

Le Journal de L'Académie Lafayette

Friday, September 11, 2009

Calender

Fri, Sept. 11	10 Year Celebration, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Mon, Sept. 14	Board Meeting, 6 p.m.
Thurs, Sept. 17	Parent Association Meeting, 7 p.m. (Childcare is provided)
Fri, Sept. 25	No School, Staff In Service
Tues, Oct. 13	Picture Day, Casual Clothes
Thurs & Fri, Oct. 15 and 16	No School, Staff In Service
Fri, Oct. 30	End of 1st Quarter



From the Desk of Eric Nelis

Celebrate what you want to see more of.

- Thomas J. Peters

I hope that you are planning to join us this evening to celebrate Académie Lafayette's 10 Year Anniversary. As the quote implies, we are going to celebrate what we want to see more of - successful academics, supportive families, dedicated teachers and committed board members. We have a lot to celebrate and look forward to in the next 10 years.

Merci,

Meal Payments

Thank you for pre-paying for your child's meals. We have seen a lot of progress in the last few weeks and are slowly recovering the past-due payments. You can pay by check, cash or online at www.academielifayette.org/lunch_payment. Please continue to help the school by paying in advance for your child's lunch and breakfast.

Spirit Day - Wednesday, September 16

Next Wednesday, the Student Council will be sponsoring Celebrity Day. Students can dress like their favorite movie star, rock star or other performer with a \$1 donation to the Student Council. Student council representatives will collect money at the end of the day from each class.

City In Motion - Free Performance

Académie Lafayette 8th graders, Marina Vianello, Nakysa Osadchey, Greer Madole and Julia Badji will be performing with the City in Motion Children's Dance Theater at Dance In the Park,

Saturday, Sept. 12.

6:30 p.m. Free Hip Hop class

7:00 p.m. Free Performance

Roanoke Park, 39th and Roanoke Rd.

Kindergarten Soccer

When: Every Thursday, beginning September 17

Time: 5:00 - 6:00 (for 9/17 only)

4:30 - 5:30 (after 9/17)

Where: 6903 Oak Street

Main School Campus - gym

Who: Kindergarteners interested in playing soccer, Coach Wabo (staff), Coach Mike & Coach Brent (parent volunteers)

Questions: Call/email Mary Lou Martin at

816.522.6915 or glennandmarylou@earthlink.net

Parking and Student Pick-Up

We would appreciate your assistance with an organized, safe pick-up after school. Please do not park illegally on 69th St. or 69th Terrace, preventing the flow of traffic. There are numerous side streets where parking is available within a short walk to the school. If everyone is considerate, these steps will cut-down on congestion and make it a safer time for all.



Académie Lafayette's Parent Association

Next meeting: Sept. 17, 7 p.m. Oak St. Auditorium

Child care will be provided.

Officers: Maria Dix, President
Eric Peterson, Vice President
Jennifer Roe, Secretary
Karen Smith, Treasurer

The first Parents Association meeting will be Thursday, September 17 at 7:00 p.m. in the auditorium at the Oak Street campus. Free child care is available in the gym. We will be reviewing and voting on the 2009-10 Parents Association budget. Our guest speaker will be Matt Barr (parent of a 5th grader) who is the author of *Teaching Meditation to Children*. He will be discussing the benefits of meditation for children. Please mark your calendar and plan on attending the meeting. One of the many reasons that our school is great is

parental involvement. The more parents that take an active role in the school, the better it is for our school and, of course, our kids.

Eric Peterson, Parents Association Vice President
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Guess Who?

The popular kids game, Guess Who, makes an easy-to-adapt, learning game for our 4th grade students. The game is easily changed, removing the faces and adding facts about history, science and social studies. If you have a Guess Who? game(s) that you are not using, please donate them to the 4th grade team. Thanks,
Mme. Charruau, Mr. Peschard, Mme. Pouppirt



Attention Walkers, Bikers and Scooters

If you walk, bike or scooter to school, pick up your *Frequent Walker* card in the office. Each time you walk, bike or scooter to or from school a teacher (or your parent) will mark off a number on your card. Mr. Fall or Mr. Joe will sign the card when kids walk to school; parents/guardians can sign off on the card when students walk home from school. After 10 times, you'll get a prize and when you fill your card (40 times) you'll get a big prize! For more information contact Beth Schaffer at (816) 822-7705 or Rachael Gordon at (816) 361-7735.

End of Day Procedures

If you have to make a change in your child's normal routine (i.e. grandma will be picking them up instead of the bus) *please notify the school by noon*. If you make a last minute decision (i.e. picking up your child instead of having them ride the bus) you must come into the office. Your child can not just leave the bus line to get in your car. The school is responsible for each student's safety and must see that children are following the agreed-upon arrangement. Remember, if you're child is not picked up by 3:45 p.m., there is a \$1 fee per minute.

Boy Scout Troop 50

Boy Scout Troop 50 meets every Monday from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. at Broadway Methodist Church. If your child is 7 to 17 and interested in scouting, please call (816) 396-0168 or email scouting@Pack50.org or scouting@Troop50.org for more information.

Newsletter Items

If you would like to put something in the newsletter, please email to rgordon.lafayette@gmail.com, or drop off to Rachael by noon on Thursday. Anything submitted after that time will be included in the on-line version, but not the print version. Thanks!