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SCHOOL DISTRICT

# ViewPoints

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## From the Superintendent



Dear Spartans,

One question that has come up lately is regarding the Calhoun County early start calendar for 2019-2020. I know it seems early to think about next school year, but many parents are already making plans.

The Calhoun Intermediate School District has applied for all member school districts to start two weeks before Labor Day (August 19, 2019). Due to construction schedules at Riverside and Westlake Elementary Schools, Lakeview schools will not start prior to Labor Day next year. We plan to move to the early start the following year, in the 2020-2021 school year.

### THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR LAKEVIEW STUDENTS WILL BE TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2019.

The major impact will be for the high school students who attend the Math/Science Center and the Career Center as those programs will start on August 19th next year. We will provide transportation for those students starting August 19th. The benefit for those students is that their programs will end two weeks before LHS ends.

We will keep parents informed of any other potential conflicts with the early start calendar. Thank you for your continued support of Lakeview School District.

**With Spartan Pride!**  
**Blake J. Prewitt Ed.S.**  
**Superintendent**  
**Lakeview School District**



## Crusciel named Lakeview Athletic Director

Please extend a warm Spartan welcome to the district's new athletic director, Mr. Tray Crusciel. A Battle Creek native and Harper Creek High School grad, Tray comes to Lakeview from his post as athletic director at Lumen Christi High School, Jackson, Michigan. His prior experience includes heading athletic departments at both Benton Harbor and Covert school districts. Tray earned his bachelor's in physical education from Western Michigan University and his master's in sports administration from Wayne State University. His first day in the district was Monday, October 29.



Pictured from left to right, National Junior Honor Society members Leila Overbeek, Annabelle Minneman, Aisling Rankin and Sydney Ross help collect sweaters for those in need.

## LMS students rally community support for local causes

Lakeview Middle School Junior National Honor Society members will collect gently used and new sweaters November 12 - November 23. Students may drop off donations in the collection boxes available in English teachers' classrooms. If you live in the community or you are a parent of a student are able to bring in sweaters, please drop off new or gently used sweaters to the Lakeview Middle School 7/8 office, 300 S. 28th St. All donations will go to the Bachman-Hebble Funeral Home for distribution in the Battle Creek community.

LHS Spartan Closet is now accepting donations of new and gently used clothing for teen students.

Parents and students may contact Amy Drikakis, [adrikakis@lakeviewspartans.org](mailto:adrikakis@lakeviewspartans.org), 565-3710, to make a donation or to access clothing!



Lakeview Middle School student Emma Kerschbaum is also hosting a sock drive from November 12 - November 23. Socks are the number one item needed at the Haven of Rest. Please drop off new or gently used clean socks in the 7-8 office. Emma will take the socks to the Haven of Rest in time for the winter season.

## New & Noteworthy

### We Want to Hear From You

Ask a question, report a concern, suggest a solution and share an idea through the new community feedback link available on the homepage of the district website. You may leave your name and contact information if you would like a reply or make an anonymous comment. Either way, we look forward to hearing from you!

### OK2Say Confidential Threat Reporting

New on the district website is a link to OK2SAY, an important resource for students, families and community members to report threats to student and school safety. OK2SAY enables anyone to confidentially report threats to trained program operators, who forward tips on to local law enforcement agencies, school officials, or community mental health service programs for a timely response. Tips may be submitted through telephone, text, website, e-mail, and multimedia technologies.



Riverside kindergarten students visit with a new friend from Heritage Assisted Living Center.



Seniors and students work together to fix a pencil sharpener. Building relationships is the focus of the year-long program.



The Young 5 students from Minges Brook hopped on a school bus for a field trip recently to Advantage Living Residency Home in Battle Creek. The students have been focusing on the character trait of caring and went to visit the residents to bring them some joy. The students and the residents made a fall craft together, talked and spent quality time getting to know one another, and then ended the visit with a song. Student Noah, summed up the visit, "I loved riding the bus with my friends, making new friends, and helping my new friends with making a Jack-O-Lantern. I want to go again!"

### Lakeview students and area seniors team-up for learning and friendships

Residents of Heritage Assisted Living recently visited Riverside Elementary to spend time with kindergarten students reading, playing games and getting to know each other. The seniors will visit Jessica Day's classroom once a month to continue to build relationships.

