

Good evening, Loiederman Families!

This is Megan McLaughlin, proud principal of LMS, calling with some important information. Monday, February 13 is an ODD Day.

- **Attention dancers and families!** The partition wall in the performance space has been repaired and we are able to host our Winter Dance Concerts! Cast A will perform on Monday February 13th. Cast B will perform on Wednesday February 15th. Cast C will perform on Thursday February 16th. The show starts at 7:00pm and performers should arrive at the cafeteria at 6:30pm dressed in all black with their hair done. Dancers will need a ride home at 7:45pm and are expected to stay for the entirety of the concert, which is a part of the MCPS Dance Curriculum and will be a 40-point performance grade. If you previously purchased a ticket, your ticket will be honored for the new performance dates. [Purchase Monday February 13th tickets](#). [Purchase Wednesday February 15th tickets](#). [Purchase Thursday February 16th tickets](#). If you have any questions regarding tickets, please contact [Ms. Tiffany Alastanos](#). Please reach out to your student's dance teacher with any other questions.
- **MCPS Signs of Suicide (SOS) Prevention Program:** A ParentVue email was sent out explaining the MCPS Signs of Suicide (SOS) Prevention Program. All students in Grade 6 through 12 will participate in the program, unless parents opt out. The program will be implemented at Loiederman between February 13-17. If you have any questions or concerns about this program, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. James Risse between 8am - 3pm, Monday through Friday.
- Our January **Black Family and Student Alliance** meeting was a great success. We will have our next meeting on February 28th from 6 – 8 PM and all are invited to attend. This month's meeting will feature a Black History Program with student participation. We will serve light refreshments. Please sign up [here](#) to attend.
- **Outdoor Ed Permission Forms:** Parents and guardians of 6th graders, It is time to turn in your students' Outdoor Ed permission forms. All of the information can be found on our website by [clicking here](#). Your student should have received the permission packet during homeroom advisory. If they need a new packet please have them ask their homeroom teacher. [Please also fill out this parent/guardian Outdoor Ed survey](#). If you have any questions please contact Cecilia Rosario at cecilia_g_rosario@mcpsmd.org or Maria Guerrero for Spanish speakers at Maria_Guerrero@mcpsmd.org.
- **February Loiederman PTSA Meeting:** Please join us on Tuesday, February 14 for our PTSA General Meeting! **The zoom link is below:**
 - <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86153904722?pwd=NWhlN01MNnFwZ253K1ZlYlRvUTE2dz09>
 - **Meeting ID:** 861 5390 4722/**Passcode:** 348911
- **The LMS Yearbook staff needs your help!** We want to celebrate what students have been up to outside of school this year! Whatever awesome stuff your student does after school, please snap a pic and share it with the yearbook staff for possible inclusion in

the 2023 LMS Yearbook. Click [HERE](#) and enter the code LMS to upload your photos or for additional information click [HERE](#)! And don't forget to visit www.yearbookforever.com to purchase your 2023 LMS Yearbook - use the code LMS5 at checkout to save \$5.

- **Hey 8th Grade Families! Please share your 8th grader's baby or toddler picture with the LMS Yearbook staff!** This is for 8th graders ONLY! Please email photos to Ms. Moore at christiana.e.moore@mcpsmd.net or click [HERE](#) and use the access code LMS to upload your photos.
- **The Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) College Fair:** HBCU College Fair co-sponsored by Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) and the Montgomery County Chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), is scheduled for Friday, February 17, 2023. The event will take place in person at The Universities at Shady Grove for students in Grades 8–12 and their families to meet with representatives from over 50 historically black colleges and universities.

Calendar of Upcoming Dates/Events:

- February 20: President's Day- Offices and Schools Closed

Please be sure to check out the [LMS PTSA Page on Facebook](#). Stay well, stay safe, and thank you for staying connected to Loiederman. Have a good evening!