

L.B. Clarke Middle School Chronicle

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Friday, November 20, 2015 Visit us online at: <u>www.trschools.k12.wi.us/schools/lbc</u>

L.B. Clarke Family Dinner: November 23rd 6:30-8 p.m.

From our family at LBC to yours, we would like to extend an invitation to join us for dinner. Please mark your calendars for our second annual L.B. Clarke family dinner on November 23rd at 6:30pm. We will have turkey, mashed potatoes, dessert and all of the fixings.

Please return the bottom portion of the invitation that was sent home so we can plan. If you don't have the invitation, just give us a call and let us know you're coming! We're excited to see you!

Help Keep Our Magic Closet Full

As the weather begins to turn cold, we will have a need to stock up the magic closet. We do our best to have the winter items our kids may need, as well as many other types of clothing, shoes, and personal care items.

In the season in which we are thankful for what we have, we can help others by donating new items or things that no longer fit.

Dress for the Weather!

It is now 2nd quarter and the weather is turning colder. Students are no longer allowed to wear shorts, sandals, or open toed shoes to school until the beginning of 4th guarter.

Shoparoo: Fundraising for LBC... Costs You \$0

LBC is up to 56 supporters who have earned almost 60,000 Roo points (over \$110) for the school! Please help us out. It's super easy and doesn't cost you a thing...

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We are happy to accept the following in NEW or GENTLY USED condition:

Winter coats Mittens/Gloves Hats/Scarves Boots Tennis Shoes T-shirts/Sweatshirts Pants/Jeans **NEW Underwear and Socks**

NEW personal care items (deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrush, etc.)

Students should begin wearing winter coats, hat, and mittens/gloves to school. They will be outside every day before school and at lunch. Dress for the weather!

Get started today:

1. Download the free Shoparoo app from the Apple App Store or Google Play Store 2. Select our school from the list and start taking pictures of your receipts . 3. Earn even more Roo Points, or cash donations, by inviting others to join using your personal referral code.

Upcoming Events

November 23 LBC Family Thanksgiving Dinner 6:30pm

November 24th Coast Guard Assembly- Ice and Open Water- 2:15-3:15pm

November 26-27 NO SCHOOL- THANKSGIVING

November 28th Christmas Fantasy Parade 5:30pm **Downtown Two Rivers**

November 30-December 11 Community Dental Clinic @ LBC

December 14th 5th/6th Grade Choir and Band Concert 6:30 pm @ TRHS

December 15th 7th/8th Grade Choir and Band Concert 6:30 pm @ TRHS

December 21-22 **Grade Level Spelling Bees**

ATTENTION 8TH GRADE PARENTS

All 8th grade students planning on attending the Washington D.C. Trip this May should have <u>\$180</u> in his or her trip account by TODAY, in order to stay on track for having \$550 by April 24th.





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

<u>THANK YOU, PARENTS,</u> <u>FOR ATTENDING</u> <u>CONFERENCES!</u>

<u>Please schedule a time</u> with your child's advisor <u>if you haven't been in</u> <u>for his/her conference</u> <u>yet.</u>

<u>100% of LBC families</u> <u>meet for parent teacher</u> <u>conferences!</u>

Parenting Tips for Digital and Internet Safety in 2015 by Safe Smart Social Team

We caught up with Robert Reichmann, Founder and CEO at Visr, an app for parents to keep their kids safe on social networks and asked him to share with us his 5 parenting tips for digital and Internet safety.

<u>Be a role model</u>

Just like in real life, kids learn much of their online behavior from others, including you! You're probably aware of keeping your language and behavior appropriate while offline, but are you as conscious about your online behavior?

If you are a tech-savvy parent, chances are you are probably using a couple of social networks yourself. If you're not, then we strongly recommend you get yourself familiarized with them, so you know how people use them. If your kids are using social media, it's a good idea for you to follow/ friend/etc them, but not before making sure that your social accounts are appropriate for your kids to see. Remember to lead by example and not have any content that you wouldn't want to see on your kids social media, e.g. bad language, mean-spirited commentary, questionable pictures, etc.

<u>Review the rules</u>

This is a great time of year to ensure that you and your child are on the same page when it comes to digital awareness and responsibility. Not sure where you stand when it comes to technology rules? Not to worry, Janell Hofmann, author of the book <u>iRules: What Every Tech-Healthy Family Needs to Know</u> <u>about Selfies, Sexting, Gaming, and Growing</u> <u>Up</u>, has shared the rules she created for her kids with the world. Her iRules can be easily modified to fit your parenting style and personal preferences when it comes to technology.

Bringing offline accountability online

Many of the behaviors we see online, whether positive or negative, are just online manifestations of behaviors that exist in real life. As parents, we need to be diligent in providing our children with skills to deal with problems when they arise, and helping them understand that they can use these strategies online too.

'Cyberbullying' is the term often used to refer to these behaviors online, 'Stop Cyberbullying' defines it as when a child or teen is 'tormented, threatened, harassed, humiliated, embarrassed by another child or team using internet, interactive and digital technologies or mobile phones.' Unfortunately, other children are not the only perpetrators of online harassment, other adults may have bad intentions and use social media as their preferred medium to find victims.

Modern parents need to consider how traditional offline dangers to their child may transfer online through new technologies and methods of communication, which leads us to our next point.

Stay in the know

How our kids communicate online is constantly changing, just in 2014 we saw younger audiences shift their attention to new social networks like Snapchat and Vine. Older social networks are constantly changing too, releasing updates and thereby changing how information is shared on their platforms. In order to stay in the know about new social networks and updates to existing ones, its important that you track their progress, news, and updates. How can you make sure you don't miss any updates?

- Social media savvy parent If you're a big user of social media, then follow the social networks your children use on social media, they will post updates about any changes on their social channels. You also need to stay updated with any new social media, which you can do by following social media news sources like Mashable, Social Media Examiner, TechCrunch, CNET, or Social Times.
- Not social, but tech savvy You can also follow the 'social media' sections on tech media blogs like Mashable and Wired, they summarize new updates as they are released. If you're an avid reader of blogs, then add Twitter's, Facebook's, Snapchat's, and Instagram's official blogs to your reading list.
- Traditional news reader Someone has to keep the media industry alive! Pay close attention to the 'technology' section of your newspaper. Online sources like Business Insider stay atop social trends.