

# Leyton Warrior Newsletter

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

March, 2020



Above Left: 6-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Overall Science Fair Winners on February 25<sup>th</sup> - Zaili Benish, and the team of Peyton Abbott & Trenton Rushman. Above Right: Brenton Abbott, standing with his coaches Kevin Tretter and Ryan Jenson on Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>, qualified from the State Wrestling Meet. Left & Below: Freshman Levi Weyerts with his parents on February 7<sup>th</sup> for Winter Sports Parents' Night, Junior Austin Huls played in the Pep Band on Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>, NHS students worked together during their Valentine's Day fundraiser on February 14<sup>th</sup>, All five defenders were in the key against Bayard on Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>, On February 15<sup>th</sup>, the Jr. High Boys placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the MAC Basketball Tournament, while the Girls' Jr. High basketball team won the Runner-Up Trophy, 5<sup>th</sup> Graders Carolina Schwab, Brody Turman, Hunter Borges, Austin Beutler & Riley Benish share their state floats in the Mardi Gras Parade on February 25<sup>th</sup>.



# March Newsletter ~ 2020

- Mar. 02 – First Day of Spring Practice
- Mar. 04 – FFA CDE III Contest @ Kimball @ 9 am – **Bus - Jennifer**
- Mar. 05–07 - Girls State Basketball
- Mar. 07 – Speech Meet @ Mitchell – **Bus - Eric**
- Mar. 09 – BOE Meeting @ 6:30 pm
- Mar. 10 – Regional Science Fair @ Scottsbluff - **Bus**
- Mar. 11 – Dismiss @ 1 pm ~ End of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter
- Mar. 12-13 – SPRING BREAK ~ SCHOOL CLOSED**
- Mar. 12-14 – Boys State Basketball
- Mar. 16 – District Speech Meet @ Wallace – **Bus - Gerald**
- Mar. 16 – NO CLASSES**
- Mar. 16 – Professional Development – 8:00 -11:00 am**
- Mar. 16 - Parent/Teacher Conference Noon – 6 pm**
- Mar. 17 – Jr. High Quiz Bowl @ South Platte – **Van – 2:15 pm**
- Mar, 18 – High School Quiz Bowl @ Bayard - **TBD**
- Mar. 18 – ACT Workshop for Juniors @ Bridgeport @ 8:45 am – **Bus - Jennifer**
- Mar. 21 – Alumni Basketball
- Mar. 24 – ACT Testing day ALL JUNIORS
- Mar. 24 – MAC High School/Jr. High Quiz Bowl @ 2 pm @ South Platte–**Bus–Mark -12:30 pm**
- Mar. 24 – 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Career Day @ Sidney – **Bus - Jennifer**
- Mar. 27 – State Speech @ Kearney – **Bus - TBD**
- Mar. 28 – High School Track @ Morrill @ 9:30 am – **Bus - Jennifer**
- Mar. 30 – FFA Officer Interviews
- Mar. 31 – MAC Music @ Potter-Dix – **Bus - Jennifer**
- April 01-03 – FFA ~ Nebraska State Convention @ Lincoln, NE
- April 04 – High School Track Meet @ Bayard C-D @ 9 am – **Bus - Eric**
- April 06 – High School Track Meet @ Creek Valley Tri State (Chappell) @ 8 am – **Bus - Mark**
- April 07 – Jr. High Track Meet @ Banner Co.
- April 08 – ACT Testing Day
- April 09 – NO CLASSES ~ Professional Development Day**
- April 10-13 – EASTER BREAK ~ SCHOOL CLOSED**



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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  
February 10, 2020 – 6:30 PM

The Leyton Board of Education met Monday, February 10, 2020 at 6:30 P.M. in the District’s Administrative Office. Publicized notice of the meeting was posted in the Leyton High School, Leyton JH/Elementary School, at various businesses in the community, and on the [www.leytonwarriors.org](http://www.leytonwarriors.org) website on or before February 3, 2020. 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

Communications were read from the Community Shepherds and Brenda Ahlm.

2 HEARINGS AND PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

2.1 Mrs. Jaimee Rushman addressed the Board by stating there will not be a preschool program in the community next year. She asked the Board to consider the addition of a preschool to Leyton Public Schools. She stressed that it is beneficial for young children to attend a preschool before they enter Kindergarten. Mr. Benish replied that the Board had looked into a preschool two years ago and very few people responded to the survey that was sent out, so interest fizzled out. He stated they could visit the issue again, but cautioned that deadlines for next year are quickly approaching.

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 they had held meetings discussing the concession stand they worked on February 8<sup>th</sup>. They also stated they plan to meet with Administration to discuss incentives for no semester tests and early outs on Friday. The officers met and discussed the information from the student satisfaction survey. The positive feedback included that students are proud to be a Leyton student, lunches are good, 1-on-1 time with teachers, new students feel welcomed and the school is kept clean. The negative feedback was that students are not informed or have a voice, privacy in the locker rooms, lunch line issues, and too much homework. The STUCO officers presented several suggestions to the Administration and some of those ideas have been implemented such as students being provided a weekly activity bulletin and two dismissal bells for lunch. They also reported that the Prom theme this year is “western” and that STUCO is in the process of sponsoring country swing dance lessons for the students. STUCO would also like to recognize Neal Thompson for keeping the school clean and Krystal Borges for providing excellent meals.

