



Honor Code Pledge:
I recognize that attending LNC is a privilege, and as a member of this community, I pledge to uphold and promote the pillars of honesty, integrity, respect and responsibility as outlined in the LNC honor code.

Together we learn, lead and serve

Superintendent Speaks

At the end of each school year, one of my greatest joys as superintendent is to reflect on all the wonderful efforts our staff make to provide an innovative and individually supportive learning environment for each of our students and review some of the successes that occur as a result. I am proud to share that for a 4th consecutive year we have received U.S. News' distinction as a "[Best High School](#)," placing us in the top 2% of all high schools nationwide. Additionally, [Great Schools](#) recently scored LNC 10/10 and granted us their College Success Award. Lastly, the senior class of 2019 has shattered the school's scholarship record, receiving over \$10 million in offered scholarship money! We are proud of our teachers and students and congratulate them on their continued good work and these latest impressive achievements.



In the wake of our 20th year anniversary, it is obvious that LNC's past success has been the result of the commitment and vision of many. Just as we ask our students to continue to grow and improve, our future success will be the result of a renewed commitment by our stakeholders, including parents. Our middle school was LNC's first building and is 12 years old. It is time to improve and align our school with today's needs, which are very different from those in 2006, when the building was designed. Sadly, given the tragic events that continue to occur in schools, the Board and administration is committed to making every effort to increase our security measures. Last year, that included adding a vestibule and second set of locked doors at the high school. We will make a similar improvement at the middle school this summer to increase the protection of our students and staff. As a result, starting when students return in the fall, we will be relocating our MS visitor entrance to the Hwy. 115 side of the building, which will ensure that every visitor will be screened multiple times before entering instructional space and limiting access to our students during outside activities. MS students will still enter under the canopy during regular carpool. Additionally, in the future, with the continued support of our families, we will also be looking to make additional improvements to our main campus. Some of these efforts may include further improving the flow and process of our carpool pattern and procedures, enriching our outside recess/athletic facilities to be commensurate to other schools, and "right-sizing" our instructional space to support ALL students' individual needs, giving them the best shot at success. More to come on some of those exciting plans...

We have a lot to be proud of as a school community, but as summer approaches, it is important that our students and families take time to relax and recharge. Wishing all LNC families a safe and enjoyable break!

Shannon Stein

Serve10 Volunteer Program



We wish to thank the following committed [families](#) who have served 10 or more hours of volunteer time from May 1, 2018 - April 30, 2019. This concludes our 2018-2019 school year Serve10 hours. Any hours served May 1, 2019 or after will be credited towards the 2019-2020 school year. Whether it's volunteering in the lunch program, chaperoning a field trip, proctoring EOG's (2018) or being a mystery reader for our youngest Knights, we

would not be able to provide our students with the same educational experience without you!

Now is a great time to get started on your 2019-2020 school year Serve10 hours! Parents and students, we are looking for volunteers on Saturday, June 1 from 8:30am-12:30pm to Clear The Classrooms. This day of service has become a tradition at LNC and work performed is very valuable for our facilities staff. We need help moving furniture (not heavy) out of MS and HS

classrooms to prepare for summer classroom painting and floor waxing. Please [click here](#) to sign-up and thank you in advance for your help!



Technology Information

It is that time of year again when your 5th through 12th grade student turns in their school-issued iPad or Laptop. The technology team has worked hard to make this as efficient as possible but here are a few things parents and students can do to help!



