

# Message from the Superintendent

Dear Lewiston-Porter Community:

March is now upon us and spring is just around the corner. March 15th marks the one-year milestone of our experience with COVID-19. I am very proud of the way our school community has come together in response to the pandemic. We've weathered quite a storm over these past 12 months. As positivity rates continue to drop and vaccinations continue to be administered to more and more of our community we can see there is light at the end of the tunnel.

### Learning Model Updates

As I stated in my last community message, the push for a fuller classroom learning experience is gaining momentum here in WNY and across the state. I do anticipate the NY State Education Department (NYSED) will rethink the current reopening guidance established this summer. When that happens is difficult to say. The media continues to report that change in protocols is imminent from the NYSDOH and NYSED but as of this writing there has been no change in the requirements for in-person learning established this past July. For the record, there is no guidance from the NYSDOH or NYSED that allows for 3ft of social distancing and barriers. That discussion has been brought forth by advocates for a more full return to in-person learning. I have been told that some neighboring districts may have adopted this practice. In my discussions with Superintendents from neighboring districts, they are following the 6ft rule in classrooms. To clarify, the 6ft, social distancing or the use of barriers and masking was the protocol option in the original NYSED guidance document issued on July 17, 2020. That guidance was modified with the July 22, 2020, NYSED FAQ to all school districts. The July 22, 2020, clarifying FAQ from the Department of Education clearly states 6ft of social distancing at all times. Lewiston-Porter is making plans if and when guidance allows for more frequent in-person learning. The parent survey, which closed on March 15th, has given us important feedback on our current learning models and a fuller, more frequent on-campus learning experience. This will help us significantly as we move our plans forward. We thank families for their responses.

### **State Testing**

As you may have heard, despite the NYS Education Department requesting a waiver to eliminate testing for the 20/21 school year, the United States Department of Education will not allow states to waive accountability testing for the 2020-21 school year. On February 22, 2021, the United States Department of Education (USDE) sent a letter to all states indicating USDE will not approve a blanket waiver for state assessments. As a result, NYSED announced that it would "propose a series of regulatory amendments at the March Board of Regents meeting so Regents Exams would not be required to meet graduation requirements and to cancel any Regents Exam that is not required by USDE to be held." Since then, the Department has received questions from the field about which Regents exams would be administered and which would be canceled if the USDE does not grant the Department's waiver request. The federal Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) requires that students be assessed once in high school in ELA, mathematics, and science. Therefore to comply with the federal requirement, if USDE does not approve the



- Algebra I
- English Language Arts
- Living Environment
- Physical Setting/Earth Science

At the March Regents meeting, the department proposed to cancel the following Regents Examinations for June 2021 regardless of the outcome of New York's waiver request as these exams are not federally required:

- Algebra II
- Physical Setting/Physics
- Geometry
- Global History & Geography
- Physical Setting/Chemistry
   United States History & Government

At the March Regents meeting, the department also proposed to cancel all Regents exams in August 2021. Following the March Board of Regents meeting, NYSED will provide additional guidance to school administrators concerning the spring 2021 State assessments and diploma requirements. NYSED continues to pursue its request for a waiver from USDE to allow NYSED to cancel all of the June 2021 Regents examinations. The NYS Department of Education continues to have discussions with USDE regarding this matter to find a path forward that is best for the health and safety of all New York's children.

### **Student Progress**

As part of our process to ensure that we are doing the best for our students, we administer AimswebPlus assessments in the fall, winter, and spring to all students in grades K-10 (next year will be K-11 and the following year will be K-12). Dr. Heather Lyon, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Instruction, and Technology presented the fall results to the Board of Education in November in a presentation called, "November 2020 Assessments, Intervention, & Data Presentation." The winter administration results were shared with the board this month. You can access the slides and/or a recording of the winter AimswebPlus results on our website.

It's important to note when looking at the results that the assessment becomes more indepth for each administration--meaning a student needs to grow in their learning in order to maintain the same score or better on the winter assessment. In fact, overall our students did better in the winter than in the fall. There is no doubt that other districts are not seeing these same outcomes. What's more, the *continued on page 2* 

"We are Aiming Higher"

# The Giving Tree

by Jessica Slye-Butz (8th Grade)

The Giving Tree at the Lewiston-Porter Middle School was a huge success! Mrs. Oddy's NEST organized the collection of new or gently used hats, gloves, scarves, and even socks. We'd like to thank all the students, faculty, staff, and people in the community who donated. We filled eight full boxes of the winter items. All the donations were given to Kids Escaping Drugs and the Magdalene Project. The kids and adults who receive these items are going to be warm for the winter! We're very proud of what we accomplished. Working together, we can do great things!





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results are ones that compare our students to those from all across the country and no alterations were made to the scoring based on the pandemic. This shows that despite the challenges we have faced this year, our students are growing! Thank you to our families for their support of the work we're doing because student outcomes are a result of the work the district and families do together.

## Athletics

As I write the winter athletic season is wrapping up and we are moving into the fall season for Football, Girls Swimming, Volleyball, and Cheerleading. Please look for details on the district website under Athletics. It's been great to have our student-athletes back on campus. We look forward to more music performance experiences as we move into spring. Please enjoy a safe and healthy Spring Break, March 27th through April 11th. We'll hope for a great end to the 2020-21 school year.

Paul J. Casseri Superintendent of Schools

# **Symmetry on Display**



*Mrs.* Gorney's art students at the Intermediate Education Center (IEC) created radial symmetry name designs. Our fourth grade artists are so awesome!

# Cards of Thanks for First Responders and Healthcare Workers

Two Lewiston-Porter sisters were up to the task of showing their appreciation to healthcare workers and first responders.

High School student, Sarina Singh, spearheaded a card making project to show appreciation to frontline workers. She engaged the Network of Religious Communities Youth Committee to collaborate on the successful project. Sarina's sister, Anisha Singh, a fifth grade student at the IEC, assisted in the project and helped with the card distribution.

Students from youth groups all over WNY joined in and contributed over 200 cards, some from as far away as Batavia and West Falls. The cards were distributed locally by the girls to Elderwood Assisted Living in Wheatfield, Mount St. Mary's Hospital, Niagara Falls Memorial Hospital, and the Town of Lewiston Police and Fire Departments, just to name a few.



Sisters Anisha and Sarina Singh delivering cards to a healthcare worker.

Sarina said, "After dropping off cards to the police and fire departments, the agencies shared pictures of our cards on their Facebook pages. So many people liked them and were proud to see what we did for the workers. They were token of love from all the WNY communities involved. Looking at the smiles on their faces wherever we went, made us very happy." She continued, "My sister Anisha was very happy to make the cards and deliver them with me. She believes it's a good thing to appreciate hard work and make others happy."

# **Music Class at PEC Creates Recording**

Second graders at the Primary Education Center took to the gym and performed the school theme song *Stronger Together*. They had a great time singing and doing dance moves to create a recording that is aired during morning announcements, throughout the year.

Music Instructor, Nicole Mosier said "Things may look a bit different with students 12 feet apart and wearing masks, but we are still having fun and learning." She added, "With all of the changes that we are experiencing this year, I decided to select songs with positive messages for my students. Songs that remind them that they are cared for, important, and that we are stronger together."