4.2 BOARD REPORTS

4.2.1 Member Rexroth reported that she attended the NASB Budget Seminar in Kearney with Superintendent Geary on February 5<sup>th</sup>. She learned the importance of maximizing the budget authority and reviewed a five year spending history. She also learned more about SPED expenditures.

4.3 STAFF MEMBERS REPORT

None

4.4 ELEMENTARY/JH PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Mrs. Morgan reported that she attended administrator meetings, a SPED director meeting, an IEP, and a 504 meeting. She assisted in completing Title I requirements, K-8 bus evacuations and a

Health Survey for the NDE. Mrs. Morgan completed two teacher planning conferences/observations, attended parent/teacher meetings and supervised two HS basketball games. She served on interview panels and had a meeting regarding MTSS program information. Mrs. Morgan had "Lunch with the Principal" for the January good citizens on February 7<sup>th</sup>.

4.5 SECONDARY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Mr. Brost reported that he attended a Region V Principal meeting, an informational MTSS meeting, an IEP, and two 504 meetings. He served on interview panels for Ag/FFA, English/Language Arts, and Maintenance. Mr. Brost met with representatives from NHS regarding Valentine's Day orders and also with representatives from STUCO on student issues. He stated that the ADs will meet on February 12<sup>th</sup>, when the football schedule comes out, to schedule officials.

4.6 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

4.6.1 Special Recognition

4.6.1.1 Mr. Geary recognized Ryan Borges, Anne Rexroth, Galen Bartling, Liz Twarling, Matt Haley, Shawn Oakes, Allie Peters, Glen Lipska, Dana Morgan, Nick Brost, Zac Henke, Courtney Holt, Ethan Eckhardt, and Ashton Van Anne for serving on interview committees for new teachers.

4.6.2 Meeting/Travel

4.6.2.1 Mr. Geary reported he served as a Cognia team member in Broken Bow on February 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup>. He will also be the lead evaluator at Ogallala High School on March 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup>. Both serve as great learning experiences as to what schools are required to provide during a school improvement visit. Our visit is scheduled for the Spring of 2022. Mr. Geary also attended the NASB Budget Seminar in Kearney, several Superintendent meetings, and a Level 1 bus training. He is now qualified to be a bus driver for our district.

4.6.3 Construction Updates

4.6.3.1 Mr. Geary stated that the architectural drawings for the existing science room have been shared with the building committee. He will schedule a meeting with the committee to approve the layout in the next two weeks and will have a full proposal, including bid documents, ready for the March meeting. Approval of bids will be scheduled for the April meeting.

4.6.4 Action Items

4.6.4.1 Mr. Geary asked the Board to consider approving the 2020-2021 Master Calendar, principal contracts, a new hire recommendation, and overnight stays for district and state wrestling.

4.6.5 Other Items

4.6.5.1 Mr. Geary reported that he is working with another District to share a Spanish teacher within the two districts. He provided information to possibly add an extra duty stipend for FFA. This would be approved on the Extra Duty schedule at a later date. He also stated that the fume hoods and fire suppression in the kitchens at both sites will need to be replaced this summer. Mr. Geary informed the Board that he will advertise for an elementary teacher due to a resignation that will be presented at the next meeting.

5 REGULAR AGENDA

5.1 EXCUSING A BOARD MEMBER

None

5.2 SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Motion by Rexroth, seconded by Cruise to recognize Allie Peters for organizing Maddy Watchorn's college/volleyball signing; to Harlan & Tiffany Sage for donating shirts for Leyton students; to Sidney Public Schools for inviting our K-6 students to the Missoula Theater Production; to Mrs. Hansen and Mr. Haley for displaying their students' art and shop projects at the MAC basketball tournament; to Katie Eckhardt for being the runner-up at the Cheyenne County Spelling Bee; to Quinten Tretter for winning this year's Geography Bee; to our honor roll students for the first

