# Lawrence Park Cl Eye on LPCI

## Build Character, Build Success January's Character Theme – Teamwork

Welcome to the Eye on LPCI, our weekly newsletter published every Friday

Monday, January 4, 2016

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Monday, January 4	
Day 4	
Tuesday, January 5	
Day 1	
Wednesday, January 6	REGULAR DAY SCHEDULE
Day 2	Period 1 STARTS AT 8:50 am
Thursday, January 7	Spirit Day
Day 3	
Friday, January 8	Lawrence Leaders Meeting - Room 220 – 11:35 am
Day 4	

#### **Upcoming Events:**

For specific sports schedules and locations check www.tdsb.on.ca, Students - School Sports.



January 11 - (Day 1)

January 12 - (Day 2)

January 13 – (Day 3)**REGULAR DAY SCHEDULE Period 1 STARTS AT 8:50 am** 

January 14 – (Day 4)

January 15 - (Day 1)

The holiday season has finally arrived. We hope you have a fun, restful and safe holiday. See you in 2016!

#### CONGRATULATIONS/WELCOME/GOODBYE/THANK YOU

#### Winter Clothing and Blanket Drive

Thank you to all the LPCI students, parents and teachers for your donations of warm apparel for our Syrian Refugees. Families will be grateful and appreciative of these donations.

## 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Toy Mountain Campaign

We would like to thank the students, families, and staff for all of your generous donations to the Toy Mountain Campaign. Special thanks, to the Me to WE students who helped gather, organize and pack up the toys. As a result, many children will be smiling this year.

#### **INFORMATION**

## **TDSB Night School**

Registration for Night School opens on Monday, January 4, 2016 and closes Friday, February 12, 2016. Classes begin the week of February 23, 2016. **Attached** please find a list of courses offered at each site and an E-Reg instruction sheet for students. Night school information is also available on our website at <a href="https://www.creditprograms.ca">www.creditprograms.ca</a>

#### **Scholarships**

There are several prestigious scholarships with January deadlines available. Please note the upcoming scholarship opportunities below. Further details are available through Mark Fischer in Guidance and are updated on the LPCI website:

http://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/lawrenceparkci/Guidance/GradNoticesInformation.aspx

- 1. Schulich Leaders Scholarship: LPCI will nominate 1 candidate <a href="http://www.schulichleaders.com">http://www.schulichleaders.com</a> Draft applications are due to the Guidance office on Wednesday, January 27, 2016.
- 2. Western's National Scholarship Program: LPCI will nominate 4 candidates <a href="http://www.registrar.uwo.ca/student\_finances/scholarships\_awards/national\_scholarship\_program.html">http://www.registrar.uwo.ca/student\_finances/scholarships\_awards/national\_scholarship\_program.html</a>
  Draft applications are due to the Guidance office on Thursday, January 28, 2016.
- 3. Guelph Scholarship: No nomination is needed to apply for the other prestigious awards, such as for the University of Guelph, which has a Monday, January 25, 2016 submission deadline. <a href="https://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/studentfinance/scholarships/national">https://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/studentfinance/scholarships/national</a>

#### **Grad Photos**

Tuesday, February 23, 2016 (tentative) will be the final day for Grad Photos. Please book your appointment on-line. Sign up at <a href="www.bookmygrad.com">www.bookmygrad.com</a> and the school code is LPC. Please select your sitting type, date and time you wish to have your photos taken. It is recommended that you wear a white shirt. You may also bring a prop (i.e. trumpet or tennis racquet) to have as one of your poses. Your sitting fee is \$30.00 and it includes 10-12 proofs and a school composite photo.

## Mental Health and Well-Being Belongs To Us

We are pleased to provide you with the **attached** December edition of the "Mental Health and Well-Being Belongs To Us" newsletter. This month's publication features "Ready...Set...Go! Staying Physically Active Leads to Better Mental Health".

#### REMINDERS

### **Extra Help Chart**

Please review the attached extra help chart, listing when LPCI staff are available for extra help. The contact information is listed by department.

