

"Together we learn, lead and serve."

SCHOOL-WIDE NEWS

Welcome Back It's going to be a great year!

Welcome from the Principals

On behalf of the Lake Norman Charter School faculty and staff, we would like to officially welcome everyone to the 2017-2018 school year. We are honored to serve as Principal of our respective schools and look forward to partnering with our students, parents, and community. Your support, in addition to our collaborative efforts aligned with the LNC's core values and beliefs, will continue instilling our students "with a life-long desire to learn, lead, and serve." Thank you to everyone for a very smooth opening week of school.

Mr. Craig Smith, High School Principal
Dr. Cherié Graham, Middle School Principal
Ms. Michelle Holland, Elementary School Principal



Ms. Holland, Mr. Smith and Dr. Graham

Carpool

Carpool is going quite well considering we have only been in school a week, have a host of new parent and student drivers in the mix and just opened a new campus! We expect carpool to gradually improve with time as more of our parents and students become familiar with the process. Forming carpools also significantly helps, so please take advantage of the <u>carpool match link on our website</u> or use <u>P2P on Schoology</u> to connect. The <u>maps are available here</u> for your convenience, and here are a few tips:

August 24, 2017









QUICK LINKS

LNC Website

<u>Donate to LNC - Invest in Excellence</u>

HS PayPal Portal

MS PayPal Portal

2017-18 Calendar

Schoology

LNC Report Card

Lunch Program

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<u>Naviance</u>

Student Handbook

Athletic Calendar

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 25

5th/6th Back-to-School dance, 3:30-5:00pm (*MS cafetorium*)

August 28

Deadline to order HS & MS lunches, 11:59pm (*lunches served 9/5-10/6*)

ES Schoology Informational Night, 6:30pm (*MS cafetorium*)

August 29

HS Back-to-School night, 6:00pm (HS gym)

MS Pizza slices for \$2 each No preorder

August 31

MS Pizza slices for \$2 each No preorder

- Be attentive! Stay off your phones please.
- o If you are HS or after 7:30am dual drop-off, meaning you are entering LNC via Old Statesville Road in the morning, please use BOTH lanes to get to the high school. This helps keep traffic from building on Old Statesville Road. Please DO NOT turn left into our campus! It is against the law (see the sign posted prohibiting it) and DANGEROUS!
- If you are using the ES Shuttle (AM only), please drop ALL of your LNC students off at the drop-off point in front of the HS gym.
- For MS pick-up (PM), if your student doesn't hear his/her number, please simply proceed through carpool into one of the yellow parking slots in the MS parking lot. You may get out and retrieve your student then. Also, stay in your lane (left lane to turn left to go north on Old Statesville Road and right lane to go south on Old Statesville Road) as you exit campus in the afternoon. Do not attempt to change lanes by driving between the cones.
- For ES pick-up (PM), please have your carpool hang tag displayed from your rear view mirror until you have your student in your car and then remove the hang tag.
- Remember that CMS starts Monday so families may want to leave a little sooner as we can expect the areas around campus to be busier than usual.

Thank you for your patience as we continue to put SAFETY FIRST.

LNC Teacher of the Year



Congratulations to Mrs. Melissa Smith, who has been selected to represent LNC in the 2018 regional NC Teacher of the Year competition taking place this fall. Mrs. Smith teaches AP English Literature and Composition and English III and has taught at LNC for eight years. She says her favorite thing about being a teacher is "the long-lasting relationships I form with students and inspiring them to become lifelong learners, find their passions, and achieve their goals." Mrs. Smith earned her English degree from Michigan State University and has been a National Board Certified Teacher since 2010. When asked how she received the news of the honor she answered, "I wasn't expecting the teacher of the year to be announced at a pep rally in front of the entire high school, so my immediate reaction was a mixture of shyness and gratefulness. I am extremely honored to represent LNC. I believe every single teacher in our building is deserving of this award; I am constantly motivated by my colleagues. It's a team effort." Mrs. Smith is currently working on completing her teacher of the year portfolio for the state in pursuit of being named a finalist at the regional level. She isn't the first LNC teacher to experience this process; several of our teachers have made it to this level and Ms. Elizabeth Padgett and Mr. Brandon Brown went on to represent LNC as the NC Charter School Teacher of the Year for 2015 and 2016 respectively. Let's keep our fingers crossed that once again the state recognizes how awesome our LNC teachers are!

September 4

No school for students

September 5

HS Principal's Coffee Chat, 8:00am (HS gym lobby or on Mr. Smith's Twitter)

PTO meeting, 6:30pm (MS media center)

September 7

LNC Board meeting, 7:00pm (MS media center)

September 11-15

PTO Carpool raffle

September 12

5th grade parents' Principal's Coffee Chat, 8:15am (MS community room)

September 13

6th grade parents' Principal's Coffee Chat, 8:15am (MS community room)

September 14

7th grade parents' Principal's Coffee Chat, 8:15am (MS community room)

ES Back-to-School night, 6:30pm (ES campus)

HS Powderpuff Football game, 7:30pm (football field)

September 15

8th grade parents' Principal's Coffee Chat, 8:15am (MS community room)

September 18

MS School pictures

September 19

Kindergarten parents' Principal's Coffee Chat, 8:45am (ES campus)

MS School pictures

HS & MS PTO Carpool silent auction

September 20

1st grade parents' Principal's Coffee Chat, 8:45am (*ES* campus)

Junior and senior school pictures

HS & MS PTO Carpool silent auction

September 21

2nd grade parents' Principal's Coffee Chat, 8:45am (ES campus)



LNC Board Meeting

The LNC Board is meeting on Thursday, September 7 at 7:00pm in the MS media center. The meeting is open to the public.