semester; to the following community members for filling in for us in the kitchen over the last several months: Twila Flohr, Mark Lind, Travis Lind, Shirley Melton, Barb Reimers, Tiffany Sage, and Nancy Wagoner – we could not have done it without their help; to Mr. Newkirk for organizing our Geography Bee; to Jed Benish, Lance Juelfs, Travis Lind, and Christy Schumacher for assisting our junior high basketball program this year; to Dr. Ben Iske and Brooke for providing dental health training for Dental Health month to our kindergarten through second graders; to Nurse Amy for organizing the visit; to the National Honor Society for organizing the canned food drive during the Potter-Dix basketball game with all items received donated to the Community Shepherds; to the High Plains Music Festival Participants (Band: Cassidee Murray, Cortney Holt, Holden Syverson and Choir: Hannah Vath); to alumni Destinee Henke for earning academic honors at Southeast Community College; to alumni Danielle Higgins and Kaitlyn Berner for earning academic honors at University of Nebraska-Lincoln; and to the January Good Citizens (Kindergarten-Averi Twarling, 1st-Breckyr Cranmore, 2nd-Avery Adams, 3rd-Cooper Benish, 4th-Isabella Fischer, 5th-Claire Eckhardt, 6th-Tristan Fischer, 7th-Katie Eckhardt and 8th-Kaleb Borges). ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Cruise, Bartling, Borges, Henke, Benish and Rexroth. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

5.3 APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING

Motion by Cruise, seconded by Rexroth to approve the minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting on January 13, 2020. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Bartling, Borges, Henke, Benish, Rexroth and Cruise. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

5.4 APPROVAL OF REPORTS

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

5.5 APPROVAL OF CLAIMS, WARRANTS, AND TRANSFERS

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

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

5.6 APPROVAL OF 2020-2021 MASTER CALENDAR

Motion by Cruise, seconded by Henke to approve the 2020-2021 Master Calendar as presented. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Rexroth, Cruise, Bartling, Borges, Henke and Benish. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

5.7 APPROVAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES/CONTRACTS

Motion by Bartling, seconded by Rexroth to enter into Executive Session at 7:09 PM to discuss administrative wages/contracts. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Cruise, Bartling, Borges, Henke, Benish, and Rexroth. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

No Action was taken during Executive Session.

Motion by Henke, seconded by Cruise to return to General Session at 7:59 PM. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Bartling, Borges, Henke, Benish, Rexroth, and Cruise. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

Motion by Rexroth, seconded by Henke to approve administrative contracts as presented for Mr. Nick Brost, Secondary Principal/AD and Mrs. Dana Morgan, K-8 Principal/K-12 Librarian. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Borges, Henke, Benish, Rexroth, Cruise and Bartling. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

5.8 APPROVAL OF CERTIFIED STAFF HIRING

Motion by Rexroth, seconded by Borges to approve the hiring of Ms. Monica Wasielewski as a certified teacher for the 2020-2021 school year. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Henke, Benish, Rexroth, Cruise, Bartling, and Borges. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

5.9 APPROVAL OF OVERNIGHT STAYS FOR DISTRICT/STATE WRESTLING  
 Motion by Borges, seconded by Cruise to approve overnight stays for District Wrestling on February 14<sup>th</sup> and State Wrestling on February 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, and 21<sup>st</sup>. ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Benish, Rexroth, Cruise, Bartling, Borges and Henke. VOTING NO – None.  
 MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

5.10 REVIEW OF 6000 SERIES POLICIES  
 The Board reviewed the 6000 Series Policies. Member Borges requested that Policy #6028 (3c) be reviewed so that the wording is consistent with the Student Handbook.

6 INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

6.1 Board Retreat: Monday, March 9, 2020 at 2:30 PM; Points West Bank

6.2 Next Regular Board Meeting: Monday, March 9, 2020 at 6:30 PM

7 MEETING ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Rexroth, seconded by Borges to adjourn the regular school board meeting at 8:40 PM.

ROLL CALL VOTE: VOTING YES – Rexroth, Cruise, Bartling, Borges, Henke and Benish. VOTING NO – None. MOTION CARRIED: 6-0.

