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CAMPUS NEWSLETTER
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HEADMASTER'S UPDATE

FINISHING STRONG

As the school year comes to a close I want to emphasize that every moment counts! We want to be sure to make the most of our final days with the students and continue to push, support, and empower them to be the best they can be, each and every day. Our students are fortunate to have such caring and committed educators at LHS, and although some may not show or tell us how much they appreciate your efforts ...they really do. Happy Teacher Appreciation Week LHS!

Now is a good time to reflect on our school-wide goals as we close out the school year (finishing strong, of course) and start to think about and plan for next year. Our Campus Goals for 2017-2018, listed below, are all equally important as we strive to engage students through cognitively demanding tasks; improve communication and ways in which all campus stakeholders

share leadership and decision making; strategically support all students, in particular our most vulnerable; and cultivate a systematic approach to include social and emotional supports in everything we do.

At the end of the year, I will be sharing a report outlining the progress we have made towards our goals and some next-step recommendations for us to continue moving forward. In the meantime, I encourage you to reach out to the members of your Teacher Leadership Team and principal to share feedback, suggestions and thoughts that you may have regarding our campus goals and to continue on a path towards continuous improvement.

Thanks again for the work you do on behalf of our students at LHS.

LHS CAMPUS GOALS

1. Increase the level of cognitive engagement among all

students

2. Developing a distributive leadership model across the campus

3. Increase the use of targeted instruction and support for all learners, as part of the regular school day and the extended school day

4. Increase social and emotional supports across campus

9GA EXPLORES DIGITAL MEDIA

During fourth quarter, students in the Ninth Grade Academy are exploring digital media and its implications through a Digital Media Unit in Workshop. The unit was originally developed for the Advanced Placement Language and Composition class in the Upper School, and has

been adapted for 9GA through the work of ELA teacher Deana Brown and others. Students are using the tools of classical rhetoric to analyze a variety of digital media platforms, including Twitter, Snapchat, Facebook, texting, and more. In a recent lesson, students compared Pres-

ident Trump's tweets to his speeches. Through this unit, students are learning to be more informed and ethical users of digital technology, while applying the tools of classical rhetoric.



DANCERS PERFORM AT BERKLEE



The Lawrence High School Dance Company performed at the Berklee College of Music in Boston on March 28 as part of the Peruvian Festival.

ENLACE VACATION ACADEMY



ENLACE held an April Vacation Academy where a group of dedicated students spent their break learning about important topics in Biology. Students created presentations on the future of gene editing and the dangers of antibiotic use in factory farming. They also completed biotechnology labs with the help of Mass-Bio and prepared for MCAS. Pictured below are students running electrophoresis gels to determine which bacteria are resistant to specific antibiotics.

JROTC BALL

By Paul Ronan: The Lancer Battalion Military Ball was held on 28 April 2018 at the Lawrence Elks Lodge. We had approximately 200 people attend our event which consisted of cadets, family administrators and invited guests from the surrounding communities. The night was filled with good food, danc-

ing, awards and most importantly the announcement of



the new Cadet leadership for school year 2018-2019.

Cadet LTC Joslin Regalado handed off reigns of responsibility to upcoming senior cadet Captain Alexis Martinez. Many of the cadets received awards for their accomplishments throughout the year. The Military Ball is also a venue at which we recognize and say Good Bye to our Seniors.



LEONARD BERNSTEIN CENTENNIAL FESTIVAL

CELEBRATING BERNSTEIN'S LEGACY

WEST SIDE STORY

August 17th 7:00pm (Opening Night)
August 18th 7:00pm
August 19th 2:00pm
August 22nd 7:00pm
August 24th 7:00pm
August 25th 7:00pm (Last Show)

IN THE HEIGHTS

August 16th 7:00pm (Opening Night)
August 18th 2:00pm
August 23rd 7:00pm
August 25th 2:00pm (Last Show)

LAWRENCE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER, LAWRENCE MA
VISIT BERNSTEINCENTENNIALFESTIVAL.COM FOR TICKETS AND MORE INFO

“I AM LAWRENCE” CELEBRATES LAWRENCE CULTURE

It is no secret that the city of Lawrence has had to overcome adversity in many forms in the past few years. “City of the Damned,” socio-economic challenges, schools in state receivership, immigrants – this is what outsiders see when they look at Lawrence. Recently, Lawrence endured a new wave of criticism when President Trump stated, “the sanctuary city of Lawrence, MA is one of the primary sources of fentanyl in six New Hampshire counties” while visiting New Hampshire in March. This comment added another layer of discrimination and judgment on a city with no shortage of hardship.

