



Sharon Burns, Director of Communications & Marketing
Lansing USD 469 Communications & Marketing Report
October 10, 2022 Board of Education Meeting

September Projects:

Communications

- Strategic Planning Committee meeting

This was a large part of my job in the month of September:

- Met with Greenbush and other facilitators to finalize plans for the day and things needed.
 - Recruited and finalized additional attendees with advertisements.
 - Organized the five rotation groups with an even number of community members, parents, certified/classified staff, alumni, and students in each.
 - Miles Azzeh and I created folders with handouts showing rotations and schedules
 - Welcomed attendees with Miles Azzeh and checked off names.
 - Facilitated Communications room and took feedback from stakeholders
 - Building section on website with everything presented from the day and feedback from each room.
- Recorded and edited September edition of the "[Lion Lowdown](#)"
 - Recorded and edited two Lion Pride-cast podcast episodes with Miles Azzeh:
 - [Interview with Dr. Penrose](#)
 - [Communications and Climate/Culture in Lansing USD469](#)
 - Added to YouTube, CastBox, iHeart Radio, and Stitcher streaming platforms
 - Already streaming on Soundcloud, RSS.com, Google Podcasts, Apple Podcasts, and Spotify
 - We were featured in Leavenworth Times (SEE ATTACHED ARTICLE)
 - Our next guest will be LIS Principal Martin Altieri
 - Recorded and edited [LIS Mane Message](#) with Martin Altieri
 - Added time stamps on Board Meeting videos on YouTube, so stakeholders can easily jump to whatever section they want to hear while watching recording.
 - Created draft of Communications Flowchart for district and each building (SEE ATTACHED). Will send for approval by board once admin have looked it over and made necessary changes.
 - Created a new section on LHS page for updates by Brooks Jenkins and Martin Altieri
 - Attended Pride Patrol to take pictures for Lansing Educational Foundation

Marketing

- Updated informational slideshow for BOE meetings to stream before meeting starts and during Executive Session.
- Attended Leavenworth Lansing Chamber of Commerce Leadership dinner and first class at Leavenworth Library. Will be presenting on Council on Aging during October meeting.
- Became board member of Lansing Educational Foundation to network and get community involvement. Attended first meeting September 26th.

Staff Recruitment

- Attended three college fairs: MidAmerican Nazarene College, St. Louis University, Lindenwood
- Will be attending KU Education Career Fair, Washburn University, Emporia State, and Wichita State college fairs in October / November
- Created articles to recruit staff (shared via website, app, social media)
- Leavenworth Chamber of Commerce including job postings in Working Wednesday's digital publication
- Attended Homecoming Extravaganza with Ascendra Donald to recruit community members and parents
- Designed flyers and swag for events

Staff Retention

- Posted weekly Pride Press and pertinent articles to RedRover (Substitute teacher website)
- Created [Appreciation Day calendars](#) and celebrated our IT Professionals.
- Discussed Climate and Culture and how to improve it during podcast episode
- Spoke during admin meeting and collecting ways we can get things off teachers' plates to help with mental health and building positive culture in buildings

Recurring Projects

- Weekly newsletter from admin uploaded to website and shared with stakeholders
- Work with Miles Azzeh to post weekly Academic Spotlights.
- Working with Amber Bollin to upload badge photos into staff directory for all new hires. My goal is to have as many staff pictures in directory as possible. Will be sending an all-district email in August to request photos for those we are missing.
- 2022 – 2023 School Year updates across the website (calendars, forms, staff, etc.)
- Will be working with Kim Taylor at KCKCC PCC again to spotlight Lansing students enrolled in TEC program every week (during school year)
- Attend monthly Director's meeting
- Work with Shirley Painton at LMS to update Lion's Pantries needs every month and share with community
- Attend monthly school board meetings and type recaps to share via website / social media

2022-2023 Goals:

1. Positively impact employee recruitment and retention through attending college fairs and working with administrators to build/continue positive Climate and Culture in each building.

September 30 status:

- See work above – college fairs, podcast, admin meetings

2. Continue to work with each building to highlight the things happening in our district and communicate important information to all stakeholders.