Students Cole Karbowski, Serenity Pietrangelo, Mia Piraino, Natalie Vaughn, Joshua Wilson, Jesse Steele and Natalie Naboo took part in the video.

# NEW KINDERGARTEN ON-LINE REGISTRATION



If you have a child who will be entering Kindergarten in September 2021, we are delighted to welcome you and your kindergartner to our program. The first step to the kindergarten journey is the registration process.

For the first time the Primary Education Center will offer an **online registration** option that allows families to upload required proof of residency documents from the safety of their homes. You may register children who will be five years old on or before December 1, 2021. You may also mail in your registration documents to our school district.

In addition to registration you are required to complete the **Home Language Questionnaire**. Registration will not be finalized until this form is completed.

## Additional information:

• Immunization Requirements

Once your child is registered and proof of residency is verified, you will be invited to attend:

- 1. Kindergarten Orientation (TBD)
- 2. Screening Appointment (TBD)
- 3. Family & Teacher Meeting (Sept. 7-8, 2021)

We look forward to your child joining our kindergarten family.

# Showing Bills Spirit with Reed and Kelly

"I guess I'm in the Bills spirit," seventh-grader Olivia Smith said. "But I don't even know which player wore this jersey. It's my dad's. I do hope they win." The significance of this random occurrence was not lost on Mr. Marinaccio, who was old enough to remember the glory years. As soon as he saw Olivia in a Jim Kelly jersey, and wearing an autographed Andre Reed jersey himself, he recalled the old reliable phrase: "12 plus 83 always equals 6."



Mr. Marinaccio and seventh-grader Olivia Smith of LPMS show off their vintage Bills gear.

# "Art Happenings" at the Middle School



Eighth grade artists researched a creature from folklore or mythology and then recreated the creature in clay using the coil technique.



Sixth graders recently learned about the African Bobofing tribe and their traditions. Traditionally, they honored their creator and thanked him for all he gives them through the land, with these masks. The students created owl masks in their likeness using papier-mâché.

# **Primary Education Center Participates in Global Monster Project**

Several children in Mrs. Kazulak's first, second and third grade classes participated in an exciting "Global Monster" project. Children in primary classes from the USA and from around the world, collaborated in this K-6 STEAM (science, technology, engineering and math) project.

The first step to the project was requesting a body part for the monster. Next, the children children chose to make the wings from the list provided. Each participating class had to submit a 12-20 word description. When all descriptions were completed each class built its own monster using everyone's descriptions.

Students discovered that designing and building a monster together is a challenging task. It is a major lesson in working together and learning to compromise in a group decision process. For example, the student responsible for the head has to plan with the students making the eyes, nose, neck, mouth, ears and hair. Students have deliberate practice in collaboration while constructing their class monster, that they affectionately named Fred. The result is satisfying proof that a community of global kids can accomplish anything!



Mrs. Kazulak, PEC teacher said, "Collaboration this year was a bit more challenging due to the COVID-19 rules that are in place, but, we got the job done. We virtually met other classes from other countries; Poland, Canada, India, Italy, Serbia, Poland, as well as from other states; New Mexico, Louisiana, Colorado, Florida, Viginia, Illinois, and Maine. Everyone who created monsters did a great job!"





The Lew-Port Link Newsletter

# **Musical "Notes"**

Members of the High School music department shared a little holiday cheer during the last few days of school before winter break. Students from the band, orchestra, and choirs performed some holiday favorites in between classes. Everyone really enjoyed the opportunity to perform together and for others!





Mrs. Zachary's fifth grade music class performs "Jingle Jam" while practicing their rhythm reading and bucket drumming technique.



Fourth grade music class students learn about instruments of the orchestra while learning the music of "The Nutcracker" by Peter Tchaikovsky.



Students in the third grade music class learned about instruments and meter while listening to the "Chinese Dance" from the "Nutcracker Suite" by Peter Tchaikovsky.



The HS ensembles were sad that they couldn't have their annual holiday concert. Nonetheless, playing and singing that music every year has become a real tradition. Sleigh Ride and Hallelujah Chorus could still be heard coming from the rehearsal rooms, albeit in reduced numbers.

# **Congratulations to our High School Students**

#### 12th Grade High Honor Roll

Johnathan Adamson, Juliana Argona, Graciana Auer, Jessi Avila-Shah, Meghan Baio, Daniel Bax, Allison Beresheski, Samantha Bryk, Adelaide Buth, Katelyn Churakos, Kylee Clayborne, Bella Colangelo, Noah Cramer, Justin Currie, Charles Dieteman, Leah Dobrasz, Jillian Donovan, Gianna Dorato, Ciaran Edwards, Sarah Falsetti, Anna Feistel, Taylor Ferguson, Leah Galie, Bailey Giannini, Isabella Guerrucci, Gretchen Hanna, Jersey Haskell, Jeffrey Hayhurst, Madeline Heuser, Tateum Hillman, Hannah Hohle, Amaris Huang, Alexis Kadlecik, Luke Kellick, Izabella Krecisz, Virginia Kumi, Alyssa Lannon, Alexandra Lee, Luke Lombardo, Kylie Lundrigan, Sara Mang, Allison Mariglia, Samantha Marod, Elliana Marshall, Zak Medecigo, Kaci Misterkiewicz, Jacob Niccola, Everitt Owen, Justin Pavan, Leah Plennert, James Presutti, Alessia Randazzo, Isabella Renzi, Dixon Reynolds, Matthew Riddle, Spencer Riehler, P. Charles Ruero, Elijah Russell, Elliana Schmitt, Lydia Schultz, Brennaugh Stack, Ava Staub, Brianna Stefik, Nina Struminski, Madison Terrana, Adam Thomas, Alec Ventresca, Sophia Violante, Victoria Winger, Logan Wright, Madisyn Wright, Brendan Zimmerman

#### 12th Grade Honor Roll

Erin Brolinski, Seth Buccella, Gracey Burnham, Eloise Buth, Luc Buth, Isabella Conde, Adam Coppins, Nicholas DiCarlo, Kelcey Doyle, Dominic Fazzolari, Jacob Forney, Michael Giannini, Dylan Gworek, Isabella Hall, Gavin Hildreth, Owen Holliday, Brooklyn Langer, Jordynn Melson, Maxwell Palermo, Anthony Pearson, Emma Pozak, Jared Rebon, Parker Reisman, Joshua Shavalier, Kyle Siegel, Justin Stevenson, Katelyn Suitor, Maria Vance, Joshua Wisto

#### 12th Grade Merit Roll

Hayden Anello, Isabella Aquino, Austin Barone, Jeffrey Ciurczak, Willow Cutlip, Ethan Fideli, Jeffrey Fleming, Austin Gibbs, Ashlynn Gordon, Daniel Grainge, Preston Hillman, Morgyn Jowett, Lexi Miller, Anthony Nichele, Jacob Plache, Frank Previte IV, Seth Robinson, Mark Stoneham, Christian Streb, Jenna Thomas, Sean Tupper, Isaiah Wilczek

