

Parent Newsletter #22—February 5, 2015

APPLICATION FORMS FOR 2015-2016

The application form for the 2015-2016 school year is now ready. We will give each student a copy to bring home. You can also download and print one from the school website. *We need an application form filled out by all returning students.* The application fee for tuition-paying students is \$225 and should accompany the application form when it is returned to the office.

LHS MISSION TEAM NEWS:

We are excited to announce that this summer we will be serving with Camp Penuel in Costa Rica! This will be the fourth time Mr. Taylor and Ms. Loughmiller have lead a team to Camp Penuel to work with at-risk-youth ages 7-11. Mr. Taylor has handbooks and applications for all interested in attending. Our first fundraiser will be February 14th, selling turkey legs, corn dogs, and nachos at St. John's Family Fest along Endymion's route. (See the attached flyer.) We are looking for donations of the food. If you are able to help, please contact Mr. Taylor:

jtaylor@lutheranhighschool.net

CHAPEL

Thank you Pastor Manning of Gloria Dei Lutheran Church and Pastor Ken Babin of St. John Lutheran Church for leading chapel and sharing about God's UNBOUND COMPASSION with our students in the month of January.

CHAPEL OFFERING

The Student Council donates our chapel offering each quarter to a charity of their choice. This school year they have chosen Crescent City Cafe, New Orleans Children's Hospital, Autism Society of Greater New Orleans, and Louisiana ASPCA. Please remind students of this giving opportunity each Tuesday.

LHS ALUM

The Krewe of Carrollton parade features LHS graduate Mark Terral as the King of Carrollton. The parade rolls on the traditional uptown route at noon on Sunday, February 8th.

LUNCH

There has been a rash of parents delivering lunch from outside establishments to students during the school day. This is NOT ALLOWED! We will no longer accept any lunches or deliver them to students and disturb class. Make sure students bring lunch in the morning or purchase a lunch at school.

CELL PHONES

REMINDER: CELL PHONE USE IS LIMITED TO OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL BUILDING.

Students may not have cell phones in use for any reason inside the school building.

Students are to put cell phones in their backpack before they enter the building, and then lock them in their locker before going to their first class. For emergencies, students are to come to the office and use the school phone. Phones will be returned to students on their first offense. The second time the cell phone or electronic device is confiscated, it will not be returned until the end of the school year and only to a parent or guardian.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6

Parents/guardians please pick-up your child at Mt. Olive this Friday following the basketball game vs. Bishop McManus. The game starts at 6:00 p.m. and should

be finished no later than 7:15 p.m. There will be Mardi Gras parades rolling on Veterans in Metairie starting at 7:00 p.m. Getting to LHS will be difficult due to traffic and blocked streets. Mt. Olive's address is 315 Ridgelake Dr., Metairie, LA 70001. (see attached map)

BASKETBALL

Our second district game of the season was Friday night, January 23, against First Baptist Christian School. We played a tough game and thankfully came away with a victory 63-58. Our scorers for the night were Tariq Griffin – 21 points, Tory Griffin – 18 points, Malik Peters – 15 points, Kevin Charles – 7 points, and A. J. Roman – 2 points.

On Tuesday night, January 27, we faced New Orleans Military and Maritime Academy. We were short-handed with only 6 players, but did our best with what we had. We lost 30-44. Our scorers were Malik Peters – 11 points, Kevin Charles – 9 points, Tory Griffin – 8 points, and Angel Gross – 2 points.

On Thursday night, January 29, we played Houma Christian School. We had a good first half, but let the game slip away from us in the second half 28-55. Our scorers on the night were Kevin Charles – 11 points, Malik Peters – 7 points, Tory Griffin – 6 points, and A. J. Roman and Joseph Nguyen – 2 points each.

Our third district game was Friday night, January 30 in Grand Isle. We took a Gryphon Spirit Bus, which was a fun and exciting trip for the team, cheerleaders, students and fans. It was so exciting to have so much love and support on the longest road trip of the year, so on behalf of the coaches and team, thank you!!! We played tough and hard, but lost 39-62. The scorers were Kevin Charles – 14 points, Tory Griffin – 12 points, Malik Peters – 8 points, Tariq Griffin – 3 points, and Ethan Ortiz – 2 points.

On Tuesday night, February 3, we traveled to Phoenix and played our fourth district game. We lost 24-67. The scorers on the night were Tory Griffin – 8 points, Malik Peters and Kevin Charles – 6 points each, and A. J. Roman and Herman Gosey – 2 points each.

Currently, we are 1-3 in district and have four district games remaining. We play Bishop McManus Academy at Mount Olive on Friday night, February 6 at 6:00 pm. Concessions will be available, so please come out and cheer us on!! After the game, please make arrangements to pick up your children at Mount Olive due to the parades and concerts for Family Gras along Veterans Memorial Blvd on Friday night. On Monday, February 9, we travel to Slidell to face First Baptist Christian at 6:00 pm.

