

Good evening LHS family,

Happy Easter and Happy Passover to all those that celebrate! Welcome back from break - I hope everyone had an opportunity to experience some downtime before the next eight week push through to the end of the school year. Attached you will find the most up-to-date end of the school year calendar with all upcoming events posted. The days and weeks ahead are chock-full of wonderful LHS events.

As a reminder, Monday evening is the Forum on Education which is being held in our auditorium at 6:30pm. From the Lowell Sun - This is being hosted by the Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents. The forum will feature a panel discussion with city and local education leaders. "In recent years, it has become evident to educators that the current state funding model is in desperate need of an overhaul," Assistant Superintendent of Finance Billie Jo Turner wrote in a press release. I hope you can come out in support of this important topic for our schools and our students!

Our school-wide parent council (also scheduled tomorrow evening) has been cancelled so members can attend the Forum on Education.

Also as a reminder, make sure you purchase your tickets to support our nominees and celebrate the teacher of the year winners.

Our nominees this year are:

- Paula Sweeney
- Stacy Decker
- Jennifer Carey
- Amanda Ernst
- Ryan Keefe
- Colleen Sullivan (paraprofessional)

Sign up to attend and buy tickets with the building reps. Tickets will **not** be sold at the door as this event sells out every year! Deadline for tickets is Friday, April 26th. The celebration will take place on Wednesday, May 8th at the UMass Inn and Conference Center from 5:30-9:00. Tickets are \$40 and include dinner. Best of luck to all!

Congratulations and Bright Stars

Khmer New Year - Friday, 4/12



As written by Mary Ann Dyson, "Over 200 students and staff celebrated Khmer New Year and welcomed in the Year of the Pig. They ate traditional Cambodian food, danced, and partied like it was 2562." (Cambodia uses the Buddhist calendar, so it really is 2562) Side note: The kids were awesome and had a blast. SC member Dominik Lay attended and was super-impressed by our students. They did a great job with the planning, decorating, and clean up.

All Schoolhouse Breakfast - Friday 4/12 before break



Thanks to E-House for providing an enormous spread of breakfast food for us to enjoy Friday before break. The food was excellent but the company and laughter with colleagues was even better. We all appreciated this opportunity for us to spend time together, thanks again to all of E-House staff for their hospitality!

National French Exam

Listed below are the students who have done well on the National French Exam under the guidance of Dorian Popescu. Also, one of our students, Jhéovanie Mikouanya, competed and placed in the Concours Oratoire, another French competition, held at Rivier University in March.

- Callum Burgess: Gold
- Edwin Baez Gonzalez: Gold
- Kevin Snow: Silver
- Danyella Almeida: Bronze
- Eleazar Fataki: Bronze
- Katherine Aristizabal: Bronze
- Gabriela Estrella: Hon. Mention
- Linda Moussa: Hon. Mention
- Sheila Kim: Hon. Mention
- Vanessa Muteba: Hon. Mention
- Kayla Kim: Hon. Mention
- Ricardo Vargas: Hon. Mention
- Socheata Ouk: Hon. Mention
- Brigette Fundi: Hon. Mention
- Christelle Seme: Hon. Mention

Congratulations to all the students who took the exam and those who placed. We would also like to give a special shout out to Dorian Popescu for his leadership and support of his students who competed.

University of Massachusetts Lowell 4th Annual Symposium on Teaching and Learning - April 10

Thank you to Maggie Moriarty for sharing this proud moment and event with us. "I felt that I had to send these photos out tonight to shine some light on LHS senior Robert Aliganyira. This evening I attended the UML annual symposium for teaching and learning and to my surprise found Robert's name on the panel of student speakers! Robert told me that Jessica nominated him to speak this evening and I wish I could have recorded the event because Robert and the other student speakers were truly inspiring. He spoke to an audience of K-12 teachers and professors without any sense of nervousness. Robert shared his experience as an immigrant at Lowell High School. He also shared that he speaks ten languages and he had some incredible insight in how teachers can best support students that speak languages other than English. I just can't say enough great things about Robert, he really made LHS proud tonight."

Job Fair - Thursday, 4/11

Thanks to everyone for getting the word out about the job fair that took place before break. It was well attended and a big success! Special thanks to Aaron Ribaud-Smith for his work with Beatrice Sierra and the Greater Lowell Workforce Board to be able to make this event happen for our grateful students.

Holocaust survivor, George Elbaum spoke with Suzanne Riley and Jessica Lander's classes on Thursday, 4/11

George Elbaum was born in Poland in 1938. He was an only child. In 1939 Hitler invades Poland, his father is taken and he and his mother are sent to the Warsaw ghetto where they struggle to survive. In 1942 they escape the ghetto and George's mother decides she must hide her son to save him. She places him with a series of Polish Catholic families who raise him for the next 3 years. His name is changed each time. His mother returns to get him after the war and they come to America in 1949. His life begins again. George shared his journey where he made a huge impact on the students who were there as evidenced by the pictures taken and number of students who waited to speak with him afterwards. We were so fortunate to have him come to our school and share his life story with us. Thank you to Jessica, Suzanne and Robert for making this possible!

