

Lake Elkhorn Eagles

Do the best you can until you know better. Then when you know better, do better."

Maya Angelou

May 30, 2014

Lake Elkhorn Families,

It's amazing how fast this year has flown by! Congratulations to all of the 8th graders who are celebrating their ascent to high school. I would like to thank the parents and teachers for your joint effort in supporting students' learning experience.

As this year winds down, you should know that our staff and leadership team have been working to initiate many positive changes for the 2014-15 school year. First, over the next few weeks, we will be holding elections for student council representatives to increase student leadership opportunities. We are also building the schedule for next year to create small learning communities in order to increase the opportunity for relationship building between staff and students. Last but not least, the physical building is receiving a major upgrade with new floors and freshly painted walls!

Finally, over the last few weeks, please remember to have students thank their teachers for the amazing work they do for our students. The Lake Elkhorn teaching staff is the hardest working group of educators I have ever worked with and they consistently go above and beyond ensure that students reach the high expectations we have set for them.

With Eagle Pride,

Martin Vandenberge

Principal

IMPORTANT DATES

June 2nd Mocha with Marty Media Center @ 8:30am

June 12th: 8th grade promotion 8:30 am LEMS Cafeteria

June 16th: 6th, 7th, 8th Grades Field Day Parent Volunteers Are Welcome!

June 18th 3 hr Early Dismissal

June 19th 3 hr Early Dismissal

June 20th 3 hr Early Dismissal LAST DAY OF SCHOOL



2014-2015
BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10,
2014 AT 6:30PM

1000MMUNITY EVENTS

OMHS Scorpion Sports Information Night

June 5th 6:30-8pm OMHS cafeteria

Come to hear from OMHS alumni athletes, current athletes, and coaches. Also, find out how to get your child involved now to get a head start! RSVP to jamie_bowman@hcpss.org by

HAMMOND SPORTS NIGHT

Hammond High School will hold a
Sports Information Night for incoming
9th graders on June 11th from
6:30-8:00 PM in their Cafeteria. This
is a great way for future Golden Bears
and their families to meet the coaches,
ask questions, learn about the different
teams, and receive important
information. If you have any
questions, please contact Michael
Lerner, the Athletics and Activities
Manager at Hammond High School.
You can email him at
michael lerner@hcpss.org



Hammond High School

8800 Guilford Road

Columbia, MD

(410) 313-7615

Register ONLINE at: https://sites.google.com/site/hammondhsboostercamps/

(Hammond Boosters: www.hammondboosters.org)

Coach Katie Runyen is the

varsity cheer coach at

Hammond. She has 18

years of cheer experience

and has been coaching

cheer locally for 6 years.

Camp will include

a full cheer

routine to be

performed at the

end of the week!



HC DrugFree Updates Howard County Resource Directory

On behalf of the Howard County Health Department, we are sharing the updated version of their Resource Directory for Substance Abuse and Recovery. Please go to the Facts and Resources page on HC DrugFree's website, www.hcdrugfree.org, and click on the image of the brochure to download a copy.

You Still Have Time! HC DrugFree Annual Parent Drawing – Win a \$100 Gift Card

HC DrugFree thanks parents for keeping our children safe throughout the school year and not holding parties where alcohol might be served. If your child will attend a Howard County PTSA sponsored After Prom, please go to www.hcdrugfree.org to enter to win a \$100 gift card. Deadline: noon, Saturday, May 31st. HC DrugFree is proud partners with the Howard County Public School System, PTA Council of Howard County, Howard County Police Department, the Department of Fire and Rescue Services of Howard County, and the Howard

Howard County Students Advance to National History Day Competition!

Eleven Howard County Public School System students will advance to the National History Day Competition after winning first or second place at the Statewide Maryland History Day Competition on May 3, 2014. These students have already won competitions at the school and county level, and were competing against hundreds of students from school systems across the state. In addition to the students who are moving on the Nationals, four Howard County students won special awards, and Cindy Waugh, Social Studies Teacher at Ellicott Mills Middle School, was honored as Howard County's History Day Teacher of the Year.

