

# Leyton Warrior Newsletter

Leyton Public Schools, Dalton, NE-308-377-2301, Gurley, NE-308-884-2247

January, 2020



Left and Below From Top: Winter Activities: Jr. High Girls' Basketball, Jr. High Wrestling, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Band, High School Girls' Basketball, K-3 Music, High School Wrestling & High School Boys' Basketball.



# January Newsletter – 2020

**Jan. 01-03 – Christmas Break ~ School Closed**

Jan. 03 – JV/V- B/G ~ B-Ball @ Arthur @ 3 pm – **Bus-Mark-12:00 pm**

**Jan. 06 – No Classes ~ Professional Development Day**

**Jan. 07 – Classes Resume**

Jan. 07 – B/G ~ B-Ball vs. Haxtun @ 4 pm – **HOME**

Jan. 08 – FFA District 12 WNCC @ 9 am – **Van**

Jan. 09 – 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Spelling Bee @ Gurley Site @ 8:15 am

Jan. 11 – B/G ~ B-Ball vs. Hay Springs @ 1 pm - **HOME**

Jan. 11 – HS Wrestling @ Garden Co. – **Van-5:30 pm**

Jan. 13 – BOE Meeting @ 6:30 pm

Jan. 13 – Oregon Trail Honor Band – **Van-8 am**

Jan. 14 – B/G ~ B-Ball @ Bridgeport @ 4 pm – **Bus-Jennifer-2:30 pm**

Jan. 15 – Jr. High B/G ~ B-Ball @ Potter-Dix @ 1 pm – **Bus-Jennifer-11:30 am**

Jan. 16 – Varsity Wrestling Dual @ Bayard @ 5 pm – **Van-3 pm**

Jan. 17 - B/G ~ B-Ball @ Potter-Dix @ 4 pm – **Bus-Eric-2:15 pm**

Jan. 18 – HS Wrestling @ Chase Co. – **Van-5:15 pm**

Jan. 20 – MAC Boys Tournament – Home Sites – **TBA**

Jan. 21 – MAC Girls Tournament – Home Sites – **TBA**

Jan. 21 – Cheyenne Co. Spelling Bee @ West Elem. @ 12:45 pm-**Suburban**

Jan. 23 – MAC Tournament Semi Finals @ Bridgeport– **Bus-Jennifer**

Jan. 25 – Speech Meet @ Bridgeport – **Time- TBD**

Jan. 24 – Jr. High B/G ~ B-Ball @ Minatare @ 2 pm – **Bus-Jennifer-12:00 pm**

Jan. 27 – MAC Music Band @ South Platte – **Bus-Jennifer-TBD**

Jan. 27 – JV B/G ~ B-Ball Tournament @ Bridgeport @ 3 pm – **Bus-TBD-1:30 pm**

Jan. 29 – Jr. High B/G ~ B-Ball vs. Banner Co. @ 1 pm – **HOME**

Jan. 31 – B/G ~ B-Ball @ Minatare @ 4 pm – **Bus-Jennifer-2:00 pm**

Feb. 01 – HS Wrestling @ Mitchell – **Van-6:30 am**

Feb. 04 – B/G ~ B-Ball vs. Sedgwick Co. @ 4 pm – **HOME**

Feb. 04 – Jr. High B/G ~ B-Ball vs. South Platte @ 1 pm – **HOME**

Feb. 05 – FFA CDE II @ Gordon – 7 am – **Bus**

Feb. 07 – B/G ~ B-Ball vs. Creek Valley @ 4 pm - **HOME**

Feb. 08 – HS Wrestling @ Bayard – **Van-6:30 am**

Feb. 08 – B/G ~ B-Ball vs. Sioux Co. @ 12 pm – **HOME**

*~ Happy New Year ~ Happy New Year ~ Happy New Year ~ Happy New Year ~ Happy New Year ~*



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**\*ALL ACTIVITY TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE AND ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE\***

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LEYTON BOARD OF EDUCATION, DISTRICT 17-0003  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES  
December 9, 2019 – 6:30 PM

The Leyton Board of Education met Monday, December 9, 2019 at 6:30 PM in the District's Administrative Office. Publicized notice of the meeting was posted on the [www.leytonwarriors.org](http://www.leytonwarriors.org) website, in the Leyton High School, Leyton JH/Elementary School, and at various businesses in the community on or before December 4, 2019. Said posting gave date, time, and location of the meeting.

