



Superintendent
Dr. Judith DeMuth

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A Message from Dr. DeMuth

As school year 2005 – 2006 draws to a close, congratulations and best of luck to our LaPorte High School 2006 graduating seniors. We pay tribute to our Valedictorians and Salutatorians while we thank all of our families for the opportunity to serve their students. Congratulations and thanks to our many retirees for their dedicated service to our students, staff, and parents. While celebrating the success of our students and staff, we look forward with great anticipation to embarking upon our *Pathway to the Future* – the LaPorte Community School Corporation Strategic Plan, 2006 – 2011. Along with our Board of School Trustees and Central Office Administrative Team the strategic planning process was initiated in the fall of 2005.

During a series of meetings with the Board of School Trustees and Central Office Administrative Team, a draft copy of the corporation mission statement and core values was established to begin the process of soliciting input from students, staff, parents, service organizations, church groups, PTO/PTA organizations, business leaders and the community. After extensive input, the Board of School Trustees formally adopted the mission statement and core values at the regularly scheduled meeting on December 6, 2005, establishing the foundation for the development of a strategic plan. As a result of these same meetings, six categories were formulated: community/parents, safe schools, student achievement, technology, facilities, and perception/image. Six representative subcommittees involving over **100 people** were then

formed with students, staff, parents, business leaders, community members, service organizations, and clergy.

These subcommittees met several times during the winter months of the 2005-2006 school year and, based upon the information provided earlier from the various meetings, the subcommittees established goals that were identified as priorities to implement over the next five years. Following the development of each goal, research was conducted to formulate strategies that would support each. The subcommittee reports were recommended for final review and consideration to a district committee chaired by Dr. Dennis Shawver, Associate Superintendent. This district committee, made up of representatives from each of the subcommittees, was charged with the responsibility of reviewing

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Mission Statement for LaPorte Community School Corporation

The LaPorte Community Schools will be recognized among Indiana's highest achieving corporations by ensuring that all students reach their maximum academic potential, working in partnership with parents and the community to become productive and responsible citizens who are successful in a competitive global world.

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the goals and prioritizing such. After a **year-long process** and months of dedicated work, these priorities were recommended to the Superintendent and approved by the Board of School Trustees at the regularly scheduled meeting on May 16, 2006.

The final report adopted by the Board of School Trustees, establishes a ***Pathway to the Future*** that will ensure the best possible education for our students by challenging each individual academically and providing optimum opportunities for extra curricular involvement in a safe and well maintained environment. With approval

from the Board of School Trustees, there will be flexibility to adjust the order of ranking for implementation based upon the immediate needs of the corporation and financial resources available at the time.

On behalf of the Board of School Trustees, thank you to **over 1,000 people** who volunteered their time, energy, and expertise in providing direction for the completion of this most important task.

The accountability for reporting progress as we move forward through the implementation process will rest with

Dr. Dennis Shawver, Associate Superintendent, who will report to my office and the Board of School Trustees annually at regularly scheduled public meetings.

On behalf of the LaPorte Community School Corporation Board of School Trustees, have a safe and relaxing summer with your families as we prepare for the implementation of the LaPorte Community School Corporation Strategic Plan, 2006 – 2011, our ***Pathway to the Future***.

LPHS Students are State Finalist in English at Academic Super Bowl at Purdue

During this past April over five thousand Indiana high school students from over 295 high schools participated in the 20th Annual Hoosier Academic Super Bowl, Senior Division. For over ten years LaPorte High School has served as a host site of the area competition sponsored by the Indiana Association of School Principals and Purdue University. It is in the 18 area host sites, where the finalists are reduced to 720 students from 97 schools. I am pleased to indicate that LaPorte High School was one of those 97 schools!

On Saturday, May 6, 2006 our 2006 English team coached by Mrs. Sandy Olson and assisted by Mr. LeRoy Castle, teachers at LaPorte High School, participated as State Finalist in the Indiana Association of School Principals Academic Super Bowl at Purdue University at West Lafayette, Indiana. The team members were Kelsey Adams, Samuel Adams, Phillip Drayton, Michelle Landry, and Robbie Wedow. Designation as a State Finalist indicates that the team was one of the TOP EIGHT TEAMS in the State.