No more. Students from Lawrence High School, the Parthum School, and Spark Academy reclaimed their city and expressed to the world who they are and what Lawrence really has to offer through the dance show, I AM LAWRENCE, performed Thursday-Friday May 4th-5th. The show included choreography, writing, video, and art work that displayed the many different sides of Lawrence as well as the beautiful, resilient people

that make the city such a wonderful place for students to grow up. The show was completely student-led and featured 27 dance pieces that expressed

the City of Lawrence, and Honorable Mayor Daniel Rivera, I AM LAWRENCE portrayed a strong community that is proud of who they are and where they come

from. The show not only highlighted the work of LHS students, but also included performances from the Parthum Elementary and the SPARK Academy dance team. In all, more than 200 dancers from grades K-12 were involved.

The show performed to enthusiastic, appreciative, enthusiastic audiences on the evenings of Thursday May

4th and Friday May 5th, and at two school-day shows on Friday May 5th, for over 600 LHS students and 600 Spark Academy students. I AM LAWRENCE was a celebration not only of student work but of a community that is thriving.



students’ stories and experiences in Lawrence. Dances ranged from upbeat merengues to abstract modern dances to emotional contemporary pieces and portrayed both the challenges and the celebrations that take place daily in the lives of Lawrenceans.

With help from LHS Alumni,

OPEN HOUSE

MAY 22, 2018 @ 3:30 P.M.

JUMPSTART 2018~2019

John Breen School
114 Osgood Street
Lawrence, MA 01843
978~975~5932

*Jumpstart is an extended day preschool program
for children of employees of Lawrence Public Schools*

School year care from 7:00 a.m.~4:30 p.m.

Tuition is \$170.00 per week.

For registration information call (978) 975~5932

Ask for Wyomy Cruz, school clerk, and SIGN up your child on the waitlist and RSVP for the Open House. Spaces are limited. The waitlist will be generated in order of calls received.

Jumpstart Program

Our hours of operation are 7:00 a.m.~4:30 p.m. during the school year. We are closed holidays and school vacations.

Children should be dropped off in the school cafeteria between 7:00~8:00 a.m. Please enter through the Andover Street doors.

Children may be picked up any time before 4:30 p.m.

Anyone picking up your child must be 18 years or older, have picture ID, and be listed on your emergency papers.

Your child will need:

Current physical and immunizations at the time of registration

Snack ~ a healthy snack and drink daily.

Lunch ~ brought from home or provided from food services at the school. Backpack ~ big enough to hold 9x12 papers (no wheels please). Please be sure to check it daily. Naptime~ Blankets and pillows need to come from home.

LANCERS DOMINATE AT LAWRENCE BAR ASSOCIATION SPEECH CONTEST!

On May 1, 2018, eight Lawrence High School students, consisting of students from across the grades, appeared before three Commonwealth judges. Each student stood in front of a courtroom full of spectators and three judges to deliver a five minute speech they wrote about the Law Day 2018 topic: "Separation of Powers: Framework for Freedom" in the United States government. Each student delivered their speech in full and open voices, sharing their personal experiences, and explaining the importance of the Separation of Powers. They talked about the way that the checks and balances have affected their daily lives. Jacelyn Limbal Aybar '21 noted that the separation of power in the country's government "in essence prevents our democracy from becoming a dictatorship."