1 CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Board President Jed Benish called the regular school board meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

1.2 ROLL CALL

1.2.1 The following Board of Education members were present: Galen Bartling, Jed Benish, Ryan Borges, Colleen Cruise, Kevin Henke and Anne Rexroth. Absent: None.

1.2.2 The following Administrators were present: Superintendent Chris Geary, Elementary/JH Principal Dana Morgan and HS Principal Nick Brost. Absent: None.

1.3 COMMUNICATIONS

None

2 HEARINGS AND PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

None

3 SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD

None

4 REPORTS

4.1 STUDENT BOARD MEMBERS' REPORT

STUCO President Maddy Watchorn and STUCO Vice President Zac Henke reported to the Board on their meeting with Mr. Geary regarding semester tests and open campus. They have a follow up meeting with him this week to discuss possible solutions. The STUCO members helped younger children with decorating cookies and coloring pages at the Christmas Open House on December 8<sup>th</sup>. STUCO members will also organize a Secret Santa gift exchange for the week of December 16<sup>th</sup>.

4.2 BOARD REPORTS

4.2.1 The Transportation Committee reported on their meeting from December 2, 2019. The committee discussed activity pick-up/drop-off procedures and agreed to limit the number of additional locations. It was decided for activity trips going south, that the bus will stop in Gurley and at the Sidney junction; and for activity trips going north, the bus will stop at the 385 Junction, if needed. They reviewed a parent survey regarding paying mileage instead of running three rural routes. Data will be gathered and shared at the next meeting. The committee also discussed the purchase of a used van for fiscal year 2020-2021, bus driver salaries, that boys and girls should travel together whenever practical, and the transition from fuel tanks to fuel cards.

4.2.2 The Budget/Negotiations Committee met prior to the Board meeting to discuss changing the Technology Coordinator's position from salary to hourly per new FMLA guidelines effective January 1, 2020. They reviewed the pay scale, hours worked, qualifications, training and recommended an hourly rate.

4.3 STAFF MEMBERS REPORT

None

4.4 ELEMENTARY/JH PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Mrs. Morgan attended two IEPs, a SPED TIP meeting, an Energizing Leadership Training meeting, and an onboard training for ScootPad for grades K-6. She assisted Mrs. Rios in completing and filing TIP with the Nebraska Department of Education. She completed three

formal teacher observation/evaluations and participated in two Amplify Science seminars (K-5; 6-8). Mrs. Morgan discussed the Backpack Program and stated that 225 backpacks were sent home with students during the first quarter. She also reported that MAP testing is currently in progress and that DIBELS testing is scheduled for December 12<sup>th</sup>.

4.5 SECONDARY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Mr. Brost attended the Transportation Committee meeting, an IEP meeting, and judged the FFA Speech Contest in Chadron. He reported that the high school hosted the Veteran's Day Program on November 11<sup>th</sup>, the Thanksgiving business/senior citizens' dinner on November 21<sup>st</sup>, and that winter sports practice began on November 18<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Brost worked with Mrs. Peters on second semester schedule changes and discussed with student council members the possibility of adding a random drug testing policy. He also stated that the junior class has been looking at calendar dates for Prom and have decided on April 25, 2020.

4.6 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

4.6.1 SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Mr. Geary gave Special Recognition to Warren Horst and the City of Gurley for helping remove snow in the school parking lot; to Jeff Juelfs for his extra time in clearing snow around the high school; and to Neal, Mark and Bruce for the fantastic work they do removing snow and preparing our schools during and after storms.

