

SCHOOL-WIDE NEWS

Invest in Excellence

Thank you to the [many families](#) who Invested in Excellence over the holiday break. Almost \$12,000 was raised during that period, bringing our total to over \$100,000! This total amount was generously donated from 196 of our LNC families, a participation rate of approximately 16%. If you are among the 84% who have not yet taken time to make your gift of support, please do so now by returning your remit ticket from the mailer we sent in October or conveniently [donating online](#). Many of the 196 contributing families are giving every month either through a recurring gift established with LNC or through an employer payroll deduction plan. Recurring gifts are a great way to support the school and be kind to your budget - please consider [establishing one today or over the weekend](#). We ask you to consider the value of the education your son(s) and/or daughter(s) are receiving at LNC and give accordingly.

Remember, our goal this year is \$250,000 with all **1,218 LNC families contributing an amount that is right for them**. Help make the outdoor science classroom a reality for our students next year. Help put a new Smart Board in every classroom by next August. Be part of the solution to the athletic playing field shortage by helping develop practice fields for our spring sports teams. Send our teachers to NCTIES in March, where they will learn to innovate in the classroom and to discipline-specific conferences and trainings this summer. Our teachers are your student's greatest educational asset and we must invest in them and we need your help to do so! If you have not given yet, please [donate](#) today!

Report Cards

Look for your student's report card to come home on Wednesday, January 11.

School Holiday

There is no school for students on Monday, January 16, 2017.

2017-2018 Lottery Applications for Siblings

IMPORTANT reminder for LNC families who have a child who is NOT currently enrolled but who would like to attend LNC next school year (2017-2018) in grades K-2 and 5-12: Please make sure to complete a lottery application by January 31, 2017. We have a link to the lottery application [here](#) or click the orange button on our website at www.lncharter.org. Because you have a student who currently attends our school, any new application would qualify for "sibling preference." If you have any questions about the process, please contact Ms. Sue Scott, LNC registrar, at lottery@lncharter.org.

New Website

Have you visited lncharter.org lately? We are excited to have rolled out our new website just before the holiday break. We upgraded the website to improve the user experience, increase the functionality and modernize the look and feel. One elemental change from five years ago when we last revamped our website is that now the majority of our visitors are actually outside of our parent/student community. They might be prospective parents, college representatives, athletic directors and coaches from other schools or potential employees. The decrease in the number of visits to our website by our students and parents is a result of the adoption of [Schology](#) three years ago. We kept that in mind as we redesigned and organized our new website. One key feature you will notice is the ability to browse the website either generally or specifically to the school you are interested in. This can be done by selecting the preferred school in the upper right corner of the homepage. You will notice that many items such as calendars and the Pay Pal portals are customized to the school you are browsing, which should streamline and simplify your experience. Look for continued content to be added to the website throughout this quarter. Also stay tuned for a Schology refresher coming in the Knights News over the next few weeks.

MS and HS Winter Band Concerts

January 5, 2017



QUICK LINKS

[LNC Website](#)

[LNC Lottery](#)

[MS + HS Tour Information](#)

[Donate to LNC - Invest in Excellence](#)

[HS PayPal Portal](#)

[MS PayPal Portal](#)

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McDonalds at Bryton Center
is located just a mile
down the road from LNC at
16835 Old Statesville Road

Band Boosters would like to invite everyone to our LNC Band Winter Concerts coming up this month. We are excited to share our musical progress and showcase students' growth in the classroom.

5th, 6th & 7th grade Bands: JANUARY 13 at 6:30pm in the middle school gym
8th - 12th grade Bands: JANUARY 20 at 6:30pm in the high school gym

Each concert will need volunteers for after school set up before and take down after the performance. After school set up is guided by Mr. Venable and several members of the high school band. There are signups to volunteer for families and students who need community service hours. Please use these links:

MS January 13: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4eaea728a2fb6-winter1>

HS January 20: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4eaea728a2fb6-winter2>

We would like to remind ALL BAND families and students of the **REQUIRED** attire for the concerts. Each student should have a BAND POLO to wear to the concert. Please reach out to us if you have any questions at bandboosters@lncharter.org.

Box Tops and Tyson Labels Collection

Happy New Year! Please continue to collect and send in Box Tops and Tyson labels. The Community Donations committee is ready and willing to submit these labels for funds to support LNC. Please send the labels in to the office and we will take it from there! Thank you!



