



**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 Says**

As a school leader, there is no greater responsibility I feel than to keep your children and our staff safe while they are at school. I hope you have had a chance to read the [important communication](#) we sent last week on school safety and what you can expect as an LNC family if there is ever a need to address a crisis situation.

The best way to do that is to be proactive to prevent an incident before it happens. Given that, we have upgraded our cameras on our main campus this fall and continue to benefit from a strong working relationship with the Huntersville Police Department that includes conversations about our response plan, regular K9 sweeps and allowing our schools to be used for local agencies' S.W.A.T. training. Additionally, we added a vestibule with a second set of locked doors at the HS and hope to add a similar vestibule at the MS this summer. To assist us, I encourage you to foster a healthy discussion with your students about their safety at school, reinforcing that the drills done at school are important and encourage them to share with you any concern (i.e. social media posts, other student issues, etc.) they have. At school we also strive to create these relationships and, fortunately our K-12 grade model and smaller size allows us to get to know our students better and for them to know their peers better. Every LNC student should have an adult at school whom they trust to share sensitive or private feelings or information. We will be intentionally working to make sure that is the case for each of our students.



We are committed to our students' social-emotional well-being, which is why we have increased our student support by hiring more counselors in recent years and adding School-Life Balance as a strategic area of focus. This board-led committee is charged with finding ways to support our students as they balance their academic demands with their extra-curricular interests and the struggles of growing up in such a fast-paced and pressurized world.

While LNC continues to grow and evolve from where we began 20 years ago, I feel strongly that we make every effort to keep the engaged, community feel where we all recognize we have a stake in our school environment. Please feel free to bring your questions and concerns to your building principal or myself, allowing us an opportunity to discuss and address them. Wishing you and your family an upcoming break filled with warm memories. Thank you for making LNC your school of choice.  
*Shannon Stein*

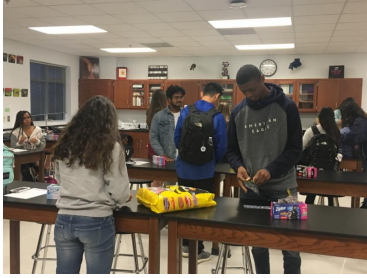
### **Today We Learn, Lead and Serve**

Last month's Day of Service was certainly impressive, with over 2,000 students, teachers and parents serving together for a great cause ([click here](#) to view and [here](#) to read the related media coverage). However, you can find students serving and leading every day at LNC! Here are just a few examples:

- French Honor Society at the high school baked treats and sold them to their student-peers and donated the proceeds to West Craven High School near New Bern, North Carolina whose community was ravaged by Hurricane Florence.
- The HS Interact Club led a "Changing Lives of Refugees" initiative and raised over \$850 for Charlotte Refugee Support Services. Seventh period classes competed to see who could raise the most \$/student and Mr. Hirsch's 9th grade science class won! The Interact Club will use this money to pack first aid and hygiene kits at their November 28 meeting to provide supplies for new refugees in our area.
- Our PreMed Club made blankets for patients at the Novant Health Cancer Support Center recently and Ariel Boroughs, club president, coordinated and led a Skype call with Dr. Strepka, her uncle, who is a dentist in Texas.
- The Key Club at the high school made 700 treat bags for Hurricane Victims in Robeson County. This area was hit twice by Hurricane Matthew in 2016 then again recently by Hurricane Florence. Even more impressive, our 191 Key Club members have logged over 6,000 service hours so far this school year!
- The MS Builders Club has been busy this school year. Club members have toured Hope House of Huntersville and picked up sticks after the storms, made over 600 sandwiches to support the lunch program

at Angels and Sparrows, visited the Oaks Huntersville bringing smiles to the elderly, collected donations for needy children to give to their parents with Caterpillar Ministry, and had fun with our youngest Knights in Knights Kids Afterschool Program helping with homework and playing games. The Club is at an all time high of 50 members and has lots of great service projects planned ahead.

- Third grade students participated in Operation Christmas Child, filling boxes with washcloths, toothbrushes, toothpaste, small toys, stuffed animals and more. All items for these boxes were donated by third grade parents and students packed 72 boxes to send to disadvantaged children around the world.
- Second Grade is holding a grade level canned food drive called, Feather the Turkey! All donations of non-perishable foods will go to Huntersville Loaves and Fishes. For every 3 cans of canned goods a student bring in, they get to fill out a "thankful feather" on the grade level turkey in the second grade building.