September 30 status:

- Created google forms for each building to easily send stories and photos to me through and designated the following PR Ambassadors in three buildings to help encourage all teachers to participate:
 - Paige Bell – Early Childhood
 - Jenny Nickelson – LES
 - Caroline Reynolds – LIS

3. Serve on the Strategic Planning Committee.

September 30 status:

- See work above.
- Will be meeting with Greenbush again in October to recap and plan January 4th meeting

SEE ATTACHMENTS:

Communications Flowcharts (DRAFTS)

Leavenworth Times Article



DISTRICT COMMUNICATIONS FLOWCHART

Our goal in Lansing USD469 is to provide our parents, guardians, and community members with great service. The following series of flowcharts identify the steps to follow on how to get questions answered and how to resolve problems. Most parent and community questions are easily and completely answered by communicating directly with the staff member closest to the situation. As you move further along the flowchart, the staff member is less directly involved and usually needs additional time to research the situation before they can give you an answer. Each situation should first be addressed at whatever level the initial action was taken with appeals moving on to the next level on the Communication Flowchart.

ACADEMICS/ INSTRUCTION

- 1 Teacher
- 2 Assistant Principal
- 3 Principal
- 4 Dir of T&L
- 5 Superintendent
- 6 Board of Education

ACTIVITIES/ ATHLETICS

- 1 Coach/Sponsor
- 2 Activities Director
- 3 Principal
- 4 Superintendent
- 5 Board of Education

DISCIPLINE

- 1 Teacher
- 2 Assistant Principal
- 3 Principal
- 4 Superintendent
- 5 Board of Education

FACILITIES/ GROUNDS

- 1 Asst. Princ./Act. Dir.
- 2 Principal
- 3 Director of Facilities
- 4 Superintendent
- 5 Board of Education

FOOD SERVICE

- 1 School Kitchen Mgr.
- 2 Dir. of Nutr. Services
- 3 Superintendent
- 4 Board of Education

GENERAL CONCERNS

- 1 Teacher
- 2 Assistant Principal
- 3 Principal
- 4 District Lvl. Director
- 5 Superintendent
- 6 Board of Education

GUIDANCE/ MENTAL HEALTH

- 1 School Counselor
- 2 Assistant Principal
- 3 Principal
- 4 Dir of T&L
- 5 Superintendent
- 6 Board of Education

EMERGENCY PREP/ SAFETY

- 1 Teacher
- 2 Assistant Principal
- 3 Principal
- 4 Dir. of Em. Prepared.
- 5 Superintendent
- 6 Board of Education

SPECIAL EDUCATION

- 1 Teacher
- 2 Assistant Principal
- 3 Principal
- 4 Dir of Special Ed.
- 5 Superintendent
- 6 Board of Education

TRANSPORTATION

- 1 Assistant Principal;
- 2 Principal;
- 3 Dir. of Transp.
- 4 Superintendent
- 5 Board of Education



EARLY CHILDHOOD COMMUNICATIONS FLOWCHART

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ACADEMICS/ INSTRUCTION

- 1 Teacher
- 2 Coordinator
Rebecca Dalton
- 3 Dir of Special Ed.
Ascendra Donald
- 4 Dir of T&L,
Miles Azzeh
- 5 Superintendent,
DanWessel
- 6 Board of Education

ACTIVITIES/ ATHLETICS

- 1 Coach/Sponsor
- 2 Sponsor
- 3 Coordinator
Rebecca Dalton
- 4 Dir of Special Ed.
Ascendra Donald
- 5 Superintendent,
DanWessel
- 6 Board of Education

DISCIPLINE

- 1 Teacher
- 2 Coordinator
Rebecca Dalton
- 3 Dir of Special Ed.
Ascendra Donald
- 4 Superintendent,
DanWessel
- 5 Board of Education

FACILITIES/ GROUNDS

- 1 Coordinator
Rebecca Dalton
- 2 Dir of Special Ed.
Ascendra Donald
- 3 Director of Facilities,
Diane Casper
- 4 Superintendent,
DanWessel
- 5 Board of Education

FOOD SERVICE

- 1 School Kitchen Mgr.
- 2 Dir. of Nutr. Services
Jennifer Zule
- 3 Superintendent,
DanWessel
- 4 Board of Education