She spoke of her experience in fleeing Puerto Rico in the aftermath of the recent hurricane and feeling thankful that

Donald Trump's reversal of a health care executive order. She was left "feeling hopeless in every part of my life." The



she had a place to go, unlike those affected by the travel ban that was put in by executive order. Lesley Cabrera '18, representing HLC, said she couldn't get the medication she needed after President

Lawrence High School students who participated were:

- Jacelyn Limbal Aybar
- Lesley Cabrera
- Jaylynn Barrios
- Ann Dopson
- Antar Jimenez Jr.
- Luisanny Moran
- Angie Setiwan
- An Vong

The students competed against other Merrimack Valley students from Methuen High School, Salem High School, and Central Catholic for the big prize: a check for \$500.00.

And, in the end, one of our own was named the winner: Antar Jimenez, Jr.'18

Many of the students, immigrants or children of immigrants, spoke of President Donald Trump's reversal of a health care executive order that resulted in loss of coverage for them or their family members. Other students spoke eloquently about the Muslim ban and the fears they have for immigration practices here in the United States. In all, the students spoke intelligently

and gave poignant reasons that the separation of powers and checks of balances, especially in the current governmental climate, is important. On the positive side, these young people are making their voices heard to make the adults accountable. At the end of the day, knowledge and education trumps power and despotism. Congratulations to Antar and to all the Lancer speakers! Go Lancers!

POSSE PRESENTATION



On Thursday, May 3rd, some 75 members of the LHS Class of 2019 attended a presentation on the Posse Scholarship Foundation. Senior Vanessa Gitau, a Posse Scholar who will attend college at Bryn Mawr in Pennsylvania this fall on a full scholarship, helped explain the application process to the next generation of LHS students. The Posse Foundation has identified, recruited and trained 8,480 public high school students with extraordinary academic and leadership potential to become Posse Scholars. Since 1989, these students—many of whom might have been overlooked by traditional college selection processes—

have been receiving four-year, full-tuition leadership scholarships from Posse's partner institutions of higher education. Posse Scholars persist and graduate at a rate of 90 percent and make a visible difference on campus and throughout their professional careers. Through Posse, Lawrence High School students have earned full scholarships to schools such as Hamilton, Dennison, Union, and more. Learn about the program at <https://www.possefoundation.org/>

GEARHEADZ COMPETES AT REGIONALS



The Lawrence High School Robotics team, the “Gearheadz,” competed at the FIRST Robotics Championship at Boston University April 13 & 14. LHS was one of 64 teams in competition that weekend. Although they did not place high enough to advance to the World championships, the Gearheadz enjoyed a spectacular season as North Shore Champions and represented LHS with pride.

SCIENTIFIC DEVELOPMENTS: GOOD OR BAD?



On Friday, May 4th, Upper School Academy hosted a lecture and discussion with Dr. Ethel Schuster, professor in the Department of Computer and Information Sciences at Northern Essex Community College, entitled "Scientific Developments: Good or Bad?" The talk was based on the argument that every scientific develop-

ment offers both a positive and negative impacts. Some 35 students from Mr. Walker-Dunn's Coding and IT Essentials classes attended the lecture.

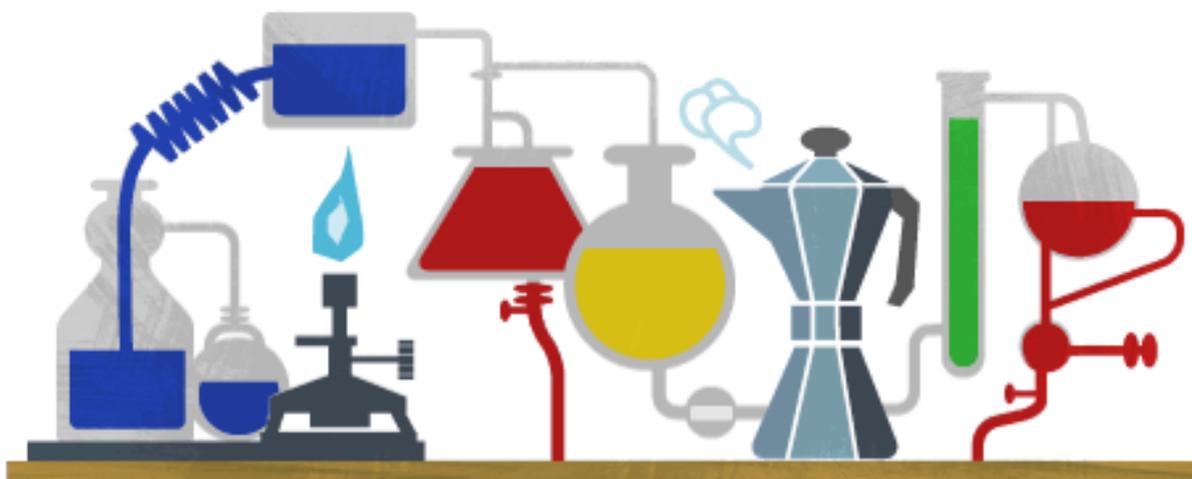
Topics discussed included:

