

Zemmer 8/9 Campus News

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Dean of Students, Mr. Jack Chittle
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November 2021



Mark Your Calendar!

November 7-12

- 8th Grade
Washington D.C. Trip

November 8-12

- 9th Grade Vision
Testing

November 10

- PAC Meeting @
7:30am
at Zemmer

November 22-26

- No School for
Students/Staff for
Thanksgiving Break

Principal's Message

Honors Night

In October we were very happy to have the return of Honors Night at the LHS auditorium for all students who received a grade point average of 3.5 or higher for the 2020-2021 school year. Last year, due to Covid-19 restrictions, we were not able to hold the ceremony. We are always extremely proud of our students who earn this academic honor, but particularly so during a year with so many virtual pauses, quarantines, and other barriers existed. Every student who achieved honors received either a JV academic letter (8th grade), a varsity academic letter (9th grade), or a pin for their letter if they had received a letter in a previous year. Please see the list of students who earned this award at the end of the newsletter.

Covid-19 Update

We are extremely happy that we have been back face-to-face in school for the entire first two months of school. Covid-19 cases, while still prevalent, have not reached a threshold that has required any increased restrictions than we currently have in place. As is always the case, this could change as the situation changes, particularly as we get into flu season. We will continue to notify families of any instances where their child has deemed to be "close contacts" with individuals who have tested positive. As has been the case, quarantines are not required, but only recommended. We know how tricky it is to determine when to keep students at home. We definitely want them here in school, but at the same time Covid-19 often mimics general cold symptoms. The advice would be if a student is displaying symptoms, get them tested to rule out Covid-19 to reduce transmission because an increase in cases could lead to restrictions from the county health department.

We are definitely seeing some signs of "learning loss" and lack of motivation from students in general that can no doubt be attributed to their educational upheaval from the norm this past year and half. While not true of all students, teachers across all districts are reporting more difficulty getting work completed and an overall decrease in students' time-on-task. We strongly encourage parents and guardians to keep an eye on Powerschool and current grades, particularly lower grades that are the result of missing assignments. We will continue to stress good study habits and character traits such as work ethic and perseverance and hope you are doing the same at home.

Parent Access to Google Classrooms

Teachers are constantly keeping their Google Classrooms updated. This was originally put in place last year to ensure students in quarantine had access to their courses from home, but is now used school wide as the backbone for most classes. Teachers are posting assignments and materials at the end of each day. **Teachers will be inviting parents via email in the next week or so to Google Classrooms.** If you accept this access, you can get summary reports of the activities and assignments that teachers are posting into their Google Classrooms. You will have access to all of your child's Google Classrooms by just accepting one invite from the one teacher that sends it. **Please do not use the assignment report in Google Classroom to know if your child has missing assignments.** "Assignments" are sometimes just notifications that teachers will put up there and it will show up as "missing" even though it's not required to be turned in. Instead, just use it as a general guide of the types of activities and materials students are using in their class. **For missing assignment information, please use Powerschool.**



Washington D.C. Trip

The week of November 8th many of our 8th grade students will be on the annual Washington D.C. trip. This is a great opportunity for them to see the home of democracy and all that it has to offer. Stay tuned to the Zemmer Facebook page for updates and photos of this tremendous trip.

As a very special opportunity, the following students were selected to place the wreath on Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery: Addison Fidler, Emma Simpson, Erin King, and Holden Taube. We are very proud of them!



PAC Meetings (Parent Advisory Council)

Each month we hold a PAC meeting at Zemmer. The PAC is different than a PTC in that we focus on academics and other matters that are directly related to the school day, rather than fundraisers or other events. Any parent is welcome to attend. At our last meeting we discussed a meeting schedule and those in attendance chose face-to-face meetings at 7:30 a.m. on the second Wednesday of every month.

Our next meeting will be November 10th at 7:30am in our Media Center.