  
 Ryan Borges, Board Secretary

  
 Janella Kruse, Recording Secretary

Leyton Public Schools - Payable Journal - February 2020

|                        |              |                         |              |                         |               |
|------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|---------------|
| Apple Computer         | \$ 5,530.00  | Gurley Diesel           | \$ 2,294.45  | Nebraska Safety Center  | \$ 675.00     |
| Holly Benish           | \$ 82.80     | Alison Haley            | \$ 89.70     | NIBC                    | \$ 85.00      |
| Best Plumbing, Heating | \$ 300.44    | Matt Haley              | \$ 330.58    | One Source              | \$ 40.00      |
| Black Hills Energy     | \$ 4,566.50  | Hampton Inn - Kearney   | \$ 232.00    | Perkins County Schools  | \$ 10,393.70  |
| Leo Bowen              | \$ 1,616.90  | Amy Henke               | \$ 72.45     | Allie Peters            | \$ 439.70     |
| Heather Bowen          | \$ 800.98    | Homestead Market        | \$ 69.10     | PWCB - Insurance        | \$ 1,000.00   |
| Bridgeport Newsblade   | \$ 88.95     | Ideal Linen Supply      | \$ 1,739.19  | Pro Sports              | \$ 83.73      |
| Nick Brost             | \$ 59.80     | JW Pepper               | \$ 73.24     | Regional Care           | \$ 80.00      |
| Capital Business       | \$ 1,376.90  | Jeremy Kepler           | \$ 433.55    | Irma Rios               | \$ 120.75     |
| Cardmember Services    | \$ 1,570.01  | Kid's Korner Childcare  | \$ 265.00    | Christy Schumacher      | \$ 114.27     |
| Cranmore Pest Control  | \$ 110.00    | Kimball Public Schools  | \$ 3,175.00  | Sidney Regional Medical | \$ 1,040.90   |
| Crossroads Music       | \$ 73.00     | KSB School Law          | \$ 315.00    | Sidney Sun-Telegraph    | \$ 271.65     |
| Dalton Telephone       | \$ 473.99    | Mark Lind               | \$ 70.73     | SOAR                    | \$ 684.38     |
| DAS State Accounting   | \$ 229.32    | Lou's Sporting Goods    | \$ 16,200.00 | Kathy Surber            | \$ 6.90       |
| Day & Night Plumbing   | \$ 1,159.13  | Lynx System Developers  | \$ 20,890.00 | Uptown Image            | \$ 20.00      |
| DP Electronics         | \$ 35.00     | Marick's Waste Disposal | \$ 130.00    | Village of Dalton       | \$ 462.42     |
| ESU #13                | \$ 12,238.66 | Matheson                | \$ 503.89    | Village of Gurley       | \$ 689.13     |
| Finney's               | \$ 32.98     | Misko Sports            | \$ 900.00    | Weyerts Electric        | \$ 200.00     |
| Cody Gamble            | \$ 58.65     | Dana Morgan             | \$ 34.50     | Wheat Belt              | \$ 5,075.77   |
| Chris Geary            | \$ 646.25    | NASB                    | \$ 3,466.00  | WPCI                    | \$ 35.00      |
| Great America Finan.   | \$ 934.00    | Nebraskaland Tire       | \$ 37.00     |                         |               |
| Column Total           | \$ 31,984.26 | Column Total            | \$ 51,321.38 | Column Total            | \$ 21,518.30  |
|                        |              |                         |              | Monthly Total           | \$ 104,823.94 |

March 2020

A Message from the Superintendent

My last newsletter article promised Superintendent Scoops in February. Because of the craziness of activity schedules and the lack of availability for a place to meet, I had to reschedule. So March 5, it is! I'll be at Homestead Market at 8 am and The Dock at 5:30 pm. I hope to see you. We can discuss the budget, our school improvement plan, or any other topic you choose.

You may have heard that the Board is considering adding a preschool. I would love to hear your thoughts about that. There are many things to consider. One of the most important is how many kids would we need to accommodate. If you have children under the age of six, please complete the survey found in the newsletter and return it to me as soon as possible. You can mail it to Chris Geary, Superintendent, Leyton Public Schools, 504 Main Street, Dalton, NE 69131.

The building and grounds committee met with the architect on February 24, to discuss the planned renovation for the high school science room. They have agreed on a floor plan and general layout. The board will take formal action at the March 9, Regular Board Meeting to approve the plan and publish a notice for bidders.

We have added a way for our stakeholders to communicate concerns to the administration. These reports can be anonymous and will help us ensure that Leyton Schools are a safe, healthy place to learn for all of our students. Below is a screenshot of the website you can use to share your concerns with us. Please remember your TIP "ID Number" so you can login later and see how the situation has been addressed. You can submit a tip via phone, web, app, text, or email.



I would also like to take a minute to celebrate a couple of Leyton graduates: Ty Schmidt and Sara Brenner. I'm so excited that these awesome Leytonites have been able to attend the college of their choosing, pursue a fulfilling career, and COME BACK to be involved in our school. Ty and his family have moved on and now Sara is serving as our Physical Therapist/Athletic Trainer. She comes regularly to help our students overcome their injuries and return to the game! Thank you Sara and Ty!

Are you a farmer in our district? You could help us get a \$15,000 grant! DeAnn Ernest has worked faithfully in the past and helped us secure grants through "Americas Farmers." You can find out more about this program and nominate our school by going to [americasfarmers.com](http://americasfarmers.com). Or you can call Mrs. Ernest. The more nominations we get from farmers, the more likely we are to get a grant! Thanks for your help!

Finally, let's talk Parent Teacher Conferences. Conferences are scheduled for March 16, from noon to 6 pm. We are trying to make it easier for all families to meet with all of our teachers, so we decided to bring the high school teachers to Gurley for the afternoon. ALL PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES WILL BE HELD IN GURLEY FROM NOON TO 6 PM. The elementary conferences will be scheduled, as always, and the high school teachers will be available in the gym. Our shared staff (PE, Art, Music, Computers, Counselor, and SPED) will all be available in their respective rooms. Of course, if you'd like to see something at the high school, or visit with a high school teacher in their classroom, you are welcome to schedule a time for that on another date – our teachers would be happy to see you.

