



Lewiston-Porter Central School District

Our Purpose, Your Pathway, Our Promise.

Aiming Higher

August 2023 Administrative Reports

Primary Education Center (attached)

Intermediate Education Center (attached)

Middle School (attached)

High School (attached)



**ONE
PURPOSE**

**YOUR
PATHWAY**

**OUR
PROMISE!**

August 2023

Dear Members of the Board of Education,

The end of August is here and in a week the teachers will return and shortly thereafter our precious students will be filling up the halls and our classrooms. We are ready to welcome all back with our building wide theme ***Lancers Lead With the Habits!*** Each teacher will receive a sign/poster that integrates the LIM Habits and the Eight Traits of a Lancer. These eight traits were identified by our school community in service to the strategic plan goal area of Redefining Student Success.

The items listed below are important to note:

1. Teacher Schedules

- Teacher tentative schedules were given out on July 24th. We will continue to tweak the schedule in order to optimize teacher/student contact time while embracing developmentally appropriate concepts and continue the development of our Professional Learning Communities (PLCs).
- [PEC Staff Opening Letter 2023](#)

2. Summer Packets and Student Placement

● August 7th, Kindergarten placement packets were mailed to families

The items in the packet will include:

- Welcome back letter [LINK THE FAMILY LETTER HERE](#) from Mrs. Larson and Mrs. Krecisz including classroom teacher placement and meet and greet schedules. What an exciting time for families.

● August 23 rd 1st and 2nd grade students mailing will be sent home

- Opening day information, pick-up-patrol, parent information, lunch bucks and more important school information.

3. Building Report

Our amazing cleaning staff under Mike's Broughman leadership has our school looking pristine! His team has worked tirelessly to wax, clean, rearrange and remove garbage. You will also notice our entryway has a beautifully painted tree that represents the 8 Habits from Leader in Me. It was painted by a High School art Student under the supervision of Sue Heddeman, one of our Leader In Me Coordinators.

New Faculty to the PEC

★ Sara Kausbaum - Kindergarten

- ★ Katie Peters- Kindergarten
- ★ Kristin Dallavia- First Grade
- ★ Jennifer Stewart- First Grade
- ★ Selino Iozzo- Second Grade\
- ★ Nina Sweet- Second Grade
- ★ Amanda Emmons- Special Education
- ★ Sara Jackson- LTS Social Worker
- ★ Deanna Conde- Aide
- ★ Alicia Henderson- Aide

New to the PEC, but not new to the District

- ★ Anthony Morreale- Physical Education

Important Upcoming Dates:

- August 23rd – student placement letters mailed home for 1st grade & 2nd graders
- August 29th and August 30th - teachers return for Opening Day
- August 31st – New Student Orientation
- September 5th – First Day of School grades 1 & 2 / Kindergarten meet and greet
- September 6th -Kindergarten meet and greet
- September 21st – PEC Parent Night & Parent Volunteer orientation

Thank you for your support at the Primary Education Center. I hope you continue to have a wonderful summer. We are energized to the start of the 2023-2024 school year!

Warmly,

Tamara Larson and Aliscia Krecisz



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Dear Members of the Board of Education,

The end of August is here and in a week the teachers will return for 180 days and 180 Opportunities (our building wide theme)! We are thrilled to welcome our staff back and very soon afterwards our students.

The items listed below are important to note:

1. Teacher Schedules

- Teacher tentative schedules were given out on June 23rd. Revised schedules went out last week.
- I will continue to tweak the schedule in order to optimize teacher/student contact time while embracing developmentally appropriate concepts and continue the development of our Professional Learning Communities (PLCs).

2. Summer Packets and Student Placement

- August 23rd, IEC will mail families their new school year packet. The items in the packet will include:
 - Welcome back letter from Mrs. Rodriguez and Mrs. Krecisz including classroom teacher placement
 - [August 2023 - IEC Welcome Back Letter to families](#)
 - Opening day information

3. Construction project up-date

- Work is getting done daily
- They are working 10 hour days and Saturdays
- We have some classrooms completed and cleaned

Important Upcoming Dates:

- August 23rd – student placement letters mailed home
- August 29th and August 30th - teachers return for Opening Day
- August 31st – new student orientation
- September 5th – First Day of School
- September 14th – IEC Open House-(more information to come)

Thank you for your support at the Intermediate Education Center. I hope you continue to have a wonderful summer. We are looking forward to the start of the 2023-2024 school year!