#### 11th Grade High Honor Roll

Ethan Alker, Dakota Azzarelli, Gabriella Baiano, Caitlyn Bantten, Makenna Barrientos, Madelyn Bax, Abigail Beebe, Elizabeth Chamberlain, Joshua Cramer, Ryan Davis, Rhiannon Furey, Robert Gilbert, Rachel Gymning-Del Castillo, Lucas Heffler, Evan Hoffmann, Donald Hotaling, Owen Ingram, Grace Johnson, Nathan Jowdy, Carter Krawczyk, Katherine Kremer, Jaden Lombardo, Joshua Long, Tessa Lord, Lauren Lunshof, Maya Marcyan, Maggie McAllister, John Paul McGrath, Kennedy Milano, Kennedy Miller, Morgan Neal, Joseph Niccola, Zoe Nichols, Samantha Notarianni, Benjamin Olfano, Leonard Palumbo, Alyssa Pennesi, Kendall Perreault, Nicole Peunic, Lillian Pollak, Natalie Ponzi, Sara Reese, Trent Reid, Nathan Rhoads, Liam Robinson, Lucia Sanchez, Michael Schuey, Tessa Schuey, Emma Seaman, Rajan Singh, Natalie Sloma, Sarina Srouji, Alastair Sweeney, Ashley Szarejko, Katrina Szymanski, Elizabeth Teal, Julia Thomas, Dominic Townsend, Sean Uhrich, Dillan VanDenBosch, Jude Violante, Jack Wagner, Cameron Washburn, Robert Woods, Sarah Woods, Sydney Wright

#### 11th Grade Honor Roll

Michael Baio, Kenneth Beiter, Braden Benjamin, Nina Briglio, Matthew Brown, Molly Burke, Tyler Chretien, Cierra Dickens, Dylan Evert, Maggie Fideli, Megan Galbraith, Makenna Hopkins, Stephanie Kloda, Katherine Minicucci, Olivia Naughton, Samuel Radke, Alexa Reed, Spencer Reisman, Allison Rotella, Julia Rotella, Skye Rothman, Gianna Ryan, Zoe Sherman, Taylor Sweatman, Alexander Thurman, Isabella Toliano, Tyler Walker, Connor Williams, Ikaika Wojcinski, Jayda Young

#### 11th Grade Merit Roll

Anna Conrad, Wesley Drust, Logan Eoute, Corey Fekete, Serenity Fitzgerald, Justin French, Zoe Fuller, Nicholas Hess, Bella Mullen, Kaitlin Mullen, Kylie Ocejo, Russell Orsi, Dominic Paonessa, Kayla Persinger, Randall Peterson, Maryel Pryce, Shyanne Rabatoy, Margaret Reid, Tyler Rolfe, Liberty Rosky, Emma Sand, Alexander Smith, Sydney Stricker, Kristin Wilson, Evan Younger

#### 10th Grade High Honor Roll

Ahmad AbuHammad, Sophia Auer, Anthony Aversa, Joseph Beilman, Emma Buckley, Vincent Carlo, Dominic Churakos, Julia Collins, Trevor Denitto, Jenna Dobrasz, Nora Dugan, Gwyneth Edwards, Meghan Edwards, Nathan Halgash, Rebecca Hoffman, Amanda Huang, Kaden Johnson, Margaret Johnson, Elijah Kahn, Madison Koryl, Kayla Mang, Serena Martino, Kathryn McIntyre, Logan Monteleone, Mariela Mulready, Michael Mundy, Cole Norman, Brennan O'Mara, Emily Palermo, Finley Patrick, Taylor Phelps, Rocco Randazzo, Arabella Ruest, Ethan Seaman, Natalie Sharer, Sarina Singh, Sarah Streb, Jaclynne Tato, Lilya Teal, Brynn Townsend, Blake Turner

#### 10th Grade Honor Roll

Matthew Adamson, Allison Catalano, Abigail Conde, Kieara Dubuc, Jalen Duff, Robert Dutton, Zane Forbes, Bailey Gauda, Jami Gerwycki, David Kennedy, Alaina Kieley, Nikita Korolkov, James Marshall, Dominic Massaro, Sophie Massaro, David Pavan, Brooke Piwowarczyk, Nathan Russell, Aleena Rydelek, Matthew Stanek, Luke Staub, Caleb Stoneham, Mario Violante IV, Avery Ward, Ethan Whitehead, David Whyte, Meghan Zimmerman

#### 10th Grade Merit Roll

Connor Barone, Kaelyn Bulmer, Jadon Clements, Ava Conde, Ava Cosgrove, Keely Girasole, Lucas Hemry, Karen Krawczyk, Natalia Merlino, Alexis Nelson, Jordan Niccola, Linda Pearson, Thomas Pozak, Michael Prygon, Luke Radke, Caiden Reele, Michael Riordan, Michael Siejak, Kaleigh-Ann Sloma, Matthew Stephenson, Kahealani Wojcinski

#### 9th Grade High Honor Roll

Peter Aversa, Mario Bax DeBiaso, Alfred Bax, Justin Burns, Mary Cardamone, Roman Colangelo, Halle Conrad, Chloe DeMita, Tyler Dickens, Nicholas Forbes, Marissa Gibas, Emilie Gray, Madeline Heidt, Ashley Hess, Julia Hoffmann, Yusuf Huzmeli, Anna Jackson, Kalvin Johnson, Sofia Krecisz, Viola Lin, Matthew Long, Lindsay Lunshof, Miles Manuse, Chloe Pellegrino, Madelyn Reese, Nathaniel Ryan, Sofie Schimmelpenninck, Natalie Schuey, Emma Steimer, Owen Sweeney, Ayva Teal, Guinevere Toczek, Alexander Unversaw, Dylan Weber

#### 9th Grade Honor Roll

Lilia Barbic, Joanna Baxter, Ella Bondi, Isabella Carr, Garrett Cassidy, Sara Cimino, Lexa Cummings, Devon Davis, Aidan Day, Isabella Estep, Wyatt Frerichs, McKenzie Harden, Ivy Hartloff, Natalie Hoffman, Olivia Hopkins, Marissa Hotaling, Nicholas Lucantonio, Winston Mullen, Michael Naccarato, Julia Nowicki, Angelina Olivera, Anthony Pennesi, Sophia Perfetti, John Robinson, Michael Sloma, Kathryn Supon, William Timkey, Luke Violante, Ethan Webster, Aliza Whitehead, Rachel Williams, Tristan Wills, Elliana Winstanley

#### 9th Grade Merit Roll

Jack Baird, Caden Barrientos, Oscar Buccella, Camille Davis-Ferrari, Alexis DiFonzo, Nicholas Fazzolari, Matthew Hotaling, Seth Ingram, Elina Kunik, Christian Leach, Drew Leardini, Seajay Lewis, Cameron McCalister, McKenzie Muggleton, Lucas Pannozzo, Kaci Printup, Madelyn Scott, Owen Sowicki, Parker Swearingen, Alexandre Vanderlip, Amelie Vanderlip, Elijah Veltri, Emma Wilkesmore, Austin Woods, Rianna Wyno