- My navigation app took me from work to home. Upon arrival at home, Google sent me a report of every place I have

been to during the last month."

- Facebook just reconnected me with a long-lost friend. But publicly announced the death of another one.

- The opioid that relieved a patient at the hospital from excruciating pain turned the same patient into an addict.



SOLEDAD O'BRIEN FEATURES LAWRENCE



Soledad O'Brien is an award-winning journalist. She is the CEO of Starfish Media Group, a multi-platform media production company dedicated to telling empowering and authentic stories on range of social issues. O'Brien anchors and produces the nationally syndi-

cated Hearst Television political magazine program "Matter of Fact with Soledad O'Brien," which airs locally on WCVB-TV on Sundays at 11am. The April 28, 2018 episode of "Matter of Fact" included a three-minute segment on the impact of immigration

in Lawrence. Filmed in part on Essex Street and at the El Taller Café, the video includes LHS students James Mora '18 and Elianet Nunez '18 in non-speaking appearances. Check out the video at <http://matteroffact.tv/lawrence-mass-immigrant-city/>



THE BABSON CONNECTION

LHS alum and current Babson student Dario Guerrero poses with current seniors Lisbeth Carpio Del Rosario '18 and Antar Jimenez Jr. '18, who will join him at Babson in the fall.



TEACH TO LEAD



advocate for broader change in education. In addition to spotlighting the initiatives of Teacher Leaders from across the nation, the Summit partners school-based teams with outside organizations to support their work. EN-LACE's team, which included Algebra teachers Samantha Curtis and Keila Colon, US History teacher Matt Clements, principal Allison Balter, and LHS ELL Facilitator Laurie Hartwick, partnered with Hope Street Group Fellow Dana Siegel. The team is excited to partner with other teachers across campus and to share what they learned about SEL to support Newcomers adjust and integrate into Lawrence High.

Over the last weekend in April, a team from ENLACE attended the Teach to Lead Summit in Nashville, Tennessee. There, the team worked on an initiative to use socio-emotional learning (SEL) strategies to better support English Learners and SLIFE students as they transition out of their New-

comer program and into other programs across the campus. The Teach to Lead Summit is a collaboration between ASCD (Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development) and the U.S. Department of Education that empowers teachers to use their work in the classroom to innovate and

UPPER SCHOOL TEACHER APPRECIATION



The Upper school held a luncheon for teachers and staff to celebrate teacher appreciation week. We value and appreciate all our fine educators and the work they are doing to engage all our students.

THE RISE PROGRAM



The RISE program has been collaborating with the construction program at SISU to expand students' vocational skills. RISE students have been able to attend workshop classes and learn various skills and apply academic concepts. All of the skills they are learning from working within the shop are skills they could potentially be able to use at employment opportunities. Students have created very impressive creations such as birdhouses, jewelry boxes, and even chairs. Students are

not only learning how to use tools, but they are also learning safety. Students are very cautious when using the tools and make sure to wear the necessary safety equipment to protect themselves. The students enjoy working hands-on and are extremely proud of their finished work, with good reason! We have some tremendously talented students in the RISE program!