Educationally Yours,

Tina Rodriguez and Alisic Krecisz

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Board Notes

Monday, August 28, 2023

General

- Building cleaning is winding down and the Middle School is looking really good. Classrooms will be ready for the teachers' return on August 29th and 30th.
 - The Master schedule roll over is complete! Schedules and the "Welcome Back" letter were mailed out to parents. Here is a link to the [2023 Welcome Back Student/Parent letter](#). This is the earliest this has been done since I have been at Lew-Port!
 - We made some minor changes and are looking to continue the balanced sections, as necessary, but I feel like we are ready! Great feeling for sure! Rachel and I are working with Brendan, Kate and Ellen to make those small adjustments.
 - Tentative student schedules went in the mail Monday, August 11. Rachel and the entire guidance office team, Brendan, Kate and Ellen, did a great job of getting as much student info into the system and it really does look great.
 - Just a reminder of the following personnel changes for the upcoming year:
 - Joe Lazonis - Moving from HS to 6th Grade Social Studies
 - Laura Kimoto - Moving from IEC to 6th Grade Social Studies/Science
 - Joe Conti - 7th Grade Social Studies
 - Annette Rayome - Moving from Reading to 8th Grade ELA
 - Pat Krawczyk - Moving from HS to MS Physical Education
 - Derek Tracy - New Hire for MS Health (Anthony Morreale moved to PEC Physical Education)
 - Justin Thompson - Coming from the HS in afternoon to teach 3 sections of Technology
 - There was some shifting in positions in Special Education:
 - Laurie Boss - now going to the High School
 - Emily Oliverio - will now be 6th Grade Special Education (replaces Vicki Way who retired)
 - We filled the following positions after our interview process:
 - Diane Bernat - Long Term Substitute - Math position (Emily Lagamba on maternity leave)
 - Wendy Hauck - .5 Reading Position - Mrs. Rayome moved into the 8th Grade ELA position (replaces Maura Bruno who retired)
 - Ronald Webb - Building Based Substitute
 - On the first day, Tuesday, September 5, students will also get an updated schedule. We are trying something a little different this year in that students will report to their CREW classroom for the first day and will spend the day with their other CREW students and their CREW teacher. Here is the flyer that was sent home to parents with schedules- [CREW Flyer](#)
 - This first day will run just like last year's September Crew Day (with a Community Gathering, Lancer Round Table, game rotations, and more). Holding this gathering on the first day of school will allow us to set expectations for the building.
 - Students will have an updated schedule, assigned lockers, tour the building and participate in team building activities to start the year. We will run a modified schedule that first day and then return to a normal schedule Wednesday.
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- [CREW Dates 23-24 Memo to Faculty](#) - Here is a description of our CREW plan for the first day along with information for the remainder of the year
- **OPEN HOUSE/MEET THE TEACHER**
 - **Thursday, September 7 @ 6 PM: Open House for ALL Grades 6, 7 and 8.**
- **The building will be open to ALL Parents/Guardians in the evening for ALL grade levels.** Parents/guardians will follow their child's schedule and visit the classrooms based upon a modified schedule.
 - [Open House Schedule](#)
 - [Open House Flyer](#)
 - [Open House Presentation](#)
 - We will also offer a “Virtual Open House”, similar to what was offered last school year, that can be accessed on our web page any time after **Monday, September 11**. This will allow all parents/guardians to participate if they cannot make it that night.
- The Powerschool Parent Portal should be open to parents soon. Parents are reminded that throughout the year, grades and attendance can be accessed through the PowerSchool Parent Portal at any time. A link to the portal can be accessed from our District web page at www.lew-port.com and by logging into parents PowerSchool account. Directions for setting up a parent account was included in the information at the bottom of student schedules

Good To Know

- The 6th grade WEB orientation on Wednesday, August 16 was a great success! -
 - [WEB Parent Letter 2023](#)
 - [WEB Orientation Flier](#)
 - A huge “Thank you” to the 8th grade WEB leaders. We are so proud of the students and the work that they did over the three days to train and implement the orientation for our incoming 6th grade students. 120 out of the 152 registered 6th grade students attended. Thank you also to the adult leader team, Mike Bollinger, Kevin Kirsch, Kelly Zimmerman, and Karen Pax for their work in putting together our program. It was such a great thing to see all of our incoming 6th grade students working with the 8th grade leaders in getting acclimated to their new home. Thank you to our PTSA who provided hot dogs and chips and assisted in this experience for our students.
- *August 29/30 - First Days for Teachers*
 - *September 5 - First Day of School*
 - *September 7 - Open House ALL Grades 6,7,8*
 - *September 26/25 - Fall AIMS Web Benchmark Testing*

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

“I shall pass through this world but once. Any good, therefore, that I can do or any kindness I can show to any human being, let me do it now. Let me not defer it or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again.”

Stephen Grellet



Welcome to the 2023 - 2024 School Year

Date: August 23, 2023

Links to Information

[High School Faculty Handbook](#)

[Field Trip Calendar](#)

[High School Peer Coordinator initial Meeting Agenda](#)

[High School Student Handbook](#)

[Freshman Orientation Letter - Class of 2027](#)

[Parent Consent Letter for Student Handbook](#)

[Welcome Back Letter to Students, Parents & Guardians](#)

[Senior \(Class of 2024\) Information](#)

*****Graduation Date: Wednesday, June 26, 2024 - Artpark (7:00 PM)*****

Upcoming Dates

August:

Wednesday, August 30, 2023: **Freshman Orientation** - High School Auditorium (9:00 AM - 12:30 PM)

Thursday, August 31, 2023: **New Students Grades 10, 11, 12 Walkthrough** - High School Main Office (12:00 PM)

September:

Tuesday, September 5, 2023: **First Day of School (First day of BOCES)**

Thursday, September 7, 2023: **SAT of October Deadline** - Counseling Center

Thursday, September 7, 2023: **High School Picture Day** - during Physical Education Classes

Friday, September 8, 2023: **High School Picture Day** - during Physical Education Classes

Wednesday, September 20, 2023: **High School Back to School Night** (6:00 PM - 8:00 PM)

Friday, September 29, 2023: **WNY Consortium** - High School Gymnasium (10:00 AM - 11:00 AM)