4.6.2 MEETINGS/TRAVEL

Mr. Geary attended the Transportation Committee meeting, the KSB School Law webinar, and met with Galen Corrigan (ALSCO representative) to discuss current linen needs. He reported that the custodial position for Dalton will be posted in January and that he hopes to fill it by February 1<sup>st</sup>. Mr. Geary received a Legislative update mostly focused on school funding and student discipline. NRCSA will also award (16) \$1,000.00 scholarships in the spring and Mrs. Peters has passed that information along to the students. Mr. Geary encouraged the Board to attend the NASB conference next year as there is so much great information provided.

4.6.3 CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

Mr. Geary reported that the architectural drawings for the existing science room are nearing completion and that he will be scheduling meetings with patrons, teachers, and board members to help with the design of the new space. He reported that the finishing touches on the track (curbing repair, final grading, and grass seeding) will be completed in the spring. He also discussed concrete bids for the sidewalks.

4.6.4 ACTION ITEMS

Mr. Geary reported that the Board will have action items on Mr. Cooper's resignation and the track timing system. He discussed policies #3012 (Meal Charges) and #4040 (Employment Terms of Classified Staff) and asked the Board to consider changes to those policies for the next meeting.

4.6.5 OTHER ITEMS

Mr. Geary reported that we have a problem with mud on the south side of the old bus barn and asked the Board for gravel suggestions. He reported that the School Improvement Committee has worked to identify key areas of concern and provided a handout for the Board to review.

5 REGULAR AGENDA

5.1 EXCUSING A BOARD MEMBER

None

5.2 SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Motion by Rexroth, seconded by Cruise to recognize Mr. Brost for registering our school to attend the Leadership Conference in Alliance; to Maddy Watchorn for being named Female Athlete of the Month by NSpire Magazine; to Aly Holt for being named Female Student of the

by Month by NSpire Magazine; to the MAC Volleyball Team selections (1<sup>st</sup> Team: Sage Rummel; Maddy Watchorn; 2<sup>nd</sup> Team: Ella Draper; Honorable Mention: Cortney Holt); to the All-District Football Team selections (1<sup>st</sup> Team: Zackry Henke, Kole Bush, Brayden Haley; Honorable Mention: Dawson Wiggins, Scout Gamble); to the One Acts Team on their successful season (MAC Runner-Up; Districts-3<sup>rd</sup> Place; Superior Acting Awards: Cassidee Murray, Ethan Eckhardt, Kole Bush, and Cortney Holt); to the American Legion for having their Veteran's Day Program at the school; to all patrons who attended the Veteran's Day Program; to the Leyton staff and volunteers for their help with the Nebraska High School Hall of Fame game with Kimball; to Kristen Kasten, at ESU 13, for her continued help on our school improvement plan; to Brand New Items...for Great Deals for their technology donation; to the One Acts team for performing their play for the elementary/junior high students; to everyone who helped with the Thanksgiving lunch for our Gurley businesses and to the November Good Citizens (Kindergarten-Brennan Rieken, 1<sup>st</sup>-Maddy Mitchell, 2<sup>nd</sup>-Skylar Draper, 3<sup>rd</sup>-Trayven Smith, 4<sup>th</sup>-Gracyn Abbott, 5<sup>th</sup>-Mason Marks, 6<sup>th</sup>-Halle Carter, 7<sup>th</sup>-Shawnee Gamble and 8<sup>th</sup>-Trinity Beutler). ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Benish, Rexroth, Cruise, Bartling, Borges and Henke. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

5.3 APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

Motion by Rexroth, seconded by Borges to approve the minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting on November 11, 2019. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Rexroth, Cruise, Bartling, Borges, Henke and Benish. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

5.4 APPROVAL OF REPORTS

Motion by Cruise, seconded by Bartling to approve reports presented at this meeting. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Cruise, Bartling, Borges, Henke, Benish and Rexroth. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

5.5 APPROVAL OF CLAIMS, WARRANTS, AND TRANSFERS

5.5.1 Motion by Bartling, seconded by Borges to approve General Fund bills and Financial Reports as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Bartling, Borges, Henke, Benish, Rexroth and Cruise. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

5.5.2 Motion by Borges, seconded by Cruise to approve bills and financial reports from the remaining funds as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Borges, Henke, Benish, Rexroth, Cruise and Bartling. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