NEXT MEETING OF THE LAWRENCE TEACHERS' UNION:

Wednesday June 6th, 4:15pm, at the Relief's In, 15 Market Street

ANNUAL END-OF-YEAR UNION PARTY

Friday June 15th, at the Lawrence Boathouse, 1 Eaton Street

STAY CONNECTED WITH YOUR UNION

Visit <http://010190.ma.aft.org/>

Friend LTU-1019 on Facebook

TURTLE

A SCHOLAR-ATHLETE!



at Michael's Banquet Hall in Haverhill on Wednesday, April 25, where the guest speaker was Dave McGillvray, director of the Boston Marathon. A three-sport athlete in field hockey, basketball, and softball, Lisbeth carries a 4.43 GPA while

holding down a part-time job. Earlier this year she handed in the homework for her AP Literature class five weeks before it was due! She will attend Babson College on a full academic scholarship, after finishing up another strong season playing center field for the Lancers. In the feature story in the Eagle Tribune, Del Rosario cited "scoring a hat-trick twice in field hockey" as her proudest athletic accomplishment, and also stated, "Every time I see a penny on the floor I think of something that I am grateful for. I see pennies as representations of the little things we take for granted in life."

She is pictured here with field hockey coach Kate Quinlan.

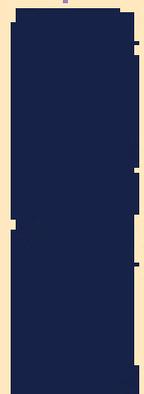
Lisabeth Carpio Del Rosario '18, commonly known as "Turtle," one of 19 finalists for the Eagle Tribune Scholar-Athlete of the Year award, was feted along with other honorees



LHS UPPER SCHOOL MUSIC
DEPARTMENT

SPRING
CONCERT

THURSDAY MAY 10, 2018
LAWRENCE HIGH SCHOOL
PERFORMING ARTS CENTER
8:00 P.M. FREE ADMISSION
FEATURING UPPER SCHOOL
PERFORMING ENSEMBLES



LAWRENCE HIGH SCHOOL

OPEN HOUSE

MAY.15.2018

INFORMATION SESSIONS AND CAMPUS TOURS

*Open to all learning students,
families and community members!*

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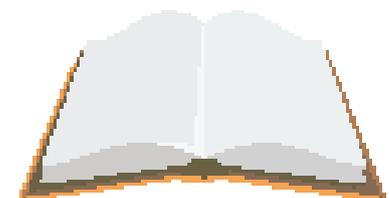
- CAREER PATHWAY PROGRAMS
- EARLY COLLEGE OPPORTUNITIES
- ATHLETICS AND EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES
- AND MUCH MORE

6:00-7:30PM

LHS PERFORMING AND FINE ARTS CENTER (PAC)

70-71 N PARISH RD
LAWRENCE, MA 01843

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT MR. RATO AT 978-976-2769



UPCOMING EVENTS



THU MAY 10: UPPER SCHOOL SPRING CONCERT, 6PM, PAC

TUE MAY 15: LHS OPEN HOUSE 6:00-7:30PM

FRI MAY 18: PROM AT CASTLETON, WINDHAM, NH

WED MAY 23: SPECIAL OLYMPICS SCHOOL DAY GAMES, AT THE TRACK

THU MAY 24: L-PIN AND NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY CEREMONY 5:00PM, PAC

ALUMNI NIGHT - ALL SENIORS INVITED 6:00PM, CAFE

THU MAY 29: SENIOR CANOBIE LAKE TRIP

WED MAY 30: SENIOR SUNSET CRUISE

THU MAY 31: SENIOR BREAKFAST, AWARDS, GRAD REHEARSAL, LUAU PARTY

FRI JUN 1: GRADUATION FOR CLASS OF 2018! 6:00PM, STADIUM

FRI JUN 15: LOWER SCHOOL MUSIC CONCERT, 6:00PM, PAC

THU JUN 21: LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

SENIOR EXAM SCHEDULE

MON MAY 21: "A" DAY, PERIOD 7 EXAM 1:15-2:45PM

TUE MAY 22: "B" DAY, PERIOD 6 EXAM 12:10-1:40PM

WED MAY 23: "A" DAY, PERIOD 5 EXAM 12:10-1:40PM

THU MAY 24: PERIOD 2 EXAM 8:00-9:30AM, PERIOD 4 EXAM 9:35-11:00AM

FRI MAY 25: PERIOD 1 EXAM 8:00-9:30AM, PERIOD 3 EXAM 9:35-11:00AM



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