- **MS 5th-7th grade students** will turn in their iPads on Thursday, May 23 and Friday, May 24. Students will not turn in the school-issued charging cable and charging block. It will be your student's responsibility to keep these charging cables over the summer and return to school in August with these cables. If your student loses or has already lost the charging cables, new cables can be purchased at the beginning of the school year. Your student will receive their same iPad for the 2019-2020 school year.
- **MS 8th grade students** will turn in their iPads on Friday, May 24. Students will be responsible for returning the school-issued charging cable and charging block. If they are not turned in with the iPad, your student will be charged \$11 for the charging cable and \$20 for the charging block. However, if your student forgot to bring the charging cables to school on Friday, May 24 they will be able to turn in the cables on Tuesday, May 28 from 7:30am-8:00am in the MS gym lobby. The fine will be deleted once the charging cables are returned. Your student will receive a laptop in 9th grade. Be on the lookout for a communication over the summer regarding the 9th grade technology kick-off.
- **HS Seniors** should have already turned in their school-issued laptops. Please email Ms. Lord at jlord@lncharter.org if you have any questions regarding senior laptop turn-in.
- **HS 9th-12th grade students** will turn in their laptops beginning Tuesday, May 28 through Friday, May 31. Your student MUST sign up on the [Laptop Collection 18-19 Sign-Up Genius](#). If your student signs up for a slot and needs to make a change, please do so on the SUG. This is the only way the technology team will know if your student is expected to drop off their laptop. Please make sure your student brings their laptop and charging cable to collection. Your student will receive their same laptop for the 2019-2020 school year.
- **If any student is NOT returning to LNC** for the 2019-2020 school year, all school-issued technology must be returned. This includes iPad or Laptop and all charging cables. If a withdrawal occurs over the summer, all charging cables must be returned to withdraw your student from LNC. If cables are lost and not able to be returned, you will be responsible for the replacement cost of the charging cable and block.

All school-related financial obligations (technology, media books, text books, parking passes, etc.) are to be paid by the last day of school, Friday May 31. Report cards and test score will not be mailed home until ALL financial obligations are met. *Seniors, in order to participate in graduation you MUST have turned in your laptop and parking pass and paid all financial obligations.*

Please feel free to review our 2019 annual [technology report](#).

Summer Information

As we approach summer break, the LNC registrars, Jane Vizard (HS), Jennifer Wolfe (MS) and Sue Scott (ES), have some important information for our parents:

Summer Office Hours

The front office at the HS, MS and ES will be open Monday - Wednesday from 9:00am to 12:00pm beginning Monday, June 3.



End of Year Report Cards

Final report cards of the year are to be mailed to the primary address on file for each student on June 12, 2019. If you had an address change and have not yet notified the school, please send an email with the old address and the new address to the appropriate registrar by **May 30**.

- ES: sscott@lncharter.org
- MS: jwolfe@lncharter.org
- HS: jvizard@lncharter.org



*If you have a financial obligation to the school, including technology damage fines, missing media center books, missing parking passes, textbook fines (HS and MS only) or late pick-up fines (ES only), your student's final report card and test scores will not be released until the obligation is resolved.

Elementary and Middle School

- Did you find a missing media book and would like to return it to LNC? You can return media books to the respective front office during summer office hours.

High School

- For your convenience, there is an after-hours drop box outside the office entrance doors, for athletic physicals, driver's eligibility certificates etc. This box is checked daily.
- Driver's eligibility certificates will be processed upon receipt. Once issued, the certificate is valid for 30 days.
- Final transcripts will be sent to colleges the week of June 10. It may take several weeks for colleges to process them and show as received on student accounts.

Strategic Area of Focus - School-Life Balance

This month we checked in with our School-Life Balance Committee and learned of two positive changes coming to the HS next year.

- The first change involves class rank. Earlier this month, the Committee recommended eliminating class rank at LNC effective with the Class of 2021 and the Board voted in favor of making this change. The elimination of class rank was strongly supported by administration and the counseling department after a great deal of research was completed with various college representatives. We asked HS principal Mr. Smith to elaborate on this and he replied, "As a high-performing school, we recognized that some of our students were actually put at a disadvantage because of their class ranking, impacting their post-secondary opportunities. I constantly tell our students to focus on being **their** best, not on comparing themselves to their peers. This change hopefully eliminates one element of competition while putting our students in the best position for those opportunities." For more information, see our [Elimination of Class Rank FAQ](#).
- The second change will also impact our student body. After considering various stakeholder feedback (both faculty and student/family), Mr. Smith explored the possibility of lengthening students' lunch periods. Next year, the HS will be reducing the regular class time from 53 minutes to 52 minutes, reallocating that time directly to extending lunch. This minor adjustment will increase our HS students' and teachers' lunch periods by 30%.