On Tuesday night, we were scheduled to play Jehovah Jireh at Mount Olive, but that game has currently been **CANCELED**. If it is rescheduled at a later date, I will let you all know.

Thank you for your continued support!! Go Gryphons!!

Also, attached to this email is an updated practice schedule and game schedule.

Lutheran HS Boys' Basketball Presents: THE DOMINO'S FUNDRAISER!

Thanks to everyone who participated and bought a SLICE THE PRICE card. We have currently raised \$815.00 and that is a great start for us. The cards have arrived and I will be handing

them out today and tomorrow. If anyone is still interested in purchasing a card, please call the school or email Coach Scriber at ascriber@lutheranhighschool.net. Thank you!!

NATIONAL LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK WRAP-UP

Congratulations to those students who won last week's trivia challenges:

Monday – (a word scramble of countries where Lutheran missionaries are located) – 3 students had winning entries - Hope Tate's name was drawn!

Tuesday – (Martin Luther trivia) – 10 students had winning entries – Dylan Schmidt's name was drawn!

Wednesday – a Bible quiz on the Beatitudes & How Many – 12 students had winning entries – Alysia Trent's name was drawn!

Winners received a free special lunch on Thursday!

A special thanks to Service Club members Alysia Trent and Gracian Zenon who helped with set-up for the special lunch on Thursday! The Service Club served build your own burritos and nachos to more than 80 people – students and faculty! The extended lunch period was enjoyed by all and several students made the comment that we should do this more often! Do any parents have ideas for other easy to assemble meals we could do for a special occasion? We do not have a kitchen at LHS but First English Lutheran Church behind us graciously allows us to use theirs! Please share ideas with Ms. Loughmiller at (mloughmiller@lutheranhighschool.net).

The week culminated with LHS students serving at three of our area Lutheran elementary schools:

Atonement – Mr. Scriber, Mr. Dauss and the boys basketball team led a session of basketball drills for 6th, 7th and 8th graders.

Faith – Ms. Fields and a group of seven volunteers helped with crafts and enjoyed a petting zoo with Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd graders. Mr. Taylor led Chapel.

St. John – Ms. Loughmiller and Ms. Rost along with the members of the volleyball team plus a few extras led a volleyball session and helped with crafts for 3rd, 4th and 5th graders – close to 180 in total!!!

In addition to the host schools above, Concordia Lutheran (on the West Bank) and St. Paul (in the Marigny) also participated!

It was a great way to end an exciting week of activities! Thanks to all who volunteered and helped make Friday possible! LHS provided 35 student volunteers plus 6 faculty members.

SOCCER

Congratulations to the soccer team who finished their season on Saturday with a doubleheader against International High School. Coach Marroccoli is in the process of scheduling a photo day for a team picture. Players will turn in their uniforms after the picture is taken.

TRACK SEASON TO BEGIN IN FEBRUARY

Varsity level track is currently the spring sport offered at Lutheran High. Track practice will begin **after Mardi Gras Break**. The official date will be provided in an upcoming e-mail. If this sport will be the first sport your child has participated in this year, he or she will need to complete the required LHSAA forms (Parent Permission, Substance Abuse and a Physical – with a portion that must be completed by a doctor). Interested athletes are encouraged to see Ms. Loughmiller (the athletic director) to discuss eligibility and to obtain copies of the required forms. Parents or guardians who have questions are encouraged to contact Ms. Loughmiller at (504) 455-4062 or by e-mail (mloughmiller@lutheranhighschool.net).

ACT – THIS SATURDAY – FEBRUARY 7TH

LHS will be a testing site this Saturday, February 7th for the ACT. Doors will open at 7:45 a.m. All test takers are to enter through the main entrance (the front doors off 17th Street). Test takers **MUST** bring their admission ticket and a photo I.D. Failure to bring these items will result in the test taker being denied admission. Test takers should also bring number two pencils and an approved calculator (see www.act.org). Test takers are also encouraged to dress in layers so that they can be comfortable throughout the test. Testing will start shortly after 8:00 a.m. Those taking the test without writing should finish by noon and those taking the writing portion should finish by 12:30 p.m.

ACT 2014-2015 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 Fee Required (last day for)	Standby Registration (last day for)
April 18, 2015	Fri., March 13	Fri., March 27	Fri., April 10
June 13, 2015	Fri., May 8	Fri., May 22	Fri., June 5

NOTE: Juniors should plan on taking the ACT for the first time in April of their junior year. Juniors who participate in the State Scholarship Program will take the ACT on March 17, 2015 as part of the state program.