

Lone Rock Rocket Newsletter

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Calendar of Events

Monday, April 14 – Parent Teacher Conferences – **Dismiss at 1:15**
Tuesday, April 15 – School Board Meeting – 7:00 PM
Wednesday, April 16 – Early Out
Wednesday, April 16 – Community Goal Setting Meeting – 7:00 PM – Middle School
Thursday, April 17 – Kindergarten Roundup and Free Kids Health Screening for ages 0-6
Friday, April 18 – Spring Break Day Off
Friday, April 18 – Track Meet – Hamilton – 10AM
Monday, April 21 – Resume School
Wednesday, April 23 – Early Out
Thursday, April 24 – Spaghetti Dinner (6PM) Levy Info (7PM) Candidate Forum (7:30 PM)
Thursday, April 24 – Class Pictures
Thursday, April 24 – Tot Time – 10 AM Family Resource Center
Wednesday, April 30 – Early Out
Friday, May 2 – Track Meet - Stevensville
Saturday, May 3 – Pancake Breakfast -8 AM. – 10:00 A.M.- School Cafeteria
Tuesday, May 6 – Board of Trustees Election
Saturday, May 10 – Track Meet – Florence – 9:00 AM
Tuesday, May 13 – Spring Band Concert – Grades 5 – 8 – 7PM
Friday, May 16 – Track Meet – Knights of Columbus Meet – Hamilton – 10:00 AM
Tuesday, May 20 – Spring Music Concert – Grades K – 4 – 2PM
Thursday, May 22 – GWiz Assembly – 2:00 PM – Gym
Monday, May 26 – Memorial Day Observed – No School
Friday, May 30 – 8th Grade Graduation

Goal Setting

An enthusiastic crowd of 18 met with Mr. Anderson on Wednesday evening, broke into 4 groups, and began the process of identifying the top goals for the Lone Rock School District. The residents discussed Administration, Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment, Personnel, Auxiliary and Support, Parents and Community, Business and Finance, Facilities and Grounds, Equipment and Supplies, Transportation, and Food Service. The 4 groups will meet next Wednesday and prioritize the identified goals and prepare a list to be presented to the Board of Trustees.

CANDIDATE AND LEVY INFORMATION UPCOMING EVENTS - REMEMBER TO VOTE!

Thursday, April 24

6 P.M..... Spaghetti Dinner
7 P.M..... Levy Information Presentation
7:30 P.M.... Candidate Forum

Saturday, May 3

8 A.M. – 10:00 A.M. Pancake Breakfast

Tuesday, May 6

Noon – 8:00 P.M. Election Day

HONOR ROLL

Honor Roll -Mrs. Minster

High Honor Roll: Megan Finley, Tawni Wells, Torren Lawson

Honor Roll: Clara Delaney, Cody Rummel, Daniel Pendergast, Dylan Gavlak, Noah Ward

Achievement Award (raised three letter grades): Dylan Gavlak, Tawni Wells, Torren Lawson

Honor Roll – Mrs. LaBuff

High Honor Roll: Fallon Arnott, Rachel Brassfield, Randy McGrann, Shane Murphy, Rebecca Steele, Jenna Lockman

Honor Roll: Caleb Kleinjan, Nani Murray

Achievement Award (raised three letter grades): Shane Murphy, Noah Groeschl, Courtney Tvedt

Honor Roll – Ms. Okland’s homeroom

Straight A’s - Jessica Stevens

High Honor Roll - Connor Arnott, Devin Carlson, Miranda Heberle, Katie Malachinski, Shelby Robinson

Honor Roll - Leavella Calhoon, Kali Dimmitt-Griffin, Riley Noonan, MacKinzie Zimmerman

Honor Roll – Mrs. Stevens

Straight A Honor Roll - Mickelle Stevens

High Honor Roll -Meghan Bowers, Chase Dimsha, Samantha Hackworth**, Mersadiez Leese, Shelby Murphy, Riley Stevens

Honor Roll - Brianna Brewer, Zachary Curtis**, Mariellyn Dodson-Smith, Kayla Grimes, Kendra Riley-Taylor**, Victoria Stowe, Adam Wright

These four students raised 2 or more grades: Zachary Curtis**, Samantha Hackworth**, Kendra Riley-Taylor**, Gharrett Warner

Standards-Based Education

Every school in the state follows the education standards and frameworks set up by the State of Montana. These standards specify what all students should learn in each subject area at each grade level. At Lone Rock we do this, but we always want to do it better. Thus the teachers have begun a review of the state standards and have initiated a plan to teach not only what is expected by the state but to go above and beyond. We are using the state standards as our platform and upon that platform we are constructing units of study that deliver more learning, more rigor and higher expectations for all of our students. The goal is to make sure that a Lone Rock School education is always the best education we can strive for. Home-grown enrichment of the state standards is yet another way that Lone Rock is delivering not just a good education but a great education for its students.

Ways to Keep Your Middle-Schooler Turning the Pages

Amidst the flurry of friends, homework, and hormones, your pre-teen may not feel like reading. Try these tips for keeping his or her interest and skills on track.

- **Let your child choose what to read.** While his choice of a book may not be your preference, remember that he will probably never touch a title if it's force-fed.
- **Talk about what she reads.** Ask her what she thinks of a book and make connections with ideas or issues that are relevant to her life.
- **If he's struggling or bored with a book, let him put it down.** Forcing him to stick with a difficult or dull book that's intended for pleasure will reinforce the idea that reading is a chore.
- **Subscribe to magazines that will interest her.** Ask her to choose one or two titles and put the subscription in her name.
- **Read the newspaper together.** Whether it's for 15 minutes over breakfast or on weekends, establish a routine and discuss what you each read.
- **Be flexible with bedtime and chores when your child is reading.** Within reason, avoid asking your child to stop reading.

Check <http://www2.scholastic.com> for more ideas.

Recycling is Back

Let it be known across the Lone Rock community that the recycling bin has returned and is ready to accept your recycled items.

Words With Wings 2008 – An Intensive Writing Program for Ages 8-14

The Missoula Writing Collaborative's Annual Summer Camp, *Words With Wings 2008*.

WHEN: Two sessions - **July 14-18** and/or **July 21-25, 2008**-mornings (9 am-noon) OR afternoons

(1pm -4 pm) **WHO:** 12-14 writers per workshop, grouped according to age: 8-11 year-olds or 12-14 year-olds **WHERE:** At the beautiful University of Montana **COST:** \$160 per week-long session (five 3-hour workshops) or \$300 for two weeks (ten 3-hour workshops)

- One-on-one direction from professional writers who teach in MWC creative writing residencies at local schools
- Publication in the MWC Summer 2008 anthology and the chance to share work at a public reading

For more information call 549-3348