School Holiday

Monday, September 4 is a school holiday. For a copy of the 2017-18 school year calendar, click here.

Lunch Program

The high school and middle school order period is now open!

LNC is a "bring your own lunch" school. However, the PTO offers a fundraising lunch program that begins distribution on Tuesday,

September 5 for the middle and high schools. The first ordering period for elementary school will begin September 13. Each family will have only one "Family Account" for all students but each school has a separate ordering system. It is important that all lunch orders are placed online at the school (HS, MS or ES) your child attends; the name of the school is located at the top of the page once you log into the system. Detailed instructions on how to use the system can be found here. Please note:

- NEW to LNC you need to <u>set up an account</u>.
- Returning LNC families use the same account login information as last year.
- New to HS, MS or ES but not LNC (i.e. moved from 8th to 9th grade, have a new 5th grader, have a new kindergartener) - use the same account login from last year and set up your student at the respective school by "switching schools"
- Email notices You will receive a reminder email at the beginning and end of each ordering period if you answer YES to receive system emails. You can change or confirm your answer under UPDATE MY INFORMATION.

LNC School Codes:

High School: 243LNHSNCNC Middle School: 244LNMSNCNC Elementary School: 454LNESNCNC

All HS and MS orders must be placed and paid for by 11:59pm on Monday, August 28. No late orders will be accepted. Lunches ordered during this period will be served from September 5 through October 6. To place an order, please login at www.orgsonline.com and use your login name and password from last year (select "forgot my password" or "get help," if needed) or set up your account (see instructions).

If you have any questions about the ordering process, please contact hslunches@Incharter.org for HS questions and mslunches@Incharter.org for MS questions.

LUNCH VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED! Please go to the <u>Serve10 Sign Up Genius</u> on our school website to sign up for the open dates to help with this important PTO fundraiser. Please make sure you sign in when you serve!

LNC PTO Meeting

The PTO is meeting on Tuesday, September 5 at 6:30pm in the middle school media center. All parents are welcome and encouraged to become involved in the LNC parent teacher organization.

Student Early Dismissal

Students will be permitted to leave campus early only with parental consent. Parents must sign students out in the main office. The student will be called from the classroom to the office. No student will be released directly from the classroom for any reason. In no case will a student be allowed to leave school with anyone except his/her parent or guardian unless the school has an e-mail or note signed by the student's parent/guardian. If the early dismissal is for a medical appointment, the student should bring a note from the medical professional to the office the next day for the absence to be considered excused. High school students who drive themselves to school must bring a note signed by the parent, including a contact number for the parent, to the office before school begins. A dismissal slip will be issued to the student after the parent has been contacted and the early dismissal has been verified.

To preserve the integrity of the classroom environment, early dismissals will end at 2:15pm at the high school, 2:30pm at the middle school and 3:00pm at the elementary school. Please schedule appointments accordingly and be mindful that students will not be dismissed after these times.

Student Absences

Freshmen and sophomore school pictures

HS & MS PTO Carpool silent auction

More upcoming events

An absence is defined as missing half of any dass period or more. For every absence, students must bring a note from home stating the student's name, date(s) of absence, reason for absence, and parent/guardian signature. Notes for elementary school students may be emailed or given to the child's teacher and the front office. At the middle school, these notes are to be given to the student's first period teacher during the morning. High school students should deliver these notes to the main office before school. It will be the responsibility of the administration to determine if the absence is excused or unexcused. Students must bring in a note or have an e-mail sent by their parent/guardian for their absence to be considered excused.

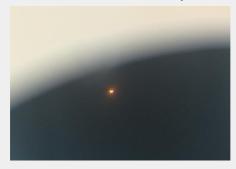
Sponsorship Opportunities

LNC has sponsorship opportunities that can promote your business and help our school at the same time! Email Sara Lay at slay@Incharter.org to learn more.

SOLAR ECLIPSE 2017 AT LNCHARTER

Mr. Patterson's HS AP Physics students captured the eclipse by holding their solar glasses over the camera lens of their phones.





MS students (and staff!) were excited to view the solar eclipse.







ES students and staff anticipated and

then observed the phenomenon.











KNIGHTS IN THE NEWS

Mariah Howlett and Olivia Archer are highlighted in The Charlotte Observer Fall Sports Sweet 16 countdown

LNC enters 2A league with high hopes

His quarterback's keeper

2017 All Lake Lacrosse

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