# **Congratulations to our Middle School Students**

## Eighth Grade High Honor Roll

Sarah Beiter, Leo Clark, Maya Colangelo, Brian Detweiler, Emily Droegmyer, Beau Dugan, Mattilynn Freiermuth, Benjamin Hastings, Joshua Hess, Mackenzie Kennedy, Joseph Leardini, Nicholas Leardini, Jawahar Lingaria, Andreas Loizou, Chloe Marcyan, Madison Martin, Murray McAuliffe, Peter Monahan, Jayden Onesi, Estrella Orsi, Edward Owen, Hope Parkhill-Wylie, Desmond Patrick, Reid Pollak, Lucas Ponticelli, Gabriela Prygon, Sofia Renzi, Jack Scully, Gabriel Serra, Rayhaan Shaikh, Jessica Slye-Butz, Victoria Slye-Butz, Connor Smith, Morgan Stricker, Dominic Tracy, Liliana Unversaw, Isabella Violante, Ava Wylke, Jenna Zeames

### **Eighth Grade Honor Roll**

Alyssa Auer, Catherine Beiter, Aiden Bush, Gianna Casale, Mayher Cheema, Oliver Clark, Dylan DuMoulin, Makayla Farnham, Casey Fetzner, Alivia Ingram, Alison Kofahl, Henry Lord, Daphne McAuliffe, Joseph Mullen, Rosalina Nicoletti, Logan Reele, Ava Riehler, Judianne Schuey, Owen See, McKenna Shephard, Dominic Srouji, Hannah Thurman, Aiden Torres, Julia Varney, Santino Virtuoso, Lorali Ward, Megan Zahradnik

### **Eighth Grade Merit Roll**

Zachary Barber, Jaron Barrientos, Demitri Blyashuk, Lily Bovanizer, Conner Burkett, Ashley Chamberlain, Michaela Clements, Erik Davis, Shane Dunn, Olivia Fesmire, Sophia Gonzales, Mathias Gymning-Del Castillo, Luciano Latorre, Zachary Liger, Emily McCarthy, Phillip Nguyen, Ava Niccola, Gianna Nichols, Megan Palermo, Daniel Pearson, Emma Reele, Matthew Rougeux, Whitaker Sackman, Brock Schultz, Peyton See, Matthew Siejak, Sophia Sloma, Emily Stefik, Nora Trautwein, Craig Woock

### Seventh Grade High Honor Roll

Thomas Aceti, Elizabeth Adamson, Greydan Barnwell, Mia Basile, Santino Bax DeBiaso, Jackson Courts, Alyssa Dashineau, Stella DiCesare, John Donnelley, Samantha Draper, Kiara Finley, Terrell Frerichs, Lauren Fura, Francesca Hess, Sabrina Huynh, Logan Jaruszewski, Julian Jenosheck, Sydney Jokic, Aidan Klemick, Isabella LaBernardo, Meera Lingaria, Angelina Martino, Michael McIntyre, Jayson Nguyen, Paul Orsi, Alexandra Pacana, Gianna Pallaci, Owen Parker, Maya Radder, Zachary Radder, Gavin Rock, Jackson Rodriguez, Alex Rydelek, Mayashanti Samudrala, Dylan Scipione, Maxim Shumaker, Sydney Sloma, Kaitlyn Sonntag, Joshua Steimer, Caitlyn Stockinger, Samuel Streb, Kaitlyn Szarejko, James Townsend, Mallory Unwin, Payton Wentland

### Seventh Grade Honor Roll

Rocco Alessi, Cash Barbic, Brayden Bills, Deanna Bondi, Gavin Burns, Colin Cosgrove, Jonah Cramer, Owen Feistel, Evan French, Ashley Garland, Raistlyn Julias, Josephine Majerski, Sydney McDermott, Roderick McGill, Christopher Mercer, Maleana Messier, Leonardo Munoz, Charles Orsi, Emma Persinger, Leah Portwood, Brady Reed, Jaden Reid, Kasey Ringvelski, Adia See, Ronan Sloma, Madison Stricker, Brandon Tamul, Corey Timkey, Liam Toczek, Gabriella Westoven, William Wilkins, Caitlin Winstanley

### Seventh Grade Merit Roll

Zachary Andres, Kaylee Burkey, Gabriel Casale, Camden Day, Julia Dixon, Paige Edwards, William Farnham, Kaylie Finn, Zack Forbes, Aiden Gallineau, Sophia Gansworth, Mikella Gymning-Del Castillo, Quinn Halgash, Lillian Howard, Paige Ingram, Dominick Jeffords, Gabriel Johnson, Olivia Kozlowski, Max Ljiljanich, Leah Marshall, Metztli Mele-Mejia, Claire Mombrea, Alex Notarianni, Nickolas Oliveri, Carmelo Raimondi, Luca Rotella, Makenna Slahta, Olivia Smith, Robert Tomlinson, Mariska Villnave, Gered Welker, Lauren Zahno

### Sixth Grade High Honor Roll

Hershveer Ahuja, Michael Cardamone, Leah Chretien, Evan Connelly, Teigan Connolly, Sophia Conti, Franca DiBernardo, Vena DiBernardo, Gabriel Easton, Kiersten Elliott, Skylar Elliott, Taylor Favorite, Jack Gollhofer, Elisabeth Gray, Gavin Heath, Paul Kloosterman, Lydia Kofahl, Raelin Kunik, Chloe Larson, Emma Leardini, Logan Lombardo, Brenna Long, Eliot McAuliffe, Abraham Mullen, Eva Reese, Reyes Rodriguez, Riley Schmitt, James Scully, Sophia Shaikh, Ava Ventresca, Sophia Wright

### Sixth Grade Honor Roll

Andrea Beltrano, Chloe Corsaro, Zoe Droegmyer, Liam Dunn, Bradley Erskine, Estella Fallesen, Kendra Fazzolari, Peighton Furey, Emmalee Harden, Tailis Hayes, Grace Jackson, Oktavia Jochymek, Grant Jokic, Abigail Kremer, Cooper Lucantonio, Jayden Luchese, Marron MacKenzie, Quinn McAuliffe, Mia McGuire, Olivia Myers, Elizabeth Nossavage, Ireland O'Connor, Grace Orsi, Armondo Pasquantino, Gregory Quarantillo, Conner Ringvelski, Kaiden Serra, Luna Shear, Amelia Skowronski, Scarlett Sloma, Brooke Stafford, Johnathon Stainbrook, Chloe Teal, Iris Todenhagen, James VanEgmond, Madison Vanone, Dane Winstanley

### Sixth Grade Merit Roll

Brayden Anderson, Marisa Aquino, Nevaeh Baker, Isabella Bane, Isabelle Beam, Ella Bovanizer, Brandon Buttery, Michael Casale, Collin Denitto, Jon Ellington, Amelia Fanizzi, Calvin Fetzner, Parker Harden, Tanek Jaeger, Charles Jorgensen, Madelyn Kraft, Elliana Latorre, Luke Leardini, Kyle Lunshof, Jayson McFarland, Sydney O'Donnell, Mara Pallaci, Vincent Pietrangeli, Makenna Quarantillo, Mary Katherine Ryan, Darryle Schurr, John Stuart, Austin Tarnowski, Taylor Tholen, Michael Uschold, Tori Wayda, Daven Wyno

# 2020-2021 National Junior Honor Society Inductees

Alyssa Auer Catherine Beiter Sarah Beiter Lily Bovanizer Ashley Chamberlain Leo Clark Oliver Clark Brian Detweiler Emily Droegmyer Beau Dugan Makayla Farnham Olivia Fesmire Casey Fetzner Mattilynn Freiermuth **Benjamin Hastings** Alivia Ingram Mackenzie Kennedy Alison Kofahl Luciano Latorre Jawahar Lingaria Henry Lord Chloe Marcyan Madison Martin Daphne McAuliffe Peter Monahan Joseph Mullen Ava Niccola Javden Onesi Reid Pollak Emma Reele Sofia Renzi Whitaker Sackman Jack Scully Owen See Peyton See Rayhaan Shaikh McKenna Shephard Jessica Slye-Butz Emily Stefik **Dominic Tracy** Julia Varney Isabella Violante Santino Virtuoso Ava Wylke

# Message from the Office of the District Clerk

The Lewiston-Porter Central School District 2021-2022 Budget Vote & Election will be held on **Tuesday, May 18, 2021**, in the Multi-Purpose Room, Community Resource Center between the hours of 7:00 am and 8:00 pm.

