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Mission Statement

Lutheran High School Westland is committed to providing a Christ-centered education that equips students *spiritually, intellectually, socially, and physically* for the future and challenges them to a life of service for Christ Jesus.

SPRINGTIME
*a time
for growth
in season
and spirit.*

Newsletter

May 2009

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 2009

Commencement and Baccalaureate Service
Friday, June 5, 2009
7:00 p.m.
West Gymnasium
Lutheran High School Westland
Admission by ticket only.
Doors open @ 6:00pm.

Graduates will be given **15** tickets (10 chair and 5 bleacher) at graduation rehearsal in late May.

Families who need extra tickets
should ask classmates for unused tickets.

COURSE REQUESTS 2009- 10

Course requests for next school year will be sent home for parent signatures in May.
Please return signed request sheets to the office before final exams.

REGISTRATION FORMS FOR 2009-2010

There are just a few current students who have not registered for the 2009-2010 school year.

- The registration fee is \$250 until June 30th
- The fee will increase to \$300 on July 1st.

A new registration card must be filled out each year and accompany the registration fee. These cards are available in the school office. If you have any questions about re-enrolling your student, please contact the school office. Financial aid forms are also available in the school office.

Lutheran High School Westland is committed to providing a safe and healthy environment for our students and faculty.

The Center for Disease Control and Prevention has issued the following recommendations:

- Wash hands often with soap and water
- Cover the nose and mouth with a tissue when coughing and sneezing
- Dispose of dirty tissues promptly and carefully
- Avoid sharing cups and glasses
- Stay home when sick to prevent the spread of the illness

If your student exhibits flu-like symptoms that include fever, cough, body aches, headache, chills, fatigue and sore throat, **please keep them home**. It is extremely important to limit their contact with other people as much as possible

A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Reminder:
Sports physicals for
2009-10
must be given
on or after
April 15, 2009

**BACK
TO
BASICS**



THINKING AHEAD

All students participating in a gym class or a sports team during the 2009-2010 school year must have a new physical form turned in to the office before school begins or before fall sports try-outs. This physical must be taken after **April 15, 2009**. Forms are available in the office or download a form under the FORMS tab @ www.lhwl.lhsa.com

Getting your 09-10 sports physical done in late April or May will help you avoid the last minute rush in July and August!

BACK TO BASICS TOURS

Lutheran High School Westland is hosting Back to Basic Tours. The purpose of these tours is to share with family and friends the ministry of Lutheran High School Westland. Tours start at 11:00 am on Wednesday, May 13th and 27th and at 6:30 pm on Thursday, May 28th and Monday, June 8th. Tours last about fifty minutes Call the school office today and sign up for a tour that fits in your schedule.

SPRING SPORTS RECOGNITION

The SPRING SPORTS RECOGNITION AWARDS will be held **Monday, June 1 at 6:30 p.m.** in the West Gym for all students who participated in Track and Field, Varsity Softball, JV & Varsity Baseball and Girls' Soccer.

SPRING CONCERT

The Spring Concert will be held on **Saturday, May 9 at 7:00 p.m.** The evening will include performances by the Concert Choir, Mixed Chorus, Chamber Singers Concert Band, and others.

You are invited and encouraged to come out and support the music department in their final concert of the 2008-2009 school year!



MAY LUNCH MENU

The May lunch menu will be posted week by week in the lunch room. It can also be found listed in the Weekly Bulletin, which is posted on the counter in the school office.

SUMMER SCHOOL

Students who received an "F" for either the first or second semester must make up this credit in summer school. When making your summer school plans, be sure to check with the Guidance Office **BEFORE** enrolling in the courses. We can only approve credits earned in summer school that have been approved in advance by our Guidance Office.

SERVICE HOURS FOR NEXT YEAR

Just a reminder that any summer volunteer church and community service hours can be applied for the 2009 – 2010 school year. So, help out with VBS or other summer projects and finish your 20 service hours before school even begins! Students in the Westland area who would be interested in earning service hours by becoming a Teen Volunteer at the Public Library of Westland can call 734-326-6123 for more information.

FALL CHEERLEADING TRYOUTS

Tryouts for Fall Cheerleading will be held on Monday, May 18 through Thursday, May 21, 2009 from 6:00 – 8:00 pm. A mandatory parent/cheerleader meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 13, 2009 at 7:00 pm. All cheerleaders are required to attend with their parent. Cuts will be made for Varsity only. If you are participating in a spring sport, please let the cheerleading coaches know if any games or meets conflict with tryouts. Please remember that your spring sport is the priority and every effort will be made to work around your schedule.



FINAL EXAMS

FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE

Seniors: Senior Exams will be given
Wed., May 27th – Friday, May 29th.
Seniors will be given information
regarding final exams and graduation.

Underclassmen: The exam schedule for
grades 9 - 11 is listed below:

Tuesday, June 2

½ day class schedule periods 1-8	7:55-12:00
Lunch	12:00-12:40
Religion Exam	12:45 - 2:15
Locker Check	2:15 - 2:30

Wednesday, June 3

Science	8:30 – 10:00
Social Studies	10:15 – 11:45

Thursday, June 4

English	8:30 – 10:00
Spanish	10:15 – 11:45

Friday, June 5

Math	8:30 – 10:00
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Please note: All financial obligations **MUST** be met **BEFORE** exams will be given. Students **must** have their 20 hours of service completed and verified before exams. There is **NO-MAKE UP** date for **UNEXCUSED** absences or failure to meet financial obligations. Doctor’s appointments must be planned around the student’s exam schedule. Vacations will not be excused for exam days.

