

Coyote Call

FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 2020

A PERSONAL NOTE

Today marks my one year anniversary at Lakewood Creek. I want to thank you all for welcoming and supporting me. I've done a lot of reflecting as I think about this anniversary. I am so grateful for the opportunity to work with an amazing school community. I'm incredibly proud of our staff who work so hard to do what's right for kids. Thank you, parents, for reaching out when you have questions or concerns. I appreciate the open dialog and willingness to problem solve. Thank you also for calling or emailing to get clarification on your concerns. I know we won't *a/ways* agree, but I understand the value of a good debate. I know it is only through disagreements and challenges to our own thinking that we grow. Thank you for helping me grow.

TRIVIA

How did you do with last week's trivia? Here is some more for you. Answers can be found below.

- 1) How many devices in SD308 are no longer supported and need replacement?
- 2) What is the demographic information for our SD308 families?
- 3) What is the retention rate of teachers in SD308?
- 4) What percent of teachers in SD308 have a Master's Degree or higher?
- 5) How much money has been recovered through cuts or increased revenue since 2016?

EVERY FRIDAY IS SPIRIT DAY! WEAR LAKEWOOD CREEK SHIRTS!

Plan ahead! Graduating seniors who are alumni of LC are welcome to return for an Alumni Walk on 5/15/20 from 2:00-3:00. Please RSVP to vhostert@sd308.org or tfreundt@sd308.org.



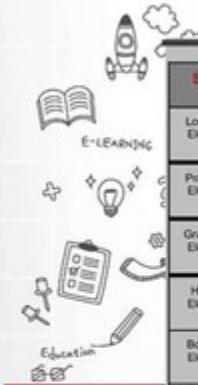
2020

Elementary Alumni Walk

Attention OHS and OEHS 2020 Graduating Seniors!

Our elementary schools are inviting you back for the
Elementary Alumni Walk

Bring your Cap and Gown



RSVP:
Name
University
College
Military Branch
Trade School
Career Choice
etc.

**Bring
Cap & Gown**

School	Date	Time	PARENTS/GUARDIANS WELCOME
Long Beach Elementary	Tuesday, May 12	3:00 (arrive at 2:45)	RSVP: mhenrich@sd308.org or ecork@sd308.org by May 8 Include/Bring: Sign indicating your name/university/college/military branch/trade school/career/etc.
Prairie Point Elementary	Wednesday, May 13	3:15 (arrive at 3:00)	RSVP: kmarina@sd308.org or rlpouch@sd308.org by May 11 Bring: Sign indicating your name/university/college/military branch/trade school/career/etc.
Grande Park Elementary	Thursday, May 14	2:00 (arrive at 1:45)	RSVP: mteagan@sd308.org by May 11 Include/Bring: Sign indicating your name/university/college/military branch/trade school/career/etc.
Hunt Club Elementary	Friday, May 15	3:00 (arrive at 2:45)	RSVP: daylor@sd308.org by May 8 Include/Bring: Sign indicating your name/university/college/military branch/trade school/career/etc. fail
Boulder Hill Elementary	Friday, May 15	3:15 (arrive at 3:00)	RSVP: mouch@sd308.org by May 4 Include/Bring: Sign indicating your name/university/college/military branch/trade school/career/etc., and photo id
Churchill Elementary	Friday, May 15	3:00 (arrive after 2:45)	RSVP: pearl@sd308.org by May 11 Include/Bring: Sign indicating your name/university/college/military branch/trade school/career/etc.
Fox Chase Elementary	Friday, May 15	3:00pm (arrive at 2:45)	RSVP: demont@sd308.org by May 8 Include/Bring: Sign indicating your name/university/college/military branch/trade school/career/etc.
Homestead Elementary	Friday, May 15	2:15 PM (arrive at 2:00)	RSVP: dmatson@sd308.org by May 11 Include/Bring: Sign indicating your name/university/college/military branch/trade school/career/etc.
Lakewood Elementary	Friday, May 15	2:00 (arrive at 1:45)	RSVP: jhopson@sd308.org by May 11 Include/Bring: Sign indicating your name/university/college/military branch/trade school/career/etc.
Old Post Elementary	Friday, May 15	TBD	RSVP: mlecker@sd308.org by May 8 Include in RSVP: Your name/university/college/military branch/trade school/career/etc. SIGNS WILL BE MADE FOR YOU.
Southbury Elementary	Friday, May 15	3:00 (arrive at 2:45)	RSVP: pharis@sd308.org by May 1 Include/Bring: Sign indicating your name/university/college/military branch/trade school/career/etc. Please also email parent/guardian name/email address.
The Wheatlands	Friday, May 15	2:30 (arrive at 2:15)	RSVP: mgarth@sd308.org by May 13 Include/Bring: Sign indicating your name/university/college/military branch/trade school/career/etc.
Wolf's Crossing Elementary	Friday, May 15	2:00 (arrive at 1:45)	RSVP: sbrokaw@sd308.org by May 11 Include/Bring: Sign indicating your name/university/college/military branch/trade school/career/etc.

