



Lodi Flames

NEWSLETTER

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Unified Sports

Recognizing a need for unity amongst peers, Lodi High School, in conjunction with the Northern California Special Olympics, created the Unified Sports League for Lodi Unified School District. This league joins students with and without disabilities and allows them to compete as teammates in basketball games held with other comprehensive high schools in the district. The most recent game was held at Lodi High School with the Lodi Flames taking on the McNair Eagles. Other contests have been held at both Bear Creek and Tokay High. The culminating showcase for all four teams in the district will take place on **Thurs., Feb. 14, 2019** at Lodi High.

Many thanks to Lodi Unified Adapted PE Specialist Jon Grim, Lodi High Assistant Principal Erin Aitken, Lodi High SH Teacher Arne Larson, Lodi High Student Government Advisor Tammy Boschee, and her students, for their efforts in making this program's inaugural year a success.



Principal's Message



Well, here we are—just like that—nearing the half-line of this short 3rd quarter. Before you know it we'll be wrapping this up and looking forward to 4th quarter and the home stretch. I do hope this newsletter finds you and your LHS student doing well. The majority of our 2,150 students seem adjusted to school and happy (as “happy” as one can be in school) but I know as well as anyone that looks can be deceiving. Teenagers have this unique ability to give you a big smile and a thumbs-up even when they are struggling with pressures, either at home or at school. I love their optimism! Please remember that we have resources to help students who are struggling academically, or in their working relationships with staff or their peers here at LHS. So by all means, please access those as the need arises. More than anything, though, a kid's frame of mind and success at school is most dependent on the stability and care they get from parents and family. That's an area the school can't reach, nor would we pretend that this aspect is within our jurisdiction. So continue to love on them, support them, and hold them accountable where that needs to happen (limiting their phone and Social Media time is a good start!)

As you know we found ourselves having to cancel the Lodi High Legacy Dinner Dance. Looking back on it, the idea to do this happened too late to succeed. We gave it a go nonetheless, and discovered that there just wasn't enough time to generate sufficient interest, or schedule an ideal date. So we reluctantly had to pass this year. Having said that, the template is there for the school and Parent Club to take another run at it. It promises great fun for a worthy cause. So be thinking ahead for next year.

We continue to be very happy with the added security provided by the perimeter fencing/gates initiated last October. Thanks for your patience, also; it is certainly less convenient to access our campus than it used to be, but then again, in our current social climate, that's the point. The system has served to successfully intercept the occasional adult or non-LHS student who otherwise would have simply strolled on in—not what we want. Our kids have adapted quickly and well with the need to present ID cards to enter the campus. They do understand the increased safety this brings to everyone.

While we're on safety, we recently held a seminar of sorts, a show-and-tell of Vape paraphernalia. The problem is no worse at Lodi High than any other public high school, but it certainly is a problem. The most disturbing aspect of this is the number of “good” kids who wind up getting into this without their parents knowledge. So educate yourself on the subject (Google it and a wealth of reliable sources pop right up), and don't make the mistake of simply assuming it could never happen to your kid.

Last, for parents of Seniors who have signed up for the Disneyland trip, we are following up with every Senior who has placed a deposit to hold their place, to make sure they understand **March 8** is the deadline to pay in full, or their place will be taken by a student on the wait list. We are also reviewing the other expectations (discipline, grades, cleared attendance) that are stipulations of the contract. We expect to have a great time, and look forward to taking everyone on May 18.

That's all for now. Thanks for letting us share your terrific kids, and partnering with us to ensure a successful experience at Lodi High.

Until next time,

Bob Lofsted, Principal

WINTERFEST



Winterfest was announced! All the candidates were taken from class and surprised by Student Government and treated to donuts!

The queen nominees were Marissa Fabian, Megan Kim, Madison Liu, Quinn Schwabauer and Madeline Woznick. Our king nominees were Nevan Bell, Alexander Elrod, Ethan Pipkin, Colton Stout and Samuel Wright.

Congratulations to the winners, **King Samuel Wright** and **Queen Madeline Woznick**. The winners were announced during the halftime of the LHS Winterfest basketball game. Fun times!



COLLEGE *and* CAREER

FOR SENIORS:

ALL seniors should submit a FAFSA - Free Application for Federal Student Aid. **Don't count yourself out! You must submit a FAFSA to be considered for financial aid, including grants, scholarships and loans. Financial aid can help pay costs of 2 and 4-year colleges and career-technical schools.**

Learn more at www.calgrants.org , www.studentaid.ed.gov and www.finaid.org , www.fafsa.ed.gov .

Seniors and parent(s) must apply for a Federal Student ID prior to filing a FAFSA - <https://fsaid.ed.gov/> . The FSA ID number allows you to provide an electronic signature on the FAFSA. Find out more at: www.fafsa.ed.gov , www.finaid.org and www.calgrants.org .

