



Loveland Leader



Loveland Elementary School Newsletter Jan. 12, 2018

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Mission

The mission of Loveland Elementary School, in partnership with our actively involved community, is to promote excellence and instill a desire for learning by challenging each individual within a safe, supportive environment.

Loveland's Expectations

- Be Safe
- Be Respectful
- Be Responsible

Happy New Year!

Welcome to the New Year...2018! It is exciting to be back with our students as we begin the second semester. All students can benefit from setting a goal for continuous improvement as the New Year begins. In addition, a good goal to set for the New Year is to help your child achieve to their highest potential. Some great ways to do this are to check for homework every day, ask them about school, and read each evening.

Ms. Hornung

Report Cards Went Home Today

Your child brought home his/her report card today. We hope you will take the time to sit down with your child and talk about what growth and learning has occurred since the beginning of this school year. We have much to celebrate when it comes to good work and effort. We will continue to have high expectations for all of our students. Just this week we discussed the importance of continuing to hold our students to high standards in all areas. Likewise, we are all committed to holding ourselves to high standards and expectations as we support our students' learning in every way. If you have questions about your child's progress and achievement, please feel free to contact us. Remember that we are your partners when it comes to your child's education!

News Briefs

Wednesday Dismissal

Don't forget...Students will be dismissed every Wednesday at 3:00. Please be prompt as teachers are scheduled to leave the building each week to participate in professional learning communities.

Guests Must Sign In...

Please remember to sign in and take a visitor badge every time you visit our school!

Snow Days

If bad weather forces the closing of school, you will receive an automated phone message from the District the night before or the morning of the closing. Information will also be posted on the District's Facebook page (Westside Community Schools - District 66), on Twitter (@Westside66), and on the District's homepage (www.westside66.org). We will also ask local radio and television stations to make the announcement.

Calendar Reminders

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| Jan. 12 Adult Night Out 7 pm | Feb. 12 VS Practice/LL Gym 6-8 pm |
| Jan. 15 MLK Jr. Day/ NO SCHOOL | Feb. 14 Valentine Parties 2-2:45 pm |
| Jan. 18 1st Gr. Art Smart Trip/Joslyn 9:30 am | Feb. 15 3rd Gr. Art Smart Trip/Joslyn 9:30 am |
| Jan. 19 Open Gym 7-8:30 pm | Feb. 19 Presidents' Day/ NO SCHOOL |
| Jan. 25 VS Auditions/LL Gym 6-8 pm | Feb. 23 Lion King Public Performance
LL Gym 7 pm |
| Jan. 31 5th Gr. Field Trip/Holland 9 am | Feb. 24 Lion King Public Performance
LL Gym 5 pm & 7:30 pm |
| February | Feb. 26 Lion King Public Performance
Holland Center TBA |
| Feb. 2 Open Gym 7-8:30 pm | Feb. 27 District Strings & Solo Ensemble
WMS 6:30 pm |
| Feb. 5 CC Mtg. 7 pm | Feb. 28 5th Gr. Art Smart Trip/Joslyn 9:30 am |
| Feb. 6 4th Gr. Art Smart Trip/Joslyn 9:30 am | |
| Feb. 6 2nd & 3rd Gr. Musical/WMS 7 pm | |
| Feb. 9 5th Gr. Orpheum Field Trip 9:15 am | |

Winter Driving

Before and after school, the streets are filled with students walking, biking, and waiting for rides. Please be extremely careful while driving in the neighborhood, as the streets are snowy and icy. As the snow begins to pile up, please be extremely cautious while driving in and out of the Loveland neighborhood. Please communicate with your child about the importance of safely walking to and from school during these

Valentine's Day Parties

Valentine parties will be held on Wednesday, February 14th from 2:00-2:45 pm.

Hy-Vee Receipts

The Hy-Vee receipts program was officially over on December 31, for this school year. Thank you to everyone who donated Hy-Vee receipts.