Competing for LaPorte High School in area competition was: Kelsey Adams, Samuel Adams, Brooke Baucom, Mara Cole, Andrew Cook, Josh Daisy, Phillip Drayton, Corey Kozachenko, Michelle Landry, Brian Liffick, Kyle Moelker, Danielle Raymond, Tricia Spevak, Saxon Stiller, Jenny Thomas, Robbie Wedow and Matt Whitacre. The LaPorte Super Bowl team was coached by LeRoy Castle, Jim Carter, Sandy Olson, Chris Thomas and Laura Krentz.

Future Problem Solvers are State Finalists

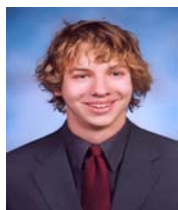
On Saturday, April 22, 2006, Paul F. Boston Middle School and LPHS Future Problem Solvers teams qualified to participate in the State competition. Congratulations to Boston Middle School's Future Problem Solvers Team and to the two teams from La Porte High School that qualified to compete at the State Level. Winning 2nd place in the Junior Division of the FPSP was Andrea Aragon, Shannon McGue, and Rachel Osborn, coached by Mrs. Laura Fortson.

For La Porte High School, three teams qualified for State Competition but only two were able to compete. Coach Kay Galey's FPSP Team members were; Kelsey Adams, Samuel Adams, Nicole Baker, Jane Barr, Lee Coates, Mara Cole, Renee DeCaro, Phillip Drayton, Corey Kozachenko, Brian Liffick, Kyle Moelker, Riley Rook, Saxon Stiller, Jennifer Thomas, and Robbie Wedow.

Valedictorians & Salutatorians

La Porte High School is pleased to announce this year's co-valedictorian and co-salutatorian candidates. The designation of valedictorian is given to those students who have achieved a perfect grade point average of 4.0 during high school and the salutatorian is the next student(s) in rank order.

This year's co-valedictorian candidates are:



Sam Adams, son of Thomas and Susan Adams. Sam plans on attending Indiana University to study physics and math.

He hopes to eventually become a physics experimentalist. Sam is a member of the National Honor Society, Tri-M Music Honor Society, and Band. He was a National Merit Scholarship Semi-Finalist and a Wells Scholarship Runner-up.



Brittney Belchior, daughter of Maynard and Peggy Searing. Brittney will attend Butler University to major in Business

Management and then move on to law school to study corporate law. She is a member of the National Honor Society and Tri-M Music Honor Society. Brittney received the James A. Hawker Speech Award, was a national qualifier in Policy Debate and a state qualifier in orchestra and is the senior class treasurer.



Renee DeCaro, daughter of Dan and Lisa DeCaro. Renee received a Presidential Scholarship and will be attending the University of

Renee DeCaro...

Southern Indiana. She is a member of the National Honor Society, Girl Reserves, and is the secretary for Spanish Club. This year Renee was recognized as a member of the Academic All State Team for golf.



Annette DeWolf, daughter of Christopher and Bonnie DeWolf will be attending the University of

Evansville to major in chemistry and biology. Eventually, Annette plans to go on to medical school. She is a member of German Club, Girl Reserves, National Honor Society, Tri-M Music Honor Society, and Jets Academic Team.



Phillip Drayton, son of V. Michael and Janet Drayton, is planning on attending Indiana University to study pre-med and

specialize in pediatrics. Phillip is currently a member of the National Honor Society, Tri-M Music Honor Club, Student Council, PSI, French Club, and Music. He is an NFL national's qualifier in policy debate, the vice president for speech and debate society, a member of the academic super bowl, and French Club president.



Nicholas Edquist, son of Dr. Daniel and Janice Edquist, will attend Indiana University and major in

business management in the Kelley School of Business. He is a member of the National Honor Society, Spanish Club, Big Brothers/Big Sisters of La Porte County, and the varsity soccer team.



Justin Heinold, son of Matt and Carol Heinold, plans on attending the University of Indianapolis and study

chemistry. After college, he will either pursue a job or enter medical school to pursue a career as a family practitioner. He is a member of the National Honor Society, FCA, German Club, and PSI. Justin also served as captain of the varsity soccer and swimming teams this year.