5.6 APPROVAL OF RESIGNATION

Motion by Bartling, seconded by Rexroth to approve the resignation of Tracy Cooper, Ag Instructor/FFA Sponsor and thank him for getting the FFA program started for our District. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Henke, Benish, Rexroth, Cruise, Bartling and Borges. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

5.7 APPROVAL OF TRACK EQUIPMENT PURCHASES

Motion by Benish, seconded by Henke to approve the purchase of a Lynx timing system in the amount not to exceed \$21,000.00. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Benish, Rexroth, Cruise, Bartling, Borges and Henke. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

5.8 APPROVAL OF TECHNOLOGY POSITION WAGE

Motion by Cruise, seconded by Rexroth to approve the wage for the Technology Coordinator as recommended by the Budget Committee. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Rexroth, Cruise, Bartling, Borges, Henke and Benish. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

5.9 APPROVAL OF POLICY #3012

Tabled until the next meeting.

5.10 APPROVAL OF SUPERINTENDENT EVALUATION

Motion by Rexroth, seconded by Henke to approve the Superintendent's evaluation as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Cruise, Bartling, Borges, Henke, Benish and Rexroth. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

5.11 REVIEW OF 4000 SERIES POLICIES

The Board reviewed the 4000 Series Policies and found the need to revise policy #4040. They will revise that policy and review the 5000 Series Policies for the January Board meeting.

6 INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

6.1 Next Regular Board Meeting: Monday, January 13, 2020 at 6:30 PM

7 MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Borges, seconded by Rexroth to adjourn the regular school board meeting at 7:42 PM.

ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Bartling, Borges, Henke, Benish, Rexroth and Cruise. VOTING NO –

None. MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

Ryan Borges, Board Secretary



Janella Kruse, Recording Secretary



Leyton Public Schools - Payable Journal - December 2019

Holly Benish	\$ 97.44	Homestead Market	\$ 16.03	PowerSchool Group LLC	\$ 1,360.95
Black Hills Energy	\$ 2,954.47	Ideal Linen Supply	\$ 1,840.43	Regional Care	\$ 40.00
Leo Bowen	\$ 1,278.32	Jostens	\$ 108.57	Eric Reimers	\$ 120.00
Heather Bowen	\$ 597.40	JW Pepper	\$ 38.40	Kelly Reimers	\$ 8.29
Bridgeport Newsblade	\$ 319.61	Jeremy Kepler	\$ 403.68	Irma Rios	\$ 90.48
Capital Business	\$ 1,924.48	Kids' Korner Childcare	\$ 265.00	Roods Tire	\$ 702.68
Cardmember Services	\$ 2,601.30	KSB School Law	\$ 748.50	Christy Schumacher	\$ 59.16
Compton Electrical	\$ 1,019.83	T'Neal Lind	\$ 69.60	Scottsbluff Screenprinting	\$ 191.00
Cranmore Pest Service	\$ 110.00	Mid American Research	\$ 249.01	Sidney Regional	\$ 596.96
Dalton Telephone	\$ 703.76	Marick's Waste Disposal	\$ 130.00	Sidney Sun-Telegraph	\$ 248.88
DAS State Accounting	\$ 229.32	Matheson Tri-Gas	\$ 64.75	SOAR	\$ 1,420.32
ESU #13	\$ 18,163.14	Mid America Books	\$ 87.80	Teacher Direct	\$ 208.86
Finney's	\$ 119.98	Dana Morgan	\$ 97.44	Thomas Oilfield	\$ 268.15
Frenchmen Valley	\$ 3,354.72	Nebraskaland Tire	\$ 1,658.46	Village of Dalton	\$ 468.19
Cody Gamble	\$ 52.20	NIBC	\$ 85.00	Village of Gurley	\$ 689.13
Chris Geary	\$ 615.04	National School Nurses	\$ 125.00	Western Drug	\$ 22.21
Great American	\$ 934.00	Shawn Oakes	\$ 132.24	Weyerts Electric	\$ 2,330.77
Gurley Diesel	\$ 4,396.31	One Source	\$ 75.00	Wheat Belt	\$ 4,416.32
Alison Haley	\$ 111.36	The Penworthy Company	\$ 169.20	WPCI	\$ 75.00
Amy Henke	\$ 88.74	Peterson's	\$ 38.80		
Column Total	\$ 39,671.42	Column Total	\$ 6,402.91	Column Total	\$ 13,317.35
				Monthly Total	\$ 59,391.68