Office Hours & Phone Numbers

Regular office hours at Zemmer 8/9 Building are 7am - 3:30pm. To facilitate a prompt response to telephone calls, direct lines are provided. The telephone numbers are as follows:

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| Main Office | 667-2413 | |
| Attendance Office | 667-2413 x3402 | |
| Counseling Office | | |
| Mrs. Spisz (Counselor (A-K)) | 667-2413 x3410 | |
| Mrs. Vanooteghem (Counselor (L-Z)) | 667-2413 x3409 | |
| Dean of Students, Jack Chittle | 667-2413 x3405 | (Discipline Related Issues) |
| Associate Principal – Cayla Dowdall | 667-2413 x3404 | (Athletics/Discipline) |
| Principal – Dr. Jeff Stanton | 667-2413 x3403 | |



The building opens at 7am. After school, students should leave the building by 2:15pm unless involved in a supervised activity or class. The Media Center and the cafeteria are open until 3:25pm for students who need space to work.

Athletics

For information regarding 8th grade athletics, contact Associate Principal and Athletic Director:

Cayla Dowdall, 810-667-2413
cayla.dowdall@lapeerschools.org

For information regarding Freshman and JV athletics, contact District Athletic Director:

Shad Spilski, 810-667-2423
shadwin.spilski@lapeerschools.org

All information regarding individual sports will be updated on the website: <http://lapeerlightning.com>

***REMINDER:** All student athletes must complete the athletic clearance process and receive a clearance bracelet before beginning practice or trying out. Athletic clearance can be done at the main office with Mrs. Tiffany. Only one athletic clearance per school year is needed for athletes.

The following items to complete the athletic clearance are available in the Zemmer or LHS office or online at <http://lapeerlightning.com> and MUST be turned in prior to first practice/tryout:

- ✓ All athletes must have a completed **2021-2022 MHSAA Physical** (dated April 15, 2021 or after – must be new form or sign waiver when turning in.) or a complete **MHSAA Health Questionnaire** (<https://www.mhsaa.com/portals/0/Documents/health%20safely/healthquestionnaire.pdf>) along with a valid **2021-2022 MHSAA Physical** (dated April 15, 2019 or after)
- ✓ All athletes must have a completed **Emergency Card**
- ✓ All athletes must have a signed **Athletic Code of Conduct Card** (parent & student signatures required)
- ✓ Pay to Participate must be paid in full before any athlete may participate in a game/contest/meet. Information will be forthcoming regarding when parents may begin paying pay-to-participate fees. This is only paid one time per school year for students.



Winter Sports Updates

Winter 1 Sports information:

- **Wrestling** – Practices are from 3:30 – 5:30pm @ CFI
 Coach: Lenny Gosciniak – leonard.gosciniak@lapeerschools.org
- **Volleyball** – Practices are from 5:30-7:30pm in the Zemmer Gymnasium
 Coach: Tessa Becker - tessa.becker@lapeerschools.org

Please note 8th grade volleyball games on November 8th and 10th are canceled due to the Washington D.C. trip.

SEE REMINDER*

Winter 2 Sports Information:

Competitive Cheer and Boys Middle School Basketball will tentatively begin after Christmas Break. More information to come!

Sports Schedules

| LAPEER LIGHTNING Athletic Schedule 2021-2022 Zemmer & R/W Wrestling 6, 7 & 8 grade | WRESTLING | | | | Location | |
|---|-------------------------|--------------------|---------|---------------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| | Tues, Nov 9 | Lake Fenton Owosso | A | 4:15 PM | Lake Fenton HS | 4070 Lahring Rd Linden, MI 48451 |
| Tues, Nov 16 | Brandon Corunna | H | 4:15 PM | Rolland-Warner 6/7 Campus | 3145 W Genesee St Lapeer, MI 48446 | |
| Tues, Nov 23 | Brandon Lake Fenton | A | 4:15 PM | Brandon MS | 609 S. Ortonville Rd Ortonville, MI 48462 | |
| Thur, Dec 2 | Holly Carman-Ainsworth | A | 4:15 PM | Holly MS | 14470 N. Holly Rd Holly, MI 48442 | |
| Sat, Dec 4 | Jefferson MS Tournament | A | 9:00 AM | HH Dow High School | 3901 N. Saginaw Rd Midland, MI 48640 | |
| Tues, Dec 7 | Linden Kearsley | A | 4:15 PM | Linden MS | 15425 Lobdell Rd Linden, MI 48451 | |
| Fri, Dec 10 | Home Quad | H | 4:15 PM | Rolland-Warner 6/7 Campus | 3145 W Genesee St Lapeer, MI 48446 | |
| Tues, Dec 14 | Flushing Fenton | H | 4:15 PM | Rolland-Warner 6/7 Campus | 3145 W Genesee St Lapeer, MI 48446 | |