One last item...TRACK. With basketball season behind us, it's time to start thinking about track. We will be hosting three track meets this year – and we'll need lots of help! There will be lots of families in town on those days, so get ready. If you like to be outside watching kids excel in track and field, I hope you'll consider helping. Call Mr. Brost at the high school for more details – 377-2301.

Best!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chris Geary". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Chris Geary





## A Message from Mrs. Morgan

Hello Leyton families! I would like to begin by congratulating our January good citizens. This month's group selected lunch from Pizza Hut and some chips as a side dish. ☺ We enjoyed our lunch together on February 7. Good citizens from L to R standing: Katie Eckhardt-7<sup>th</sup>; Claire Eckhardt-5<sup>th</sup>; Kaleb Borges-8<sup>th</sup>; Isabella Fischer-4<sup>th</sup>; Breckyr Cranmore-1<sup>st</sup>; Tristan Fischer-6<sup>th</sup>; Avery Adams-2<sup>nd</sup>; Averi Twarling-K; and Cooper Benish-3<sup>rd</sup>. I was so excited to get to be in the picture this time. I am so proud of our students at Leyton! Students selected by their classroom teachers as good citizens should be congratulated often!

The busyness of this time of year takes us into spring. the science fair for our 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students. Winners next month's newsletter. We had our 5<sup>th</sup> grade Mardi celebration. H.A.L. opportunities include a STEM field trip at ESU 13 in Sidney and a robotics activity

Please also take a moment to CONGRATULATE our 2019-2020 Geography Bee below. They are from L to R: Jaxson Benish, Mr. Newkirk (Geography Bee Organizer), Michael Kepler, Quinten Tretter, Carlyn Thomas, Josette McConnell, Madison Frerichs, Mason Marks, and Zaili Benish. Our OVERALL winner was 6<sup>th</sup> grade student Quinten Tretter! Job well done!

Winners pictured



We have had will be posted in Gras parade and activity, a virtual coming in March.



As always, 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).

Respectfully, Dana Morgan-K-8 Principal

*Dana* ☺

March 2020

## High School Principal/AD Newsletter

Congratulations to our Junior High Basketball teams on a very successful season. Both teams were very exciting to watch and several great moments throughout their seasons. The boys ended their season with a 2<sup>nd</sup> place finish at the MAC tournament and the girls placed 3<sup>rd</sup> at the MAC tournament.

Congratulations to the High School wrestling team for a successful completion to their season. Leyton had four wrestlers compete at the district tournament at North Platte St. Pats. Logan Craig and Dawson Juelfs were one win away from qualifying for the state meet and Brenton Abbott placed 4<sup>th</sup> which qualified him for the State Wrestling Tournament. Brenton was one of sixteen wrestlers at his weight class to qualify for the state meet and he finished with one win and two losses. Brenton is the first Leyton wrestler to qualify for the state tournament.

In schools we often focus on how to evaluate student growth and success, but our teachers are also evaluated on the effectiveness of their practice. Leyton Public Schools has adopted the Danielson Framework for Teaching as our teacher evaluation model. The Danielson Model has four domains: 1) Planning and Preparation, 2) Classroom Environment, 3) Instruction and 4) Professional Responsibilities. The domains are divided into 22 components and 76 elements. During the teacher evaluation process, evidence is provided by each teacher in each of the domains and that evidence is evaluated based on a series rubrics. The purpose of the teacher evaluation is quality assurance and to ensure professional growth by identifying areas of strength and areas for improvement.

On Friday, February 28<sup>th</sup> the high school will pilot a shortened class schedule to make time for MTSS collaboration with our teachers. MTSS stands for Multi-Tiered Systems of Support and is the system that will be used to identify the supports needed for all of our students. The schedule for the day will consist of shortened class periods followed by time for students to participate in a variety of activities such as watching a movie, playing board games or time to work on homework. School will be dismissed at the regular time.

Spring is a busy time in our classrooms for testing. The testing window for NSCAS (Nebraska Student-Centered Assessment System), which is the Nebraska statewide assessment system tests students in grades 3-8 is March 16<sup>th</sup> through April 24<sup>th</sup>. The NWEA MAP (Measures of Academic Progress) Test is administered to all students Kindergarten through 11<sup>th</sup> grade testing window is April 6<sup>th</sup> through May 1<sup>st</sup> and the initial ACT testing date for Juniors is March 24<sup>th</sup>.

| Test     | Grades | Testing Window    |
|----------|--------|-------------------|
| NSCAS    | 3-8    | March 16-April 24 |
| NWEA MAP | k-11   | April 6-May 1     |
| ACT      | 11     | March 24          |

As always, if there are ever any questions or concerns feel free stop by or call the school. My office is always open.

Go Warriors!

*Nick Brost*

Nick Brost



# Dental Day

## What is Dental Day?

This day provides dental care for children without dental insurance. Care is provided by dental students from the University of Nebraska Medical Center, College of Dentistry in collaboration with local dentists and hospitals.