MONDAY, MARCH 9TH IS AN 'E' DAY FOR SPECIALS.

SAY SOMETHING!

Just as we have encouraged our students to Say Something, we encourage our families to do the same. You can have your voice heard by voting on Tuesday, March 17. Also, be sure to participate in the Census 2020.

Every voice matters!



DO YOU HAVE A COLLEGE DEGREE?


You can apply for a substitute teaching certificate. We are looking for substitute teachers and teaching assistants. If you have a teaching certificate, you can apply to sub. If you do not have a teaching certificate, take a look here to see the requirements to get a sub certificate:

<http://www.roe24.org/services/substitute-certificates/>

Once you have certification, you can apply here: <https://www.sd308.org/Page/1856>.

2020 REFERENDUM INFORMATION

<https://www.sd308.org/Page/22960>



Sophisticated Education

Updating software and hardware, supporting a stronger technology infrastructure, and putting additional devices in our schools provides students with opportunities to more efficiently research, explore, and engage.

A 50 cent per day investment* will allow the district to reduce class sizes, invest in curriculum and technology, maintain buildings and equipment...all helping to retain the district's top rated schools.

SD308
COMMUNITY UNIT
SCHOOL DISTRICT

* Based on a 200k Home Value

TRIVIA ANSWERS

- 1) Over 1200 technology devices currently have outdated operating systems. Another 5,800 will need to be replaced in two years. For example, here at LC, we have (and use) a full iPad cart of 36 devices. Those iPads are no longer able to update software, so many apps are unable to be used. It will cost Lakewood Creek around \$10,000 to replace the iPads in the cart. This does not include the iPads each classroom uses. Likewise, our projectors and doc cameras are all nearing end of life. We are trying to replace those only as needed, but it is another ongoing expense coming out of our building budget.
- 2) SD308 serves over 18,000 students, including 25% low income, 8% English Learners, 14% students with IEPs, 56% white, 22% Hispanic, 9% black, 7% Asian, 5% multi-racial, and 67 different languages are spoken!
- 3) SD308 has an 88% teacher retention rate. Our staff is dedicated!
- 4) 75% of teachers in SD308 have a Master's Degree or higher!
- 5) Long before budget reductions became public, SD308 implemented many cost-cutting measures. Through cuts or increased revenue, \$3,049,000 was saved in 2016, \$3,750,486 in 2017, \$6,323,654 in 2018, and \$2,756,281 in 2019. That's over \$15 million!!!

How did you do?

PLAN AHEAD!

Monday, March 9: Alma Mater Monday - wear college/career/tech/military clothes

Wednesday, March 11: IAR Testing begins for 5th grade

March 16-20: HSO Book Fair

Tuesday, March 17: No school, Election Day, go vote!!!

Wed/Thurs, March 18/19: Parent/Teacher Conferences, flexible hours

Monday, March 23 - Tuesday, March 31: Spring Break

Wednesday, April 1: IAR Testing begins for grades 3 & 4

Thursday, April 2: HSO Meeting, 7:00

Friday, April 10: No School

Monday, April 13: No School

Wednesday, April 22: Administrative Professionals Day - show some love to our office staff

Friday, April 24: Daddy/Daughter Dance, 6:30-8:00

May 4-8: Teacher Appreciation Week

Thursday, May 7: HSO Meeting, 7:00

Saturday, May 9: Lakewood Creek Cougars Game

Monday, May 11: Alma Mater Monday - wear college/career/tech/military clothes

Friday, May 15: Alumni Walk, 2:00

Thursday, May 21: Tentative Last Day of School

Monday, August 17: Preview Night, 5:30-7:00

Wednesday, August 19: First Day of School!

Thursday, September 3: Curriculum Night 6:00-7:30

HAVE YOU "LIKED" OUR FACEBOOK PAGE?

<https://facebook.com/lakewoodcreek308>

Give us a positive review while you're there!

HSO MEMBERSHIP TOOLKIT:

Did you sign up for the Membership Toolkit yet? Our amazing HSO will use Membership Toolkit this year for room parties, spirit wear sales, sign ups, volunteers, school directory, news, updates, and much more. Be sure to create your account at

<https://lakewoodcreekhso.membershiptoolkit.com/>



ABOUT LAKEWOOD CREEK

 Facebook

Lakewood Creek Elementary School, home of the Coyotes, is located in Montgomery, Illinois. It is part of Oswego School District 308. We proudly serve around 700 students.

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