Coach: Lenny Gosciniak

For more information regarding middle school athletics including schedule changes and game results, please go LapeerLightning.com

| LAPEER LIGHTNING Athletic Schedule 2021-2022 Zemmer Volleyball 8 th grade | Volleyball | | | | Location | |
|---|------------------|------|---------|---------------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| | Thur, Nov 4 | Clio | A | 4:15 PM | Carter MS | 300 Rogers Lodge Dr Clio, MI 48420 |
| Mon, Nov 8 | Kearsley | H | 4:15 PM | Rolland-Warner 6/7 Campus | 3145 W Genesee St Lapeer, MI 48446 | |
| Wed, Nov 10 | Grand Blanc West | A | 4:15PM | GB- West MS | 1515 E Reid Rd Grand Blanc, MI 48439 | |
| Mon, Nov 15 | Goodrich | A | 4:15PM | Goodrich MS | 7480 S Gale Rd Goodrich, MI 48438 | |
| Wed, Nov 17 | Davison | H | 4:15 PM | Rolland-Warner 6/7 Campus | 3145 W Genesee St Lapeer, MI 48446 | |
| Mon, Nov 29 | Fenton | A | 4:15PM | Andrew G Schmidt | 3255 Donaldson St Fenton, MI 48430 | |
| Wed, Dec 1 | Corunna | H | 4:15PM | Rolland-Warner 6/7 Campus | 3145 W Genesee St Lapeer, MI 48446 | |
| Fri, Dec 3 | Carman-Ainsworth | H | 4:15PM | Rolland-Warner 6/7 Campus | 3145 W Genesee St Lapeer, MI 48446 | |
| Mon, Dec 6 | Flushing | A | 4:15PM | Flushing MS | 8100 Carpenter Rd Flushing, MI 48433 | |
| Wed, Dec 8 | Swartz Creek | H | 4:15PM | Rolland-Warner 6/7 Campus | 3145 W Genesee St Lapeer, MI 48446 | |
| Mon, Dec 13 | Grand Blanc East | H | 4:15PM | Rolland-Warner 6/7 Campus | 3145 W Genesee St Lapeer, MI 48446 | |
| Wed, Dec 15 | Brandon | A | 4:15PM | Brandon MS | 609 S Ortonville Rd Ortonville, MI 48462 | |

Coach: Tessa Becker
Kevin Becker

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2020-2021 Zemmer Middle School Honors Students