Congratulations to the Knights of Honor

Recipients of the ES Knights of Honor award have been nominated by a teacher for showing exceptional effort, good character, acts of service, leadership attributes or a positive attitude.



ES's May of Honor are pictured with Ms. Holland, l-r: Samanvi Nethikunta, Kaylee Gibbons, Ethan Kidney, Jackson Modlin, Sharan Patil, Jacob Boone and Victor Blasucci.

The MS Knights of Honor have been selected by their teachers for displaying good character, exceptional effort, a positive attitude and performing acts of service.



Pictured with Dr. Graham are the MS Knights of Honor for May, l-r: Kate Robinson, Akhil Nalluri, Davis Solomonson and Alden Jones. Not pictured, Mark Viehman.

The HS program recognizes students who demonstrate one of the four pillars of the LNC Honor Code: Honesty, Integrity, Respect, and Responsibility.



The HS Knights of Honor for May are pictured with Mr. Smith, l-r: Sarai Genece (Respect), Callie Johnson (Responsibility) and Jessica Gaby (Integrity).

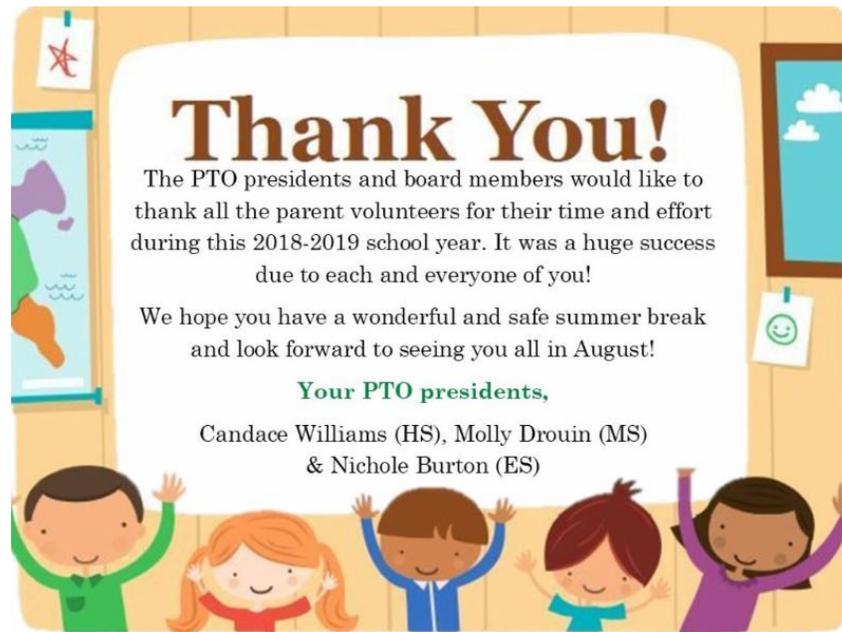
Knights Fund Update

Invest in Excellence (MS & HS) Update - Thanks to the 238 families (out of 1,200) who have donated to our annual fund drive, Invest in Excellence. Because of their support, we have purchased two new buses which have now been registered, wrapped and are in use! (If your students ran track at the state meet or ride the shuttle

to the elementary school, ask them about the new buses!) These 238 families contributed a total of \$162,640 since July 1, 2018. We are still shy of our \$215,000 goal amount needed to improve the security at the middle school, purchase three more buses and make improvements at the high school. If you have not yet donated this year, please do so now so that our students can have these items and experience these improvements when they return in August. If most families contribute \$600 per year or \$50 per month, we can do this! Give a one time gift [here](#) or establish a recurring gift [here](#). Thank you!



Rise Together (K-4th) Update - Thank you to all of those who are fulfilling their Rise Together pledges for our new elementary school! We need ALL of our pledges to be fulfilled in order to complete and outfit the school as planned. If you have any questions regarding your pledge, your gifts so far or what you have outstanding, please contact Michelle Negrete at 704/948-8600 x1403 or at mnegrete@lncharter.org.



ES & MS Edu-Kits Information

It's time to order your ES & MS students' Edu-Kits. The LNC PTO offers the Edu-Kit program as a convenient option for busy families to order school supplies for the upcoming school year. As in years past, these kits include all school supplies needed for your student's specific grade, and prices vary depending on the grade. Order your kits at www.edukitinc.com.

