES & BANANAS DESSERT FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK	**BBQ RIB ON BUN** 15 BAKED BEANS APPLESAUCE CUP FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK	**CHEESEBURGER ON BUN** 16 FRENCH FRIES FRUIT CUP FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK	**PIZZA** 17 **(PEPPERONI & CHEESE)** GREEN BEANS PINEAPPLE FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK
BREADED PORK CHOP WITH MUFFIN 20 ROASTED POTATOES PEACHES FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK	**BEEF & CHEESE NACHOS** 21 REFRIED BEANS MANDARIN ORANGES FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK	22 **COOK'S CHOICE** FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK	23 **COOK'S CHOICE** FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK	24 **COOK'S CHOICE** FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK
27 **NO SCHOOL** MEMORIAL DAY	28 **COOK'S CHOICE** FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK	29 **COOK'S CHOICE** FRUIT / VEGGIE BAR MILK	**NO LUNCH SERVED** 30 **11:00 AM DISMISSSAL** LAST DAY OF SCHOOL	31 ***ENJOY YOUR SUMMER***

*Vegetable / Fruit Bar Contains: Fresh Romaine Lettuce, Tomatoes, Carrots, Cucumbers, & a 2nd Fruit Daily
May Also Contain Other Choices Like Celery, Peppers, And Cauliflower. All Items On Menu Are Subject To Change Based On Product Availability.

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BREAKFAST	LPC ELEMENTARY			MAY 2024
MONDAY	**TUESDAY**	**WEDNESDAY**	**THURSDAY**	**FRIDAY**
		PANCAKES, WAFFLES, OR FRENCH TOAST 1 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit Milk	**SAUSAGE PANCAKE ON A STICK** 2 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit Milk	**COOK'S CHOICE** 3 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit Milk
DONUTS 6 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit Milk	**BREAKFAST BAR WITH TOAST** 7 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit Milk	**PANCAKES, WAFFLES, OR FRENCH TOAST** 8 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit Milk	**BREAKFAST PIZZA** 9 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit Milk	**COOK'S CHOICE** 10 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit Milk
FRUDELS OR MINI CINNIS 13 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit Milk	**EGG & CHEESE BAGEL** 14 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit Milk	**PANCAKES, WAFFLES, OR FRENCH TOAST** 15 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit Milk	**SAUSAGE PANCAKE ON A STICK** 16 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit Milk	**COOK'S CHOICE** 17 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit Milk
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27 **NO SCHOOL** MEMORIAL DAY	**COOK'S CHOICE** 28 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit Milk	**COOK'S CHOICE** 29 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit Milk	**COOK'S CHOICE** 30 Choice: Cereal with Muffin, Yogurt, or Oatmeal Bar 100% Fruit Juice & Fruit Milk **LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!!!**	31

COOKS CHOICE = ANY MAIN BREAKFAST ITEM PREVIOUSLY ON MENU

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