Sarah Hundt, daughter of Jeffrey and Terri Hundt, will attend Butler University and study Spanish and Business. She is a member of the National

Honor Society, Show Choir, Tri-M Music Honor Society, and the All State Choir. Last summer she traveled to Spain for seven weeks through the IU Honors Program in Foreign Languages and received their Award of Excellency.

Valedictorians & Salutatorians (Continued from page 3)



Tammara Jongkind, daughter of John and Marliisa Jongkind, plans to attend Grace College and earn a degree in business management. After college, Tammara hopes to operate a dude ranch in Colorado. She is a member of National Honor Society, Tri-M Music Honor Society, and Marching Band.



Kathryn Kraus, daughter of Kenn and Barb Kraus, will attend Purdue North Central and major in elementary education. She is a member of National Honor Society, Pep Band, and Jazz Band.



Megan Masterson, daughter of Robert and Donna Masterson, will attend Purdue University and major in elementary education and minor in Spanish. She is a member of National Honor Society, Spanish Club, and Girl Reserves. This year Megan was recognized as a member of the Academic All State Team for golf. She also does volunteer work for El Puente and Big Brothers & Big Sisters.



Kyle Moelker, son of Thomas and Janice Moelker, will attend Purdue University on an Honors Engineering Scholarship. He is a member of National Honor Society, Tri-M Music Honor Society, Marching Band, All-State Honor Band, and All-State Jazz Band. Kyle is also involved

in Pep Band, Math Team, Academic Super Bowl, and Habitat For Humanity.



Tina Rardin, daughter of Larry and Lee Rardin, will attend Ball State University this fall. She is a member of the National Honor Society, French Club, and Girl Reserves. Tina volunteers at a local nursing home and helps with the La Porte County Symphony Orchestra.



Katherine Shelton, daughter of Frederick and Ronda Shelton, will attend the University of Evansville and study Physical Therapy with the hopes of earning a Doctorate of Physical Therapy degree in six years. She is a member of National Honor Society, Tri-M Music Honor Society, Girl Reserves, and Student Council. Katherine also participates in Marching Band, Debate, Wind Ensemble, Pep Band, and is a Swin Instructor at the YMCA.



Katherine Steinheiser, daughter of Paul and Arlene Steinheiser, will attend Ball State University and earn a Bachelor of Science in nursing. She is a member of National Honor Society, Tri-M Music Honor Society, Student Council, and PSI. Katie also serves as a student mentor at Lincoln Elementary School and is involved in Choir.



Saxon Stiller, son of Christine Stiller, will attend either the University of Chicago, Tulane, or Indiana University to study chemistry and pre-med. He is a member of National Honor Society and the National Society of High School Scholars. Saxon is also a member of the Math Team and Future Problem Solvers.



Miles Taylor, son of Ted/Andrea Taylor and Pollyanna McNeil, will attend Indiana University on a Wells Scholarship.

He will earn a masters degree in security studies and then attend law school. He is a member of the National Honor Society. Miles was named a United States Senate Youth Scholar.



Sarah Taylor, daughter of Randall and Christine Taylor, will attend either Purdue University or Butler University to study pharmacy. She

is a member of National Honor Society and Girl Reserves. Sarah also volunteers at La Porte Hospital's pharmacy and St. Joseph School.



Lauren Varga, daughter of George and Deborah Varga, will attend Indiana University and major in political science and history then go on to law school.

She is a member of National Honor

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Co-valedictorian candidates continued:

Lauren Varga, (Continued)

Society, Girl Reserves, Student Council, Spanish club, and La Porte County High School Youth Leadership Program. Lauren is also active in Speech and Debate, Big Brothers/Big Sisters and is a school “buddies” volunteer.



Alexa Winski, daughter of Jerry and Barbara Winski, will attend IUPUI and major in mathematics.

She is a member of National Honor

Society, Spanish Club, and Math League. Alexa also volunteers as a math tutor and was a member of the varsity soccer team.

Co-Salutatorian Candidates for the class of 2006 are:



Janet Ault, daughter of Tom and Cindy Ault, will attend Indiana University or DePauw University to study English literature and creative writing. She is a member of National Honor Society, German Club, and PSI. Janet also participates in Marching Band, Jazz Band, Pep Band,

and was selected to the IBA All-State Honor Band. She volunteers at La Porte Hospital and for 4-H community service projects.