GENERAL CONCERNS

- 1 Teacher
- 2 Coordinator
Rebecca Dalton
- 3 Dir of Special Ed.
Ascendra Donald
- 4 District Lvl. Director
- 5 Superintendent,
DanWessel
- 6 Board of Education

GUIDANCE/ MENTAL HEALTH

- 1 School Counselor
- 2 Coordinator
Rebecca Dalton
- 3 Dir of Special Ed.
Ascendra Donald
- 4 Dir of T&L,
Miles Azzeh
- 5 Superintendent,
DanWessel
- 6 Board of Education

EMERGENCY PREP/ SAFETY

- 1 Teacher
- 2 Coordinator
Rebecca Dalton
- 3 Dir of Special Ed.
Ascendra Donald
- 4 Dir. of Em.Prepared.,
Kevin McCarley
- 5 Superintendent,
DanWessel
- 6 Board of Education

SPECIAL EDUCATION

- 1 Teacher
- 2 Coordinator
Rebecca Dalton
- 3 Dir of Special Ed.
Ascendra Donald
- 4 Superintendent,
DanWessel
- 5 Board of Education

TRANSPORTATION

- 1 Coordinator
Rebecca Dalton
- 2 Dir of Special Ed.
Ascendra Donald
- 3 Dir. of Transp.
Jim Slapper
- 4 Superintendent,
DanWessel
- 5 Board of Education



ELEMENTARY COMMUNICATIONS FLOWCHART

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ACADEMICS/ INSTRUCTION

- 1 Teacher
- 2 Asst Principal, Becky Jones
- 3 Principal, Jennifer Kolb
- 4 Dir of T&L, Miles Azzeh
- 5 Superintendent, DanWessel
- 6 Board of Education

ACTIVITIES/ ATHLETICS

- 1 Coach/Sponsor
- 2 Asst Principal, Becky Jones
- 3 Principal, Jennifer Kolb
- 4 Superintendent, DanWessel
- 5 Board of Education

DISCIPLINE

- 1 Teacher
- 2 Asst Principal, Becky Jones
- 3 Principal, Jennifer Kolb
- 4 Superintendent, DanWessel
- 5 Board of Education

FACILITIES/ GROUNDS

- 1 Asst Principal, Becky Jones
- 2 Principal, Jennifer Kolb
- 3 Director of Facilities, Diane Casper
- 4 Superintendent, DanWessel
- 5 Board of Education

FOOD SERVICE

- 1 School Kitchen Mgr. Jennifer Icke
- 2 Dir. of Nutr. Services Jennifer Zule
- 3 Superintendent, DanWessel
- 4 Board of Education

GENERAL CONCERNS

- 1 Teacher
- 2 Asst Principal, Becky Jones
- 3 Principal, Jennifer Kolb
- 4 District Lvl. Director
- 5 Superintendent, DanWessel
- 6 Board of Education

GUIDANCE/ MENTAL HEALTH

- 1 School Counselor
- 2 Asst Principal, Becky Jones
- 3 Principal, Jennifer Kolb
- 4 Dir of T&L, Miles Azzeh
- 5 Superintendent, DanWessel
- 6 Board of Education

EMERGENCY PREP/ SAFETY

- 1 Teacher
- 2 Asst Principal, Becky Jones
- 3 Principal, Jennifer Kolb
- 4 Dir. of Em.Prepared., Kevin McCarley
- 5 Superintendent, DanWessel
- 6 Board of Education

SPECIAL EDUCATION

- 1 Teacher
- 2 Asst Principal, Becky Jones
- 3 Principal, Jennifer Kolb
- 4 Dir of Special Ed. Ascendra Donald
- 5 Superintendent, DanWessel
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TRANSPORTATION

- 1 Asst Principal, Becky Jones
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Lansing school district launches new podcast



Miles Azzeh and Sharon Burns are the hosts for the Lansing school district's new podcast. Submitted

September 6, 2022 in News



Sarah Lyons

Special to the Times

The Lansing school district is launching a new podcast titled "The Lion Pride-Cast." The purpose and theme of the podcast is centered around improving Lansing USD 469, whether that be in the area of instruction, recruitment and retention or simply providing exciting information.

