



# L.B. Clarke Middle School Chronicle

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## MAPS Testing Begins Tuesday

Parents,

Starting Tuesday, we will begin the fall session of MAPs testing. MAP stands for Measure of Academic Progress. We will administer the MAPs test to all grades in fall and spring of the school year in the areas of reading and math.

Advisors meet with advisees and set goals for MAPs achievement. **Below you will find a basic guideline for proficiency in each grade level and subject.**

### 5th Grade– Fall

Reading– 206 or higher  
Math- 207 or higher

### 6th Grade– Fall

Reading- 211 or higher  
Math- 213 or higher

### 7th Grade– Fall

Reading- 215 or higher  
Math- 219 or higher

### 8th Grade– Fall

Reading- 220 or higher  
Math- 226 or higher

### Thinking about college?

A score of 16 on the ACT Exam is considered the minimum to apply to many colleges and universities. While 16 is the minimum, it is NOT considered college ready. A score of 21 on the ACT Exam is considered college ready.

Most state universities however, require in the range of 21-24 on the ACT Exam for entrance.

More prestigious schools such as UW–Madison require closer to a 29.

**Below are fall reading and math MAPs scores that can help predict a 16, 24, or 29 on the ACT Exam at each grade level.**

|            | Reading   |           |           | Math      |           |           |
|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| <b>ACT</b> | <b>16</b> | <b>24</b> | <b>29</b> | <b>16</b> | <b>24</b> | <b>29</b> |
| <b>5th</b> | 196       | 220       | 231       | 197       | 228       | 241       |
| <b>6th</b> | 203       | 226       | 236       | 205       | 239       | 252       |
| <b>7th</b> | 207       | 229       | 239       | 211       | 242       | 254       |
| <b>8th</b> | 212       | 232       | 241       | 216       | 247       | 259       |

## Upcoming Events

### September 22nd–

8th grade Volleyball @ LBC  
CLC– Educational Exercises, Magic the Gathering, Movie Mondays, and Eco-Avengers

### September 23rd–

CLC– Educational Exercises, Chess, FIRST Lego, and Health is Wealth  
LBC Cross Country @ Plymouth

### September 24th–

MAPS Assessment begins  
CLC– Lester Public Library

### September 25th–

CLC– Community House and FIRST Lego, Music Mayhem, Greek Mythology, and Art Club  
7/8 Volleyball @LBC  
LBC Cross Country @ Valders  
Soccer @ Manitowoc Wilson

### September 26th–

7th grade trip to Madison

### September 29th and 30th–

8th Grade Washington D.C. Parent Meeting 6:00 p.m.  
(Parents must only attend one)

## \*REQUIRED MEETING FOR 8TH GRADE PARENTS\*



A parent must attend one of the two meetings listed below:  
**WASHINGTON D.C. TRIP MEETING**

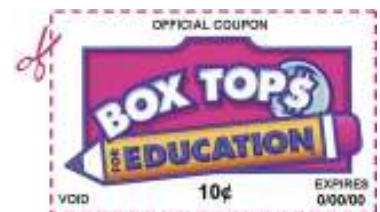
**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH- 6 P.M.**

**OR**

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH- 6 P.M.**

If you cannot make it to one of these meetings you must call school and schedule a meeting with Mr. Wester or Mrs. Spaeth in order for your child to attend the trip.

**WASHINGTON D.C. TRIP– MAY 5TH-9TH**



### BATTLE OF THE BOX TOPS

Please cut out box tops and send them to school with your child. The first A/A challenge ends **October 24th!**

The advisor and advisees in the top **FOUR** A/A's will win root beer floats!

**7th Grade Trip to Madison**

September 26th

6:45 a.m. - 5:45 p.m.

**Must turn in: Emergency info  
and Permission slip**

**RACHEL'S  
Challenge**  
start a chain reaction

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

**Middle School Students Need:**

- 8-10 hours of sleep
- A good breakfast
- A designated time and place to do homework
- Read 30 min each night

**LBC CLC Is Here!**

We have lots of fun  
opportunities for  
after-school activities!