## **Board of Education Election**

If you are considering running for the school board, now is an excellent time to explore the position and process. This year, Lewiston-Porter Central School District will hold elections to fill two (2) board member positions for 3-year terms.

All candidates for the office of a member of the Board of Education shall be nominated by petition which can be obtained by visiting our website www.lew-port.com for petition packets or contact the Office of the District Clerk. Each petition shall be directed to the District Clerk shall be signed by at least twenty-five (25) qualified voters of the District, shall state the residence of each signer, shall state the name and residence of the candidate. Each petition shall be filed in the office of the District Clerk between the hours of 9:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. not later than **April 19, 2021**.

# Join us for our Virtual Regular Board/Work Sessions/Budget Workshops

03/22/2021, Regular Board Meeting 04/12/2021, Work Session/Budget Workshop 04/26/2021, Regular Board Meeting 05/10/2021, Budget Hearing, Meet the Candidates Night (Candidates will give a 3-minute statement as to their candidacy and position on issues affecting Lewiston-Porter. More information will be posted on our website)

Please note the Zoom link for the above-mentioned meetings is located on our website.

## Questions

Please contact Marisa I. Barile, District Clerk 716.286.7266 or mbarile@lew-port.com or www.lew-port.com

The District is closely monitoring all current and future legal developments as they pertain to District elections and budget votes. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the deadlines and procedures stated herein may change as required by law or further state guidance. All District residents are encouraged to closely monitor the District's website at www.lew-port.com for the most up-to-date information concerning the District's Annual Meeting and Vote.

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# Winter Wonderland

The Lewiston-Porter Art Club brought some holiday spirit to the windows of our High School and Center Street, in the Village of Lewiston. Sophie Auer and Bailey Gianinni painted Snoopy and Friends at Coppins Service Center and Nora Dugan, Bailey Gianinni, Gracie Auer, Sophie Auer and Julia Collins transformed the High School Atrium into a "Winter Wonderland" with a series of all white window murals.





The mission of the Lewiston-Porter Central School District is to create a learning environment which challenges each unique individual to become a self-sufficient, responsible and contributing member of society and encourages each to achieve his/her potential through a life-long learning process.

Our program is now underway! We invite you to register for upcoming classes designed for the entire family. For your convenience, we are attaching our current brochure for you to view. We thank you for supporting our program!





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## **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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## A MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dear Friends and Community members,

Welcome to the Winter/Spring edition of the Lewiston-Porter Community Education Program. Since last March we have had to overcome many



obstacles in order to keep our Community Education Program going. The abrupt stop last year in March and the need to shift to fully virtual classes has been difficult but I'm proud to say we have done it and the program continues to move forward. Community Education had been on a long hiatus at Lewiston-Porter and we were so happy to finally rebuild the program and bring it back to our community. We have so many great ideas for the program that we want to move forward and we will! We just need to weather the storm that is the COVID-19 pandemic. The response from the community for our Community Education program has been outstanding. We know from your comments and feedback that you enjoy the programming and want more! The online courses we offered this fall were tremendous. Thank you to all the instructors that made the shift to virtual learning. I see that component continuing once we return to in-person learning as it offers many an opportunity to take a course from the privacy of their own home. There will be more options for online learning in the future. Thank you for sticking with us and we hope you are enjoying all that our program has to offer. Here's to a safe and healthy 2021 and a return to in-person learning for the Fall of 2021.

All the best,

Paul Casseri Superintendent of Schools



Happy New Year, Lewiston-Porter! We are hopeful that this year will be better than the last, and that it holds great promise and opportunity. With that in mind, we are excited to offer new and exciting courses for your consideration for Winter/Spring 2021.

The courses were thoughtfully selected to appeal to everyone in our community, especially our seniors and students. Courses are now also offered earlier in the day and right after school, in addition to traditional evening hours, so you can find the perfect fit for your schedule. Classes remain 100% virtual, providing engaging learning opportunities to the whole community as we remain safe at home during these winter months.

Our program continues to include something for everyone, no matter your age or interest. As the pandemic and the weather will continue to keep us close to home, we encourage you to take advantage of the time and opportunity to explore all that the Community Ed program has to offer: Explore new interests, fulfill a New Year's Resolution, expand your world. Stay optimistic, stay engaged, stay well -and never stop learning!

Warmest Regards,

Jodee Riordan President, Lewiston-Porter Board of Education

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# WE ARE ONLINE, AND GOING STRONG!

We are not letting COVID-19 stop our Winter/Spring 2021 Community Education session. Our instructors put together a variety of fun informative classes that you can take from the comfort of your own home! Continued lifelong learning is what our souls crave, so reward yourself by learning something new this season!

All you need is a computer, laptop, smart phone, and email to join in the fun! If you have never participated in an online meeting or class, we are here to help! Please contact our Community Education office at 286-7265 and we will help you through the super easy process!

### Once you register for a class, your instructor will email you the link to your session within 6 hours of the start day/time.

## Registration has begun! Reserve your spot today!

# **Online Certifications & Test Prep**

#### 4-Hour ACT Boot Camp

Get a jump start on your ACT test preparation! The ACT test is held in equal esteem as the SAT test by most colleges and universities. This comprehensive review course introduces students to the ACT test and includes: test taking strategies, testing information, study materials and a free simulated ACT test. (2021 ACT test dates are: 2/2, 4/14, and 6/12)

Tuesday and Thursday 4/13-4/15 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

\$77 per person

#### 4-Hour SAT Boot Camp

Get a jumpstart on your SAT test preparation! This comprehensive course introduces students to the SAT test with emphasis on test-taking strategies, testing information, how to best prepare for the SAT test and practice questions in each subject. Course includes online workbook/study materials and a free simulated SAT test. (2021 SAT test dates 3/13, 5/8 and 6/5)

*Tuesday and Thursday 3/9 and 3/11* 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

\$77 per person

#### 9-Hour SAT Test Preparation Course

Did you know that the ACT test is held in equal esteem as the SAT test by most colleges and universities? This 9-hour review course offers an in-depth study of the ACT test. Includes test taking strategies, testing information, study materials including the new writing format and free simulated ACT test. (2021 Test dates are 2/2, 4/14 and 6/12)

Tuesdays and Thursdays 6/1-6/10 6:00 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.