Students presented entries in five categories: exhibit, performance, multimedia documentary, research paper and website. A list of category winners and special awards is attached. The National History Day Competition will be held at the University of Maryland, College Park from June 15-19, 2014.

The district coordinator for Howard County History Day is Dr. Mark Stout, Curriculum Coordinator for Advanced Programs and Secondary Social Studies, Howard County Public School System. To learn more about Howard County History Day, contact Dr. Stout at 410-313-6622. For more information on National History Day, contact Ms. Judy Dobbs at 410-685-4185 or visit the official National History Day web site at www.nationalhistoryday.org.

History Day State Winners Advancing to Nationals 2014

Senior Individual Documentaries

The Food and Drug Administration: Balancing Governmental Responsibilities and Citizens' Rights Matthew Blum Howard High School

Senior Individual Web Pages

Criminalization of Cannabis: The Real Reefer Madness

Seiam Salehi

Centennial High School

Junior Individual Exhibits

Mendez vs. Westminster – One Family's Sacrifice Paved the Way for Brown vs. Board of Education William Mah
Lake Elkhorn Middle School

Junior Group Exhibits

A Struggle to Be Heard, Deaf Rights in America Sarah Bridges and Emily Dwyer Lime Kiln Middle School

Junior Individual Documentaries

Salute

Justin Drewer

Glenwood Middle School

Junior Group Documentaries

The Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire: An Everlasting Legacy

Alyk Moomaw, Danielle Mortensen, and Angela Wei

Lime Kiln Middle School

Junior Individual Performances

Children at Work: The Government's Neglect of Children's Rights During Baltimore's Industrial Revolution

Megha Sharma

Mayfield Woods Middle School

Junior Individual Web Pages

Prisoner of War Rights in WWII

Maggie Attridge

Oakland Mills Middle School

MARYLAND HISTORY DAY SPECIAL AWARDS

THE MARY DOUGLAS GLASSPOOL SPECIAL AWARD FOR RELIGIOUS FREEDOM, sponsored by Rev. Florence L. Ledyard, Rector, St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church:

Religion, Revival, Reform: The Second Great Awakening in Antebellum America Paper

Yaw Owusu-Boaitey

Marriotts Ridge High School

THE MAJOR GENERAL JOHN E. MORRISON AWARD IN EXCELLENCE AND INNOVATION, sponsored by the National Cryptologic Museum Foundation:

The Case of Henrietta Lacks: Rights to Genetic Material and Informed Consent Website David Polefrone

Marriotts Ridge High School

SPECIAL PRIZE IN MARYLAND HISTORY, sponsored by the Maryland Association of History Museums:

Children at Work: The Government's Neglect of Children's Rights During Baltimore's Industrial Revolution Performances

Megha Sharma

Mayfield Woods Middle School

SPECIAL PRIZE IN LEGAL & CONSTITUTIONAL HISTORY, sponsored by A Generous Anonymous Donor:

Mendez vs. Westminster: One Family's Sacrifice Paved the Way for Brown vs. Board of Education William Mah

Lake Elkhorn Middle School





The LEMS Music Department participation in the Music In the Parks Music Festival was a great success. With a day of much rain predicted the groups traveled and performed during the very rainy morning hours. However, the rain tapered off and stopped by the time the groups reached Hersheypark. The students were able to stay dry and celebrate their great performances by enjoy their time going through the park and riding the rides.

Thank you to the LEMS administration for their support and encouragement as the students prepared for and participated in the Music In the Parks Music Festival.

Without the support of the parents of the music students the trip would not be possible. And a special thank you to all of the chaperones who spent the day with the students.



Band: The band earned a Superior rating and was awarded 1st place in their competition and 1st place overall junior/senior concert band.

Chorus: The Chamber Choir earned an excellent rating and was awarded 1st place in their Mixed Choir competition. The Concert Choir also earned an excellent rating and ranked 2nd place in the Mixed Choir competition.

Orchestra: The orchestra earned a Superior rating and was awarded 1st place in their competition and 1st place overall junior/senior string orchestra.