Serve10

Did you know that LNC was first imagined by a group of committed parents looking for a high quality education for their own students? This group of parents went on to make LNC a reality in 1998, placing us among the most established charter schools in the state. That spirit of parent involvement and commitment can still be found today, almost 20 years later. A huge THANK YOU to all of our parents who have volunteered in any capacity this year. From baking cookies, to collecting gate, to timing swim meets, to serving lunches and making copies - we could not do it without you!! The following individuals reached key Serve 10 milestones in the month of November and received a small but heartfelt token of our appreciation. Please click [here](#) for Serve10 opportunities.



10+ Hours

Loginie Brown
Lynn Coleman
Joy Decker
Susan LaVoie
Julie McDowell
Olga Yamalis
Sibyl Wessler
Kim Cornellier
Jessica Raborn

Jonni Sergi
Laura Eckert
Janine Marlow
Dominique Rabouin
Maria Soliman
Beckie Carter
Dorothy Violen
Suzanne Mitchell
Amy Horton

Ellen Morgan
Karen Chi
JeanMarie Watson
Tracie Fasel
Sharay Selden
Kim Skotzko
Leah Fowler
Renee Tubbs
Gerri Fieno

50+ Hours

Christy Shepler
Chris Hall
Pamela Love

100+ Hours

Jill Thomas

150+ Hours

Melissa Pitts

Elementary School Book Donations



Have your kids grown up way too fast? If you have gently used and like-new books for children (kindergarten through fourth grade) that you want to part with, please consider helping start our media center and classroom libraries at the elementary campus. We will be seeking donations of books once we are in our building later this spring. We appreciate you hanging on a little bit longer to those books knowing that in a few months they will be dropped off and

out of your storage. Your books will be enjoyed by our youngest LNC Knights for years to come! We will communicate in the spring when we are ready to take your book donations. Thank you for your patience.

Inclement Weather Policy

In the event of inclement weather, we will announce a decision to cancel or delay the start of school by contacting the local affiliates [WSOC](#) (ABC), [WBTV](#) (CBS), [WCNC](#) (NBC) and they will broadcast our closing information. In addition, we will email and

and is pleased to be an LNC sponsor!

The dining room is open daily from 5:00 AM-11:00 PM and the drive-thru is there to serve you 24 hours a day.

Stop in before school for a hot breakfast and a latte from McCafe, on your way home from school for a cool treat or after the game for a tasty late night sandwich that is sure to hit the spot!

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 9

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

January 10

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

January 11

Report cards go home

January 12

All Pro Dad meeting, 7:00am (MS cafeteria)

January 13

MS Band concert, 6:30-8:00pm (MS gym)

January 16

School holiday

January 17

HS Principal's Coffee Chat, 6:00pm (HS MPR)

January 18

New lunch order period opens, 12:00pm (lunches served 2/6 to 3/10)

January 20

MS pajama day

HS Band/Chorus concert, 6:00-8:00pm (HS gym)

January 23-February 3

MS Souper Bowl of Caring food collection to benefit Huntersville Loaves and Fishers

January 24-25

HS Destiny Lab Bus

January 26

MS Father/daughter dance, 7:00-9:00pm (Magnolia Woods, 12125 Statesville Road, Huntersville)

[More upcoming MS events](#)

[More upcoming HS events](#)

text our parents using the contact information that we have on file for each student. Decisions regarding the closing of school or implementing a delayed start time will be made by 5:30am. Please note that we do not contact the local news stations in the event that school remains open.



Decisions are made based solely on weather conditions in our immediate area and are not necessarily connected to the decisions that other schools make regarding delays and cancellations. This point is worth mentioning as some incorrectly assume that LNC is closed whenever the local public school makes the decision to cancel school.

We will also post all decisions on our website and school voicemail when we are faced with inclement weather. As you know, the safety of our students and families is our highest priority so we will not hesitate to cancel school should the need arise.

The PTO Would Like to Wish All of Our Parents and Students a Happy New Year!

Just a reminder, we need volunteers to help serve lunches to our students.

Middle School lunch volunteers, please sign up to help distribute lunches at:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4eaea728a2fb6-middle1>.