\$144 per person

#### 9-Hour ACT Test Preparation Course

Are you ready for the SAT test? This nine-hour course offers an in-depth study of the SAT test. Course includes: classroom instruction, test taking strategies, testing information, online workbook/study materials and a free simulated SAT test. (2021 SAT test dates are: 3/13, 5/8 and 6/5)

Tuesdays and Thursdays 4/27, 4/29, 5/4 and 5/6 6:00 p.m. - 8:15 p.m. \$144 per person

#### Writing the College Application Essay

Do you want to submit a college application essay that will really hit home with the Admission Office at the college of your choice? Learn all the fundamentals of a winning essay as well as proven strategies. You will begin to write the college application essay during the class and leave with the confidence and knowledge to complete the process on your own.

Wednesday 4/28 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. \$75 per person Is your job requiring you to become a notary public? Are you afraid of failing the exam? Or are you seeking to self-enhance? We will help you gain the confidence and knowledge you need to pass the exam with ease. Stand out among the competition, add a new credential to your resume and be an asset to your company by enhancing your credentials! All companies need to have documents notarized. The objective of a notary public training course is designed to educate individuals with the legal terminology, concepts, and clauses contained in the framework of the New York State notary booklet. The benefit to this pre-recorded Zoom class is that it can be accessed day or evening 7 days a week. Additionally, customer support is just a click away! The On-line training course includes: Instant access, notary concepts, definition review, sample forms, notary law subsection review, notary facts, prep test and one full year of 24 hour access.

**Notary Public Training Course** 

To register go to:

https://www.notarypubliccentral.com/online-notary-course-registration

#### 5 Hour Pre-Licensing DMV Class

The pre-licensing course, also known as "the 5-hour classroom course," is a DMV-designed course that provides new drivers with information to help them drive safely. New drivers must complete this course (or a New York State approved Driver Education Course) before they can schedule their driving test for their driver's license. For many students, the course is the only formal opportunity to learn the basic rules of the road, safe driving principles, defensive driving skills, and other factors which affect driving. By taking this course, students will be able to meet the requirements set forth by the NYS DMV. Monday through Friday 2/22-4/2 or 4/5-5/14 (30 classes each session)

Mondays 3/1 or 3/22 or 4/12 or 4/26 or 5/3 5:30 p.m. \$50 per person

**6 Hour Insurance/Point Reduction Course** 

This course is designed to teach motorists driving strategies that help minimize risks associated with hazards on the road. In addition, this defensive driving course includes applicable New York state traffic laws that help drivers use safer driving techniques to avoid and prevent accidents. The New York Department of Motor Vehicles allows you to complete a defensive driving course to reduce up to four points on your driving record and provide you with a mandatory 10% insurance reduction for 3 years. Whether you are required by the NYS DMV, looking to reduce ticket points and/or just want your 10% car insurance reduction, this state-approved course will help you meet your goal.

Mondays 3/1 or 3/22 or 4/12 or 4/26 or 5/3 5:30 p.m. \$50 per person





# Online Certifications & Test Prep

#### **Reiki Certification Classes**

Become a certified Reiki healer. During these in-depth sessions, you will delve deeply into the ancient Japanese art of handson energy healing. Learn to channel and direct Universal Life Force Energy to help reduce stress, increase vitality, and correct physical, mental, and emotional imbalances. Each course level provides training, course materials, attunement, and hands-on experience of advanced techniques useful for healing yourself, family, and friends or for establishing your own Reiki practice. Come experience the life transforming power of Reiki.

#### Reiki Level I Certification

Saturday 1/30 or Saturday 4/10 11:00 am - 5:00 pm \$149 per person

#### **Reiki Level II Certification**

Saturday 2/20 or Saturday 5/1 11:00 am - 5:00 pm \$175 per person

#### Advanced Reiki Training

Saturday 3/13 or Saturday 5/22 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. \$139 per person

#### Long-Distance Reiki

Saturday 3/27 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. \$139 per person

#### Reiki Level III Master & Teacher Certification

Saturday 4/3 11:00 a.m. - 5 :00 p.m. \$199 per person

Once you register for a class, your instructor will email you the link to your session within 6 hours of the start day/time.

## **Online Exercise**

#### **Full Body Fitness**

The list of benefits to exercise is well documented and long. Help your body and mind relieve stress, manage chronic diseases, control weight, increase bone density, improve strength and function, decrease pain, sleep better; the list goes on. Join us for a daily 30 minute exercise class offered on-line (Live on Zoom and on-demand for playback) in the comfort of your own home. You will have access to ALL offerings below, we can customize your workout plan based on your needs and timeframe. A degreed and certified fitness professional with over two decades of experience in the fitness industry, will provide you with the accountability and support you need to reach your fitness goals. After registration, your coach will contact you with information so that you can access the large library of new and prior classes to playback for the duration of the class.. This access will give you the added bonus to concentrate on specific body areas if you choose. This class is for the beginner on up. Please have a mat available. Strive to be your best self in 2021!

Monday through Friday 2/22-4/2 or 4/5-5/14 (30 classes each session) 7:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m. daily live or on-demand at your leisure.

\$75 per person Daily schedule:

Monday: Beginner Bootcamp Tuesday: Lower Body and Core Wednesday: Fitcamp Strength and Conditioning Thursday: Upper Body and Cardio Friday: Butts and Guts

#### **Couchpotato to Bootcamper**

Have you been wanting to get off the couch and get moving again? Are you unsure how to get started, how to stay injury-free, how to rebuild the strength you lost over time? You aren't alone! This program was designed as a solution for people like you, who wonder about how to "get going" again. Join us and you will learn, in 12 short weeks, the step-bystep plan on how to go from "couch potato" to fit and active bootcamper. You will be guided every step of the way! We will meet online once per week via Zoom. For your convenience, all workouts will be recorded and

available for playback. After registration, your coach will contact you with information so that you can access the large library of new and prior classes to use at your leisure, for the duration of the class. This class is for the beginner excerciser. Please have a mat available. Strive to be your best self in 2021!

Thursdays 2/22-5/14 10:00 a.m.11:00 a.m. or on-demand at your leisure. \$75 per person

## Online Financial Topics

#### Estate Planning 101 -The Four Corners

You have heard them on the radio and seen them on local television, The Financial Guys wealth management attorney will be discussing what he refers to as the" Four Corners" of an estate plan: will, health care proxy, living will, power of attorney and the importance of each. Preregistration for this popular event is required, please register early to ensure your spot.

Tuesday 4/20

6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

*Free-Prior registration is required. Mail in or call 286-7265 for registration.* 

### How to Save Your Retirement Savings

Should I choose care in my own home or a nursing home? If I should live too long, do I have enough assets to last as long as I live? When should I consider transferring assets or my home to loved ones prior to facing a long term care need? These are just a few of the topics that will be discussed during this informative class. Please join us on one of three dates offered.

*Thursday 2/18 or Wednesday 3/10 or Tuesday 4/6* 

6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

*Free- Prior registration is required. Mail in or call 286-7265 for registration.* 

#### Investing

Join *The Financial Guys* as they break down the basics of investing. They will explain the three phases of your investing life: Hire, Retire and Expire. Learn how your planning for each affects your future goals and retirement. Pre-registration for this event is required seating is limited. Please register early to ensure your spot.