Families should file a FAFSA as early as possible beginning October 1 using 2017 tax information. Early applicants have a better chance of getting maximum grant and scholarship awards. **Current seniors will complete the 2019-20 FAFSA.** (Students may apply for funding for 2019 summer school by filing a 2018-19 FAFSA.) **There is NO cost to apply for financial aid. DO NOT PAY ANY FEES TO FILE A FAFSA.**

March 2 – Cal Grant deadline – must file a FAFSA by 3/2 and list a California school **first** to be considered for a Cal Grant. www.calgrants.org www.csac.ca.gov **Cal Grants pay \$13,000+ per year.**

Find out if you will receive a Cal Grant by creating a *WebGrants for Students* account at: <https://mygrantinfo.csac.ca.gov/>

\$\$\$\$ FAFSA = FREE MONEY \$\$\$\$

Upcoming Events

February 13 – ASVAB Career Exploration Exam – 10th-12th only, periods 1-5, sign up in Library (Career Center Table)

February 14 – Delta College Overview & Workshop – 5th & 6th period – SENIORS ONLY

February 15 – CHP / Law Enforcement Presentation – 6th period

SENIORS – Don't forget to fill out a **Senior Scholarship Data Sheet**. Our scholarship committee will use the data sheet to choose recipients for our local scholarships —*available in the Career Center.*

\$\$\$ Dozens of **scholarships** are listed in Naviance – Please check there regularly as they are constantly updating. Money is available to help pay for education at 2 or 4-year colleges and career-technical schools. Scholarships are awarded based on GPA, college plans, hobbies, community service, academics, obstacles overcome, ethnicity, parents' employment, and more. A lot of money is available for students whose career plans do not require a 4-year college degree. There are many high-paying careers that only require an Associates degree or a certificate.

student.naviance.com/lulodihigh - use your google docs username & password for log-in.

Stop by and check out all the re\$ources available to you in the Career Center.

Spring Sports Flame

It is pouring rain outside, and Spring Sports are already underway as Winter Sports are finishing up.

Lodi Flames Winter Sports Teams saw their share of ups and downs. The biggest up is in **Boys and Girls Soccer**. As of now, both are making a strong push towards a playoff spot. The boys' team has rallied around first year coach, Pedro Duran, and the girls' team has overcome preseason uncertainties to finish the season with a bunch of wins. All of this was accomplished despite having to play the majority of the league schedule away from Lodi High. Both these teams overcame this obstacle and are doing great.

For those of you who made it to a basketball game or wrestling match this season, you noticed the new mural on the front of **Mehleis Gym**. "The Inferno" looks great and there have been many compliments about it.

Both the **Boys and Girls Basketball** teams had some new competition in league. Another school joined the TCAL and made the league very difficult. The Girls Team were in the hunt for a playoff spot until the very end of the season, but look to have come up a bit short. This isn't due to a lack of effort, so kudos for giving it your all girls. The Boys basketball Team started a bit of a streak to end their season with a win over Lincoln. Today is the final game of the season and the boys will bring their best to beat their cross-town rivals. Hopefully the momentum they have created will carry over into the off-season and next year.

Wrestling just finished their TCAL League Tourney and although numbers were low and a team championship was not possible, 20 athletes are moving on to Divisionals and Regionals. Our grapplers are to be commended for working hard throughout the season and earning this trip to the post-season.

Our Winter Sports athletes continue to put academics first. Out of nearly 200 winter athletes, 96% remained academically eligible, and the average athlete GPA was an outstanding 3.32. The highest GPAs belong to **Mecina Olsen, Anna Spaletta, Brendon Duran, Eder Yopez-Cuevas, and Andreas Pappas**. Congrats to each of you for setting the academic bar so high.

Spring Sports are just getting started as teams maneuver the rain to hold try-outs. Many teams are training hard to repeat last season's success or to improve upon last season's records. Either way, there is something for everyone in the spring. Badminton, Baseball, Boys Golf, Softball, Swimming, Boys Tennis, and Track are all beginning. For those of you just ending your sideline cheerleading season, check out the newest sport on campus: **Competitive Sport Cheer, also known as STUNT. The first home competition will take place on March 5th and will have free admission.**

For those of you still needing clearance packets or any athletic information, check out the athletics link on the Lodi High Website.