Guidance News



JUNIORS – ACT RETAKES

Juniors may retake the ACT on Sat June 13. Students create a profile and sign-up at www.actstudent.org and pay by credit card. Students may select just the ACT or the ACT plus Writing.

SENIORS – PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP

Students must certify their MI Promise Scholarship online to have the award appear on their 09-10 financial aid package. The student must enter their PIN which was sent in the original award letter from Lansing.

Certification website: <https://treas-secure.state.mi.us/michiganpromise/index.aspx>

For more information on the Michigan Promise scholarship, contact the Office of Scholarships and Grants toll-free at 1-888-4-GRANTS (888-447-2687) or e-mail osg@michigan.gov.

HOW TO SUCCEED IN COLLEGE

- **Manage your time wisely** - Keep a planner, and attend classes regularly.
- **Develop good study habits** - Participate in study groups whenever possible. One hour of studying in the morning is worth two hours in the evening.
- **Complete work assignments** - Turn in assignments that are neat and legible.
- **Get involved on campus** - People who get involved in campus activities are more likely to be successful and are happier with their college experience.
- **Know your resources** - Become familiar with your campus and its facilities. Get to know your professors, advisors, resident assistants (RA's), and administrators.
- **Take care of yourself** - On the average, freshmen gain fifteen pounds their first year--be sure to eat right and exercise. Being well-rested helps your concentration and increases memory retention--be sure to get a good night's sleep every night.
- **Take safety precautions** - Do not walk alone at night. Always walk in well-lit, well-populated areas, and be aware of your surroundings. Avoid shortcuts and use security escorts whenever possible.
- **Set goals for yourself** - Set short-term and long-term goals. This will help you accomplish tasks in an organized and timely manner.
- **Learn to say "NO"** - Do not take on more responsibilities than you can handle. Avoid a heavy course load, too many extracurricular activities, too many social events, and too many hours at work. Balance is the key!

Booster News

SCRIP The last day to order SCRIP before the summer break is Tuesday, May 19. The orders will be ready for distribution on Tuesday, May 26. SCRIP will resume taking orders again on Tuesday, September 1st. Forms are available in the school office.

HELP!!! We need people to help in the concession stand for the WLAL Lutheran Grade School Track Meet. This meet is scheduled for Friday, May 8th beginning at 4:00 pm. This would be a great opportunity for those parents that have younger children in grade school to help support LHWL and your Lutheran Grade School at the same time! Please call Chris Bos at 248-960-9304 and volunteer to help for an hour or two. Thank you for your help!

GRADUATION: Please consider working the parking lot at the graduation ceremony, which will be held in the west gymnasium here at the high school on Friday, June 5. With so many families attending, parking coordinators are very important in making this a happy, incident-free evening. Please call Jack Schwartz at 734-422-6125 to volunteer. A reception is held following the graduation ceremonies for all those in attendance. The **Junior class** families have traditionally helped the Boosters in planning this reception! So Junior families...please call Jeanette Walters at 734-634-8473 and ask how you can help! Please consider helping to provide cookies/bars, or set up and serve for this special occasion!!!

REMEMBER: Please remember the Gordon Food Service program as you are preparing for graduation parties. LHWL benefits from this program and all you have to do is shop for items that you will be using anyway! Simply mention that you are from Lutheran High Westland when you check out.

BOOSTERS MEMBERSHIP: Any person who has an interest in Lutheran High School Westland is eligible to become a member of its Booster Organization. If you are a parent of a LHWL student, you are automatically a member. Booster members are encouraged to attend the annual Booster Membership meeting held with the Spring Sports Recognition Night on Monday, June 1 at 6:30 pm. Members are entitled to vote for Booster Officers at that meeting.

Upcoming Events

Friday, May 8	WLAL Grade School Track Meet	
Saturday, May 9	Spring Concert	7:00 p.m.
Friday, May 15	Spring Play <i>"The Musical Murder</i>	7:00 p.m.
Saturday, May 16	<i>Comedy of 1940"</i>	7:00 p.m.
Monday, May 25	No School – Memorial Day	
Wed. 5/27 – Fri 5/29	Senior Exams	
Thursday, May 28	LHSA Delegate Meeting @ LHWL	7:30 p.m.
Monday, June 1	Spring Sports Recognition	6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, June 2	Religion Final following ½ day classes Dismissal at 2:30 p.m.	
Wed. 6/3 – Fri 6/5	Finals for grades 9-11 See final exam schedule in newsletter	
Friday, June 5	Last Day of School	
Friday, June 5	Commencement and Baccalaureate Service <i>Admission by Ticket only</i>	7:00 p.m.
Saturday, June 13	ACT Test at LHWL	8:00 a.m.
Thursday, June 18	8 th Annual Lutheran Westland Open at St. John's Golf & Conference Center	