Jane Barr, daughter of Harold and Susan Barr, will attend Indiana University this fall. She is a member of National Honor Society, Tri-M

Music Honor Society, and German Club. Jane also participates in Marching Band, Future Problem Solvers, Jazz Band, Pep Band, and IMEA Honor Hand. She was selected for the All-State Honor Band.

Three in a Row for Kesling Student Council / Ault Advisor of the Year

The Kesling Middle School Student Council has again been awarded honor council status from the Indiana Association of Student Councils. This is their third consecutive year. There are several activities that must be completed to achieve this status. Student Councils must participate in community service which includes a Riley Children’s Hospital project, along with the state project on “Bullying”. Kesling’s Student Council held a garage sale with the LaPorte County Symphony Orchestra raising \$1,025.00 for the purchase of music stand carts. They also ran the concession stand for all home meets for fall and winter sports, hosted a school Fun Night and will be sponsoring the eighth grade dance. There are still plans for several teams to participate in this year’s Dusk to Dawn Relay at Kiwanis Field in June, and a leadership workshop is being planned for the fall. Mrs. Ault, sixth grade math teacher and Student Council sponsor, has been recognized as the 2005-2006 Student Council Advisor of the Year by the Indiana Association of Student Councils Middle Level Division. On April 28th Mrs. Ault and 10 students traveled to Central Middle School in Kokomo for the award ceremony. Congratulations to Mrs. Ault and the Kesling Middle School Student Council.

Advanced Placement Courses Offer Students Many Opportunities

Did you know that students could experience college level work and earn college credit even before they enter a college or university? La Porte High School offers three Advanced Placement courses in which students can earn college credit by successfully completing the course and its appropriate test.

Advanced Placement courses (AP classes) give students a chance to try college level work in high school and gain valuable study habits. Students

who earn a “qualifying” grade on an AP Exam may receive credit for that course from their selected college or university. Additionally, AP courses offer students a chance to: Study a subject in great depth, learn their personal capabilities, gain a clearer idea of their own future plans, develop skills and study habits vital to college, improve their admission eligibility, save money by earning a tuition free credit, gain a head start on college, and become eligible for a wider range of scholar awards.

Currently, LPHS offers AP courses in English Language/Literature, Chemistry, and Calculus AB. Next year we are adding an AP European History course and 2007-08 will bring AP Biology into our curriculum. Students who are interested in improving their academic rigor should talk with a guidance counselor regarding course selections. Parents who are interested in finding out more about our AP program may call the guidance office at 362-4503.

2006 Junior Academic Super Bowl English Division Area Finalists

CONGRATULATIONS to Boston Middle School's 2006 Junior Academic Super Bowl English Division for being the third place finalist that qualified for State recognition and finished 14th in the State! Coached by Jennifer Sass, contestants Rebecca Frye, Shannon McGue, Rachel Osborn, and Shelby Thordarson were delighted with their strong placement in both area and state competition. The area of study for this year's competition was the "Progressive Era: 1880-1920".

School Corporation Restructures Central Office Administrative Services Effective July 1, 2006



Dr. Dennis K. Shawver will assume the position of Associate Superintendent. Dr. Shawver joined LaPorte Community Schools in 2003 as Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction. Dr. Shawver earned his administrative degrees from Indiana University. Dr. Shawver will be responsible for the implementation of the LaPorte Community School Corporation Strategic Plan, the Purdue North Central College Bound Project, and overseeing the areas of Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment, Special Education, Technology, Buildings and Grounds, Maintenance, and Personnel.



Mr. Jim Dermody was appointed to the position of Assistant Superintendent. Mr. Dermody brings educational experience and expertise to this position. After graduating from La Porte High School and Valparaiso University Mr. Dermody joined the La Porte Community School Corporation in 2002 and has served as the principal at Boston Middle School for the past three years. Mr. Dermody is excited about his new opportunity to contribute to the positive growth and direction of the La Porte Community School Corporation and is an asset to the school community.



Mrs. Patty Steele was approved by the LaPorte Community School Corporation Board of School Trustees as Coordinator of Instructional Programs and Assessment. Mrs. Steele has been principal of Kingsbury Elementary School for 19 years. She came to LaPorte from Lafayette, Indiana where she had been an elementary teacher and an elementary principal. Mrs. Steele earned her Administration and Supervision degree from Purdue University. Her knowledge, experience, and expertise will be a great asset in assisting principals, staff, and students learning.