Box Tops

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Congratulations to Ms. Cramer's 6th grade class. They won the November/December Box Top competition and will receive a prize. The student turning in the most Box Tops for January/February will win a gift card. All Box Tops must be TRIMMED, UNEXPIRED, have YOUR NAME, TEACHER NAME, and be submitted by February 28 to count. Simply attach to the Box Top collection sheet or send in a baggie.

Thank you to Lucas Agulla, Jack Hawkins, Sophia Martin, Jasmine Palikhya, and Kate Stevens for adding up our last collection. We appreciate your help!

Thank You!

The holiday parties were a terrific event to end the first semester. Each room parent went overboard creating an afternoon full of fun! Thank you to all the parents who volunteered and joined the parties.

Kindergarten 2018/2019

We have a list of children who will be eligible for kindergarten next year. If you have a child who will be turning five years old on or before July 31, 2015 but haven't received a call, or if you know of someone new to the neighborhood, please let Mrs. Carlson know. Soon she will be sending out important information about our parent meeting as well as Round Up Day for the children.



Loveland Families!

Mark your calendars because below are the performance dates and times for "The Lion King-kids."

All performances will be held at Loveland Elementary, in the school gym.

- Friday, February 23rd – 2:15pm – SCHOOL PERFORMANCE, closed to public.
- Friday, February 23rd - 7:00pm – 1st Public Performance.
- Saturday February 24th – 5:00pm – 2nd Public Performance.
- Saturday February 24th – 7:30pm – 3rd Public Performance.

Ticket information will be announced later on this month along with an official announcement from the district.

Please come and support the Loveland students who have worked incredibly hard on this wonderful and beautiful show!

Cheers!

Raydell Cordell III, Martha Bosworth and Kate Geiger
#DisneySquad

Pajama Donation Drive

Thank you so much for your generous donations! We are pleased to announce that 70 pajama sets were collected for The Great Bedtime Pajama Drive in December. The pajamas donated leave a lasting impression on the children and families who receive them. Loveland's donation went to the Child Saving Institute here in Omaha. Your generosity is appreciated! Thank you!

Email

Email is a great way to communicate with your child's teacher. The Westside format is as follows:
lastname.firstname@westside66.net
Sample: hornung.stephanie@westside66.net

Parent Seminar Offerings

Westside Community Schools will host several free parent seminars offering valuable information from experts at Children's Hospital & Medical Center. All seminars run from 6:00 pm-7:00 pm.

- January 23, 2018 @ Westbrook Elementary Topic: Coping Skills
- February 20, 2018 @ Paddock Road Elementary Topic: Anxiety
- March 7, 2018 @ Westside Middle School Topic: Test Anxiety
- April 18, 2018 @ Oakdale Elementary Topic: Social Media
- May 8, 2018 @ Sunset Hills Elementary Topic: Self-Harming Behaviors

We believe this partnership with Children's Behavioral Health will continue to enhance the existing mental health supports for students and families within the Westside Community Schools.

The Great Kindness Challenge

During the week of January 22-26, Loveland will participate in The Great Kindness Challenge as part of the district's Anti-Bullying/Bullying Awareness Week. Each student will receive a checklist with kind deeds to complete during the week. With all school participation, Loveland will become "Kindness Certified" for a second year and will receive a certificate to display at school. Parents can help by encouraging their student to perform random acts of kindness throughout the week!

Kara Lane
School Counselor

Nebraska Robotics Expo

The Nebraska Robotics Expo (<http://neroboticsexpo.unl.edu/>) will be held on Saturday, Feb. 17 at Strategic Air Command & Aerospace Museum. This is a great way to expose students of all ages to STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math) concepts.

Westside will be registering 6 elementary teams for this event and a Loveland parent will be holding workshops on Saturdays in January so the students can work with the CEEN-BoTs and practice.