HS Key Club



MS Builders Club



3rd Grade ES students

## Knights of Honor

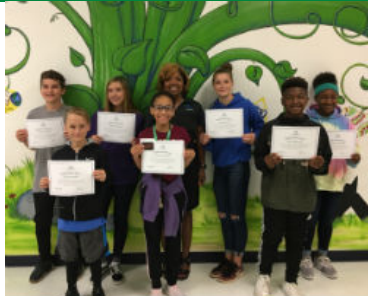


Elementary School

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

Congratulations to the ES Knights of Honor

Pictured with Ms. Holland: Lily Price, Valentino Ramirez, Haley Poorvin, Kanee Love, Ryan Vongxay, Diego Homayden, and Mekyah Peters (not pictured)



Middle School

These students have been selected by their teachers for displaying good character, exceptional effort, a positive attitude and performing acts of service.

Congratulations to the MS Knights of Honor

Pictured with Dr. Graham (left to right): Jack Venegoni, Shayla Bergeron, Rachel Turner, Rosalyn Nightingale. Front row, l-r: Jack Costenoble, Kennedy Williamson, and R.J. Nightingale



High School

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

Congratulations to the HS Knights of Honor

Pictured with Mr. Smith: Khalia Berry (Responsibility), Krish Patel (Responsibility), Abhishek Singh (Respect), and Savannah Trautman (Responsibility)

## Get Engaged with LNC



In celebration of our 20th year as a school, the LNC Family Engagement Committee challenges each family to volunteer just twice during the school year to serve lunches at any of our three campuses. If each family accepts the challenge, we will have all of our lunch volunteer opportunities fulfilled for the school year! Thank you to the [265 families](#) who have already participated in the #LNCLunchChallenge!



[Check out how easy it is to serve lunch](#) – and encourage your other parent friends to join you in the #LNCLunchChallenge. SIGN UP [HERE](#) to serve!

## LNC Teacher Spotlight



Ms. Tara Costenoble teaches 5th grade math and science and has been with LNC since 2000! This year, both of her sons joined LNC, Jack as a 5th grader and Harry as a Kindergarten student. In addition to Ms. Costenoble's teaching duties, she works tirelessly as the MS Student Council Advisor. Student Council enhances the LNC experience at our MS in many ways and one of them is leading the fall Spirit Week, Pep Rally and Spirit Link competition held last month. This year students had fun expressing their spirit by dressing in their Halloween costumes, as a favorite meme and as either a mathlete or athlete. The week concluded at the Friday afternoon pep rally with exciting games between grade levels and students and teachers! Seventh grade won the Spirit Stick honors and the top three home rooms won a pizza, doughnut, and cookie party for raising the most money in our Spirit Link competition. The funds are used to purchase another year of the Brain Pop, an fun educational app for our students. Thank you Ms. Costenoble for your Student Council leadership and 19 years of educating our students!



### PTO's Holiday Gifting Program

Don't have time to shop this holiday season for your teachers?...allow the PTO to do it for you! The PTO Gifting Committee is responsible for purchasing gifts for the staff with funds donated by parents and families. We will be gifting ALL staff members, in each school and will use their "favorite's lists" to guide our purchases.

We realize that you may have your own gift giving plans and we encourage you to continue with those plans and ideas. Your student's teachers favorite's list is located in RESOURCES on all three Parent 2 Parent groups in Schoology. We are simply offering another option during the busy holiday season – let us do the shopping for you and consider us your holiday elves!

If you are interested in taking part in this gifting program please click [here](#) to make a donation. You may also place a contribution in an envelope for any amount in the drop box located in the office of each school. Cash or checks are accepted and checks should be made payable to LNC PTO. The deadline for donations is **Friday, November 30**.

Thank you for your continued generosity to our school staff and we wish you all a very Happy Holiday Season!

### Families Partner to Earn Community Donations

Are you food shopping this Thanksgiving? Are you an online Amazon shopper for the holidays? If so, the PTO has some very easy opportunities for families to participate in to help our school earn money! Please consider participating in any or all of the following programs with which LNC is currently partnered:

- **HARRIS TEETER TOGETHER IN EDUCATION** - link your VIC card to our school (code 2286). This can be done online or in store. Cards must be re-linked each school year.
- **PUBLIX PARTNERS** - register for a Publix Partners account online and select LNC as your school. Make sure to type in your phone number at checkout and all your purchases will help earn money for our school.
- **AMAZON SMILE** - shop at [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com) and select our school as your charity of choice.