Agendas are mandatory for K-4th grade students and are included in the ES Edu-Kits.

Agendas are mandatory for 5th graders and will be available at the beginning of the school year. Agendas will also be available (but are not required) for 6th-8th graders.



LNC Golf Tournament

Deadline to Sign Up is Tuesday May 28!

Gather a foursome and [Register](#) today for LNC's kickoff to summer with the Inaugural LNC Royal Golf Outing on Friday, June 7. This will be a Captain's Choice tournament that is sure to be fun for players of all skill levels. If you have any questions, please contact Brian Bauer, Middle School Assistant Principal, at (704) 948-8600.

SAVE THE DATE - FRIDAY, JUNE 7th



LNC Athletics Available Coaching Positions

The Athletics department has the following coaching positions available for fall:

- MS Girls Tennis - Fall Sport
- MS Boys Soccer - Fall Sport
- HS Football Assistant Coaches - Fall Sport

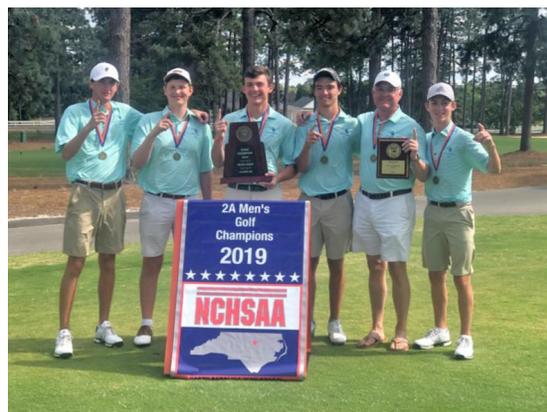
If you or someone you know are interested and would like to learn more about what is involved in joining the coaching staff, please send Athletic Director, Matt Schlegel (mschlegel@lncharter.org) an email to talk a little bit more about each open position.



Athletic Physicals

Lakeside Family Physicians at Rosedale is offering a FREE sports screening to all LNC athletes on Saturday, June 1. To sign up, click [here](#) or use the link under **Athletics** on the school website, www.lncharter.org.

STUDENTS MUST REGISTER BY MAY 26.



Athletic Results

[Read](#) how our Knights athletes performed this month!

Athletic Calendar

Click [here](#) to see a schedule of upcoming Athletic events.

Congratulations to the Knights men's golf team on winning the 2A State Championship! Not only are they State Champs, they ended their season undefeated! Left to right: Carter Busse, Jace Arko, Ian Johnson, Ben Bailey, Coach Eric Johnson and Will Dalton. Photo courtesy of Jen Arko.

LNC CHARTER PRESENTS

3rd and 4th Grade Students Perform Mary Poppins Jr.



3rd grade students performing Mary Poppins Jr. on May 7, 2019

LNC 3rd and 4th grade students recently performed Mary Poppins Jr., a Broadway Jr. production, in front of parents, siblings, relatives and friends and they did not disappoint! Congratulations to all the students for your hard

work and wonderful performances. Thank you, Ms. Spearman, for your dedication and time spent with these students. Also a special thank you to the HS theater team for taking two evenings out of your busy schedule to assist our young Knights behind the stage and making sure the production ran smoothly. Great job Knights!



4th grade students performing Mary Poppins Jr on May 8, 2019



LNC Chorus Takes on NYC

Members of the Lake Norman Charter Chorus took a field trip to the Big Apple in April. Fourteen of our students and six chaperones flew to New York for four days. The students got a taste of NYC by eating pizza in Queens and New York Cheesecake in Manhattan. The Metropolitan Museum of Art was a definite high point as well as the 911 Memorial and Museum. The students got to go 102 stories up in the air to the top of the One World Observatory. And of course, no trip to New York would be complete without the theater experience. The students got to see a revival of Cole Porter's "Kiss Me, Kate" at the Studio 54 theater. Seeing Mr. Funchess out of the school setting was a treat for the students. He was definitely a leader on this trip and the students have adopted a new motto, "Follow Funchess!"

