

Lodi High School Blue Devil Bulletin

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Hello, Lodi High School Families -

As we wind down the 2020-2021 school year one word keeps coming to mind; resilience. This is an ability to recover from or adjust easily to misfortune or change. One of the many lessons we try to teach our students as they grow in body and in mind is that their ability to be resilient throughout life is in direct correlation with how successful they can be. There is not one person in our high school, student or staff, whose life does not consist of some form of hardship that they must face and overcome. There is no doubt that our Lodi High School community has been tested this year, and because we are resilient we will grow from the experience and carry on. This makes me very confident and excited about the future. I want to thank the staff, students, and parents for all of their patience and support, and their ability to overcome the adversity that we all faced.

The Lodi High School staff feels extremely fortunate to work with such great families.

Take care and stay safe,

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	May/June 2021					
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
	FFA Awards Night				Graduation Practice, 10am	
30 Graduation, 1pm	31 No School- Memorial Day	1	2	3 End of Semester & Last Day for Students	4	5



Congratulations to Lodi High School who was named by US News and World Reports as one of the Best High Schools in the State of Wisconsin. This is a great recognition for the high school, but is really an honor for the entire District. The best predictor of how successful a student is going to be in high school is how well they did in middle school. The best predictor of how a student does in middle school is how they did at the Elementary School or in OSC, which is predicated on the work that is done in the Primary School. This is a district wide recognition of the outstanding work our students and staff do on a daily basis.

Forensics End Their Season

The entire team advanced to the WHSFA State Tournament! Individual results (out of 25 points): Gold (25 points): 5 members Silver (23-24 points): 3 members Bronze (21-22 points): 4 members Fantastic Season Blue Devils!



Dane County Social Justice Youth Forum 2021 Virtual Conference

On April 14, five of our students participated in the virtual 2021 Dane County Youth Equity Forum. Thank you Adaora Bilse and Paula Tonn for your time and effort in arranging this important event.

National Honors Society Induction Ceremony

Congratulations to the 15 students who were inducted into the Lodi High School National Honor Society at a ceremony on Sunday, May 9:

Erik Alsaker Peyton Breunig Will Dean Quinn Faust Rachel Flickinger Kinsey Gade Julia Gresens Amelia Heider Asime Ibraimi Holly Jelinek Jack Kaiser Mira Potter Samantha Rake Caitlyn Seidler Trey Traeder



Letters of Intent Signings

Senior Carson Richter recently had his signing day to play baseball at Edgewood College. Pictured are Carson, his parents Donna and Brent, and his sister Amber. Congratulations Carson!



CARSON RICHTER

TREY TRAEDER

Senior Trey Traeder recently had his signing day to play basketball at Edgewood College. Pictured are Trey, his parents Ted and Chris and his brother and sisters, Theo, Kasey, Quinn, and Lea. Congratulations Trey!

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Advanced Placement (AP) Exam Payments Any students who haven't paid for AP exams please

Any students who haven't paid for AP exams please pay by <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>June 1</u>. The fee is \$95 for each AP exam taken. Any students who participate in the free and reduced lunch program should talk with Mr. Lembcke about exam payments. If you are unsure if you have paid, please contact Mr. Lembcke. You may pay with a check made out to Lodi High School, with cash or online through your Infinite Campus account..

Please mail your payment to: Lodi High School Attn: Grant Lembcke 1100 Sauk Street Lodi WI 53555

If you plan not to take an AP exam, please let Mr. Lembcke know.

If you have any questions regarding AP exams, please contact Grant Lembcke by email (lembcgr@lodischoolswi.org) or by phone (608-592-3853 x4413).

Visual Arts Classic

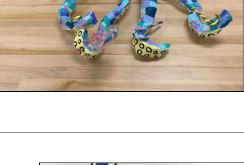
Congratulations to the LHS Visual Arts Classic Team as they brought in twelve 1st Place Ribbons this year!

Way to go Cadence Wipperfurth, Catie Seidler, Luke Collins, Anna Hoffman, Rachel Flickinger, Jakob Krey, Caitlin Skellenger and Michelle McMahon!

Student Vaccination Clinic

A big thank you to Adonnas Johnson and Donna Milne from Hometown Pharmacy for their partnership in a vaccine clinic held at Lodi High School, for students ages 16 and older.