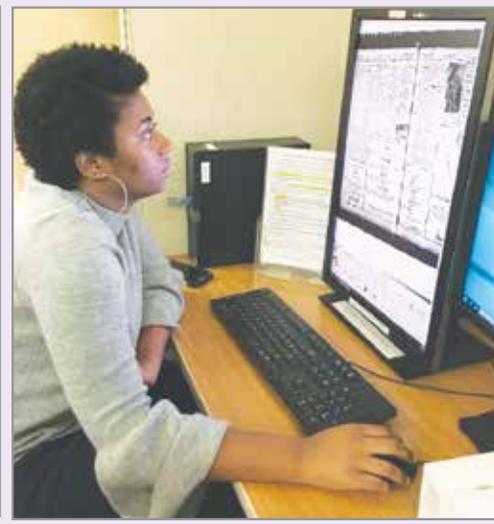
In addition to monthly visits, seniors and students plan to exchange notes, drawings and letters throughout the year. Heritage Assisted Living also plans to donate supplies to the classroom.

Kindergartners are hoping to secure funds to travel to Heritage Assisted Living Center for an end of the year party with their new friends.



### Prairieview students welcome guest readers

Members of the Kellogg Community College baseball team came in as special guest readers at Prairieview Elementary to help kick off our fall book fair. The players read selections from the book fair and then answered questions from the students about life as a student athlete. Thank you KCC baseball team for making a lasting impression on our friends at Prairieview.



### Research Sprint at MSU

On October 15, Lakeview High School Library hosted a visit by Michigan State Librarian Randy Riley and Department of Education Superintendent Sheila Alles for having received the Model SL21 (School Libraries for the 21st Century) Award. See [bit.ly/LHSSL21](http://bit.ly/LHSSL21). The visit included a demonstration of Lakeview students' participation in the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum (USHMM) History Unfolded newspaper research project and a real-time connection allowing for a conversation with Michigan State University Librarian Deborah Margolis. This virtual hookup served to preview MSU library resources that students would use during a subsequent field trip to MSU the following Friday, October 19 for a Research Sprint.

LHS students in course work during the school day when they report to the library for the onsite portion of their class which employs the Course Content Management System Moodle. As a USHMM Teacher Fellow, she has also helped promote Museum programs and resources nationwide.

During the Research Sprint, after first hearing a lecture by MSU Professor Kirsten Femaglich on WWII era newspapers, Lakeview students successfully uploaded articles from the Detroit News to the Museum site where research is being compiled. Student efforts thereby contributed data that has helped to inform the Museum's current exhibition on Americans and the Holocaust and that will enhance scholarly research about the American press and the Holocaust.

A tour of the new MSU virtual reality lab capped off a very worthwhile day. Lakeview looks forward to continuing our collaboration with MSU Library. In light of the recent tragedy in Pittsburgh, Holocaust education (now mandated in the state of Michigan) could not be more timely and relevant.





Riverside Kindergarteners learn about what to do in case of a fire.



**Minges Brook Elementary**

Minges Brook Kindergarteners were delighted to learn about fire safety recently.

## It's Never Too Early to Learn About Fire Safety

Lakeview elementary school kindergarten students met Battle Creek firefighters to learn about fire safety this October.

Students got to take a look at a firetruck and talk with first responders regarding the importance of knowing what to do in case of a fire. As part of fire safety month, students read text about fire safety, completed art projects and practiced dialing 9-1-1 to rehearse what they would say to the operator in case of an emergency. They also have activities to help make sure their families have working fire/smoke detectors and a safe place to meet in the event of a fire.



**Prairieview Elementary**

The Young 5's and Kindergarten Classes at Prairieview recently had special visitors from the Battle Creek Fire Department in recognition of Fire Safety Week.



**Westlake Elementary**

Battle Creek firefighters paid a visit to the kindergarten students of Westlake Elementary for fire safety week.



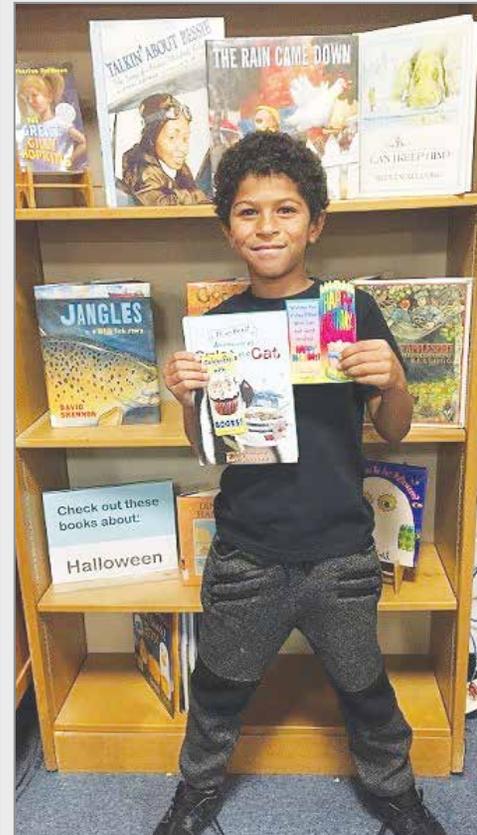
## LMS Students are Honest, Caring, Respectful and Responsible