**FIRST Lego League**  
**Movie Mondays**  
**Educational Exercises**  
**Art Club**  
**Eco-Avengers**  
**Magic the Gathering**  
**Chess Club**

**The Letter From School That Stopped Me in My Tracks:** By Jen M.L. Contributor to Huffpost.com

School started a few weeks ago, and we're still trying to get back into the swing of things. I don't know about you, but it's been tough. Are you back in the routine yet?

Our morning routine is pretty standard. The Hubs wakes up early to get the kids ready for the day. At 7:30 a.m., he starts out by yelling - I mean, gently waking up the kids. Every morning I hear "Adolpha, get down here and get dressed" and "Gomer, get dressed and brush your teeth." Some days there is more yelling than others.

This morning was one of those mornings. Both kids woke up grumpy and sluggish and there was more than the normal drama to deal with. Gomer had lost a shoe and Adolpha was refusing to brush her teeth. I had had it. I was trying to make lunches when I found Adolpha's take home folder on the counter, buried under some junk mail. It was stuffed with papers that she had not shown me. I was so irritated. She doesn't have many jobs, but she is supposed to empty her folder each night and show me what's been sent home so I don't miss anything important. I flung open the folder and started slamming papers on the counter, saying, "Adolpha, you know you're supposed to empty your folder! Why can't you do what you are supposed to?"

"I forgot," she whined.

"You don't forget to do your jobs at school. Why do you do forget them at home?" I asked, continuing to fling the papers around. Worksheets, field trip notices, and spelling tests went flying.

Before I knew it, Gomer's lip was quivering. I turned on him, "And what's your problem? Why are you crying?"

"Because you're yelling at Adolpha," he said, tears welling up in his eyes. Both kids started to cry.

Really? I thought. I should be the one crying. I am running around trying to do everything for the two of you because you can't get your act together. Who loses a shoe after walking in

the front door? Who cries because brushing their teeth is soooooo hard? Who takes 10 minutes to decide if they want a ham and cheese or peanut butter and jelly sandwich in their lunchbox?

"Oh please, Gomer, just stop. I can't even listen to you right now." As I responded to him, I continued to empty Adolpha's folder. "Both of you stop crying and go find Gomer's shoe!" I glanced down at the sheet of paper in my hand and I could see it was a letter from Adolpha's teacher stuck in her folder. I knew I'd miss something important! I thought angrily. A letter from the teacher! Who knew when she sent that thing home?

Dear Mom and Dad,

This was my first full week at my new job. I have a new teacher, a new room, new curriculum, and many new friends.

With all of these new beginnings, I am making many adjustments and I have many things to remember. When I get tired, irritable, or easily upset, remember all of the adjustments you had to make when you started a new job, (and any fears you had) and this will help you understand how I feel.

You can help me a lot by listening sympathetically, being understanding, giving me your support, helping me get rest, and by giving me lots of love and attention.

Thank you for loving and caring for me.

Love,

*Adolpha*

The letter stopped me in my tracks. I read it again. And then one more time... It was like Mrs. K. knew what our morning was going to be like. How did she know that the letter was exactly what I needed to read right at that moment? I don't know, but I was glad she did.

**Notes from the PTO...**

LBC PTO Meeting Minutes— September 15th, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.

- The annual **Gold Canyon Candle Sale** flyers will be sent home on October 10th in Friday folders, and the sale will extend from **October 13th-November 7th**. Candle pick-up will be the Monday and Tuesday of Thanksgiving week.
- **Our first L.B. Clarke book Fair will be November 10-13 in the LBC LMC.**
- We will celebrate our 2nd Annual LBC Chili Dinner and Raffle Fundraiser on February 19th. More details will be provided as we draw closer to that date.

**Next LBC PTO Meeting:** November 17th, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. in the LMC