

PARENT NEWS LETTER

Aug 16

WELCOME

We would like to welcome 3 new, and somewhat new, members to the faculty of LHS:

Mrs. Janice Schaff is returning to Lutheran High after being away for 11 years. She is teaching English II, world geography, and civics, as well as directing the learning assistance program. She is a native of this area, is married to David, and has a daughter who is currently doing her medical residency in psychiatry with the LSU system.

Mr. Lonnie Jones has also returned to LHS. He has moved back to the area and is teaching the 3 physical education classes. Many of the students know Coach Jones and are excited to have him back on our staff. We are looking forward to the spring kite competition.

Mr. Bryant Bell has joined us to teach Spanish. He is a native of Baton Rouge and graduated from LSU. He spent this past year living and working in Mexico. He brings a background of personal experience and knowledge of Latin American culture to our students.

EDLINE

On Friday, the freshmen students set up their Edline accounts. This service allows students and parents to see assignments and grades as they are posted by the teachers. There are also links to teachers' email accounts. Parents are issued an account as well, so the freshmen were also given an activation code for their parents. New students in upper grades will receive their accounts next week. Returning students who have forgotten their user name or password should see Ms. Rost. If you have questions about Edline, please call the school.

PICTURE DAY

Wednesday, August 21st Ken Redler Photography will be here to take pictures for the yearbook and student ID's. He was here at registration and passed out packets with the different options you can order if you would like some for yourself. If you did not receive a packet and would like one call the school office or have your child go to Mrs. Graythen's office to pick one up. We ask that you send in your order on Picture Day and have your student hand it directly to Mr. Redler as the picture is about to be taken.

PTL BACK-TO-SCHOOL NIGHT – Mark your calendars now and plan to attend the PTL Back-to-School Night on Wednesday, September 11th. It will be a great opportunity to meet fellow parents and learn how you can get involved – work days, concessions, the Gryphon Gala and more. You will also have the chance to hear what teachers expect from your child in order for him/her to be successful at LHS.

LUNCHESES

Each week we will have the following for the students, if they choose to purchase lunch instead of bringing it from home.

Monday - Papa John's pizza \$2 per slice
 Tuesday – Honey Baked Ham sandwiches or wraps \$4
 Thursday - Papa John's pizza \$2 per slice
 Friday - Nachos with cheese/chili \$2

Four microwaves are available for student use. We also have vending machines available during lunch with soft drinks, water, sport drinks and snacks. **Parents** are not allowed to deliver “fast food” items to students at lunch.

UPCOMING HOLIDAY WEEKEND

On Friday, August 30th and Monday, September 2nd there will be no school. The teachers and administration will be attending a conference on Friday and Monday we will be closed for Labor Day. Classes will resume on Tuesday, September 3rd.

SENIOR/FRESHMAN WEEK – SEPTEMBER 3RD – 6TH

Seniors and freshmen get ready! A **letter** will be sent to **parents** next week with the schedule of events. All activities will occur during school hours. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Loughmiller (Senior Class Advisor at mloughmiller@lutheranhighschool.net).

ACT 2013-2014 TEST DATES

Registration must be completed online at www.act.org. Lutheran High is a test center and is available for all six (6) test dates. Students needing accommodations should contact Ms. Rost and begin the application process as soon as possible.

For more information, refer to the ACT website.

Test Date (Saturdays)	Early Registration (last day for)	Late Registration (last day for)	Standby Registration (last day for)
September 21, 2013	Fri., August 23	Fri., Sept. 6	Fri., Sept. 13
October 26, 2013	Fri., Sept. 27	Fri., Oct. 11	Fri., Oct. 18
December 14, 2013	Fri., Nov. 8	Fri., Nov. 22	Fri., Dec. 6
February 8, 2014	Fri., Jan. 10	Fri., Jan. 24	Fri., Jan. 31
April 12, 2014	Fri., March 7	Fri., March 21	Fri., April 4
June 14, 2014	Fri., May 9	Fri., May 23	Mon., June 6

NOTE: Juniors should plan on taking the ACT for the first time in April of their junior year.

RUMMAGE SALE

The collection of items to sell is growing! Thanks to everyone who has contributed. Donations will be accepted through the sale date which will be in November. More details will be available at the PTL Meeting to be held in conjunction with Back to School Night on Wednesday, September 11th. More details will follow. We will be looking for volunteers to help with set-up the day before the sale. All unsold items will be donated to a local charity.

VOLLEYBALL UPDATE

Volleyball practice has begun and is going well! It looks like we will have enough players for both junior varsity and varsity. The first varsity game will be an away game at Crescent City on Wednesday, September 4th. A complete schedule will be attached to next week's e-mail. Due to the change of our school hours, Johnny Bright Playground is no longer an option for our daily practices. Starting next week the volleyball team will be practicing at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church's gym. The address for Mt. Olive is 315 Ridgelake Dr., Metairie, LA. Players will be receiving a map and other information for parents at today's team meeting. Parents with questions should contact Coach Loughmiller at mloughmiller@lutheranhighschool.net.

The Lutheran High coaching staff would like to personally thank Mt. Olive for the use of their facility!

SOCCER

A sign-up sheet has been posted outside of Rm. #101 (Mr. Schalm's) for those students interested in playing soccer. If we have enough players sign-up we will offer both junior varsity and varsity teams. As a reminder, all athletes must have on file the three (3) LHSAA forms before they can participate in a practice – the Medical History Evaluation, the Athletic Participation form, and the Substance Abuse form. The Medical History Evaluation must be completed by a doctor and can be downloaded from the LHS website. Copies of all forms are available in the office. Completed forms should be turned in to Ms. Loughmiller who is the Athletic Director. Questions concerning soccer should be directed to Coach Marroccoli at creolejoe14@yahoo.com.