The hosts of the podcast are Miles Azzeh, director of teaching and learning, and Sharon Burns, director of communications and marketing. They plan to release a new episode every two weeks, with a guest appearing at least once a month.

"We both love listening to podcasts and recognize how powerful they are when it comes to learning new ideas and sharing excellent information," said Azzeh. "I hope to inform the community on what an incredible job our staff and students are doing here in Lansing."

"When Miles came to me with this idea last spring, I was thrilled to make it a reality this school year," said Burns. "I love any way we can get information to our stakeholders, and we both felt podcasts are an underutilized way to communicate to our teachers, parents and the community in the Leavenworth-Lansing area."

The first guests will be Alan Penrose, the new high school principal, Martin Altieri, the new intermediate school principal, and Becky Jones, the new assistant principal at Lansing Elementary School. Future guests will be stakeholders such as teachers, students and community members.

"I'm most excited about helping teachers and staff grow from an instructional standpoint. I'm also hoping to intrigue and motivate them with new and more progressive forms of education that they may not know about," said Azzeh.

"We hope to inspire our teachers, inform our parents and community and shine a light on what a fantastic community the Lansing-Leavenworth area is in terms of education," said Burns.

You can stream "The Lion Pride-Cast" on Apple Podcasts, Spotify, Google Podcasts, Amazon Music and YouTube. The podcast is also available on the district website, www.usd469.net.

Latest Stories

- Lions shut out rival Leavenworth, improve to 3-0 September 7, 2022
- Breaking down the 2022 attorney general's election in Kansas September 7, 2022
- FILL THE BOOT September 7, 2022
- COACH HONORED September 7, 2022
- Kathy Lynn Nowlan Powell September 7, 2022
- Willie Mae "Nancy" Smith September 7, 2022
- CONTACT YOUR LEGISLATORS September 7, 2022
- Red wave crashing? GOP momentum slips as fall sprint begins September 7, 2022
- Uvalde school year starts amid fear and unfinished security September 7, 2022
- Pioneers blow out Turner, Lions fall to De Soto September 7, 2022



September Articles

LIS Mane Message with Principal Martin Altieri

September 30, 2022

In the second edition of Mane Message, Principal Altieri discusses: Open House Pride Assembly LIS Road Upcoming Parent/Teacher Conferences Standards-Based Grading Lion Pride-Cast . . .

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Lion's Pantry In Need of Non-Perishable Items

Happy Fall Ya'll, Fall is here and Thanksgiving is on the way. We appreciate the continued support from all those who drop off their food donations at the school front foyer. Items needed in October: - cereal . . .

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September 2022 Lion Lowdown Video with Superintendent Dan Wessel

September 29, 2022

We are excited to share our September 2022 "Lion Lowdown" video with district updates from Superintendent Dan Wessel and Director of Communications and Marketing Sharon Burns. These monthly videos will showcase . . .

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Lansing Fall Festival Is Coming! October 15th - Angel Falls Trail

September 28, 2022

Lansing's Fall Festival returns on Saturday, October 15th, along the beautiful Angel Falls Trail (St. Francis de Sales Church). The Lansing Fall Festival is fun for the whole family because of its live entertainment, delicious . . .

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REMINDER: Lansing USD 469 Will Have District-Wide Late Start Tomorrow, September 29nd

September 28, 2022

This is a reminder that Lansing USD 469 will have a district-wide late start each Thursday for kindergarten through 12th-grade students during the 2022-2023 school year. This late start will not affect preschool students. The . . .

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Lansing USD469 Receives \$5,000 for School Supplies through "Choose My School Supply Drive" Promotion from State Treasurer's Office

September 26, 2022

We are thrilled to announce that our district has won the "Choose My School Supply Drive" promotion that was run by the State Treasurer's Office in August. We were randomly selected as one of ten district-level winners from a . . .

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Medical Incident at Lansing Elementary School

September 26, 2022

We wanted to make our parents aware of a medical incident that occurred at Lansing Elementary School this afternoon (September 26th). Emergency vehicles were at Lansing Elementary due to a medical emergency involving a . . .

