



Newsletter, September 14, 2011

Upcoming Events

- ◆ September 20, Back to School Night, 6:00 - 8:00 pm
- ◆ October 5, End of First Interim Period
- ◆ October 10, PTSA meeting, 6:30pm, Principal's Conference Room
- ◆ October 21, Early Release, 11:40 am Staff Development
- ◆ November 7, End of First Marking Period
- ◆ November 8, Election Day, No School Teacher Workday
- ◆ November 23-25, Thanksgiving Holiday Break, No School

SAVE THE DATE - TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2011 BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT! 6:00-8:00 pm

Dear Parents, Students and Faculty,

Welcome back everyone, and a special welcome to the Class of 2015 and your parents.

For those who may not have been able to attend the parent orientation, the PTSA is going to include a separate list of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) that were posed to Mrs. Swinton at the session. These FAQs will be updated throughout the year, so please check the LHS website regularly.

This issue of the TelegRAM contains important information regarding the annual "Reflections" arts competition.

We hope to see everyone at Back-to-School Night on September 20th. It is from 6pm to 8pm and food will be provided; please join PTSA. Those wonderful RAM car magnets will be on sale.

Many thanks to the almost 150 members who already have joined PTSA. Please stop by the PTSA membership table at Back-to-School Night and see how you can help. We continue to seek more parents and students to serve on a number of committees, including the After-Prom committee.

Don't forget to start saving Farm Fresh, Martin's receipts as well as Food Lion and Harris Teeter. Save Coke rewards cartons and bottle tops and use your Target red card and donate to LHS and the PTSA! Specific directions for all of these programs are included on our PTSA website following this cover letter.

The next Board meeting will be Monday, October 10th, at 6:30pm in Mrs. Swinton's Conference Room. All are welcome.

Nancy Webb, LHS PTSA President

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Help Us Recycle and the Rams Receive CASH \$\$ and help Save the Environment!

The PTSA is participating in a recycling fundraiser and is seeking donations of used cell phones, ink-jet cartridges, old laptops, old portable DVD players, MP3 players and digital cameras. This is a great way to dispose of your old technology, to protect the environment and to help raise funds for the LHS PTSA. We receive CASH for every item donated.

A complete list of items and details of the program can be found at www.recyclingfundraiser.com (formerly known as Ecophones). Remember, ink-jet cartridges only (fits in the palm of your head), not the big toner cartridges. A box is in the front office under the Trophy table for your donations.

Since many people upgrade to a new phone every two years, or receive new phones as gifts, we bet many families have used cell phones in their homes and don't know how to dispose of them. Just donate them to the LHS PTSA. Erase or move your personal information from phones and computers and bring them into the front office. And please do not send in the phone chargers, as they are not included as part of the fundraising program.

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FORM BELOW AND BRING IT TO BACK-TO-SCHOOL NIGHT*
OR HAVE YOUR CHILD BRING IT TO HOMEROOM
(*RAM Car Magnets Also Will Be Available for Purchase; \$6 for 1, \$10 for 2)

MEMBERSHIP FORM PTSA
Unit ID #: 00014381

_____ # of Members @ \$5.00 per Member = \$_____ Total Enclosed (checks payable to LHS PTSA)

Adult #1 Member's Name: _____

Adult #2 Member's Name: _____

Student #1 Member's Name: _____ Grade: _____ HR Teacher: _____

Student #2 Member's Name: _____ Grade: _____ HR Teacher: _____

(Please list grade and 1st block "homeroom" teacher so that we can distribute membership cards.)

Teacher/Staff Member's Name: _____

Telephone (H): _____ Email address: _____

(Email addresses used for correspondence from PTSA only)

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES INCLUDE:

_____ Hospitality - food/baking, various events

_____ After-Prom Celebration

_____ Fundraising

_____ Reflections Program

_____ Class Representative(s); Grade _____

_____ Yes, I want to help. _____ Email me; or _____ Call me, best time is _____

"FREE AND EASY" CURRENT CORPORATION PROMOTIONS

Please keep this list handy in your kitchen, purse or wallet. And note that we finally are registered with Martin's and Bloom! Most of these programs allow you to register your cards online. If you don't have access to a computer, PTSA can enroll your number for you. We will have sign-up sheets available at Open House.

Bloom: We are now registered with Bloom. Our school code is 01585. You can sign up by going to www.shopbloom.com, click on "Your Bloom" and then click on "For Your School" and enter the school code.

Farm Fresh 1-2-3-4 Education Receipts Program: Remember to send it your receipts, including Gas Express receipts. All receipts through May 31st count, but our submission deadline is June 15th, so you must send them in promptly. We only need the small separate section of the receipt that is generated with your register receipt.

Food Lion: Register your MVP card to obtain rewards for LHS. Go to www.foodlion.com, click on "Community Outreach" on the left, then click on "MVP Rewards", click on "MVP Card Registration", enter card#, enter school code (217619) or school name and "search".

Harris Teeter - Link your VIC card to LHS just once each year. The school's Together in Education number is TIE # 8426 and may be given during checkout (just once, not at every checkout).

Martin's A+ School Rewards: Lafayette is now successfully enrolled. The school ID is 03208. You only have to register once each year, either by going to www.martinsaplus.com or by going to the Customer Service desk at Martin's to register your card.

Target Take Charge of Education. LHS will receive 1% of all purchases made with your Target Visa card. Go to www.target.com, scroll down to Community column, click on "Take Charge of Education" to register your Red Card.

Coke Rewards - Go to www.mycokerewards.com and register as an individual. Enter codes from Coke product bottle caps or case and then donate the points to LHS. Coke already has donated a Flip-It video camera to the school which will be used as a prize at After-Prom! You can also send in caps and carton codes and deposit them in our jar at the front desk.