No electronics for two and a half days...oh my! Lakeview Middle School students were excited to visit Sherman Lake Camp to expand their learning and practice lessons focused on HCRR (Honesty, Caring, Responsibility, and Respect), which is the model used at the middle school.

The school received a grant from the Binda Foundation to help fund all students to have the camp experience. Fifth and sixth grade students had a two and a half day experience, while the seventh and eighth graders spent an extended day at Sherman Lake.

Each grade level had a slightly different experience building off the previous year. These experiences were connected to the learning in the classroom.

Students experienced archery, survival and team-building games, kayaking, rock wall climbing, the Mineshaft slide, and other activities. Spending time with classmates and making new friends was important for building and strengthening relationships at school.



## Minges Brook Birthday Celebrations

Minges Brook Elementary families can honor their student's birthday by donating a book to the Minges Brook Library. Parents can choose from a wish list on the Barnes and Noble website or send in money to Mrs. Blaine who will then purchase a book. A birthday book plate is placed inside the book with the child's name. The student can be the first person to check out the book and also receives a book mark. Several students have been honored with a new book donation this year and they have been delighted with seeing their name in the book. Jay'Veair said, "It made me feel proud to see my name in the book and to be the first person to check out the book!"



## Musical Masters

The Marching Spartans are state bound!! The band will compete for the MCBA state championships on Saturday, November 3, 8:30 am at Ford Field House, Detroit.

LHS Cantabile and Chamber Choir Section Leaders (Landon Black - junior, Caylen Hayes - senior, Kayliana McDonald - senior, Kylie Ohrt - senior, Lindsey Owens - senior, Logan Robertson- senior, Libby Robins - junior, Sierra Silverwolf - senior) attended the MSU Choral Leadership Conference with music teacher Greg Black on Oct. 1. Choirs from around the state had an opportunity to collaboratively learn six new pieces of music under the leadership of MSU's choir instructors. Through their experiences, these students were able to gain an appreciation for the value of sight reading skills, meet choir members from around the state and develop their own skills as leaders in the classroom.

Choir members Landon Black, Amelia Catri, Olivia Perez, Logan Robertson, and Carter Spring auditioned for and were accepted to the MSVMA Region B Honors Choir. On Saturday, December 1st, they will spend the day rehearsing with other talented Honors Choir students from Southwest Michigan, and give a public concert at the end of the day at WMU's Dalton Center Recital Hall.



Left to Right: Logan Robertson, Landon Black, Olivia Perez, Carter Spring, Amelia Catri



## LMS and LHS students rehearse for the production of NEWSIES

LMS Masque is teaming up with the B.C. Lakeview Theatre to present NEWSIES. Newsies is a story of a group of mostly orphaned and homeless newspaper delivery boys set in New York City circa 1899. This lively fast paced musical lives up to past Masque and Theatre productions and is sure to please. Please join us at Lakeview Middle School November 16th at 7:30 pm, the 17th at 2:00 & 7:30 pm or the 18th at 2:00 pm.

## Lakeview Spartans Marching Band 1st Annual Community Performance Thursday, November 1 7:30-8:00 PM Lakeview Memorial Stadium

Staff, students, family, friends, and alumni are invited to cheer on the state bound LHS Marching Band for the FREE concert and refreshments following the show.



## TAKING ON THE CITY

The Spartan varsity volleyball team is the 2018 All City Champ for the third time in a row! 3-Peat! The varsity players had steady performances in each match in this great finish for the eight seniors.

The tournament was a great day for Spartan volleyball with a solid team effort from start to finish for both the varsity and JV teams. The JV team also won their All City Championship that day! Proud to be a Purple Spartan!

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## CANDY CANE LANE CRAFTER/VENDOR SHOW

Saturday, December 8, 2018

9am - 3pm; LMS Gymnasium

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