Concert on the Green

Congratulations to the HS and MS bands, Knight Riders and Jazz band for a wonderful performance of music at the LNC annual Concert on the Green. Thank you to all the parents, students, relatives and friends who came out and enjoyed the evening with LNC band members.



KNIGHTLY ⚡ NEWS FLASH

Brought to you by LNC sponsor, [Everest Gymnastics](#)

Annual Technology Cost

Attention rising 5th-12th grade parents: the annual technology cost PayPal button will be available beginning July 1, 2019. Please note a change on the PayPal button. You MUST enter your child's student ID not their first and last name before processing payment.

How do you find your child's student ID?

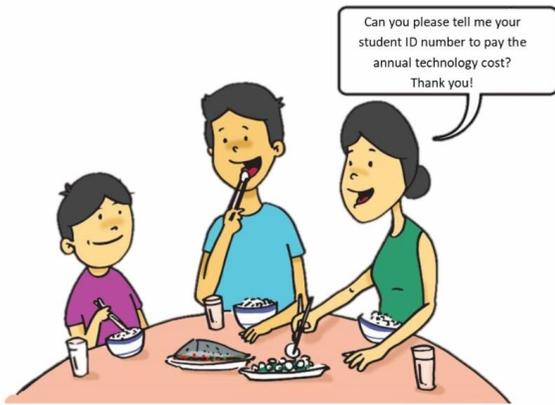
1. **Ask your student!** EVERY LNC student knows their student ID as this is their iPad and laptop login.
2. You can find the student ID number beside the student's name on their report card.

Class of 2020 Senior Trip

Attention rising 12th grade parents: Senior Class Council is excited to announce that the senior class trip will officially be to Universal Studios on February 27 - March 1, 2020. Senior Class Council is excited to continue this tradition! Please see [this link](#) for important trip information including deposit deadlines and the required permission slip.

Class of 2023 Sound to Sea Field Trip

Attention rising 9th grade parents: The Sound to Sea field trip is an exciting grade-level Earth Science



20th Year Video Winner

As we close out our 20th year celebration, we wanted to share some great videos that our very own students created to celebrate this milestone. Thank you to all the students who submitted videos.

Please take a moment to watch the winning videos below. Congratulations to HS winner Annie Boardman (12th) and MS winners Bailey Layne (5th) and Claire Fogerty (5th).



HS Winning Video Above

MS Winning Video Below



Virtual Sandbox

Mr. Graham, 6th grade SS teacher, recently attended NCTIES (the annual NC Tech Conference to which LNC sends a contingency of teachers each year, made possible by families who Invest in Excellence) and was introduced to the concept of a virtual sandbox. He began to imagine how such a resource could be used here at LNC. Mr. Graham worked with LNC student Alex Easley who, in collaboration with HS Tech Coordinator Mr. Nic Cox, built a computer from scratch, built the sandbox frame and made all the technology work, which was no small feat! [Click here](#) to watch a Facebook video of Superintendent Stein explaining to our Board of Directors the range of ways this virtual sandbox can be used by our teachers and students!

experience our students have enjoyed for the past 10 years! It is the only curriculum-based, entire grade-level field trip offered throughout the 4 years of high school. The trip dates will be September 23-25, 2019 and September 30 - October 2, 2019. The students will be placed on their specific trip after all the forms have been turned in and parents will be notified by the teacher as to which trip they will be on. The total cost of the trip will be \$375. To help with financial planning, these are the key payment dates:

- Initial payment *PayPal button will open July 19* (non-refundable): \$175 deposit or \$375 full payment will be due August 30, 2019
- Final payment: \$200 will be due September 16, 2019

Please join the Sound to Sea Schoology Group (Access Code: 6HJ8D-VM5MH) to receive important information along the way. We are excited for your students to join us for this wonderful experience. If you have any questions, please contact Joanne Wilson at jwilson@Incharter.org.

Class of 2027 Washington DC Trip

Attention rising 5th grade parents: The 5th grade class annual trip to Washington DC will take place April 6-9, 2020. This four day trip is a great experience for students, teachers and chaperones. Parents will receive more information and payment dates in August when school begins but mark your calendars now for this fun trip!