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## June 5 and June 6, 2020

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**Panhandle Sites: Alliance, Sidney, and Gordon.** Transportation may be available. Contact **Panhandle Public Health District** at (866)701-7173 or **Anne Stevens** at (308)249-1219 to register.



\*A pre-exam by a participating local dentist is required at least 3 weeks in advance. There is no charge to receive this service if you qualify.

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**Panhandle**

**Public Health District**

P O Box 337 ■ 808 Box Butte Avenue  
Hemingford, NE ■ 69348  
(308)487-3600 ■ (866)701-7173  
[www.pphd.org](http://www.pphd.org)

Healthy teeth and gums are vital to your child's overall health. Our school provides yearly dental health screenings by Kendra Lauruhn, RDH. She is a Registered Dental Hygienist with the Panhandle Public Health District. While at our school, she conducts the dental screenings and, if authorized by the parent or guardian, also provides fluoride treatments and sealants. We also have Dr. Ben Iske and his Dental Hygienist, Brooke, from Bridgeport Family Dental visit our school each year to educate the K-2 students on the importance of proper tooth brushing. What wonderful benefits we are provided at no cost to the students at Leyton!!

Even though Leyton provides education and screenings each year, students may still have cavities. According to the Centers for Disease Control, (CDC) "Tooth decay (cavities) is one of the most common chronic conditions of childhood in the United States." Cavities can cause tooth pain or sensitivity, mild or sharp pain when eating something hot, cold or sweet or when biting down and can potentially progress to infections requiring medical treatment. I know I would have a hard time concentrating in class if my tooth hurt!

It is part of my job to make sure your student is healthy and ready to learn, and healthy teeth are important to the success in the classroom. I wanted to make you aware of the "Dental Day" services happening on Friday and Saturday, June 5th and 6th, 2020.

### **What is "Dental Day"?**

"Dental Day" provides free dental care for children without dental insurance. Care is provided by dental students from the University of Nebraska Medical Center, College of Dentistry in collaboration with local dentists and hospitals.

### **Where can I get this care?**

There are three different sites available in the Panhandle: Alliance, Sidney and Gordon.

### **How do I get my child registered?**

Contact

Panhandle Public Health District at: (866) 701-7173 **OR**

Anne Stevens at: (308) 249-1219

### **What do I need to do after my child is registered?**

Call one of the following dental clinics to schedule a pre-exam **anytime between now and May 4th**. Let them know you would like to make an appointment for "Dental Day". Appointment times fill quickly and are on a "first come first served" basis.

*Life Smiles* - Dr. Dornbier - (308) 254-7171 **OR**

*Summit Dental* - Dr. Neal - (308) 254-2555

### **How does my child get a "Dental Day" appointment?**

Your child will be given an appointment for "Dental Day" on either June 5th or 6th **AFTER** the pre-exam visit.

### **Is there any paperwork I will need to fill out?**

Yes. You can pick up the packet of information in the school office at either the Gurley or Dalton site. Just fill out the paperwork and take it with you to your child's pre-exam appointment.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at the Gurley site at 308-884-2247. You are welcome to leave a message if needed.

 Amy Henke, BSN, RN, CRCST

## An Experience I won't Forget

During the 3rd quarter in the High School, the students have had to opportunity to create 3-Dimensional art with clay. The students were able to build their clay projects through hand-building and the use of the potter's wheel. All of the students were allowed the opportunity to try the different types of clay construction. One student, Erin Daniels, was extremely excited to try to throw clay on the potter' wheel. The reason she was so excited was that many other people in her family had created this type of art in the past, and this would allow her to share in this experience with them.

Erin not only was able to try and succeed in throwing pottery on the potter's wheel but also share the experience with her father, Stan Daniels. Stan is a very busy man, as many parents are, but his daughter wanted to "throw pottery" with her dad this year. Stan took pottery classes when he was in high school at Mullen High School in Mullen, Nebraska. After talking with Erin about her father's background in pottery and her desire to have him come to school, I worked with Erin on coordinating a time for Stan to visit. Thankfully, everything worked out for Stan to come to the school in Erin's class during our Pottery unit.

Stan was a very good guest to have in class because it allowed the students another opportunity to watch someone else throw pottery on the wheel. Everyone has different strategies and techniques to make pottery on the potter's wheel. Different perspectives can help the students learn more ways to make pottery on the wheel to help them be successful ceramic artists. Stan gave our students another perspective which was beneficial to all but also was able to share a great experience with his daughter. Erin and Stan were able to work on clay projects side-by-side and allowed me, as a teacher, a truly special experience to be a part of.