### Cheerleading

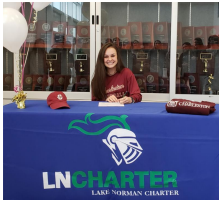
Our Cheer Team finished second at the Pre-State Competition earlier this month! Their finish qualified the team to compete in the NCHSAA State Competition in Raleigh on December 1. Good luck!

### LNC Winter Sports

Good luck to the MS boys and girls basketball teams, HS boys and girls basketball teams, and HS swim and dive team as LNC winter sports gets underway!



See the athletic calendar below and come cheer on our Knights!



### College Signing

Congratulations to Jenna Carter, who signed to play softball at the College of Charleston!

### Athletic Booster Club Reminder

Be a Booster! Basketball season is upon us, so if you haven't already, it's a great time to join Boosters! Your Booster membership gets your family into all home LNC sporting events free and this includes spring sports too. Get your Booster pass before the first home basketball game on November 27! Click [here](#) for more information on memberships and season passes.

Sign up to volunteer [here](#) and thanks for supporting Lake Norman Charter Student-Athletes!

### Athletic Results

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

### Athletic Calendar

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



## LNCHARTER PRESENTS

### LNC Theatre Goes to States

The Theatre Department at LNC has much to celebrate, as they bring home top honors from the 2018 NCTC State HS Play Festival, held at Greensboro College on November 15-17. The theatre program, made the school and community proud with their presentation of **Boy Meets Girl: A Young Love Story** at the Festival, which was one of three shows to receive the highest honor of Distinguished Play! They are also bringing home the following awards:



- State Festival Spirit Award
- Boy Meets Girl: A Young Love Story - Rating: Superior
- Excellence in Scenic Choreographing & Transitions: Boy Meets Girl: A Young Love Story
- Barbizon Excellence in Design and Production: Student Directing Brittany Blitstein
- Barbizon Excellence in Design and Production: Costuming "The Girls"
- Barbizon Excellence in Design and Production: Technical Design and Construction "The Boys"
- Excellence in Acting for Male: Luke Meierer
- Excellence in Acting for Female: Luci Dinonno
- Honorable Mention Distinguished Play: Boy Meets Girl: A Young Love Story

Click [here](#) for the state's press release and more information on this accomplishment!

Before advancing to the State Festival the LNC Theatre program once again won their regional site! Below are the acknowledgments from regions:

- Excellence in Building and Design: Nathan Wilson, Brady McKay, Mathew Patterson, Nathan Glocke & Javon Campbell, a.k.a "The Boys"
- Excellence in Scenic Design and Choreography: Boy Meets Girl: A Young Love Story
- Barbizon Excellence in Costume Design: Presley Sherwood, Caroline Perry, Madison Dabney, Aimee Viola
- Barbizon Excellence in Set Design: "The boys"
- Excellence in Acting: Khalia Berry
- Excellence in Acting: Sarah McElroy
- Excellence in Acting: Davis Cleveland
- Outstanding Female in Acting: Luci Dinonno
- Outstanding in Directing: Brittany Blitstein
- Excellence in Ensemble Acting: Elephant's Graveyard"
- Distinguished play **Boy Meets Girl: A Young Love Story** will be advancing to States Championship

## CHARTER ALUMNI

### New Alumni Page on the LNC Website

We are excited to launch our new alumni page on the LNC website. Check out the new page [here](#) or go to [www.lncharter.org](http://www.lncharter.org). About Us, Alumni. Here you will be able to update your contact information, become part of the

If you know Charter alumni please have them mark their calendars for our annual Alumni Lunch and Panel on **January 3, 2019 at 12:00 PM at the HS MPR.**

Please check back each month in the Knights News for more upcoming information and spotlights of our Alumni!

## KNIGHTLY ⚡ NEWS FLASH

Brought to you by LNC sponsor, [Huntington Learning Center](#)

### Lottery Application for Siblings Open

Important reminder for LNC families who have a child who is NOT currently enrolled but who would like to attend LNC next school year (2019-2020) in grades K-12. Please make sure to complete the lottery application by January 31, 2019. We have a link to the lottery application [here](#) and on the homepage of our website at [www.lncharter.org](http://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, ES registrar, at [lottery@lncharter.org](mailto:lottery@lncharter.org).