January 2020

### A Message from the Superintendent

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! It's hard to believe that another semester of school has come and gone so quickly. I see so much growth happening in our students. Especially important to me is academic achievement. This year we implemented an "Enrichment" period for our students who needed some additional support. Along with teacher support, we use the computer-aided learning platform called Edgenuity. I think you'll agree that this decision has already had a positive impact.

Because I had a student ask earlier this week, I wanted to provide some clarification on why we added this program. By way of alignment to our District Mission statement, which is to "Cultivate lifelong learners as they successfully transition into our diverse world," our desire is to do everything possible to ensure that EVERY student has the requisite skills necessary to succeed in life after school. Students who are not proficient in reading, math, and science will have deficits that persist in their adult life and negatively impact both their success and earning potential – regardless of their chosen career.

Here are the results:

Fifteen students in grades 9-12 qualified for additional support via the Enrichment period. Six students sufficiently raised their scores and have successfully tested out of Enrichment – three more were almost there. All fifteen students who were not proficient in the spring of 2019 have received the additional support they needed and now 40% of them can demonstrate proficiency in one or more subjects in which they were behind. Another 20% almost made the required progress. As a result, those students will not be obliged to stay after school for extra help. Of course any student who would like extra help is welcome to stay after school and use Edgenuity to advance their learning. More importantly, students who completed more than 75% of their Edgenuity class grew between 20 and 40 percentile! And students who were less than faithful with Edgenuity saw corresponding lack of growth. In my opinion, that's a WIN-WIN!

Thank you for supporting our school and our students. It's an honor to be a part of their continued growth!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Chris" followed by a flourish.

Chris

January 2020

High School Principal/AD Newsletter

I hope our January newsletter finds you enjoying time with family and friends over the Christmas break. Winter activities are in full swing as we get ready to start the second semester. Students who are involved in winter activities find themselves missing additional school for their activities followed by some late nights on the bus. Students can take advantage of the extra time on the bus by doing some reading or other assignments they can complete. It is important for students and parents to look ahead and prepare for planned absences to ensure our grades are not impacted by the additional time missed because of school activities. In addition, the time management skills students learn now will benefit them for a lifetime.

I am very proud of our students and their involvement in multiple activities. Our community does a tremendous job of supporting all of our groups. At games, keep in mind that we can cheer for Leyton without cheering against the opponent, coaches or officials. Being in the stands watching our kids compete is important but remember, we are setting an example for our children in the way that we act and the things we say during and after competitions.

It is inevitable that there will be changes to our activity calendar. Some changes occur early enough they will be published in the newsletter. Last minute changes will be communicated through the coaches to our students and on the rschool Leyton activity calendar and on the Leyton facebook pages. There is a link to the rschool Leyton activity calendar on the front page of our school website [www.leytonwarriors.org](http://www.leytonwarriors.org) and if you would like to sign up for notifications, there are instructions there also, or you can contact me at the school.

As a reminder, the December moratorium is Sunday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> through Thursday, December 26<sup>th</sup>. This is interpreted as a 5-day dead period without organized practice, structured conditioning programs or meetings of any type. School facilities will be closed to high school student-athletes workout activities.

Go Warriors!

*Nick Brost*

Nick Brost





## A Message from Mrs. Morgan

Happy 2020! I am not sure where the first semester went, but we will begin our second semester **January 7<sup>th</sup>**. I hope that each of you had some time over the break to take time for your family and to do the things that bring you joy. I would like to start off with a big **THANK YOU** to PAC for running the very popular Christmas store for our students. It is a phenomenal way to allow our students to shop for their families, and we so appreciate PAC's time and efforts!