If you have any questions about the MS ordering process, please email Anitha Yasa at msslunches@lncharter.org.

High School lunch volunteers, please sign up to help serve lunches at:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4eaea728a2fb6-hslunch1>.

If you have any questions about the HS ordering process, please email Taneshia Peay at hslunches@lunches.org.

This is a great way to see the students, network with other LNC parents and help with the largest PTO fundraiser. No experience and no hairnet needed!! As always, we appreciate your time and dedication to our students.

HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Top Seniors

Congratulations to the nominees for the 2017 Top Seniors Award. These 31 students were nominated by their teachers for showing exemplary character, intelligence, and perseverance in the classroom, extracurriculars, and our greater community. Winners will be announced in January, and will be featured in the Yearbook and at Senior Awards Night. Thank you, nominees, for being well-rounded, model LNC Knights!

Class of
17

Christine Adjangba
Daniel Alperi
Sophia Biedermann
Blake Bosley
Savannah Bost
Cameron Callahan
Kiarah Copney
Kayla Crawford
Zach Dorcas
Jacob Goodman
Brian Hack
Kendall Hlewicki
Liam Huddy
Cassie Kotas
Lauren Loveless
Adrienne Mitchell

Kirstie Moore
Kylie O'Donnell
Kelsey Palmer
Derek Pang
Madeline Pennington
Jacob Pillar
Alex Ponce
Gabrielle Porter
Emili Potts
Raven Selden
Elliot Szewczyk
Avery Symes
Summer Taylor
Tanvee Wakankar
Elizabeth Wilson

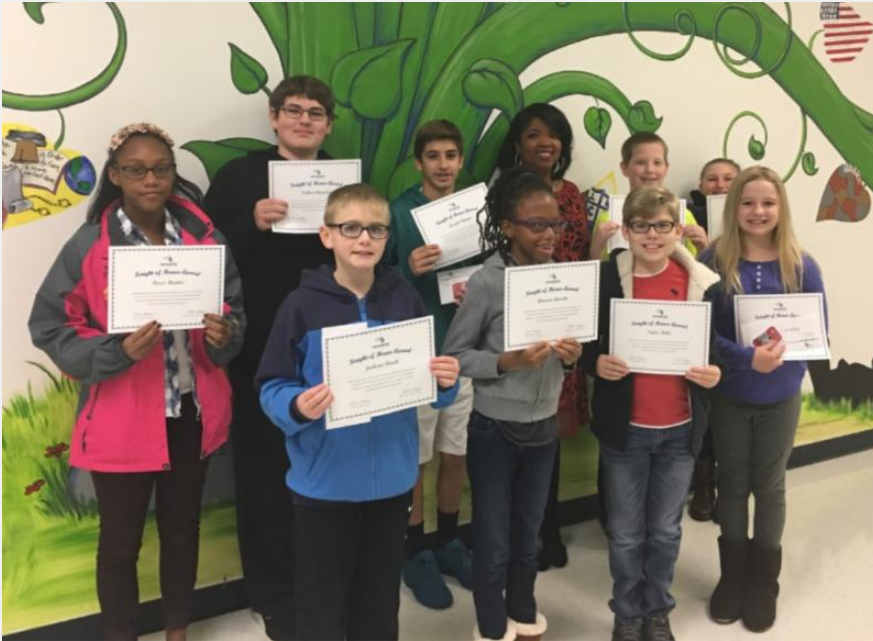
Principal's Coffee Chat



The next Principal's Coffee Chat will be held on Tuesday, January 17 at 6:00pm in the HS MPR. Parents are invited to join Mr. Smith for a discussion of school events and an exchange of questions and answers. Principal Smith will again be live streaming the chat through [Twitter](#). Parents who cannot attend but who want to watch can access the live stream link on [Mr. Smith's Twitter page](#). This link will be archived so parents who can't watch live can watch the chat at their convenience. We are excited about providing the opportunity to every HS parent who wishes to "participate" but can't attend the meeting in person. Parents do not need to have a Twitter account to participate. The link can be pasted and watched using any internet browser. We hope you can attend either in person or virtually!

MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

Knights of Honor



Congratulations to the middle school Knights of Honor for the month of January. These students have been chosen by their teachers for displaying exceptional effort, character, acts of service or a positive attitude. Pictured from left to right, back row: Reese Hunter, Cullen Chapman, Joey Skinner, Dr. Graham, Mason McElroy and Clara Barkley. Front row: Jackson Beach, Aneecia Barrett, Tyler Mills and Gracyn Solomonson. Not pictured: Alicia Bush and Kaela Rasenberger.

PSAT Test

A reminder to 8th grade parents that on Tuesday, January 10 the PSAT will be administered to 8th grade students who signed up for the test.

Principal's Coffee Chat

The MS administration invites all parents to a Principal's Coffee Chat on Tuesday, January 10. Coffee Chats are informal gatherings that offer parents the opportunity to meet with administrators, ask questions, and hear updates of school happenings. Please join Dr. Graham and Mr. McAlpin in the community room from 8:15 to 9:10am. Coffee and a breakfast snack will be provided.



Please park in the main middle school lot (north lot). If you are going through carpool that morning and dropping off students (Dual or MS Only), please proceed through carpool as normal and park when you reach the main middle school lot. Students must be dropped off in carpool as usual. If you do not have carpool duties that morning, please enter campus through the Old Statesville Road entrance and signal that you need to turn left into the main middle school lot for Coffee Chat.

A Knight to Remember - Father/Daughter Dance

Create a memory for your daughter that she will cherish forever! Escort her to the middle school father/daughter dance at Magnolia Woods on Thursday, January 26. Magnolia Woods is located just around the corner from LNC at 12125 Statesville

Road. A limited number of tickets are available now on the [MS PayPal Portal](#). A father/daughter ticket is \$26 per couple with options for photos. Don't miss out on a magical night that you and your daughter will never forget!

Books and Babes

Our next Books and Babes meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 18 from 3-3:30pm in the middle school media center. We will be discussing the book *Sticks & Stones*, by Abby Cooper. Join us for some light refreshments and discussion about strong female characters. Click [here](#) for more information. All fifth and sixth grade girls and their moms are welcome!

Attention 8th Grade Parents

There will be a Recognition Ceremony meeting on January 13 at 9:40 in room 802. This is for any parents who would like to help us plan and execute the end of year ceremony and activities for your 8th grade students.

It's that time of year when we are calling for all 8th grade students to send in a kindergarten or first grade picture to be used in our end of the year slide show. You may send digital pictures to cstone@Incharter.org. If you have a hard copy, we will scan it and return it to your child. Please DO NOT send baby pictures. We only want close up shots of the student at age 5 or 6. These can be candid shots as well as school pictures.

All Pro Dad Meeting for Dads and Kids

Dads and kids: you are invited to an All-Pro Dad meeting in the middle school cafeteria on Thursday, January 12. There will be a quick, before-school breakfast and a 45-minute program of fatherhood and family topics beginning at 7:00am. Click [here](#) to RSVP and place your breakfast order or for more information.

Baseball Interest Meeting

There will be a brief interest meeting for all 7th and 8th grade boys interested in trying out for baseball in February. The meeting will be Tuesday, January 17 in the community room at 3:00pm and will only last 10-15 minutes so you can still catch your carpool. If you are interested in baseball, please plan on stopping by to meet the coach and sign up.

Golf Interest Meeting

There will be a golf interest meeting on Tuesday, January 10 at 3:00pm. The meeting will only last 10 minutes.

2017 Winter Cheer Clinic

The clinic will be held January 21, 2017 for grades K-8 from 8:30am to noon in the HS MPR. Click [here](#) for information and a registration form.

ATHLETICS NEWS

ALL CONFERENCE HONORS



Congratulations to the volleyball team members who earned All Conference honors: Kelsey Lambert, Makayla Martin, Kelsey Palmer and Lauren Gedney pictured with Coach Kiley.

Knights in the News:

Congratulations to Connor Hahn and Matt Miller,
who have been named to the [Herald Weekly All Lake Boys Soccer Team](#).

[2016 Sports Champions](#)

[Basketball Roundup](#)

[Wells Fargo Standings updated](#)

[Cross Country coach Craig Zamiara is Charlotte Observer's coach of the year](#)

This Week's Athletic Results



If you have photos of our MS & HS athletes in action, please email them to slay@Incharter.org and mjoseph@Incharter.org for placement on our social media, website and Knights News.



Click here to view the [Knights News](#) at www.Incharter.org

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