Robert Winterhalter, Athletic Director

Stayci Loya-Barnhart, Athletic Secretary & New office location by the Library
(209) 331-7666

Office Hours: 7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (may vary on game days)

**School Gates open at 3:30 p.m. for car access to South parking lot*

LHS CLUBS



Cheer & Drill Tryouts

CHEER TRYOUTS

CLINIC: May 7, 8, 9
TRYOUTS: May 10

For all grades
(including incoming fresh)

DRILL TRYOUTS

CLINIC: May 14, 15, 16
TRYOUTS: May 17

Juniors/Seniors only

Cheer & Drill tryouts are fast approaching! To try out for either squad, a parent and participating student must attend ONE of the following **MANDATORY** meetings. **All grades** (including incoming freshman) can attend either cheer meeting, dated **Wed. March 6** OR **Thurs., March 28**. Sophomores and Juniors (**only**) can attend one of two meetings offered for Drill on **Tues., March 5** or **Wed., March 27**. Cheer & Drill meetings will be held @ 6:30 p.m. in the Meehleis Gym. **Failure to attend one of the meetings will disqualify your student from tryouts.**

All students must have cleared attendance 3rd qtr., a 2.0 GPA, and return a signed cheer or drill booklet (no exceptions), to tryout for the 19/20 cheer or drill teams. Cheer or Drill booklets will be available for pick up at the mandatory meetings.



1st Annual TACKLE SWAP MEET & SALE

~ OPEN TO THE PUBLIC ~

WHERE: South Gym, Lodi High School, 3 S. Pacific Ave., Lodi, CA

WHEN: Saturday, March 30, 2019

Set-up @ 8 a.m. ~ Event from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

COST: \$35 per space; Tables & chairs provided for the first 30 spaces reserved.

CONTACT: Nick Welton @ (209) 329-4965 to reserve your spot today!

AP Team

LODI HIGH SCHOOL AP TEAM PRESENTS

TEAM TRIVIA NIGHT


GET YOUR THINK ON!

SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 2019
6:00-8:30
HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS, LODI

\$20.00 per person or \$70.00 for a team of 4
Pasta dinner, prizes, silent auction and dessert auction!
Proceeds will help LHS Advanced Placement students pay for AP Exams

What is the largest freshwater lake in the world?

What color is a Himalayan poppy?



Lake Superior

Blue

Tickets can be purchased from the fee window at Lodi High until February 22nd

Questions? Contact Beth Oesterman
boesterman@lodiusd.net

*This is a non-alcoholic event

Deadline to buy tickets is Fri., Feb. 22!

FFA



Lodi FFA has been shining in student accomplishments and achievements. FFA members can earn degrees as they progress through the phases of their leadership, academic and career skills development. The Greenhand Degree and Chapter Degree are all earned at the chapter level. 77 first year FFA members met all the requirements for their Greenhand FFA Degree and 62 second year members met all the requirements to receive their Chapter FFA Degree. California State FFA Association recognized their top members with the golden charm of the State FFA Degree. Applications for 17 members of the Lodi FFA were submitted and approved. A formal ceremony will be held March 12 at Delta College at 6:00 p.m. Recipients must meet stringent guidelines including record keeping, investments and leadership skills and abilities. Lodi FFA sincerely hopes that the students continue to work towards the highest accolade, the golden charm of the American FFA Degree.

Lodi FFA Chapter hosted their 2019 Annual Crab Feed. This crab feed helps with scholarships for active senior students.

Lodi FFA is roaring up for another year of Career Development Events and fair projects. Ten members will represent Lodi FFA at the State FFA Leadership Conference in Anaheim this year and learn how to Believe and Lead!

FX Club

FX Club meets on Thursdays in room 10C, after school, for all interested in foreign exchange and cultures.

Recent meetings include international games, presentations, chocolate tastings, and poster-making for German classes next year.

Stop by room 10C for information. All students are welcome!



Department NEWS

NorCal Science Festival

The Northern California Science Festival was held recently and fun was had by all! Here are a few pictures showing kids/ students the storm drain model and how pollution affects the Mokelumne River and Lodi Lake. The event was a huge success as students enjoyed all the hands-on activities including robotics, coding, chemistry, etc.!



Art Department

IT'S ARTAPALOOZA!

ART

BAND

CHOIR

DRAMA

FASHION

INDUSTRIAL ARTS

FOOD

Free!

Tuesday
April 23rd
Lodi High School
Dance Room and North Gym
4:00 - 8:00
LHS Jazz Ensemble
4:00-4:45 pm
LHS Theater
5:00-5:45 pm
LHS Choir
6:00-6:45 pm

Celebrating
the Creative Arts
at Lodi High!

Butte County Fire Drive

The Lodi High community never ceases to amaze! Thank you to everyone who contributed to the drive for the Butte Fire victims. Due to all the amazing support from our students, staff, and Lodi High families, we were able to raise \$1,600.00 in change and \$500.00 in gift cards to make a total of \$2,100.00! We also had a truck and trailer load full of new items such as toiletries, blankets, pillows, food, new clothes, and baby necessities! Thank you Beth Oesterman and the STAR club for putting together the change drive!