Mrs. Ingrid Voelker has been named as Facilitator for the Purdue North Central College Bound Project. Mrs. Voelker has been a Project ED instructor, served on the LaPorte Community School Corporation strategic planning committee, and the LaPorte Chamber of Commerce Work Ethic committee. She serves on the Boston Middle School PL221 steering committee, the LaPorte High School redesign committee, and the County Tobacco Prevention Council. In addition, Mrs. Voelker serves on the Indiana PTA State Board, the LaPorte Community PTA Steering Committee. Mrs. Voelker has extensive experience working with students, staff, and parents.

2006 RETIREES

The Board of School Trustees and the entire LaPorte Community School Corporation extend our deepest appreciation to all of our 2006 retirees for their tireless efforts and dedication to our children. The Corporation's very best wishes for a long and happy retirement are extended to each and every one!



John Adams, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, began his teaching career at Lincoln Elementary School as a 6th-grade teacher in 1970. He served in that position for 8 years until he accepted an administrative position as an elementary principal with Westville schools. In 1980, after two years at Westville, he returned to La Porte as principal of Mill Creek School. Mr. Adams' administrative posts since that time have included principal of Kingsford Heights Elementary, assistant principal at Kesling Middle School, principal at Indian Trail Elementary, interim Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum at the E.S.C., and interim Superintendent. Mr. Adams has provided 34 years of service to the corporation.



Brooks Barnes, mechanic in the Transportation Department began his career La Porte Schools in 1984 and has provided 21 years of service.



Nancy Brinklow, teacher at Indian Trail Elementary School, began teaching at Stillwell School in 1969 and has provided 37 years of service.



Joan Chadderdon, secretary in the Transportation Department, began working as a secretary at La Porte High School in March of 1994 and transferred to the Transportation Department in the summer of 1998. She has provided 10.75 years of service to the students of La Porte.



Sarah (Sally) Hannon, teacher at Lincoln Elementary School, began her teaching career at Door Village School in 1973. She also taught at Park School before transferring to Lincoln Elementary in 1984. Mrs. Hannon completes 32 years of service.



Carl Johnson, housekeeper at La Porte High School, began serving as a housekeeper at LPHS on July 21, 1965. He has provided 40.5 years of service.



Anita Lebo, bus driver, began her service in LaPorte in 1982 as a bus driver but has also worked as a student supervisory aide, noontime assistant, and housekeeper. She completes 24 years of service.



William Lott, head night custodian at La Porte High School, assumed his position at LPHS in October of 1988. He has provided 17 years of service.



Carol Peery, Elementary Food Service Manager at Kingsbury Elementary School, began working at Kingsbury in 1979 as a Special Education assistant. In 1980, she added part-time Food Service duties and transferred to a different Food Service position in 1981. Ms. Peery has provided a total of 26 years of service.



Dorothy Schoof, secretary at Kingsford Heights Elementary School, began her career as bookkeeper at the Educational Services Center in 1977. In 1978, she transferred to Kingsford Heights as a

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Dorothy Schoof...

tutorial aide as well as a noon assistant. In 1985, Ms. Schoof assumed the secretarial position. Ms. Schoof has provided 28 ½ years of service.



Carl (Dave) Sherrick, head custodian at La Porte High School began his employment with La Porte Community Schools as a night custodian in May

Carl (Dave) Sherrick...

of 1982. He has provided 23.75 years of service.



Lynda Watt, math teacher at La Porte High School, began her LaPorte teaching career in 1984 as a Kesling math teacher. In 1986 she transferred to a math position at LPHS where she has

Lynda Watt...

served since that time. Ms. Watt has provided a total of 22 years of teaching service to the students of La Porte.



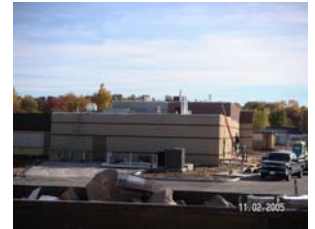
Ronald White, teacher at LaPorte High School, joined LaPorte's staff in 1971 after two years at New Prairie. He will be completing his 37th year of teaching in June.