2020-2021 – 8TH GRADE HONORS STUDENTS

| Name | | Name |
|----------------------|--|-----------------------|
| Elijah Barber | | Jacob Levine |
| Brooklyn Bierbusse | | Tyler Lock |
| Jackson Blaine | | Elijah Maxson |
| Katelynn Burger | | Angel McDonnell |
| Jaclynn Calhoun | | Mya McKenna |
| Dashel Campbell | | Lucas McLaren |
| Jesi Caron | | Raymond Megie Jr |
| Shelby Cascioli | | Madison Mills |
| Joshua Cipielewski | | Baylee Osentoski |
| Evan Conforti | | Abigail Overmyer |
| Ryan Connell | | Danielle Overmyer |
| Joseph D'Anna | | Isaiah Pardington |
| Gavin Davis | | Lorelai Peele |
| Kathryn Droz | | Perrin Phelps |
| Breana Fantin | | Camden Polk |
| Aiden Farnier | | Carter Poniatowski |
| Aubrie Gaddis | | Heidi Presnell |
| Breanna Garcia | | Alexander Przekora |
| Jacob Garris | | Maloree Ramirez |
| Seth Gavan | | Bradley Richey |
| Sara Henry | | Daniel Ridley |
| Mia Hirsch | | Christopher Rodgers |
| Hunter Hollenbeck | | Aaliyah Rotary |
| Logan House | | Jason Scharrer |
| Meryl Johnson | | Addison Seifferly |
| Brooke Jostock | | Kyleigh Skeen |
| Bela Kamicka | | Kate Soldenski |
| Aubrey Kirk | | Ella TerBush |
| Jordan Klinkenberger | | Mason Thompson |
| Broderick LaBar | | Kady Treutle |
| Carlie Lange | | Elizabeth VanBrocklin |
| Nolan Lange | | Addalyn Warren |
| Alexis LaSalle | | Bryan Waugh Gruzowski |
| | | Arianna Wright |

2020-2021 Zemmer Middle School Honors Students

2020-2021 – 9TH GRADE HONORS STUDENTS

| Name | | Name | | Name |
|--------------------|--|------------------------|--|------------------------|
| Belle Adams | | Tyler Elges | | Madalyn Oliver |
| McKenna Adams | | Dominic Engelhardt | | AJ Ondoy |
| Eli Alexander | | Jacob Fisher | | Mark Orwig |
| Elijah Angelbrandt | | Dylan Groom | | Abigail Patten |
| Piper Austin | | Jacen Grosskopf | | Kaitlyn Peters |
| Marissa Babcock | | Ginger Grzyb | | Sophia Polega |
| Carter Baese | | Katelyn Halas | | Kendal Prouty |
| Joshua Barry | | Jorja Hammond | | Alaina Przekora |
| Chase Behnke | | Joslynn Hartwell | | Gage Putnik |
| Ava Benson | | Kennedy Haworth | | Noah Rosario |
| Isabella Benson | | Jayden Henley | | Isabelle Rosebush |
| Sawyer Berry | | Carley Hoover | | Shane Ross |
| Trenton Bierbusse | | Aiden Huestis | | Conner Rutledge |
| Dylan Blalock | | Brayden Hundt | | Evan Sankiewicz |
| Gavin Bolte | | Sophie Jacklyn | | Natalie Schlaud |
| Rylee Brasseur | | Katherine Jansen | | Margaret Schwab |
| Delaney Brennan | | Logan Johnson | | Ashley Sharp |
| Juliann Bright | | Lucy Keast | | Chloe Sherman |
| Oscar Brownfield | | Ramsey Kress | | Caiden Sherrieb |
| Brady Byrnes | | Evangeline LeClaire | | Carter Sieh |
| Kailey Calhoun | | Matthew Leszczynski | | Christina Slieff |
| Oaklee Callans | | Jace Lindsay | | Raiden Smith |
| Abigail Campbell | | David Little III | | Logan Spencer |
| Kaden Capstick | | Katie Lovelette | | Coralee Stevens |
| Garet Carpenter | | Jade Malloy | | Kya Suckow |
| Vanessa Carr | | Jessica Marino | | Macy Tackabury |
| Audra Chappel | | Christian Marra | | Dustin Trottier |
| Mason Charter | | Nickola Mashni | | Zachary Uryga-Williams |
| Kyle Chouinard | | Sophia Mazur-Batistoni | | Avery Walter |
| Caiden Clark | | Logann Michals | | Abigail Weatherford |
| Kameron Cole | | Sephora Miller | | Elijah Weber |
| Reagan Cordes | | Gabriella Morris | | Blake Wildfong |
| Natalie Crockett | | Aiden Muir | | Avery Will |
| Mackenzie Daly | | Amelia Musgrave | | Josie Williams |
| Alexia Deal | | Shannon Nolan | | Cloee Wood |
| Nicholas Dennis | | Alexis Norman | | Teagan Yanuska |
| Alexis Dougherty | | Zakery Olejniczak | | Lilly Young |