Officer Katzakian and Officer Siria (both LHS parents) put us in contact with Lieutenant Yeager of Butte County CHP and we were able to give her the majority of our gift cards. She was able to give them to families and first responders, who have also lost their homes. She was overwhelmed with emotion when we gave her the gift cards and some of the pillows and blankets, since some of the officers, that lost their homes, are still working up there and having to sleep in their cars. Link Crew's handmade blankets, that were made last year, brought tears to her eyes. She personally delivered them to two families, who have children with special needs, that had lost everything.

We took the rest of the supplies and gift cards to the Oroville Hope Center, which is the main distribution center for all of the evacuation centers, churches, and a place where residents who have lost their homes can come pick up any needed supplies. They were very grateful for our donations. Thank you Lodi high and community!



SENIOR CLASS

GRADUATION

Graduation Day: Friday, May 31

Spanos Center, UOP, 7 p.m.

Seniors need to order their cap and gown now at www.GraduationOrder.com using password **lhs209**. Seniors can either buy or borrow a cap and gown package. You cannot use caps or gowns prior to 3 years ago as this is a different company and the color is different.



GRAD DATES

March 8 – Last day to make final payment for Disneyland trip, (no exceptions).

March 8 – Last day to purchase Senior Ad for the yearbook, see below for pricing.

March 25 – Yearbook price increases to \$80

April 27 – Prom

May 16 – Senior Awards Night

May 18-19 – Disneyland Trip

May 30 – Grad Prac., Meehleis, 9:30 am

May 31 – Grad Prac., UOP, 10:45 a.m.

May 31 – GRADUATION, UOP, 7 p.m.

May 31 – Sober Grad Night Party, 10:30 pm



senior ads
now on sale



Get your yearbook now! Purchase a keepsake of your high school days and all the memories you won't want to forget. **Price for a yearbook is now \$75. After Spring Break, on 3/25, the yearbook price increases to \$80.** So get yours today at the Fee Window.

Senior Farewell AD sale deadline has been extended until Friday, March 8. Please note that space is limited and spaces are allotted on a first come, first served basis!

Senior AD Prices are as follows: **Full Page \$300** (8.5" w x 10.5" h); **Half Page \$200** (8.5" w x 2.5" h); **Quarter Page \$125** (4" w x 5.25" h); **Eighth Page \$85** (4" w x 2.5" h)

Welcome Lodi High Family!

Celebrate your memories, showcase life's moments or create personalized gifts!



Visit our site!
CLINK OUR LINK @
lodihigh.shutterflystorefront.com

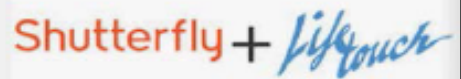
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8% of your purchase will be donated to LHS!



*Order from Shutterfly or Tiny Prints.
*Coupon codes apply.
*Make sure your cookies are enabled.
*Shutterfly app orders do not qualify.
*Lifetouch photo orders are not accepted.
*Fundraiser is all year.

Order stylish cards and gifts while raising money for your child's school. Personalized gifts are a great idea for everyone, including graduating seniors! All proceeds to fund Lodi High School student programs.



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PHONE NUMBERS

SCHOOL NUMBERS

School Number:	331-7676
Attendance :	331-7777
Attendance:	331-7781
Athletics:	331-7666
Cafeteria:	331-7717
Career Center:	331-7702
Comm. Liaison, <i>español</i> :	331-7783
Fee Window:	331-7730
Library:	331-7698
Migrant Ed.:	331-7704
Registrar:	331-7700
Speech Therapist:	331-7708
Testing:	331-7695
Work Permits:	331-7676
<i>Teacher Messages:</i>	<i>331-7730</i>

Grade Level Secretaries

9th grade, Ms. Hausauer	331-7695
10th grade, Ms. West	331-7819
11th grade, Ms. Sauseda	331-7650
12th grade, Ms. Yanez	331-7676

Counselors

Rosa Campa (A-C):	331-7678
Michelle Cortez (D-Hern):	331-7672
Nicole Rosado (Herr-Mor):	331-7655
Irene Guerin (Mos-Sand):	331-7674
Lyndon Blodgett (Sane-Z):	331-7671

Common Planning Days

February 13

April 10

May 15

**Early Dismissal is at 11:40 a.m.*

COMMON PLANNING DAY SCHEDULE

Period 1	7:20-7:57	37
Period 2	8:04-8:44	40
Period 3	8:51-9:28	37
Period 4	9:35-10:12	37
Period 5	10:19-10:56	37
Period 6	11:03-11:40	37
Lunch/Dismissal	11:40	30
Buses Arrive	12:10	

School will be closed for a Holiday,
Washington's Birthday, on Mon., Feb. 18.

We will also be closed for

**Spring Break from
March 11-March 22, 2019**

School resumes Mon., March 25, 2019.



We're on the Web!
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