ES and MS Field Days

MS Field Day is Wednesday, May 29. This is a fun day for the students, but we need your help! Parents if you are able to volunteer during field day please [sign-up here](#). For parents interested in volunteering with their student, 7th and 8th grade will be outside in the morning and 5th and 6th grade will be outside in the afternoon. It will be hot next week, so please make sure your student has water and sunscreen.

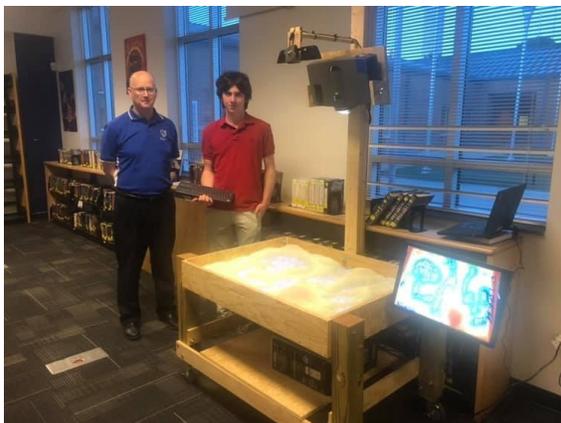
ES Field Day is Tuesday May 28. Thank you to all the parents who have signed up to volunteer for this fun day for the kids. Students will participate in field day during their specials time. It will be hot next week so please make sure your student has water and sunscreen and a change of clothes because they may get wet from some of the games!

MS 9th Annual Food Drive for Angels and Sparrows

The Builders' Club is running the annual end of year food drive to benefit the Angels and Sparrows Soup Kitchen's Summer Lunch Program. Thousands of brown bag lunches are prepared daily during the summer and are delivered to needy children in local impoverished neighborhoods. LNC has supported their effort for the past eight years by donating items that help fill the lunch bags and we look forward to continuing this tradition. Students are asked to bring in donations through the last day of school, May 31.



- 5th Grade – Fruit cups
- 6th Grade – Lance Crackers
- 7th Grade – Pudding Cups
- 8th Grade – Breakfast Bars



Thank you for embracing our efforts to help this nonprofit charity and the MS Builders' Club!

Kindergarten Orientation

The kindergarten teachers and ES administration enjoyed hosting our rising kindergarten students and their parents at the MS last week. Thank you to everyone who was able to join in this fun evening. If you were not able to make the orientation please [click here](#) for the presentation along with questions and answers you might have at this time. We look forward to welcoming the Class of 2032 in August!



Mark Your Calendars

Class of 2019 Graduation Information

Use [this link](#) if you have any additional questions regarding graduation on Friday, May 31. Good luck to all LNC seniors and their families!

8th Grade Recognition Ceremony

Please join the administration and staff of LNC MS on Thursday May 30, 2019 at 6:30pm in the HS gym to celebrate the accomplishments of these 8th grade students during their time at LNC MS!

4th Grade Moving Up Ceremony

Please join the administration and staff of the LNC ES on Wednesday May 29, 2019 at 6:00pm in the HS gym to celebrate 4th grade students completing ES and moving up to MS!

Kindergarten Moving Up Ceremony

Please join the administration and staff of the LNC ES on Tuesday May 28, 2019 at 6pm in the HS gym to celebrate the first year of school for this Class of 2031!

Battle of the Books

Congratulations 4th grade LNC students who competed in Battle of the Books and won 2nd place! Our students competed against ten other Lake Norman area elementary schools and our 4th grade students went up against teams comprised of 4th and 5th graders from other schools. Battle of the Books is a great opportunity for students to read selected books throughout the year and then work as a team to answer questions about these selected books. We are so proud of our students and the way they represented LNC in our first ever Battle of the Books!

Knight of the Arts

Thank you to the LNC Community for coming out and supporting your children and their arts teachers in the 9th annual Knight of the Arts! We would like to thank the families who donated food for refreshments, the student volunteers who helped display artwork and work the door and crafts table, and of course our amazing teachers who showcased their student's artistic achievements this year!