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REMINDER: Lansing USD 469 Homecoming Extravaganza Is TONIGHT - Wednesday, September 28th!

September 26, 2022

Come support Lansing High School at the Homecoming Extravaganza, Wednesday, September 28 th ! The street fair will be in the south (staff) parking lot from 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm. There will be lots of fun activities for all, and . . .

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September 23rd Weekly Update from LHS Principal Alan Penrose with Staff and Student Recognitions

September 26, 2022

We hope you enjoy this week's newsletter from Principal Penrose. Homecoming Week Wednesday, September 28th - Homecoming Extravaganza Dance Ticket Sales *you must buy tickets on these dates, no tickets will be sold . . .

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September 24th Lansing Elementary Weekly Update from Dr. Jennifer Kolb

September 26, 2022

Click here to view weekly update on smore Inspiring a love of learning in a safe and collaborative environment! September 24, 2022 Dear Families, This week we had professional development and . . .

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Lansing USD469 Releases Third Podcast Episode: The Lion Pride-Cast Episode 3: Communications & Climate/Culture

September 25, 2022

Lansing USD469 is thrilled to share our third Lansing USD469 podcast episode titled The Lion Pride-Cast. In this third episode, Director of Teaching & Learning Miles Azzeh interviews Director of Communications Sharon . . .

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Lansing Intermediate School Open House on September 22nd a Tremendous Success

September 23, 2022

Lansing Intermediate School had a fantastic turnout for their Open House event on September 22, 2022. Parents were invited into the school to visit their students' classrooms and participate in fun activities. The school held a 50/50 . . .

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Lansing Middle School Cross Country Team Has Outstanding Showing at Tonganoxie Invitational

September 23, 2022

Congratulations to our Lansing Middle School Cross Country team for their exceptional performance at the Tonganoxie invitational on September 22, 2022. Our seventh and eighth-grade girls' teams both placed first as a team, . . .

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The Lion Pride-Cast Episode 3 Transcript

September 23, 2022

Transcript of Episode #3

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Board of Education Work Session Agenda - September 26, 2022

September 22, 2022

The Lansing Board of Education will hold a work session on Monday, September 26, 2022 at 6:00pm. Please click the link and follow the instructions below to view the agenda for all Board of Education . . .

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Lansing Intermediate Update from Martin Altieri

September 22, 2022

We are excited to roll out the first edition of our bi-weekly newsletter, the Lansing Intermediate Roar. Fall has just begun and we finally have weather that feels like it! This evening we're having our first annual open house from . . .

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Lansing School Board Seeking Outstanding Staff and Student Nominations for Monthly Board Meetings

September 22, 2022

The Lansing USD469 Board of Education will be recognizing one stand-out staff member and student at the beginning of each regularly scheduled board meeting. If you know a staff member or student that has done . . .

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Medical Incident at Lansing Middle School

September 22, 2022

We wanted to make our parents aware of a medical incident that occurred during Lansing Middle School student drop-off this morning (September 22nd). Emergency vehicles were at Lansing Middle due to a medical emergency . . .

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September is Suicide Prevention Month

September 22, 2022

September is National Suicide Prevention Month when all month, mental health advocates, prevention organizations, survivors, allies, and community members unite to promote suicide prevention awareness. #BeThe1To is the . . .

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Show Your Lion Pride by Celebrating Spirit Week Next Week (September 26th - 30th)

September 22, 2022

Lansing School District will be celebrating Spirit Week this week, September 26 th -September 30 th , with the following themes each day: Monday: Adam Sandler / PJs Tuesday: Country vs. Country Club . . .

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Lansing High School Students Named Commended Students in National Merit Scholarship Program

September 21, 2022

Congratulations to Lansing High School students Peter Hamilton and Isabel Williams for being named Commended Students in the 2023 National Merit Scholarship Program. "These students represent a valuable national . . .

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Director of Teaching & Learning Miles Azzeh's Academic Spotlight: Caroline Reynolds

September 20, 2022

Our Lansing USD 469 teachers are incredible at engaging our students in fantastic learning opportunities to reach their full potential every day in our district. To highlight and bring recognition to this great work, Director of Teaching and . . .

