



LAKEHURST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for your collaboration and support for another successful school year! On behalf of the Lakehurst Board of Education, Administration, and staff we would like to wish you a safe and happy summer! Please occasionally check the website at www.lakehurstschool.org for any updates or information for the 2018-2019 school year.

Thank you,

Mrs. Loren Fuhring, Superintendent



Upcoming Events

July 2 – ESY Program Begins

August 6-9 – Preschool & Kindergarten Screenings

September 6 – School Opens

Graduation

The 8th grade 2018 Commencement Ceremony was held on Thursday, June 21, 2018. We had a wonderful time celebrating each and every student and the many achievements of those who received awards and recognition for a successful eighth grade school year. The Lakehurst School District wishes all of the students much happiness and success in their high school careers and all of their future endeavors. Congratulations!

Summer Reading

We encourage all students to read throughout the summer, however the assignment for upcoming 6th, 7th, & 8th grade students is detailed below:

General Requirements:

- Student's name, author and book title
- Students are required to write 6-8 complete sentences for each response using the RACER formula: **R** - Restate the question; **A** - Answer the question; **C** - Cite evidence from the text (including a quote and a page number); **E** - Explain how your evidence supports your answer; **R**- Restate the question again.
- This assignment must be typed and printed in 12 pt., Times New Roman, black font.

Your Assignment:

Answer the following questions in complete sentences. Defend all of your answers using specific quotes from the text and thoroughly explain your answer.

1. Choose a character that goes through a change in the story. What causes the character to change? Explain the way the character behaved at the beginning and how the personality or behavior was different by the end.
2. What is the author's message (theme) in this story? Explain where this message is presented in the text through interactions between characters or decisions that characters make.
3. Choose three words from the story that you did not understand. Define the words and then explain how knowing each of the meanings helps you to better understand the story.
4. Choose any chapter of the book. Explain how the chapter you chose contributes to the development of the plot. How does it move the story forward?
5. What point of view is the story told from? What information do readers gain from this point of view? What information do we miss out on?

Field Day Fun

Every year, Mr. Vargas coordinates Field Day events and activities for our students. This year, Kindergarten Field Day was held on June 12, here at the Lakehurst Elementary School Gym and Fields. Students were divided into three teams and rotated between games that included Shark Attack, Barrel Ball, and Chicken Tag. Field Day for grades 1 & 2 was held on May 23, also at the Lakehurst Elementary School Gym and Fields. Students were divided up into five teams and rotated between games including Barrel Ball, Pinguard, Chicken Tag, Shark Attack, and Dragon Tail. Field Day for grades 3-8 was held on May 24, at Veterans Field in Bayville. Students were divided into a total of twenty-two teams and participated in games including Capture the Flag, Kickball, Polyspot Dodgeball, Sideline Soccer, Softball, Tennis Baseball, Ultimate Frisbee, and Volleyball. A special thank you is extended to Mr. Vargas, all of the PTA members, as well as some of our 7th grade students, for their participation and volunteering their time to help make these events and activities run smoothly.

More Important News:

Poetry Café

Families of our 8th grade students joined our 8th grade classes in the Media Center on May 30, 2018 for the annual "Poetry Café." In Language Arts class, the students created poetry books to be displayed at the event. Each student was also instructed to select one of their own poems to read for the audience. The array of poetry books reflected the many unique personalities of the students in our 8th grade class. This project also served as an outlet for the students to express themselves and their individuality in poetic form. When the poetry reading came to an end, the families enjoyed light refreshments and conversation. We are always proud to celebrate the creativity of our students at this special event.

8th Grade Formal

Every year the Student Activities representatives coordinate a night of music, dancing, fun, and memories for our 8th grade students. The 8th grade formal is one of the last memorable middle school events where these students have the opportunity to dress up and celebrate as a group before they head off to high school. This year the event was held on June 7, at La Bove Grande. Congratulations to the crowned King and Queen of the dance, Joseph Torres and Myah Hourigan.



LEGO® League

Congratulations to our Lakehurst LEGO® Lions! They participated in this year's First LEGO® League, Jr. competition, which was held on Saturday, May 19 in Livingston, NJ. The LEGO® Lions were the winners of the "Cool Programming Award" for outstanding programming to convey movement and design intent. This year's team consisted of the following students: Ashton Carpenter, Logan Hunter, Donovan Tate, Serafina Furbush, Ada Isaacs and Carter Lowe. The students were under the direction of adviser Mrs. Susan Fehskens. The competitive team would not be possible without the tremendous support of our educational grant sponsors at the NAVAIR division of the Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst.



Student of the Month Recipients

The Student of the Month program is based on qualities such as the following, but not limited to: character, leadership, and citizenship; not solely on academics. The student of the month demonstrates exemplary character through his/her compassion, honesty, trustworthiness, responsibility, optimism, and loyalty by helping to create a positive school environment. Congratulations to the following Student of the Month recipients for the month of May!

Nathan Delorey – 3rd, Orion Andrews – 3rd, Ashley Pauciello – 4th, Michael Anthony Thomas – 4th, Dianara Gonzales – 5th, Leslie Melendez Martinez – 5th, Joshua Buruschkin – 6th, Ayodeji Ajao – 6th, Jonathan Tecalero – 7th, Karson Ford – 7th, Aidan James – 8th, Rosalynn Hunter – 8th



Walk-A-Thon

On Thursday, May 3, 2018, the Lakehurst Elementary School Administration recognized students for their academic achievement. These students were acknowledged for earning the distinction of Honors for four consecutive marking periods. The students being recognized ranged from grade levels 4th through 8th. In order to be eligible to earn the status of Honors for one marking period, a student must achieve at least a mark of 85 or better in all of their subject areas. In order to receive the status of High Honors for one marking period, a student must achieve at least a mark of 93 or better in all of their subject areas. The status of Honors or High Honors for a marking period is an accomplishment in itself. LES Administration specially recognizes the students that have been able to maintain this elite status four marking periods in a row. The annual Honors Recognition Dinner allows these privileged students and their families to attend an evening ceremony, where the honorees were presented with a commemorative certificate. Following the ceremony, all students and their families were invited to join administration for a celebratory dinner and dessert. The dedication to their studies, work ethic, and support from their families have all attributed to the achievement of this distinguished honor, for our 2017-2018 honorees. Congratulations Honors recipients!