Interested students and parents can visit the EY Blog for more information. <http://ey.westside66.org/nebraska-robotics-expo/>

Hummel Day Camp 2018

The City of Omaha is excited to begin its 69th year of Hummel Day Camp! Hummel is an outdoor, nature-based day camp for students who have completed 1 st -7 th grade.

This camp gives them the opportunity to experience a variety of outdoor activities in nature-rich Hummel Park. Activities are structured and include archery, hiking, nature identification, wilderness skills, crafts, outdoor cooking and so much more.

Camp dates are from June 4-August 10, 2018. Camp runs Monday-Thursday from 9am-4pm, and Friday from 1 pm-6:30 pm. The fee is \$95. A reduced fee of \$35 is available for any student that receives free or reduced lunch at school.

This year, bus transportation will be provided for registered campers from City of Omaha Recreation facilities. This is a change from previous years of Hummel, as they will no longer be using Omaha schools as pickup sites. You can view pickup sites at: <http://bit.ly/2mTvcke>

All camp registration is done online through the website or at any City of Omaha Community Center. Registration dates are March 5 th -15 th. Week 1 registration opens at 8:00 am on March 5 th. Week 2 at 8:00 am on March 6 th, etc. The demand for camp is high and fills very quickly each year so we encourage you to register as soon as it opens.

Camp is a great opportunity to give kids a chance to unplug and explore out in nature! If you have further questions, concerns about online registration, or would like to know more about Hummel Day Camp, then please check out the website at parks.cityofomaha.org or contact them by email or phone (402-444- 4760 or 402-444-5216).



EY EXCELLENCE IN YOUTH

THE EY TEAM IS PASSIONATE ABOUT DEVELOPING THE INTERESTS AND TALENTS OF ALL LEARNERS. ONE OF THE WAYS WE ACCOMPLISH THIS GOAL IS BY POSTING ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES ON OUR BLOG. CHECK US OUT AT [HTTP://EY.WESTSIDE66.ORG](http://ey.westside66.org)

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Student In-District Transfer Requests for the 2018-19 School Year

If you are a District resident who would like your K-5 child(ren) to attend an elementary school other than the school that serves your attendance area for next school year, you must submit a completed In-District Transfer (IDT) Request form to the Office of Student Services for review.

The District gives priority to families living within the District prior to placing Option Enrollment applicants who reside outside the District. We must receive a Student In-District Transfer Request form no later than 4:00 p.m. on March 15, 2018, for your request to be considered prior to our placement of Option Enrollment students.

IDT forms are available at the ABC Building and on the District website. An IDT request form must be completed for any child starting kindergarten next year who has one or more siblings currently attending a school outside their home attendance area. Transfers are approved or denied based on available space and other resources. If you have questions about the in-district transfer process, please call 402-343-2603.

Kindergarten Enrollment for District Residents: January 8-February 15

Do you live in the District and have a child who will be ready for Kindergarten this fall? Do you know of other Westside residents with children who will be ready to start school in August?

Kindergarten enrollment for 2018-19 begins January 8, 2018. Parents of eligible students should go to westside66.org to begin the enrollment process as early as possible.

Students entering kindergarten for 2018-19 must be five years old by July 31, 2018. Parents may opt to hold their children out of kindergarten for an additional year. However, Nebraska state law mandates that a child who reaches six years of age prior to January 1 of the then-current school year must be enrolled in school.

If you have questions, you may call the Westside Welcome Center at 402-343-2603.

Requirements for Early Admissions to Kindergarten

In accordance with Nebraska Statute 79-214, the Westside Community Schools allows for admission of children residing in the District as early entrance kindergarteners through a locally designed testing program. Children of District residents who wish to be tested for early entrance must turn five between August 1 and October 15, 2018. For further information regarding early entrance to kindergarten, please call 402-390-3303.

Kindergarten Enrollment for Non-District Residents

If you live outside the District and have a child eligible for kindergarten who has a sibling currently attending a Westside elementary school through the Option Enrollment program, you must submit an Option Enrollment Application. **Option Enrollment Applications must be received by Westside's Office of Student Services no later than 4:00 p.m. on March 15, 2018.** The application form is available at the ABC Building (909 S. 76th Street) and at westside66.org.

