

L.B. Clarke Middle School Chronicle

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Tips to help your Middle Schooler

Respecting ourselves is essential in helping us to make good choices. Making good choices lifts our self-respect. Good self respect helps every aspect of our personal and social lives, and makes it a lot easier to get through the tough times. Here are some things that are almost guaranteed to help you respect yourself.

- Take responsibility for yourself.
- Always do what you believe is right.
- Be true to yourself and your highest values.
- Respect others and treat them right.
- Set goals and work to achieve them.

- Say "no" to negative pressures.
- Don't let others make your choices for you.

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By working together in providing positive support we can guide our children to be positive contributors to our community.



Information for Inclement Weather

Snow, ice & wind sometimes makes travel particularly dangerous. Please tune in to either the radio or television stations for closings or delays. Do not call school, as it ties up the lines.

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L.B. Clarke School @ffectureridum. Nov 25 Story time last night at family dinner night with Jean Vanderlinden



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We want you to know what's happening at LBC! #lbcproud



Upcoming Events

December 13th

Saturday School 8-Noon

December 15th

LBC 5/6 Band/Choir concert 6:30 p.m. @TRHS

December 16th

LBC 7/8 Band/Choir concert 6:30 p.m. @TRHS

December 17th

All School Band and Choir Concert @ 2:15 p.m.

December 18-19

Grade level spelling bees

December 19th

TRHS Concert Tour 10:30 a.m. @ LBC

<u>December 20-January 4</u> Holiday Break- NO SCHOOL

January 9th

All-School Spelling Bee

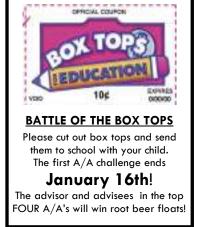
January 12th

8th Grade visit to TRHS in p.m. Band Boosters 7 p.m. @ TRHS



- 1. Look for the Best in Others
- 2. Dream Big
- 3. Choose Positive Influences
- 4. Speak with Kindness
- 5. Start A Chain Reaction





HOLIDAY CONCERT SCHEDULE

<u>December 15th:</u> 5/6 Grade Band and Choir Concert 6:30 p.m. @ TRHS

<u>December 16th:</u> 7/8 Grade Band and Choir Concert 6:30 p.m. @ TRHS

<u>December 17th:</u> All School Concert @ LBC 2:15 p.m.

December 19th: TRHS Holiday Concert Tour 10:30 a.m. @ LBC



Parents Must Be Involved with Child's Education: By Angie Spaeth htrnews.com

Parents and families have a direct and lasting impact on their child's learning. It is critical for parents to be involved in their child's education right from the start. Early learning programs stress the importance of parental involvement to help build social skills, early reading success and promote self-confidence. Parent involvement greatly declines as children enter middle school, and this is a time when children need their parents more than ever.



There are many ways we, as parents, can show we value education — setting aside homework time at home, attending concerts and athletic events, being involved with PTO, reading with your child, checking assignment notebooks and communicating with teachers.

Because we see how important it is for parents to be involved in their child's education, the L.B. Clarke staff has created a family involvement focus. Staff members have generated opportunities for families and parents to be engaged in their child's education. By offering family activities throughout the year, we are inviting families to come into the school building and interact with their middle schooler.

We had a successful Thanksgiving family dinner in November. More than 300 people attended a night which included a sit-down meal, dinner conversation and activities, and a read aloud story that focused on the importance of family and the beauty within our family traditions (written and published by one of our talented staff members). It was so great to see families interact and enjoy each other's company.

We are planning more opportunities such as these for children to connect to the adults in their lives through literacy. "Doughnuts with Dad" and "Muffins with Mom" are two events being planned for the winter months, and a family chili dinner is scheduled to be held during parent-teacher conferences.

We also have a Community Read Day in February when students have invited guests to come to L.B. Clarke to read and enjoy a hot cup of cocoa together. Every spring we host a grandparents' day. This is one of our best attended events. Our students love having their special guest see what middle school is like for them. You can't top those conversations. Seeing our students connecting with their grandparents about school is priceless.

As much as it might seem that middle schoolers do not want their parents to be involved, they truly do. They need it. Through parent involvement, students are reassured of the importance and value of education. As students become more independent and more involved in extracurricular activities, parents have more opportunities to be more influential than ever. We welcome their influence and their participation at L.B. Clarke.