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Lansing Elementary and Intermediate Yearbook Submission Requests

September 20, 2022

The Yearbook Volunteers can't be everywhere this year. We are so excited for everything that our Lions get to experience at school! We would love to have more great photos to share with everyone in our yearbook. To submit . . .

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Lansing USD469 Appreciates our IT Professionals!

September 20, 2022

Lansing USD469 would like to thank our IT professionals - Drew Barba, Stephen Lechlitter, and Chris Fletcher - for supporting our district's students and staff daily. Superintendent Wessel delivered gift bags to each of . . .

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REMINDER: Child Find Matters: Birth through 21 Years Old

September 20, 2022

The Lansing school district engages in Child Find for special education, birth through age 21. Child Find is an ongoing process that school staff use to locate and identify students who may need . . .

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September 17th Lansing Elementary Weekly Update from Dr. Jennifer Kolb

September 20, 2022

Click here to view weekly update on smore Dear Families, We had a great week with picture day, our first crisis drill, a mini-cheer event, and a PTA meeting. Our picture re-take information will be forwarded . . .

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Visit Camp Leavenworth Festival this Weekend (September 23-24)

September 20, 2022

The third annual Camp Leavenworth is a free two-day festival that invites everyone to discover the wonders of Leavenworth. Camp Leavenworth will feature Friday night fireworks, family activities, Makers Fair and unique experiences around our . . .

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Weekly Update of Lansing High School Students Enrolled in KCKCC PCC - CRASE Training, TEC Orientation

September 20, 2022

Lansing USD 469 is proud to highlight our Lansing High School students and graduates enrolled in Kansas City Kansas Community Center Pioneer Career Center (KCKCC PCC) each week. CRASE . . .

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September 16th Weekly Update from LHS Principal Alan Penrose with Staff and Student Recognitions

September 19, 2022

We hope you enjoy this week's newsletter from Principal Penrose. Dates and Events September 19 - No School - Staff Professional Development September 29 - Senior Picture Day October 5 - WorkKeys . . .

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Fall Concert 2022

October 19th, 7pm

Fall Concert Information: As part of choir at LMS, concerts are required performances that are a part of your child's grade. In order for a concert to be excused, the parent/guardian must notify me if possible, 2 weeks in . . .

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REMINDER: No School for Students on Monday, September 19th

September 18, 2022

This is a reminder that there will be no school for students on Monday, September 19, 2022 for staff professional development. We hope everyone is having a fantastic weekend! Click here to view the . . .

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REMINDER: Home Football Game Attendance

September 16, 2022

We're excited for the community to come out and support all of our Lansing USD469 sports teams! We have a few reminders for home football games: Student . . .

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Board of Education Meeting Recap - Monday, September 12, 2022

September 15, 2022

Click here to watch the board meeting in its entirety. (You can now click the time stamps after each . . .

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Early Childhood Students Expand Their Learning through Mad Science Mondays (VIDEO)

September 14, 2022

Mrs. Cindy's Early Childhood class dedicates one Monday a month to expanding the children's learning through 'Mad Science Mondays.' This week, the students did an experiment that explored what happens when mixing . . .

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First Graders Learn about Birds through Mystery Science Resources

September 14, 2022

Ms. Andrea Shepard's first-grade class has been using new Mystery Science resources to learn that birds have different beaks for picking up a particular food. "In these pictures, we are using our "pointy . . .

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City of Lansing Accepting Applications & Nominations for Mayor's Christmas Tree Program

September 13, 2022

The City of Lansing is now accepting applications and nominations for the Mayor's Christmas Tree Program. If you know a Lansing family who could use assistance during the holiday . . .

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Early Childhood Students Learn & Grow through Sensory Play Thanks to LEF Grant

September 13, 2022

Early childhood is the first step in a child's educational experience, and what better way to learn and grow than through play and even better sensory play? Early childhood teachers Lori Daly and Jessica Garner used the grant funds for . . .

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Lansing Middle School Newsletter by Principal Brooks Jenkins

September 13, 2022

We are almost a month into the start of the 2022-2023 school year. So far, Lansing Middle School has had a very good start. It has been extremely busy, but students and staff have settled in quite well. A goal for this school . . .