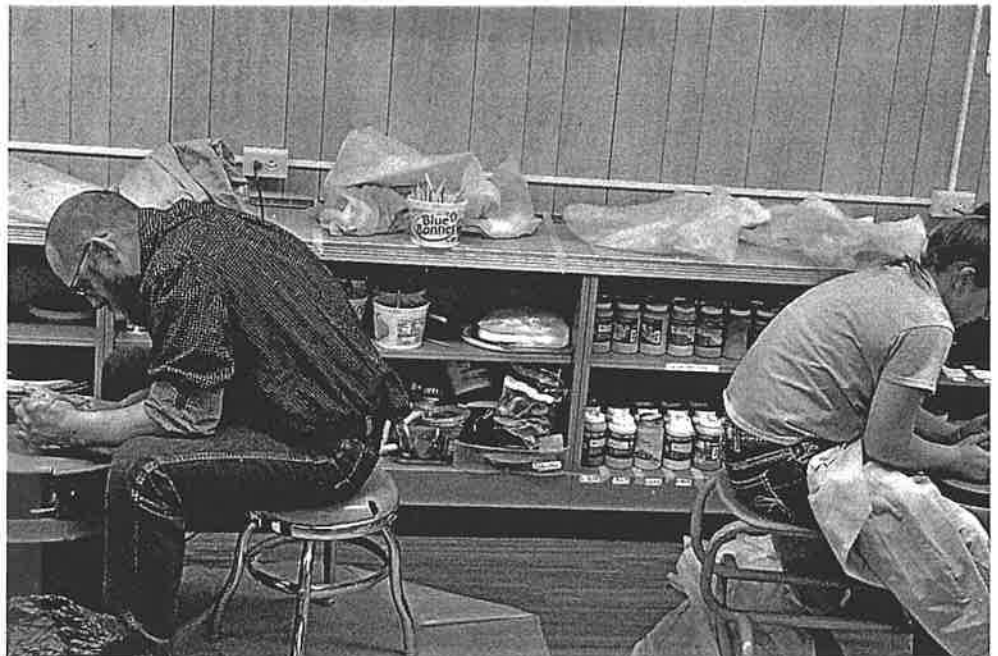
Again thank you, Stan, for your visit to the Leyton High School Art room.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Wendy Kay Hansen



Leyton Art Educator K-12



**TO ALL FAMILIES LIVING IN THE LEYTON PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT:**

If you have previously filled this out and have no new information to report, you do not need to complete this.

Each year we are required to do a census report for the Nebraska Department of Education. We are asking for all families living in the Leyton School District to fill out the following form if you have a child between the ages of 0-21 years of age. All information will be kept confidential. Please complete the form and return to either school office or mail to: Leyton Public School PO Box 178 Gurley NE 69141 as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please call 308-884-2247. Thank you for your help in this matter.

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|---|------------|---------------|------------------|---------------|--------|
| Last name   | First name | phone #       |                  |               |        |
| Head of Family:   |            |               |                  |               |        |
| Spouse:   |            |               |                  |               |        |
| Mailing address   | City       | St            | Zip              |               |        |
| Residence Address   | City       | St            | Zip              |               |        |
| Children  |            |               |                  |               |        |
| First name  | Last name  | City of birth | State            | Date of birth | gender |
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| visually  |            | deaf          | other physically | mentally      |        |
| Any handicap  |            |               |                  |               |        |
| All information is used for state reporting only and will be kept confidential. |            |               |                  |               |        |

**LEYTON ELEMENTARY PARENT - TEACHER CONFERENCE SCHEDULE**

**March 16th, 2020 12:00p.m.-6:00p.m.**

**1ST GRADE-MRS. BLOMENKAMP**

**March 16th, 2020 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

12:00  
12:15 Nathan Clawson  
12:30  
12:45 Brooks Frerichs  
1:00  
1:15 Teagan McCormick  
1:30  
1:45 Zoe Tretter  
2:00  
2:15 Maycee Smith  
2:30  
2:45

**1ST GRADE-MRS. BLOMENKAMP**

**March 16th, 2020 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

3:00  
3:15  
3:30  
3:45 Adyleigh Rushman  
4:00  
4:15  
4:30  
4:45 Breckyr Cranmore  
5:00 Madilynn Mitchell  
5:15  
5:30 Luke Florke  
5:45

**2ND GRADE-MS. DEBLOIS**

**March 16th, 2020 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

12:00 Cainyn Rushman  
12:15 Nora Jenson  
12:30 Quinn Brost  
12:45 Avery Adams  
1:00 Skylar Draper  
1:15  
1:30  
1:45  
2:00  
2:15  
2:30  
2:45

**2ND GRADE-MS. DEBLOIS**

**March 16th, 2020 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

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**4TH GRADE-MRS. SCHUMACHER**

**March 16th, 2020 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

12:00 Josiah Kepler  
12:15  
12:30 Gracyn Abbott  
12:45  
1:00  
1:15  
1:30 Lucy Tretter  
1:45  
2:00 Ann Marie Gallegos  
2:15 Isabella Fischer  
2:30  
2:45 Aubri Borges

**4TH GRADE-MRS. SCHUMACHER**

**March 16th, 2020 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

3:00  
3:15  
3:30 Maxson Wiggins  
3:45  
4:00  
4:15  
4:30 Auvi Cranmore  
4:45  
5:00 Carter Lipska  
5:15 Colt VanAnne  
5:30  
5:45 Elizabeth Higgins