## **Individual Pathways Plan (IPP)**

The Pathways Committee has created a proposal for student's IPP completion for the 2015/2016 year. The Committee is the result of the *Pathways to Success* policy that Claudine Tyrell, the TDSB Guidance Coordinator, introduced to LPCI staff in September. Effectively, it is a policy designed to help students better understand their strengths, pathways and career goals. The Committee is cross curricular in scope, and therefore represented many individuals from various departments, but also included students and parents. The Creating Pathways to Success (CPS) central goal is to have every student within the school complete their IPP and consult with staff meaningfully about pathways twice a year. The main tool the TDSB wants students to rely upon, in order to address this policy, is My Blueprint.

Students are to be first introduced to MyBlueprint and the IPP via an in-school tutorial in January. In order to accomplish this, the following classes will be brought to the computer lab for tutorials on their IPP during the first two weeks of January: grade 9 Physical Education and Grade 11 English classes. Grade 10 Careers classes have already completed their IPP in class. Grade 12 students will be completing their IPP on their own time, while meeting with counsellors during their exit interviews and when they complete the online exit survey where they vote for their valedictorian. The second consultation regarding pathways will occur during course selection time where guidance counsellors, staff, parents and students will complete their course selection. The guidance department will be sending out information to students about their MyBlueprint account prior to leaving for the holidays. This will ensure students have no trouble logging in to their account for the IPP lesson.

A presentation to parents regarding the Pathways to Success policy and IPP implementation occurred on Monday, December 7, 2015. Please look at the LCPI website for the CPS presentation.

## **Queens Engineering Experience (EngAGE)**

Queens offers an introductory engineering experience for students entering grades 10 to 12. With both residential and day options available, EngAGE is an engineering-focused educational summer program that exposes your child to the main fields of Chemical, Civil, Electrical & Computing, and Mechanical engineering. Using lab facilities and thought-provoking team projects, your child will collaborate with peers and learn leadership skills while experiencing a broad engineering overview. For more information please check out their website: <a href="http://esu.queensu.ca/">http://esu.queensu.ca/</a>

#### **ASPIRE**

ASPIRE is a summer - long volunteer opportunity exclusively offered to high achieving Gr.11 and Gr.12 students with the Multi-Organ Transplant Student Research Training Program (MOTSRTP) affiliated with Toronto General Hospital. The program looks to expose prospective students to clinical research while providing them with basic education related to the paradigm of solid organ transplantation and the etiology of related diseases. ASPIRE trainees will mainly benefit from this learning experience by contributing to ongoing MOTSRTP research. The program, previously limited to the university level, offers students an integrative model of education that combines research and clinical practice within a world class hospital environment. Please see the **attached** pamphlet or contact Kim Mitchell in Guidance for details.

#### **LP Knitting Club**

The LP club,' Knitting for Change', is looking for donations of yarn and knitting needles. As many of you know, there are a lot of Syrian refugees coming to Canada where the weather will be a drastic change for them. Our club's mission is to knit scarves, hats, and mittens to help make the transition into a new and colder country a little easier. Any donation(s) will be greatly appreciated. We want to help these new arrivals get through the winter one stitch at a time. We will be accepting any donations in the main office. Thank you for your help!

## **Northern Secondary School Community Presentation**

There will be a presentation on Thursday, January 7, 2016 from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm presented by Dr. Joanne Foster, EdD. Why do high capability teens procrastinate? What can parents, teachers and teens do about it? Lots of people struggle with procrastination. Dr. Foster will discuss the positive, perplexing, and problematic aspects of task aversion, and how procrastination intersects with high-level capability. We'll consider how to help kids (and adults!) prevent, manage, and eliminate procrastination tendencies. Dr. Foster will provide practical strategies, guide an informative discussion and answer questions. Please see the **attached** flyer for more details.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

- Night School course offerings
- Night School E-Reg instructions
- Mental Health and Well-Being Belongs To Us
- Extra Help Chart
- ASPIRE
- Northern Secondary School Community Presentation