

January Newsletter

January 13, 2022



The Halfway Edition

8th Grade Students enjoy playing Jenga and Connect 4 during their lunch break. Some of these students have even been known to beat Mr. Bounds at Connect 4.

What's Happening at Grimmer?



Mrs. Spivak's class visits classrooms to sing carols and perform them with sign language. Staff go all out to participate in Decades Day (they represented the 90s). Students enjoy ice skating while Mr. Bounds attempts it for the first time.

Grimmer Second Semester Reward Field Trip

Grimmer will have another incentive field trip for the second semester. For students to earn this field trip the following criteria must be met:

- No Grade lower than a C- on their quarterly report cards
- A 90% attendance rate (**fresh start for second semester**)
- No disciplinary infractions greater than a detention
 - No more than 2 detentions for the semester

Our goal is to provide a fun incentive for students to work towards. We want to prepare students for real world working experiences, and many careers offer incentives. This trip is an extra incentive in order to motivate students.

Grimmer Winter Dance!

When: February 10 from 6-8 PM

Where: Grimmer Middle School

Who: Only Grimmer Middle School students can attend

Cost: \$5 per student...There will also be a concession stand

LAKE CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

Incoming Freshmen Parent Night

Thursday, January 19, 2023
6:00pm-7:30pm

You're invited!

EXTRA PROGRAM
INvestEd Indiana
College Prep/Early Awareness Event
5:00 in the Auditorium
Paying for college, picking the right major, scholarship search tips, types of aid, and the FAFSA.

PARENT PRESENTATION
6:00 - 6:30 in the Auditorium
Become acquainted with Lake Central High School! Principal Novak will discuss the transition to high school, the bell schedule, college and career readiness, student responsibilities, available resources, etc.

TOURS

- **6:30 – 7:30**
- Tours will begin in front of the **Guidance** office
- Tours will begin as groups are formed
- Allow approximately 20 minutes to complete a tour. The last tour will begin at 7:10.

Incoming Freshmen Parent Night is for **parents** of incoming 9th grade students. Students will be invited to tour the campus in August during Freshmen Rush. Be on the lookout for more information at the end of the school year.

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Class of 2027

Dollars For Scholars is Coming Up!

Dear Grimmer Families,

The Dollars for Scholars Scholarship Drive, is being held the week of February 6 through February 10th. The money collected is awarded to deserving Lake Central seniors who are former graduates from Grimmer Middle School !!! Each Middle school's money raised goes to their own former students! Beginning on Monday the 6th , we are asking the children to bring in dollars and spare change (all forms of cash and tax-deductible checks payable to LC Dollars for Scholars are welcome).

On Friday, the top class from the entire school will be announced as the recipient of the grand prize. If your school collects the most for the corporation, not only will they have the most scholarships to award at the Lake Central Dollars for Scholars Annual Awards Ceremony, but they will also receive the corporation traveling trophy for that year.

Dollars for Scholars is such a worthwhile organization...we are a club at Lake Central that has ties to Scholarship America.

- Help is given to college bound and trade school students.
- We provide LOTS of volunteer opportunities through the school and the community to list on college and scholarship applications.
- We present scholarships based on evidence of being a well-rounded student and good citizen, with minimal focus on grades.
- We provide help in filling out college forms.

Your support of our Dollar for Scholars is greatly appreciated. Saving for a college education can never start too young. Let's help these kids make a difference in the world!

Every Dollar counts!
LC Dollars for Scholars



No early release day in January!

The next early release day is February 14.

Early Release Day Schedule (No Advisory)		
5th Grade	8:c47AM - 9:50AM	ELA or Math Block 1
	9:55AM - 10:56AM	ELA or Math Block 2
	11:01AM - 11:29AM	Period 6
	11:34AM - 12:02PM	Lunch
	12:07PM - 12:35PM	Period 7
	12:40PM - 1:10PM	Period 8
6/7/8th Grade		
	8:47AM - 9:17AM	Period 2
	9:22AM - 9:50AM	Period 3
Grade 6	9:55AM - 10:23AM	Lunch 6A
	10:28AM - 10:56AM	Period 4
	11:01AM - 11:29AM	Period 5
Grade 7	9:55AM - 10:23AM	Period 4
	10:28AM - 10:56AM	Lunch 7B
	11:01AM - 11:29AM	Period 5
Grade 8	9:55AM - 10:23AM	Period 4
	10:28AM - 10:56AM	Period 5
	11:01AM - 11:29AM	Lunch 8C
	11:34AM - 12:02PM	Period 6
	12:07PM - 12:35PM	Period 7
	12:40PM - 1:10PM	Period 8
Early Release Dates:		
September 13th	February 14th	No Early Release Days
October 11th	March 14th	in August or January
November 8th	April 11th	
December 13th	May 9th	

Principal's Message for January: The Impact of Attitude in the Mundane

I hope all of you had a relaxing winter vacation. The holiday season certainly brings me joy as I watch my three daughters enjoy the wonderment of Christmas and New Year's. I'm also grateful that my wife has such a tight knit family, however, my story is a bit different as I lost my little brother when we were both teenagers. He was my only sibling, and my parents would divorce a bit later down the road. I feel the holidays differently as I reflect on what used to be. I share this because the more I interact with students and colleagues, the more I realize my story is not all that uncommon. I think many of us are grateful for the people at our table now, but we also remember the empty chairs of the loved ones who have passed. The holidays can be a wonderful time. The holidays can be a stressful time. I get it because I've lived it. With all of that being said, I do hope you all enjoyed time with loved ones.

During the winter months I really try to focus the students, staff, and myself towards one of the biggest things we can control, our attitude:

The longer I live, the more I realize the impact of attitude on life. Attitude, to me, is more important than facts. It is more important than the past, than education, than money, than circumstances, than failures, than successes, than what other people think, say or do. It is more important than appearance, giftedness or skill. It will make or break a company... a church... a home. The remarkable thing is we have a choice every day regarding the attitude we embrace for that day. We cannot change our past... we cannot change the fact that people will act in a certain way. We cannot change the inevitable. The only thing we can do is play the one string we have, and that is our attitude... I am convinced that life is 10% what happens to me and 90% how I react to it. And so it is with you... we are in charge of our Attitudes - Chuck Swindoll

My swim coach at Ball State made a poster out of this quote which hung in our locker room entrance. At the time, there were things happening in my life that I did not get a vote on. That poster always reminded me of what I could control. Every day I do the morning announcements here at Grimmer. Every day I tell students *Choose to make today a great day*. Good choices build into good days, weeks, months and years. All of it starts with the right attitude being chosen on a consistent basis.

January, February, and March are great months to work hard. There's just not much else going on during a Midwestern winter. I've always enjoyed these months as a coach and a teacher because these were the months I saw huge amounts of growth in students. These days can be mundane, but [excellence is in the mundane](#):

There's nothing 'special' about high performers. They just have a set of habits, practices and mindsets that individually aren't particularly groundbreaking, but when added together and compounded over a long period of time, result in the phenomenon of excellence. It's all very mundane. - Ali Abdaal

W. Ryan Bounds

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