Lottery  
Apply Here!

### Cheerleading Clinic

Registration is currently open for the 2019 LNC Winter Cheer Clinic on

January 26. Join our HS girls for a Saturday filled with cheers, dances, fun, and friends. All participants will receive a t-shirt and an invitation to perform during the Women's Varsity Basketball game on January 29 (their admission will be covered). The cost is \$35 and the clinic will run from 8:30-Noon. We look forward to seeing you there! Click [here](#) for the Cheer Clinic Registration Form.



### Thank you Parents and Volunteers

A huge THANK YOU to the parents and volunteers who donated their time, food and treats

for the November staff luncheon. All the teachers were grateful for the food and beyond touched by the extra little treat! We appreciate your support.

### Laptop Protective Case Attention HS Parents

We have noticed an uptick of damages to the laptop. Several of the administrators have tested a protective case for our work laptops and we are very pleased with it. Click [here](#) if you would like to consider purchasing one for your HS student. It pains us to see laptop damage fines being assessed to our parents/students. Additionally, it can mean the student is without his or her own laptop for a period of time.

### School Holidays

Attention parents :

There is NO school for students on the following dates:

November 21-23: Thanksgiving Holiday

December 20 - January 2: Winter Break



### Club Day at the ES

Once a month our ES students get to take a brain break and enjoy an hour in Clubs. Students got to choose from over 20 different club options and now get to spend an hour having fun with students in all grades. Principal Holland reports that students were talking about it all day and when they were dismissed for club time, there were squeals of delight coming from all over the buildings!

Pictured below is the ES Running/Walking Club with Ms. Gilbert and Ms. DiVito



### Father/Daughter Dance

The MS and ES will be hosting a Father/Daughter Dance in the spring. Please mark your calendars for the following dates:

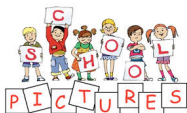


- MS Father/Daughter Dance: February 21, 6:30pm to 8:30 pm at Magnolia Woods
- ES Father/Daughter Dance: March 2, 6:00pm to 8:00pm at the HS MPR

Look for more information to come!

### Honor Roll at LNC

Congratulations to the students on the LNCharter honor roll for the first quarter, 2018-19 school year.



## Choose Your Yearbook Picture

St. John Photography has made us aware that many of our students have not chosen their

yearbook pictures yet. If your student(s) is among them, please follow the steps below. For those who don't, St. John or the Yearbook Class/Club will make the selection for you. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter!

- Go to [www.stjohnphotography.com](http://www.stjohnphotography.com)
- Click Order Photos under Schools
- Select Lake Norman Charter
- Enter Access Code LKCC
- Click Current Year Photos 2018-19
- Select Yearbook Choice and make your selection – the Yearbook Club will make your selection if you do not so please don't skip this step!



## Save The Dates

Mark your calendar for these upcoming events at LNC:

- November 21-23 - No School for Students
- November 27 - ES Principal's Coffee Chat
- November 28 - Lunch Ordering Opens (lunches served 1/3/19 - 2/8/19)
- November 29 - 2nd Grade Concert
- December 4 - MS Band Concert
- December 5 - 1st Grade Concert
- December 6 - Board of Education Meeting
- December 6 - HS Chorus Concert
- December 8 - HS Winter Formal
- December 10 - Deadline to order lunches
- December 11 - HS Band Concert
- December 13 - MS Chorus Concert
- December 14 - 7th and 8th Grade Winter Ball
- December 14-19 - HS Exams
- December 17-18 - MS MAPs Testing
- December 19 - Early dismissal for all students
- December 20 - January 2 - Winter Break

## LNC Students Around Town on School Field Trips

### 5th Grade Relaxing After a Fun Day at Kinetic Heights



[Click here](#) to see the LNC school calendar and all upcoming events

## Do You Want to See 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*.

## Knights in the News

[Lake Norman Charter tradition continues as theatre students advance to state event](#)

[Lake Norman Charter moving graduation after threat of law suit](#)

[Classroom building taking shape on Lake Norman Charter's elementary school campus](#)

[LNC students, parents and faculty members put in a 'day of service' to help feed those in need](#)

[LN Charter boys, girls return to 2A state championship](#)



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