**6TH GRADE-MRS. LECHER**

March 16th, 2020 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

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|-------------------------------|
| 12:00                         |
| 12:15 Carlyn Thomas           |
| 12:30                         |
| 12:45 Faith Lee               |
| 1:00                          |
| 1:15 Quinten Tretter          |
| 1:30                          |
| 1:45                          |
| 2:00 Josette McConnell - Troy |
| 2:15                          |
| 2:30 Tristan Fischer          |
| 2:45                          |

**6TH GRADE-MRS. LECHER**

March 16th, 2020 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

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| 3:00                          |
| 3:15 Hayden Guggenmos         |
| 3:30 Aidan Teters             |
| 3:45                          |
| 4:00 Halle Carter             |
| 4:15                          |
| 4:30 Macey Roelle             |
| 4:45 Josette McConnell - Anne |
| 5:00                          |
| 5:15 Alec Watchorn            |
| 5:30                          |
| 5:45 Kaleb Miller             |

If these times do not work for you, please contact your child's teacher.

7th and 8th grade parents will meet with their student's teachers in their classrooms.

## 5th grade News

Happy Mardi Gras! The 5th students have been busy learning about the southeast and midwestern regions of the United States. In turn, the 5th graders just completed a unit about all the different traditions and culture associated with Mardi Gras. The students participated in a Virtual Reality activity through the service unit that allowed us to "walk" down a real New Orleans street and look at bayous of Louisiana. The students learned how to make beignets (French doughnuts). The students also created Mardi Gras floats about the states of their choice in these regions. The Mardi Gras parade was held down "Orleans" and "Bourbon" street on February 25th. Parents, community members, students, and staff joined us in the hallway as we listened to lively jazz over the intercom. Beads were flying and parade floats walked and/or rolled by! Family and friends then joined the 5th graders for homemade beignets and King Cake. I love this 5th grade tradition. It is a fun way to bring a little of the southeast into the midwest. We thoroughly enjoyed our day of festive southern culture.





# March

2020

## Leyton Elementary/JH & High School Menu

### Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss

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

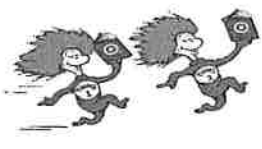
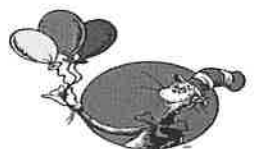

Unlimited fruits and vegetables are offered daily.

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.

The **MORE** that you **READ**,  
the more **THINGS** you will **KNOW**.  
The **MORE** you **LEARN**,  
the more **PLACES** you'll **GO!**  
~ Dr. Seuss

| Monday   | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday  |
|--|--|---|--|---|
| 2<br>B: Who Hash (Breakfast burrito)<br>L: Grilled cheese, tomato soup     | 3<br>B: Cat in the Hat Pancakes<br>L: Cabbage pocket, corn                   | 4<br>B: Green eggs & ham<br>L: Cavatini, green beans, garlic bread                  | 5<br>B: Yogurt cup, granola, toast<br>L: Roast Beast (turkey) & noodles, Seuss clouds (mashed potatoes), biscuit | 6<br>B: Pop Tart, cereal, toast<br>L: Soft shell taco, refried beans, Seuss birthday cake |
| 9<br>B: French toast, bacon<br>L: Pulled pork sandwich, roasted broccoli   | 10<br>B: PB & J<br>L: Chili, cinnamon roll                                   | 11<br>B: Biscuits & gravy<br>L: Baked potato or tot bar, muffin                     | 12<br><b>NO SCHOOL Spring Break</b>  | 13<br><b>NO SCHOOL Spring Break</b>   |
| 16<br><b>NO SCHOOL Professional Development</b>                            | 17<br>B: Breakfast sandwich<br>L: HB or CB, baked beans                      | 18<br>B: Yogurt cup, granola, toast<br>L: Smoked turkey croissant, French fries     | 19<br>B: Pop Tart, cereal, toast<br>L: Spaghetti, green beans, garlic bread                                      | 20<br>B: Pancake on a stick, eggs<br>L: Chicken nuggets, mac & cheese, peas               |
| 23<br>B: Pancakes, sausage patty<br>L: Beef stroganoff, peas, garlic bread | 24<br>B: French toast, bacon<br>L: Pizza, green beans                        | 25<br>B: Pop Tart, cereal, toast<br>L: Breaded pork chop, mashed potatoes, roll     | 26<br>B: Biscuits & gravy<br>L: Chicken fajita, black beans, churro  | 27<br>B: PB & J<br>L: Breaded or spicy chicken sandwich, corn                             |
| 30<br>B: French toast, bacon<br>L: Enchiladas, refried beans, corn bread   | 31<br>B: Breakfast burrito<br>L: Chicken alfredo flatbread or bake, broccoli |  |                              |      |

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