#### Wednesday 4/14

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Free- Prior registration is required. Mail in or call 286-7265 for registration.

#### Medicare 101 -Understanding Your Options

Medicare is confusing! What are parts A, B, C and D? When do I have to enroll? What will I pay? What is a Medicare Advantage Plan? What is a Medicare Supplement Plan? What about late enrollment penalties, Extra Help, Epic or Medicare Savings Programs? What kind of plans might work best for me? See how this education will help you understand how the Medicare program works. We will provide a general overview of the variety of Medicare Insurance products that are available to beneficiaries.

Wednesday 3/10, Wednesday 4/28 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

*Free-Prior registration is required. Mail in or call 286-7265 for registration.* 

#### **Social Security Optimization**

Whether you are single, married, widowed or divorced, The Financial Guys, certified social security claiming strategists, will inform you about the many facets of this powerful benefit and empower you to make a decision that's right for you. Make sure you are fully informed when making your claim for your retirement income.

Wednesday 3/31 or Wednesday 5/12

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

*Free - Prior registration is required. Mail in or call 286-7265 for registration.* 



## **Online Health &** Wellness

#### Meditation for Relaxation and Personal Healing

Do you suffer from stress, anxiety, sleeplessness, high blood-pressure or hypertension? Does your mind never stop going? Meditation can help! Meditation is a simple, easy to learn practice that involves focusing your thoughts and your breathing to help you relax into the present moment. Studies show that regular meditation can help promote increased mental clarity and emotional balance, reduce the physical effects of stress, and create a greater sense of well-being. In this interactive course, you will learn the empowering concepts and techniques for successful personal meditation and will find support in crafting your own meditation regimen. Come experience for yourself the abundance of inner peace, personal health and spiritual connection that come from meditation.

Tuesdays 1/26-2/23 or Tuesdays 4/6-5/4

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

\$99 per person

#### **Emotional Release for Inner Peace**

Inner peace is impossible to maintain while we still hold on to the very feelings and beliefs that keep us from being peaceful to begin with. Trapped negative emotions like fear, anger and sorrow can disrupt the flow of vital energy in our bodies and actually sabotage our inner peace. In this single evening course, you will learn simple yet effective techniques for getting in touch with, understanding, accepting and releasing the emotions that keep us from ourselves. Nobody wants to suffer. Come learn to rest in the peaceful state of loving acceptance that is our true nature.

Monday 1/25 or Monday 4/5 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. \$29 per person

# **Online Kids' Classes**

### **Animation and Games with Scratch**

#### Grades 3-5

Scratch is a preferred introductory programming platform for younger students. Animation and Games with Scratch is a great introductory course for young individuals who are interested in learning to program. Students will learn powerful programming concepts by using Scratch's easy-to-use interface. Every lesson is spent creating a game or animation that teaches skills that are crucial to programming, such as utilizing and creating variables, implementing loops, and using conditionals. By the end of the class, students will have the ability to code simple Scratch games and animations.

No prior coding experience necessary.



For registration, dates and times go to: www.codewizardshg.com/ce Classes Begin 1/23/21

Introduction to Programming with Python

#### Grades 6-8

This class teaches critical, foundational programming in Python including functions, variables, data types, arrays, loops, and operators. These skills easily transfer to other languages - this means investment protection as technology evolves and changes. Best of all, our engaging and fun projects encourage deeper learning and exploration.

No prior coding experience necessary.

For registration, dates and times go to: www.codewizardshg.com/ce

Classes Begin 1/23/21 and are ongoing

No prior coding experience necessary.



Intro to Python

#### Grades 9-12

Intro to Python introduces foundational coding concepts such as functions, variables, data types, and data structures, like lists, tuples, and dictionaries. They will learn how to read and write Python code and set up Python files while supported by our custom Python libraries and

platform. Students will learn to think analytically by building fun and engaging applications.

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For registration, dates and times go to: www.codewizardshg.com/ce Classes Begin 1/23/21 and are ongoing

Spanish for the Elementary Years – Live Virtual Fun Format!

Get a head start on the language by joining us for an educationally oriented curriculum that is specifically designed for the K-5 student to learn the Spanish language. This unique and exciting program features foundation vocabulary Introduced through games, singing and fun activities. Students are able to compound words and begin forming simple sentences. Early introduction increases the student's ability to absorb rather than translate the language. If you have taken a Spanish Club class previously, new vocabulary is introduced with each session. Class is open to new and returning students!

Tuesdays 2/9-3/23 (no class 2/16)

at www.TheEnrichmentCompany.com

4:50 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

\$77 per person



Prior registration is required. Register online (under your school/district)

# **Online Learning** & Leisure

#### **Beginner Beekeeping**

We are bringing in the "King Bee" of WNY honey producers for this second-to-none, comprehensive beginners' class on beekeeping. This class is designed in a series of weekly workshop topics that cover a wide range of information to get you started on your new hobby. This series is for people who range from just starting out, to those who have had bees for years and are looking for more information on topics like the cycle of annual hive death. We will cover choosing equipment, where to get bees, how to locate a place for your hives, bee biology, nectar plants, feeding, supering, swarming, fall management, winter prep, basic disease and pest ID and management, and hive products. In the spring, there will be an optional open hive session, with hands-on experience.

Students aged 14 and up are welcome to register for this class when a parent or quardian is also registered and attends the same class.

Required Textbook (Available on Amazon) The Beekeepers Handbook by Sammataro and Alphonse.

Mondays 3/1 - 3/29 6:00p.m. - 8:30 p.m. \$75 per person

### Untethering Your Inner Self

This class is an exploration of the topics of critical thinking and how that process can be used to free ourselves from being trapped by the limitations of our self-imposed world. It provides the opportunity to view your "self" from different angles. Although the journey is primarily an inner one, it will draw upon every aspect of your life. Could your thoughts be creating barriers to your growth? Do you believe you can reprogram your "self" to be more open? How do you protect your self-concept? Have you ever truly examined the assumptions that drive all of your behavior? Learn to stop resisting reality, and what used to look like stressful problems will begin to look like the stepping-stones of your journey. The session will be presented in a fourpart series of 60-minute segments.

Thursdays 3/4-3/25 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. \$11 per person



## **Online Music**

Guitar - Beginner Level 1 for Adults

If you have always wanted to play quitar now's the time because it's never too late to learn something new! Learn basic songs, how to read music and play cords. This class is geared for the beginner, ages 16 and up. All are encouraged to attend this comprehensive 12-week class for self-enrichment. NO classical or bass guitars. If you are using an electric quitar having a small amp would be helpful. If you are lefthanded, please be advised you will be taught in right-handed position only. In addition, a \$20 book fee is due to the instructor. You will be contacted for more information after registration.

Tuesdays 2/16 - 5/4 6:00 p.m. - 6:45p.m. \$171 per person

#### Guitar - Level 2 Intermediate

This class will have you playing songs and learning advanced cord progression, scales, and different styles of playing your guitar. We will focus on keys, major and minor, and learn how to write your own song. This class is a must for all guitar players! NO classical or bass guitars. If you are using an electric guitar, have a small amp with you. If you are left-handed, please be advised you will be taught in righthanded position only.

Prerequisite is a beginner guitar class.