Under Option Enrollment statutes, first priority for admission is given to siblings who seek to attend in the District where an older sibling is already enrolled, provided an Option Enrollment form is submitted by March 15 and provided that there is space available in a requested building and grade level.

Adventure Is Out There

Where will your summer adventure be? Find yours with Camp Westside Early Childhood Centers.

Mark your calendars now to sign your School-Age child up for an explorative and adventurous summer! Our Summer program runs May 30- August 9, 2018. Registration begins March 5, 2018. No minimum weeks required and flexible scheduling. Email weccsummer@westsideecc.org for more information and questions!

A Note From the Nurse

It's cold and flu season. Please remember to practice healthy habits at home.

- Get plenty of rest
- Eat healthy foods
- Sneeze into elbow
- Wash hands often

When children are ill, we expect that they be kept home until they are fever-free and symptom-free without medicine for 24 hours.

LOVELAND GEOGRAPHY BEE



A Geography Bee took place at Loveland Elementary on December 6th, and 6th grader Kate Stevens was the winner! The Loveland Bee was the first round in the 30th annual National Geographic Bee, a geography competition designed to inspire and reward students' curiosity about the world. Thousands of schools around the United States and in the five U.S. territories are participating in the 2018 National Geographic Bee. Kate's next step is to take a qualifying test for a spot to compete in the Nebraska State Bee at UNO on April 6, 2018. Please congratulate Kate and the other students who took part in the Loveland Geography Bee.

Kate Stevens - 1st Place	Emre Gedik
Ethan Brooks - 2nd Place	Zoey Carlberg
Lucas Forman - 3rd Place	Cameron Rich
Evan Agulla - 3rd Place	Josh Cain
Jasmine Palikhya - 3rd Place	Austin Van Dyke
Kalea Scott	Jadyn Anderson
Annie Wang	

2018 Loveland Variety Show

Friday, March 9th

Calling all students! Now is the time to get your act together for the Loveland Variety Show!

SCHEDULE

Thursday, January 25

*Auditions (6-8pm)@Loveland gym

Monday, February 12

1st Half Acts – Practice (6:00pm-7:00pm)@Loveland gym
2nd Half Acts – Practice (7:00pm-8:00pm)@Loveland gym

Monday, March 5

Rehearsal (6:00pm-8:00pm) @ Loveland stage

Wednesday, March 7

Final Dress Rehearsal (**4:00pm-6:00pm**) @WMS

Friday, March 9

SHOW TIME! (7:00pm) @WMS

- One parent per act **must** attend the audition, practice and rehearsal nights.
- All acts must be **fully** rehearsed by audition time. Please no lip-synching.
- Parents please monitor acts to be **family appropriate** in manner, lyric and script.

Things you will need to bring to auditions:

- Music CD/ instruments/ sheet/ or skit script
- Copy of lyrics (very important-must be approved)
- Props and costumes if available

Acts are limited to 2-2 ½ minutes and students may perform in one act only. Thank you!

Audition Sheet

Fill out this form and bring it with your act to auditions on **January 25th**: (One form per act)

Name of Act (will be used in program): _____

Type of Act: (instrumental, vocal, skit, dance, etc.): _____

Please note if you have a preference to be in 1st or 2nd half cast because of conflicts.