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Lansing USD469 Is Hiring Nutrition Services Professionals

September 13, 2022

Lansing USD 469 currently has several nutrition services positions open. . . .

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September 12, 2022 Board of Education Recognition: LMS Student Keegan Cavinaw and LHS Counselor Wes Cackler

September 13, 2022

Lansing USD469 would like to congratulate Lansing Middle School student Keegan Cavinaw for being our September Board of Education Student of the month and Wes Cackler for being our Staff Member of the month! Keegan . . .

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Welcome New Staff Members from Regular School Board Meeting on September 12th!

September 13, 2022

Lansing USD469 welcomes the following new staff members who were approved during the Regular Board of Education meeting on Monday, September 12th: Jaime Showers - Bus Monitor Glenda Oglesby - Bus Monitor Sarah . . .

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Attention Parents, Staff, Students, and Community Members: LAST CHANCE To Play an Integral Part in Shaping the Future of Lansing USD469!

September 12, 2022

Lansing USD469 is about to embark on a Strategic Plan Process to outline what our district wants to achieve in the future and how we plan to get there. Community involvement is imperative to this process, so we are asking parents, . . .

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Congratulations to Kinley Hawks for Being the First Mufasa Leadership Award Recipient!

Mufasa Leadership Award

September 12, 2022 Student Awards

Congratulations to Kinley Hawks for being our first recipient of the Mufasa Leadership Award! She makes great choices at LIS and has been an outstanding role model for other students. Kinley called her mother to give her the awesome news . . .

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Lansing USD469 Releases 2022-2023 Staff Appreciation Calendar

September 12, 2022

Lansing USD469 Appreciates all our staff members who keep our district running daily. In honor of the various departments, we will have appreciation days throughout the school year to thank our staff for their tremendous . . .

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REMINDER: Lansing Elementary School Fall Portraits 2022 TOMORROW

September 12, 2022

Lansing Elementary Fall Portraits 2022 Picture day: Tuesday, September 13, 2022 You can order on the paper copy that will come home or online at www.schphoto.net using the passcode below. **Each . . .

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Board of Education Meeting Agenda - September 12, 2022 at 6:00pm

September 10, 2022

The Lansing Board of Education will hold a regular board meeting on Monday, September 12, 2022 at 6:00pm. This meeting will be livestreamed at <https://youtube.com/user/USD469> . . .

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Lansing USD469 Reading Initiatives

LANSING USD 469 READING INITIATIVES Lansing Intermediate School started a reading initiative called "DIRT," which stands for "Daily Independent Reading . . .

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Lansing USD469 Students and Staff Celebrate Red Friday on September 9, 2022!

September 10, 2022

In support of our Lansing teams and our hometown Kansas City Chiefs, students and staff across Lansing USD469 celebrated by wearing red on September 9, 2022. GO LIONS, and GO CHIEFS!!!! . . .

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September 9th Weekly Update from LHS Principal Alan Penrose with Staff and Student Recognitions

September 10, 2022

We hope you enjoy this week's newsletter from Principal Penrose. To hear an interview with Dr. Penrose, listen to the Lansing USD469 Lion Pride-Cast below and be sure to subscribe to hear future podcast episodes: . . .

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Attention Lansing: SWAT Team Will Be at LHS and Fire Department at LMS on the Evening of September 8th

September 8, 2022

We wanted to make our community aware that the Leavenworth County SWAT team will be at Lansing High School to familiarize themselves with the building, and the fire department will be at Lansing Middle school to conduct training starting . . .

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Director of Teaching & Learning Miles Azzeh's Academic Spotlight: Amanda Thomas and Alisha Holyfield

September 8, 2022

Our Lansing USD 469 teachers are incredible at engaging our students in fantastic learning opportunities to reach their full potential every day in our district. To highlight and bring recognition to this great work, Director of Teaching and . . .

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Lansing High School Speech and Debate Named Top 100 Programs in the Nation!

September 8, 2022

LHS Speech and Debate has been named one of the top 100 programs in the nation by the National Speech and Debate Association. LHS ranks 67 of more than 3,000 schools nationwide. This is based on: Number of students involved . . .