Construction and Renovation
Crichfield Elementary / Kingsford Heights Elementary



Crichfield

The school corporation's construction and renovation projects are on schedule! Crichfield Elementary's new building is quickly progressing. The new building is enclosed, interior construction is progressing and exterior brickwork will begin soon.



Kingsford Heights



Students and staff moved into the area of new construction and one section of renovated classrooms during the Christmas holiday. Renovation has progressed to the point that approximately two-thirds of the building is now available for use. Students returning to school in the fall will have a bright, up to date building and playground.



Kindergarten 2006-07

Did you know that the eligible entrance age has changed?

If you have a child or if you know of someone who has a child who will be five years old on or before August 1, 2006, they are eligible to enroll in Kindergarten this fall. Please contact your local school office for enrollment information. Please plan to provide proof of residence, the child's birth certificate, social security number, and immunization record.

Summer School 2006

A course listing and program information for the LaPorte schools 2006 summer school program is available online at www.lpcsc.k12.in.us or by calling your child's school.

Fees have been set at \$7.50 for Project Shape, \$280 for in-district driver education, \$330 for out-of-

district driver education, and \$15 for all other courses.

Applications may be obtained at the office of your child's current school. For more information, call LaPorte schools central office, 362-7056.

Bullying Not Tolerated

The LaPorte Community School Corporation K-12 Bullying Curriculum has been adopted by the Board of School Trustees and addresses the requirements of Indiana Code: I.C.5-2-10.1.

The K-12 curriculum is and will continue to be a “work-in-progress” as our staff works together, with parents, community members, and our children to eliminate bullying behaviors within our schools.

Bullying behaviors are defined as a form of harassment and as such have been included within our Student Code of Conduct for many years. The procedure for reporting, investigating, responding, and correcting this type of behavior is presently addressed in Board Policies and may be found in the school corporation’s Student and Parent Guide.

Bullying is unacceptable and is not a new topic for our school corporation. The Corporation Safe Schools Critical Incident Plan has included interventions and responses to bullying behaviors since school year 2000. Our schools have worked to reduce, prevent, and correct this type of behavior for many years.

This curriculum not only meets statutory requirements, it provides a foundation for further development. LaPorte Community School Corporation will continue to revise and improve its efforts to ensure that the dignity of each and every student is recognized and protected when necessary.

This program will be integrated into the current student code of conduct within each of our schools and delivered to students in a grade/age appropriate manner.

1. Elementary Schools will present and model the curriculum through the classroom, counseling program and general behavioral expectations.
2. Middle Schools will present and model the curriculum through their counseling programs, health classes, behavioral expectations, and staff support.
3. The high school plans to utilize its health curriculum/classes and model the curriculum through their counseling programs, health classes, behavioral expectations, and staff support.
4. The LPCSC Web-site (www.lpcsc.k12.in.us) has an excellent link in place that provides very positive resources for students, parents, and teachers at all levels.

If you have questions, be sure to call or visit your child’s school for more information.

Wellness Policy Adopted

The LaPorte Community School Corporation recognizes that good nutrition and regular physical activity affect the health and well being of students. Research also suggests that there is a positive correlation between a student’s health and well being and his/her ability to learn. Schools can play an important role in the developmental process by which students establish their health and nutrition habits by providing nutritious meals and snacks through the schools’ meal programs, by supporting the development of good eating habits, and by promoting increased physical activity both in and out of school.

LaPorte Community Schools has established the following goals in an effort to enable students to establish good health and nutrition habits:

- A. With regard to nutrition education;
 - Nutrition Education shall be included in the Health curriculum so that instruction is sequential and standards-based and provides students with the knowledge, attitudes, and skills necessary to lead healthy lives.
 - Nutrition Education shall be integrated into other subject areas of the curriculum, when appropriate, to complement, but not replace, the standards and benchmarks for health education.
- B. With regard to physical activity;
 - A sequential, comprehensive physical education program shall be provided for students in K-12 in accordance with the standards and benchmarks established by the State.
 - The physical education curriculum shall provide sequential instruction related to the knowledge, attitudes, and skills necessary to participate in lifelong, health-enhancing physical activity.