One Cause - Shop online but start out at www.onecause.com. Merchants donate a % of your purchase directly to the school. You can download a toolbar that will automatically get you the credit when you shop online.

Recycling: Donate used cell phones, ink-jet cartridges, etc. See www.recyclingfundraiser.com for details. There is a box under the trophy table in the front office to place the cartridges.

Smart Diner Card for WJCC scholarships: Go to www.smartdiner.com. Can be ordered online or purchased at Season's, SunTrust Bank, WCF behind Bloom's, or VA Gazette.



Labels for Education

Help support your child's school by participating in this promotion! It's easy as 1, 2, 3!

1. CLIP - Participating product UPCs and beverage caps/sauce caps
2. GIVE - To your school's Labels for Education coordinator
3. EARN - Free merchandise



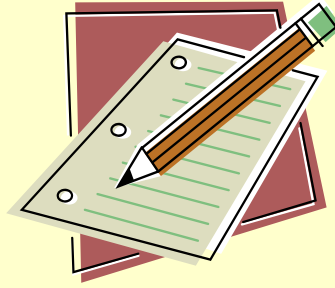
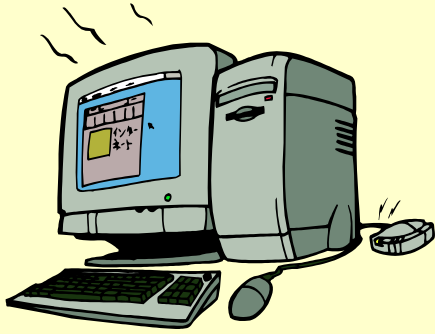
[Click here for additional details](#)

Teacher of Excellence Program

We are looking for nominations for our [Teachers of Excellence](#) program. Just think, you could help a deserving teacher in your school win \$1,000 — and not only that — you could help your school win \$1,000 as well!

We are looking for teachers who exemplify the highest standards and practices of the teaching profession. These qualities include, but are not limited to, demonstrating distinguished classroom practice, professionalism, high standards for themselves and their students; the ability to create a classroom environment beneficial to learning; the ability to reflect on practice, originality, commitment to students and their learning; and volunteerism within the school community.

[Click here](#) to download the Teachers of Excellence application and win money for your school today!



PARENTS: CHECK OUT THE INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON THE WJCC AND LHS WEBSITES

Parents of both new students and returning students should explore both the WJCC website, www.wjcc.k12.va.us, as well as the LHS website, which can be accessed via WJCC, where lots of information can be found about past, current and future events at LHS.

Morning Announcements also can be accessed by parents and students so that everyone is kept up to date. WJCC personnel are working hard to keep up with constant calendar changes. Please check out the attached links that should be of interest to all. These calendars include LHS Athletic calendars, early dismissal, arts events for the entire division, SOL dates, and a link is also included for SAT dates.

Teachers will also find these calendars useful for planning purposes and to avoid conflicts.

Reflections is a program sponsored by the National PTA every year.

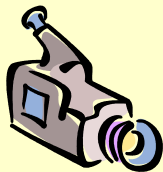
This program encourages students to express their artistic talents by writing, dancing, composing and creating visual art.



Entry forms and rules are available now through the front office or music, dance, arts, and literature teachers!

The categories are:

- [Dance Choreography](#)
- [Film/Video Productions](#)
 - [Literature](#)
- [Musical Composition](#)
 - [Photography](#)
 - [Visual Arts](#)



Contact PTSA Reflections Chair, Kim Galvin, with any questions at 565-4588 or overextended@cox.net.

PTA® Reflections unleashes your artistic talents

Dance Choreography

Photography

Film Production

Musical Composition

Literature

Visual Arts

2011-2012 Theme: **“Diversity Means ...”**

Reflect on the theme. Create an original work. Be recognized.

Deadline for entries: October 2011

For details, contact **Kim Galvin, LHS PTSA Reflections Chair**
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**WORK ON YOUR ENTRIES
DURING THE SUMMER!!**

National Media Sponsor of PTA Reflections Program

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PTA REFLECTIONS



LHS CALENDARS AND SCHEDULES

CALENDARS OF GENERAL STUDENT-WIDE INTEREST

1. WJCC Calendar,
http://www.wjcc.k12.va.us/content/admin/calendar/yearlycalendars/WJCC_2009-10%20Summary%20Calendar.pdf
 2. WJCC Early Dismissal Schedule,
<http://www.wjcc.k12.va.us/content/admin/calendar/yearlycalendars/Early%20Dismissal%20Times%202009-2010.pdf>
 3. LHS Athletic "Important Dates" Schedule,
<http://www.wjcc.k12.va.us/lhs/students/athletics/newsletter/IMPORTANT%20DATES.pdf>
 4. LHS Fall Athletic Schedule,
<http://www.wjcc.k12.va.us/content/schools/wjcc-athletics/LAFAYETTE%20SPORTS.pdf>
 5. Assessment Schedule (e.g. SOLs),
http://www.wjcc.k12.va.us/content/admin/calendar/assessment_calendars/High%20Schools_assessment_wjcc.pdf
 6. College Board Tests, SATs, PSATs, SAT IIs, etc., <http://www.collegeboard.com/testing/>
 7. WJCC Performing Arts Calendar,
<http://www.wjcc.k12.va.us/content/admin/calendar/yearlycalendars/Arts%20Calendar.pdf>
 8. WJCC Page with list of all calendars and links to school news, PTSA newsletters, and individual calendars, <http://www.wjcc.k12.va.us/content/admin/calendar/index.shtml>
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Questions or Comments???

Email us at LafayettePTSA@yahoo.com

We would love to hear from you