Congratulations to our November Good Citizens!! We enjoyed our Principal's lunch together the first Friday in December. They voted for Subway for lunch. Good citizens from L to R standing: Trinity Beutler-8<sup>th</sup>; Trayven Smith-3<sup>rd</sup>; Maddy Mitchell-1<sup>st</sup>; Brennan Rieken-K; Skylar Draper-2<sup>nd</sup>; Mason Marks-5<sup>th</sup>; Shawnee Gamble-7<sup>th</sup>; L to R seated: Halle Carter-6<sup>th</sup>; and Gracyn Abbott-3<sup>rd</sup>. These students continuously help their peers, show respect, and lead by example. Our December good citizens will be selected at the end of the month and will be pictured in next month's newsletter.



Important dates in January: 1/6 -Professional Development Day No School for students; 1/9-Leyton Spelling Bee for grades 4-8 beginning @ 8:15 AM; 1/15 JH basketball @ Potter-Dix-1:00; 1/21-Cheyenne County Spelling Bee @ 12:45 in Sidney; 1/24-JH basketball @ Minatare-1:00; 1/29-JH basketball home vs. Banner Co.-1:00. Please check our school website for changes!

Before the break we had our annual Christmas lunch for Dalton and Gurley community members with our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students serving them.





We also had our annual Christmas concert for our kindergarten through sixth grade students led by Mr. Oakes. Thanks to the Villages of Gurley and Dalton for providing and passing out apples to all of our visitors!



I am looking forward to the new semester. Please don't hesitate to reach out if there is anything I can assist you with. I can be reached at school at 308-884-2247 or by email at

[dana.morgan@leytonwarriors.org](mailto:dana.morgan@leytonwarriors.org).

*Dana* 😊

Respectfully, Dana Morgan-K-8 Principal

## *Notes from the Nurse*

Another K-12 health screening event has successfully been completed thanks to the help of the Lions Club Mobile Screening Unit, our local Lions Club and employees from the Panhandle Public Health District. I cannot put into words the gratitude I have for these selfless individuals!! These individuals allow me to complete in one day, what would take me all year to complete on my own!

I wanted to learn more about the purpose of a Lion's club and found this statement, "As Lions, we hold ourselves to the absolute highest standards in everything we do. Our members and clubs are dedicated to serving others. We champion kindness in our communities and actively work to improve the lives of all people." These members are service-minded people who serve their community without personal financial reward.

I invite you to search lionsclubs.org or talk to one of our local Lions Club members to find out more about becoming a member or to find out more about the purpose of the Lions Club and their code of ethics. What a valuable asset we have in our community! Not only do our local members assist me in the screening process, but they graciously donated two new digital scales with an attached height rod. We can now efficiently, accurately and effortlessly measure each students' height and weight in each building! So, from the bottom of my heart...I thank you for your commitment to improving the lives of all people!!

Pictured below are Kendra Lauruhn, Dental Hygienist and her assistant Annie from Panhandle Public Health District, Lions Club members Trudy Kettleler, Shawn Kruse, Lisa Kadie, Leland Webb and his dog Pilot, Ryan Flohr, Allen Darell driver/operator/manager of the mobile screening unit and Steve Draper. Not pictured from the Lions Club who also assisted me were Anne Rexroth, June Draper and Carmen Draper. Photo credit to Mrs. Morgan.





## Counselor's Corner Newsletter

January, 2020

### Acceptance of Others

*This month during guidance lessons each grade level will be focusing on acceptance of others. We will be looking at ways we are similar and ways we are different. We will be looking at embracing those differences and respecting different points of view.*

As we begin 2020 it is important that we encourage our children to start the New Year in a positive way. The New Year historically is a time where we look to set goals for things we want to change. The junior high has been creating and recording SMART goals, ask your child what their 2020 SMART goal is.



In 5th grade our students are learning that although we may look different on the outside, we are all the same on the inside. We need to respect the differences in others and look for and appreciate the good things about each of us. In 6th grade we will be talking about respecting other points of view which can help deal with conflicts. We also need to be able to cooperate to do great things! It is important to teach our children to say nice things to others and not make fun of others who look or act different than them. Take the opportunity to discuss differences with your child. When your child notices differences in people he or she encounters, encourage him/her to ask questions in a respectful way. Let your child know that it is ok to acknowledge those differences and to express interest in learning about these differences.