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- The sequential, comprehensive physical education curriculum shall stress the importance of remaining physically active for life.
- The K-12 program shall include instruction in physical education as well as opportunities to participate in competitive and non-competitive team sports to encourage lifelong physical activity.
- Properly certificated, highly qualified teachers shall provide all instruction in physical education.
- Planned instruction in physical education shall promote participation in physical activity outside the regular school day.
- Schools shall encourage families to provide physical activity outside the regular school day, such as outdoor play at home, participation in sports sponsored by community agencies or organizations, and in lifelong physical activities like bowling, swimming, or tennis.
- All students in grades 6-12 shall have the opportunity to participate in interscholastic sports programs.

C. With regard to other school-based activities;

- Schedule mealtimes so there is minimum disruption by bus schedules, recess, and other special programs or events.
- Provide attractive, clean environments in which the students eat.
- Activities, such as tutoring or club meetings, shall not be scheduled during mealtimes, unless students may eat during those meetings.
- Schools in our system utilize electronic identification and payment systems, therefore, eliminating any stigma or identification of students eligible to receive free and/or reduced meals.
- Students are discouraged from sharing their foods or beverages with one another during meal times, given concerns about allergies and other restrictions on some students' diets.

Parents, staff and students are urged to promote and model healthy lifestyles as they work, learn and play each day. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to call your building principal for more information.

Lestinsky - Wal-Mart Teacher of the Year

Amy Lestinsky, a Title I reading teacher at Handley Elementary School, was selected as the LaPorte Wal-Mart Teacher of the Year. On Monday, May 7th the entire Handley staff and student body and Amy's family members all gathered in the gymnasium to honor Amy when she was presented her award from manager of LaPorte Wal-Mart. Amy received a shirt, a plaque and a \$1,000 check. This award is given by Wal-Mart's company selected by students only. Amy is now eligible for a state and national award from Wal-Mart.



Amy has been teaching at Handley Elementary School for eight years and is the second Handley teacher to receive this award. Amy works with children in Kindergarten through third-grades through the Title I program. Title I is a federal program which helps support students from disadvantaged backgrounds. Amy also works with the CLASS (Connected Learning Assures Student Success) program and the HOSTS (Helping One Student To Succeed) program at Handley.

Students in Work Ethic Program Recognized



At the May 16th School Board Meeting, the first group of junior and senior students was awarded certificates from the governor of the state of Indiana for completing the Work Ethic program. Pictured in bottom row are: Trent Hall, Sara Hundt, and Julie Hart. Pictured in the top row are: Dr. Judith DeMuth, Superintendent, James Blankenship, Chris Heath, Carol Shinn, President of the School Board of Trustees, Megan Masterson, and Tammy Stump, Senior Associate for the Center of Innovative Workforce. Not pictured are: Ian Doig, Alecia Edgecomb, Erin Justice, Katelain Leslie, Kara Magley, Ashley Odle, and Lauren Varga.

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Aug. 22 - First Student Day
 Sept. 4 - NO SCHOOL - Labor Day
 Oct. 10 - NO STUDENTS - Staff In-Service Day
 Oct 16 - P/T Conferences - High School
 Oct. 17 - P/T Conferences - Middle School
 Oct. 18 - P/T Conferences - Elementary School
 Oct. 19 - NO STUDENTS - Aft/Eve P/T Conf
 Oct. 20 - NO SCHOOL
 Nov. 8 - Half Day In-Service, P.M.

Nov. 23-24 - NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Vacation
 Dec. 25-Jan. 5 - NO SCHOOL - Christmas Vacation
 Jan. 15 - NO SCHOOL (MLK Day/Snow Make-Up)
 Jan. 19 - Last Day of First Semester
 Jan. 24 - Half Day In-Service, P.M.
 Feb. 15 - Half Day In-Service, P.M.
 Feb. 19 - NO SCHOOL - "President's Day" / Feb Break

March 16 - NO SCHOOL - (Snow Make-Up Day)
 March 20 - Half Day In-Service, P.M.
 April 2-6 - NO SCHOOL - Spring Vacation
 May 4 - NO SCHOOL - (Snow Make-Up Day)
 May 28 - NO SCHOOL - Memorial Day
 June 5 - Last Student Day
 June 10 - Graduation Day

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