Looking Ahead!

April 22 Mon.	Forum on Education	6:30pm	LHS Aud.
April 24 Weds.	Project Learn – Learn Today, Lead Tomorrow	5:30-7:00pm	Cross Point Towers, Lawn Aud.
April 30 Tues.	Boys to Men Conference	7:30am	L.T.

I hope everyone has a spectacular week back from break. Spring is finally here, so get ready for all the end of the school year festivities! Don't forget to order your regalia for the Commencement on June 5th - we hope you can make it! Thank you ahead for your participation in this important milestone for our students.

Best,

Marianne



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2018 – 2019 LOWELL HIGH SCHOOL END OF YEAR CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE	DAY	EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
April				
April 22	Mon.	Forum on Education	6:30pm	LHS Aud.
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May				
May 1	Wed.	Early Release - Students	11:45am	
May 1 & 2	Wed. & Thurs.	MCAS EPP Math Test	May 1 & 2	Wed. & Thurs.
May 2	Thurs.	Spring Music Concert	7:00pm	LHS Aud.
May 3	Fri.	ROTC, LHS Chorus @ Law Day		Lowell District Court
May 6 -17		College Board AP Exams		
May 4	Sat.	SAT's administered at LHS	8:00am – 2:00pm	1922 Bldg.
May 7	Tues.	Honors Awards Night	6:30pm	LHS Aud.
May 8	Wed.	Rotary Club's Celebration of Teaching	6:30pm	UML Inn & Conf.Ctr
May 9	Thurs.	Spring Dance Concert	7:00pm	LHS Aud.
May 9	Thurs.	Q4 Progress Reports Distributed		
May 13	Mon.	Latin Lyceum Parent Assoc. Mtg.	6:00pm – 7:00pm	L.T.
May 13	Mon.	Friends of Lowell High School Mtg.	7:00pm	L.T.
May 16	Thurs.	AFJRRUTC Awards Night	6:00pm	LHS Aud.
May 17, 18 & 19	Fri. Sat. & Sun.	SHREK the Musical	7:00pm - Fri. & Sat. 2:00pm - Sun.	LHS Aud.
May 19	Sun.	LHS Band @ Lowell Cemetery-Remembrance	11:00am	Lowell Cemetery
May 21 - 24	Tues. & Fri.	MCAS Math Test– Grade 10		
May 20-24	Mon.-Fri.	Senior Final Assessments		
May 22	Wed.	Senior Arts Show Reception	5:00pm-6:00pm	LTC Gallery
May 22	Wed.	4th Annual Senior Fine Arts Banquet	6:00pm-8:30pm	Murphy Cafe
May 23	Thurs.	FLHS Senior Athletic Awards	6:30pm	LHS Aud.
May 23	Thurs.	Yearbook Distribution	7:15am	Library
May 24	Fri.	Last Day of Classes for Seniors		
May 27	Mon.	No School - Memorial Day		
May 28	Tues.	Senior Prom	6:30pm-10:30pm	Lowell Mem. Aud.
May 30	Thurs.	Senior Hypnotist Show	10:30am	LHS Aud.
May 30	Thurs.	Latin Lyceum Arête Awards Ceremony	6:30pm	Burgoyne Theatre

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May				
May 30	Thurs.	Schoolhouse Breakfast with all staff- Host C House	7:15am-7:45am	L.T.
May 31	Fri.	LHS Hosts Great East Music Festival	8:00am – 2:00pm	LHS Aud.
May 31	Fri.	Tedx Lowellhigh	6:30pm	FA Burgoyne Theatre
June				
June 1	Sat.	SAT's administered at LHS	8:00am – 2:00pm	1922 Bldg.
June 3	Mon.	Cap & Gown Distribution	9:35am	Advisory Rooms
June 3	Mon.	Spring Athletic Awards	6:00pm	LHS Aud.
June 4 & 5	Tues. & Wed.	MCAS STE Test		
June 4	Tues.	Sr. Graduation Walk		Elem and Middle Schools
June 4	Tues.	LHS Retirement Party	3:00pm	Longmeadow Golf Club
June 4	Tues.	8 th Grade Athletic Informational Mtg.	6:00pm	LHS Aud.
June 5	Wed.	Graduation Practice	10:00am	Tsongas Center
June 5	Wed.	Senior Cookout	12:00pm	Behind/Tsongas Center
June 5	Wed.	Graduation 2019	6:00pm	UML Tsongas Arena
June 7	Fri.	LHS Band Hosts Great East Music Festival	8:00am – 2:00pm	LHS Aud.
June 7	Fri.	LHS Alumni Band-Adult Ed Graduation	6:30pm-8:30pm	LHS Aud.
June 7-12	Fri.-Wed.	Underclass Assessments	More information to follow	
June 12	Wed.	Make up Assessments		
June 10	Mon.	Latin Lyceum Parent Assoc. Mtg.	6:00pm – 7:00pm	L.T.
June 10	Mon.	Friends of Lowell High School Mtg.	7:00pm	L.T.
June 14	Fri.	Last Day of School :) - Early Release	11:45am	
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