Names of all performers in the act including grade/teacher: (mandatory attendance at rehearsals)

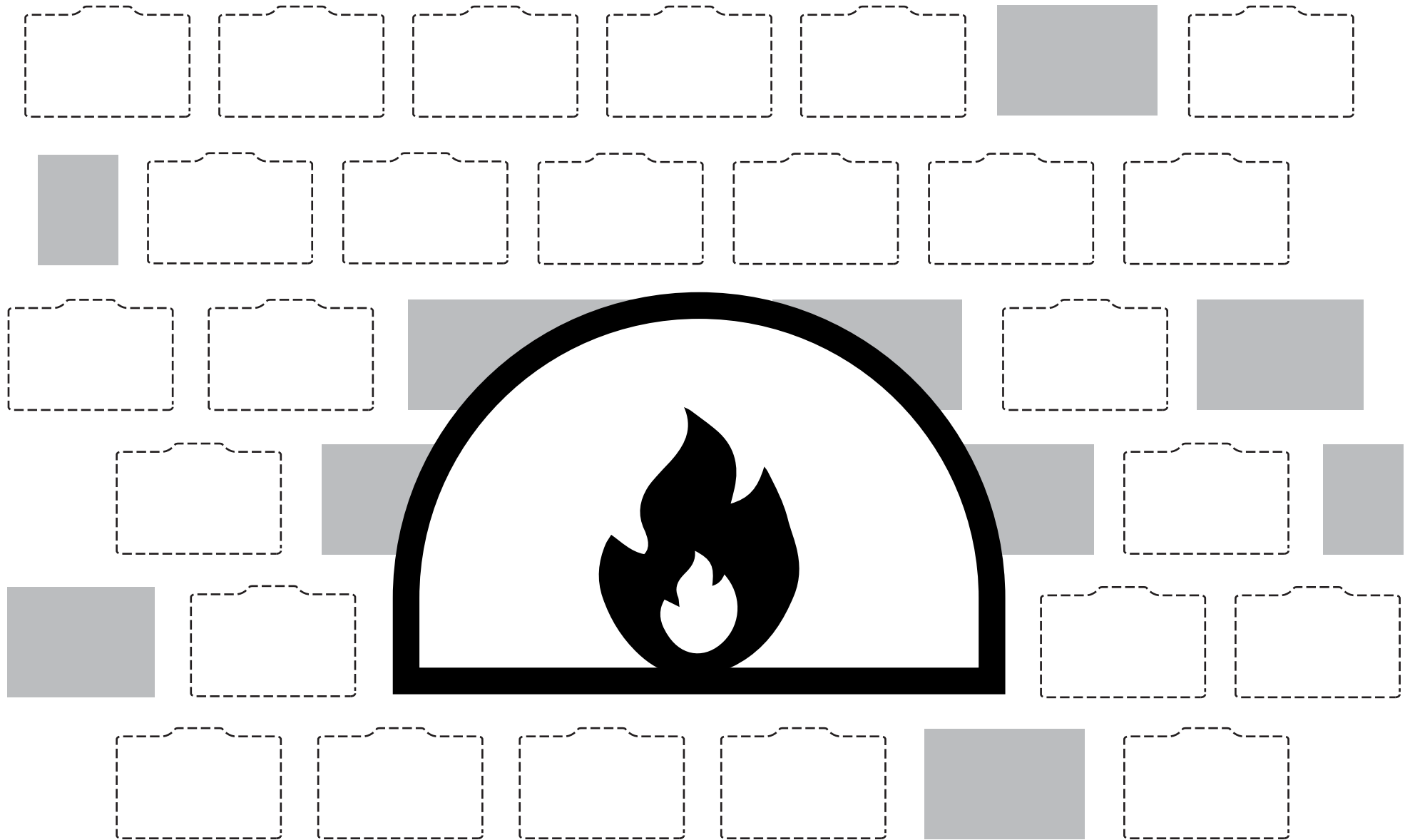
Contact Parent name _____

Parent email and phone number _____

QUESTIONS?? CALL Adrienne Agulla at 224-420-0079 or email Adrienne.agulla@gmail.com



GET COZY WITH BOX TOPS



Thank you for helping! Clipped Box Tops are each worth 10¢ for your child's school. Bonus certificates should not be attached to this sheet - please submit them separately. To see more ways to earn cash for your child's school, go to BTFE.com. See more collection sheets at BTFE.com/collectionsheets.