What a great opportunity for our students to receive a COVID-19 vaccine without having to miss school or have a parent take off work. This would not have happened without the District's partnership with Lodi's Hometown Pharmacy!











Student Artwork Displayed in Downtown Business Mr. McNeil (LES) and Mrs. Crane (HS) have been working with talented freshman Camila Becerril whose artwork is now displayed at Buttercream Bakery on Main Street for purchase. Check it out!

Outdoor PE Class Goes Fishing!

Mrs. Goheen's and Mr. Persike's Outdoor PE classes spent two days at school learning about Wisconsin Fishing Regulations, basic fishing equipment, and various fishing techniques, then ventured out to local fishing spots to apply their newly acquired skills.

Mrs. Goheen stated, "Our goal in the fishing unit is to introduce students to a lifelong activity and familiarize them with local resources." They caught 12 fish in total and had a great time!



Food Service "Taste of Italy"

Students were recently treated to "Taste of Italy!" Chef Benny said "We survived the first day of Taste of Italy. Today's participation for the Chef Meal at the High School was over 95% with almost 100% for the 1st lunch. Students, teachers and faculty/staff deeply enjoyed the food. They were excited and amazed at the special setting and different food served. For multiple students this was the very first time they tried fresh asparagus and watermelon as well. We had an overwhelming amount of positive feedback. I personally feel proud and satisfied for the incredible turnout and response."



High School Curriculum

Microsoft Office Certification

Next year, students will have the opportunity to work towards a Microsoft Office Certification. This will allow students looking for future employment in a variety of career fields the chance to obtain this valuable certification in high school and stand out in an increasingly competitive marketplace.

• Youth Apprenticeship

Wisconsin's Youth Apprenticeship (YA) program is designed for junior and seniors to gain paid work experience while taking related classes in a specific career pathway. Next year, the high school will be offering two new opportunities within our technology department. If you are a local employer and are interested in learning more about the Youth Apprenticeship program, please contact Connor Anderson at the high school (608) 592-3853.

• Spanish 5 Dual Credit Opportunity

Dual credit is the opportunity for high school students to take a course that allows them to obtain both high school and college credit. We are excited to expand on our current dual credit offerings through a partnership with the UW-Oshkosh Cooperative Academic Partnership Program (CAPP). Next year, students taking Spanish 5 who qualify for the CAPP program would have the opportunity to earn five college credits for the course and numerous retroactive credits through the program.

School Registration

Registration for the 2021-22 school year will open May 24, 2021 and will close on June 25, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. All registration will be done online.

You will need your parent portal login information to complete the registration. If you do not have your login or password, or you do not have access to a computer, please contact Kris Wendorf at <u>wendokr@lodischoolswi.org</u> or (608) 592-3853 ext. 5483

Outdoor Music Concert

On May 22, music students held a live, outdoor concert for family and friends. The audience was treated to performances by Guys in Ties, Treble in Paradise, Breakfast Club, and Jazz Band, as well as solos by two State S/E student musicians. It was a fun evening, full of great music and celebration. Congratulations to our 2021 Music Seniors! (Finn Melchior, Greg Lins, Jonah Jette, Medora Richards, Peyton Breunig, Rachel Flickinger, Rachel Zajicek, Sophia Boyer).



Staff Retirements



<u>Mr. Anthony Schnell</u> - Mr. Schnell has been a dedicated Science teacher for over 29 years. His career has taken him to the states of Texas, Missouri, and Antarctica. In the state of Wisconsin he worked at Lodi High School, Monona Grove High School and then back to Lodi. When he retires he plans on spending more time making people happy by baking wonderful baked goods at Windsor Breads and Bakery. Thank you Mr. Schnell for your dedication and passion as a teacher and thank you for being an inspiration to all of your students. You will be missed!



<u>Ms. Barb Cook</u> - Ms. Barb has been an educational assistant in the School District of Lodi for over 29 years. She started in the town of Dane working in the kindergarten. She worked at the primary school for 10 years and then began to work her way through the Lodi schools working one on one with one of her students. She inspired all students and staff at the elementary, middle and high school over the years and is considered one of the most caring individuals in our schools. She also has a wonderful sense of humor. She will also be missed!