Tuesdays 2/16 - 5/4 7:00 p.m. - 7:45 p.m. \$171 per person

## **Online Technology**

#### **Computer Series**

Understanding Your Device-Computers, iPhones and Androids-An Introduction

Tuesday 2/23 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm \$11 per person

Essential Computer Skills- Getting Familiar with Windows 10

Tuesday 3/2 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm \$16 per person

#### Essential Computer Skills- Your Account, Not Just Email

Tuesday 3/9 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm \$16 per person

#### Essential Computer Skills- Getting Familiar with an Internet Browser

Tuesday 4/27 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm \$16 per person

#### Essential Computer Skills- Copy & Paste

Tuesday 5/4 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

\$16 per person

#### Essential Computer Skills- File & Folder Management

Tuesday 5/11 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm \$16 per person

# Office Series

#### Essential Microsoft Office Skills – Office First Step

Tuesday 3/16 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm \$22 per person

#### Essential Microsoft Office – Getting Familiar with Excel

Tuesday 3/23 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm \$22 per person

#### Essential Microsoft Office – Getting Familiar with Word

Tuesday 3/30 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm \$16 per person

#### Smart Phone Series

Essential Smartphone Skills-Texting and More

Tuesday 4/6 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm \$16 per person

### Essential Smartphone Skills-

Using Handy Apps Tuesday 4/13 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm \$16 per person

### Essential Smartphone Skills-

Setting Controls Tuesday 4/20 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm \$16 per person

## **Community Education Policies**

#### ENROLLMENT

Class registration is on a first-come basis. We welcome anyone 18 years of age or older (exemptions are given from some instructors and listed in the class description.) to enroll in our Community Education Program. The enrollment deadline is one week prior to the start of class. Our program is open to the entire community; we encourage residents of other districts to enroll in our classes.

All our classes are online. You are responsible for providing an email where the class link will be sent. Please enter this information on the registration form. Instructors will provide each student a link to their class within 6 hours of the class.

Free classes require prior registration by calling 286-7265.

**By Mail:** Mail your completed form, including payment (check or money order), made payable to: Lewiston-Porter Central School District. Mail to: Lewiston-Porter Community Education Dept., 4061 Creek Road, Youngstown NY 14174. Please be aware there is a \$25 fee for returned checks.

**Online:** Registration is available for our classes at www.lew-port.coursestorm.com. Our third-party processing company will assess a \$1.99 non-refundable fee to each class registration.

#### **REFUND POLICY**

Requests for refunds must be made in person or in writing and received no later than five (5) school business days prior to the start of class. Weekends and days that the district is closed are not considered business days. Make requests to the Lewiston-Porter CSD Community Education Dept., 4061 Creek Road, Youngstown, NY 14174. There will be a \$7 processing fee applied to all refunds by the district. Please note that refund checks are issued twice a month by our business office. In addition, if you registered online and paid by credit card through our third-party provider, a \$1.99 fee per class will be assessed by them and deducted from your total amount due.

Classes are held based on a minimum enrollment of students registered for a class. As such, NO REFUNDS will be issued past the deadlines stated above. We regret that no exceptions can be made to this policy due to life events, computer malfunctions, illness (including COVID 19 illness and quarantines), personal or business conflicts that would cause you to cancel.

You are responsible for providing a legible, working email address for your class link to be sent. (located on our registration form and online registration site). You are also responsible to contact us if there are any changes to this information 72 hours prior to the class session. There will be no refunds for failure to provide us accurate information.

#### CANCELLATIONS

If the minimum enrollment is not met for a class to be held, you will be notified by phone or email within three business days of the class start date. You will be refunded for any class cancellations in full.

#### INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF

Our instructors are here to share with you a skill, talent, or expertise that they possess. The opinions shared by the instructors are not necessarily the opinions of the Lewiston-Porter Central School District. Instructors are not required to be certified teachers, although they many possess certifications in their own fields of expertise.

#### **ONLINE POLICY**

Lewiston-Porter is committed to providing the best educational online opportunities to our community.

Students should be mindful about activities that could potentially be heard/ seen during the use of video conferencing. When not interacting with the class, students should mute their microphone to avoid background noise disrupting the class.

You may join meetings without sharing your video/audio. You may join just to listen and can toggle the audio or video on and off when you need to participate, if you so choose.

You are not permitted to take photos, screenshots, or screen recordings of any kind during the class unless the instructor gives permission to do so.

Depending on the device that you are using, you may need to download the free Zoom Cloud meeting app and/or the Google Meet app. Your instructor will send you a link via email to invite you to the class within 6 hours of the start time.



## LEWISTON-PORTER COMMUNITY EDUCATION SPRING 2021 REGISTRATION FORM

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# Registration

Please Print			
First Name: Last Nam	Last Name:		
Street Address:			
City: State:	: Zip:		
Student Email: Contact	Contact Phone:		
** Please fill out a separate form for students who are attending a class with an ac	lult/guardian, whe	ere applicable. F	Please submit forms together.
By Mail: Please Mail your check or money order to: Lewiston-Porter CSD Commu Online: Visit www.lew-port.coursestorm.com to register			
Online Course Name	Date Course Begins	Class Fee	Total
1.		\$	\$
2.		\$	\$
3.		\$	\$
4.		\$	\$
5.		\$	\$
Please include your payment made payable to: Lewiston-Porter CSD		Total Due	\$
I have read and will abide by the policies of the Lewiston-Porter CSD Community Educat deadlines outlined on page 6. I also acknowledge that I am 18 years old or more.	ion Program. I fully	understand the	policies, procedures and
Signature	Date		
WAIVER AND RELEASE OF AL			
This agreement is between and the Lewiston-P School District Community Education Program, its Community Education Coordinator, its Commu guests, and affiliated organizations.)	orter Central School		
The participant will be participating in the following Community Education activities and/or class	es:		
I hereby state that does not have any ailments participating in the specified activities and/or classes. I understand that there is a risk of injury in hereby accept and assume all risks inherent in the specified Community Education classes and/or responsibility for any losses, property damage, or personal injuries sustained in the specified activ Lewiston-Porter Central School District from any and all claims, demands, actions and costs that	activities. I undertak vities and/or classes.	e this activity at m I further agree to	ny own risk. I voluntarily assume full hold harmless and indemnify the
In consideration for the opportunity to participate in the Lewiston-Porter Central School District I hereby release the Lewiston-Porter Central School District, its Board of Education members (in t from any and all liability, claims, costs, expenses, attorney fees, demands, actions, and causes of injuries (including death) that may be sustained during participation in the Lewiston-Porter Centr of where the classes and/or activities are conducted.	heir official and unof action, whatsoever, a	ficial capacities), i rising out of or rel	ts employees, and its volunteers ated to any losses, damages, or
I further agree that the Lewiston-porter Central School District will not be liable to me for any da from any cause whatsoever, including but not limited to the negligence of the Lewiston-Porter Ce Community Education Program, its Community Education Coordinator, its Community Education i affiliated organizations.	ntral School District,	the Lewiston Por	ter Central School District
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# Are you a hobbyist, instructor or expert in your field?

The Lewiston-Porter Community Education Department is currently recruiting instructors for our Fall/Winter 2021 Program. Please email Anita Muzzi at amuzzi@lew-port.com for more information on becoming part of our exciting team!