

Lewiston-Porter Central School District

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September 2023 Administrative Reports

- Primary Education Center (in-person)
- Intermediate Education Center (see link below)
 - IEC Board Report
- Middle School (attached)
- High School (in-person)

Board Notes

Monday, September 25, 2023

General

- The start to the 2023-2024 school year has been outstanding! The first day for students was different than any other opening day I have had as a principal. As you are aware, we used the first day as a CREW day for students. The CREW Crew consisting of Kevin Kirsch, Kim Alexander, Nina Calarco, Liz Buck, Stephanie Bond and Claire Marshall planned throughout the summer to plan for a first day of activities for our students. The First Day Schedule included a scavenger hunt, team flag creation, a community gathering and team building activities all designed to help students feel more comfortable with the start of a new school year and to acclimate them to their fellow students and teachers in the middle school. All of this to continue to establish a positive culture of our building. We ran a modified schedule for the day that included students spending the day with their CREW classmates and a community forum in the gymnasium where students showed off their CREW flags and CREW names. It was a great day and we got some very positive feedback from students and the staff. We anticipate that we will be doing up to 3 more of these types of days throughout the year that we will use for this type of team building and culture resets.
- Here is a link to the slides that we reviewed with the faculty to prepare for the day: <u>First Day Crew</u> <u>launch</u>
- The expectations were also shared with parents in our <u>2023 Welcome back Student/Parent letter</u> as well as at <u>OPEN HOUSE/MEET THE TEACHER</u> that was held on Thursday, September 7 @ 6pm for Grades 6, 7, and 8.
- Here is the slide show that Rachel and I presented to parents that evening <u>Open House 23-24</u>
- We had a fairly decent parent turn out but we have posted a "Virtual Open House" that can be accessed on our web page any time. This information is now available on the Middle School website under the Announcements tab.
 - Open House 2023-2024 School Year
 Please <u>Click Here</u> to view presentations if you were unable to attend this year's open house.
 If you were able to attend the open house please consider filling out the form below to help us better plan for the next school year.

<u>Open House Form</u>

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- Also under the Announcements tab, you will see a link to the clubs and activities calendar.

• 23-24 Middle School Calendar

Please **<u>Click Here</u>** to view our Middle School Calendar. This calendar includes clubs/activities and important dates coming up that are updated daily.

Good To Know

- AIMSWeb Fall benchmark testing in ELA and Math will be done on 9/27 for Math and on 9/28 for ELA. Just a reminder that score reports will be posted under the Portfolio+ tab in Powerschool accounts.
- October 10 October 13 will be our Middle School Spirit week in conjunction with Homecoming week at the High School. We anticipate that the week will culminate in a Pep Rally for students and we will be having a modified schedule on Friday, October 13 in order to accommodate the activities. More information on themed days will be coming soon.

- Clubs and activities are back in full swing with our International Connections, Chess Club, Builders Club, Student Council and Intramural Flag Football all seeing great participation numbers.
- > October 10-October 13 Spirit Week
- > October 13 Pep Rally
- > October 9 No School Columbus Day/Indigenous Peoples' Day
- > October 17 Early Release Day
- > October 27 No Students Superintendent Conference Day

Please let me know if you have any questions, thoughts, or concerns. Andy

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