#### The M & M Theory

**The best part of me is on the inside.**

Wouldn't it be terrible? Wouldn't it be sad?

If just one single color was the color that we had?

If everything was purple? Or red? Or green? Or blue?

If yellow, pink or orange was all that could be seen?

Can you just imagine how dull the world would be,

if just one single color was all we got to see?

### Teachable Moments:

- Make it a point to talk about the good in others especially those that are from another culture or who look or act different from you.
- During a quiet talk time, ask your child if they know of anyone being teased in their class. Ask them to share some good things about that person being teased and talk about how they can be nice to that student.
- Introduce the concept of prejudice. Talk about the dangers of pre-judging someone before you know them. Identify different types of prejudices based on race, age, sex, ability, and socio-economic level.

#### Books:

It's Okay to Be Different by Thomas Parr  
Amazing Grace by Mary Hoffman  
Sneetches by Dr. Seuss  
A Rainbow of Friends by P.K. Halliman  
The Rough Faced Girl by Rafe Martin and David Shannon  
The Whole Human Race by Tim McFadden

Happy New Year, Mrs. Peters



# January

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## Leyton Elementary/JH & High School Menu

### WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL!!

Students must take at least ½ cup fruit or vegetable on their tray.

Unlimited fruits and vegetables are offered daily.

Flavored skim and 1% white milk is offered daily.

An assortment of fresh and canned fruit are available every morning as well as fruit juice up to twice a week with breakfast.

A full fruit and salad bar is available with every lunch meal.



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
6 <b>NO SCHOOL</b> Professional Development	7 B: Yogurt cup, granola, toast L: Chicken nuggets, mac & cheese, peas	8 B: Sausage patty, scrambled eggs, toast L: HS: Philly steak sandwich Elem/JH: Sloppy joes, French fries	9 B: French toast, bacon L: Ham & potato soup, muffin	10 B: Pop tart, cereal, toast L: Enchilada, rice, refried beans
13 B: Pancakes, eggs L: Pigs in a blanket, baked beans, Sunchips	14 B: Breakfast sandwich L: Spaghetti, garlic bread, green beans	15 B: PB & J L: Popcorn chicken bowl, cornbread	16 B: Pancakes on a stick, eggs L: Soft shell taco, corn, churro	17 B: French toast, bacon L: Grilled cheese, tomato soup
20 B: Pop tart, cereal, toast L: Orange chicken, fried rice, broccoli	21 B: Breakfast burrito L: Pizza, green beans	22 B: Scrambled eggs, tater tri, toast L: Chili, cinnamon rolls	23 B: Pancakes, sausage L: Breaded pork chop, mashed potatoes, roll	24 B: Yogurt cup, granola, toast L: Smoked turkey croissant, tater tots
27 B: Breakfast burrito L: Breaded or spicy chicken sandwich, vegetable medley	28 B: French toast, bacon L: Tater tot casserole, green beans, donut	29 B: Pop tart, cereal, toast L: HB or CB, sweet potato fries	30 B: PB & J L: Chicken fajita, black beans, churro	31 B: Biscuits & gravy L: Hamburger stew or chicken noodle soup, corn bread

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# C A R - R T   S O R T

## BOXHOLDER

### Employment Opportunity

Due to retirement, Leyton Public Schools is seeking applicants for our Head of Maintenance. The successful candidate will have skills in a variety of technical fields and have demonstrated experiences in engineering, construction, maintenance, grounds, and facility-related contracted services. Additional requirements include successful leadership experience, a valid driver's license, strong communication and computer skills, and a working knowledge of school operations.

Interested candidates are encouraged to submit an application through the school website. Click the "Employment" tab at [www.leytonwarriors.org](http://www.leytonwarriors.org) to apply. This position is subject to Veterans Preference and will remain open until filled.

Start date for this position is May 1, 2020.