Science Olympiad

The 5th and 6th grade Science Olympiad team competed on Saturday and brought home the 4th place trophy overall out of 29 teams. LNC also had 13 team members win medals in individual events. Congratulations to:

Aditi Varshney - 1st place and 2nd place
Sirisha Viswanatha - 1st place and 2nd place
Anika Mohapatra - 1st place
Jasmitha Kakarla - 1st place and 2nd place
Ella Crawford - 1st place and two 2nd places
Yaashvi Nagori - 1st place and 2nd place
Henry Dano - 1st place

ES Annual Art Show

Artwork and talents of our ES students stood out during the 2nd annual ES Art Show. Thank you Ms. DeVoe for all your hard work and putting together another

wonderful night for our youngest Knights and their families.



Neil Banahatti - 2nd place
Kabir Sangha - 2nd place
Aavan Patel - 3rd place and 5th place
Adhvay Prasanth - 3rd place and 5th place
Chitra Gangadhara - 5th place and two 6th places
Roshini Sankar - 5th place and two 6th places

Congratulations to all the team members for an outstanding season and tournament!



Summer Volleyball Camp

All rising 6th - 8th grade girls interested in volleyball should join the HS Volleyball team in the LNC summer camp June 10-14! Each day the campers will be led in stretching, warm-ups, skill demonstration and drills. Campers

will also participate in match-type play to gain game-like experience!

Click [here](#) for the registration form. Please return the completed form to the Volleyball Camp box in the MS front office.

LNC Students Around Town on School Field Trips

8th Grade Goes to Blue Ridge



Summer Cheer Camp

We are excited to announce that REGISTRATION IS OPEN for our 2019 LNC Summer Cheer Camp!



We will be running two weeks of camps again this year, and look forward to making this our best year yet. The camps will run Monday-Friday from 9am-noon each day. Campers will receive a t-shirt for participating and will have a performance on the last day starting at 11:15am. All participants will also be invited to attend a Varsity Football game in the fall where they will perform between the first and second quarter on the track with the HS cheerleaders.

Click [here](#) for the registration form. Please feel free to mail in registration, or drop it off at the LNC MS office, attention Jessie Locke. Additionally, the more the merrier, so please share with any family, friends, or neighbors who you think might be interested.

We look forward to seeing you and your cheerleaders this summer!

7th Grade Rides Through Carowinds

Summer Football Camp

Do you have a rising 5th through 8th grader who plays or is interested in playing football? LNC has the perfect



football camp for you! Camp will run June 3-6 and be held here at the LNC main campus. Complete this [registration form](#) to sign-up! Additionally, the more the merrier, so please share with any family, friends, or neighbors who you think might be interested.

School Calendar

[Click here](#) to see the LNC school calendar and all upcoming events for the remainder of the 2018-2019 school year!

Welcome Our Newest Knight!

Congratulations Alison Brannock (Eanes), and her husband Michael, on the addition to their family, Hudson James Brannock! Welcome to the LNC family, Baby Brannock!



4th Grade Takes on Biztown



1st Grade Picks Strawberries at Patterson Farms



Kindergarten Learns More Science



Knights in the News

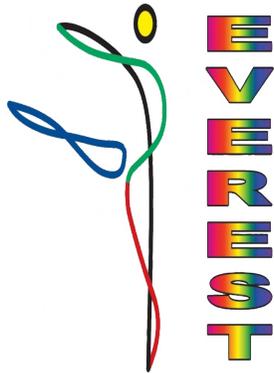
[Lake Norman golf team wins Midwest Regional](#)

[LNC soccer passes challenge without head coach, headed to state championship](#)

[Knights reach new heights by winning 2A golf title](#)

Take a Look at What Students, Staff and Parents are Doing at LNC

Use [this link](#) to see a photo slide show of LNC students, staff and parents learning, leading and serving. The slide show is updated often, so check back frequently by using the link on the front page of our website or looking under Student Life and clicking on LNC in Pictures.



EVEREST GYMNASTICS offers both a competitive gymnastics program and recreational classes. It is also a fun and unique venue for birthday parties, parents night out and your special event.

Visit their website at www.everest-gym.com



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