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Lansing USD469 Releases Second Podcast Episode: The Lion Pride-Cast Episode 2:Miles Azzeh and Sharon Burns Interview Alan Penrose

September 8, 2022

Lansing USD469 is thrilled to share our second Lansing USD469 podcast episode titled The Lion Pride-Cast. In this second episode, co-hosts Director of Teaching & Learning Miles Azzeh and Director of Communications Sharon . . .

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September 9, 2022 Declared Red Friday in Lansing USD469!

September 8, 2022

We will be making tomorrow, September 9th, “Red Friday” across the district to show support for our Lansing teams and the Kansas City Chiefs. Wear your favorite red clothing . . .

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Early Childhood Students Benefit from Lansing Educational Foundation Classroom Grant

September 7, 2022

Thanks to the generosity of the Lansing Educational Foundation, new early childhood no-fee teacher Crystal Alexander had her grant “Getting Some Culture & Community in Early Childhood” fully funded. Early childhood is the . . .

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Lansing High School Named 2022 Performing Arts School of Excellence

September 7, 2022

Congratulations to our Lansing High School Performing Arts students! LHS is one of 17 high schools in Kansas to be recognized as a 2022 Performing Arts School of Excellence by the Kansas State High School Activities Association. This . . .

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Lansing Intermediate School Fourth and Fifth-Graders Kick-off DIRT (Daily Independent Reading Time)!

September 7, 2022

Lansing Intermediate School teachers kicked off their "DIRT" reading initiative in August. The concept, which was introduced by our Director of Teaching and Learning, Mr. Miles Azzeh, stands for "Daily Independent Reading . . .

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Congratulations to LHS University of Rochester Award Winners

September 6, 2022

Congratulations to our Lansing High School UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER AWARD WINNERS Cole Hahn - Frederick Douglas and Susan B. Anthony Award Michael Im - Xerox Award for Innovation and Information Technology . . .

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LIS Mane Message with Principal Martin Altieri and Asst. Principal Mechelle Settles

September 6, 2022

In the Back-to-School edition of Mane Message, Principal Altieri and Asst. Principal Settles discuss: Admin visibility and involvement Raising expectations Getting back to learning and having fun . . .

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REMINDER: Lansing Intermediate School Fall Portraits 2022 Tomorrow

September 6, 2022

Lansing Intermediate Fall Portraits 2022 Picture day: Wednesday, September 14, 2022 You can order on the paper copy that will come home or online at www.schphoto.net using the passcode below. . . .

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September 2nd Weekly Update from LHS Principal Alan Penrose with Staff and Student Recognitions

September 6, 2022

It has been an exciting start to the school year. The welcoming, supportive, and successful culture of Lansing High School is evident in everything we do. Students are supportive of each other, helpful to all, and eager to succeed. Staff . . .

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September 3rd Lansing Elementary Weekly Update from Dr. Jennifer Kolb

September 6, 2022

Click here to view weekly update on smore September 3, 2022 Dear Families, We are excited to enter the month of September! Please join us this Thursday from 6-8 PM at LES as we celebrate . . .

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Congratulations to Lansing High School Student Niklas Schintgen For Being Named NSDA Academic All American!

September 2, 2022

Congratulations to our very own Niklas Schintgen for being named a National Speech and Debate Association (NSDA) Academic All American! Niklas is officially in the top 1% of debaters! He's earned . . .

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Lansing Elementary School Staff Rallies Behind Custodian Battling Cancer

September 2, 2022

Robert Cordt, our long-time custodian at Lansing Elementary School, has been battling cancer for the past several months, and the staff at Lansing Elementary School banded together to lend a helping hand. Kindergarten teacher Debbie Beall . . .

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Lansing High School FCCLA Holds Kickoff Event for 2022-2023 School Year

September 2, 2022

The Lansing High School Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) is an outlet for students to be actively involved in Career and Technical Education. On Monday, August 29th, they learned leadership skills and how . . .

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Notice of Hearing 2022-2023 Budget

September 2, 2022

The governing body of Unified School District 469 will meet on the 12th day of September 2022 at 6:00 PM at 200 E Mary St, Lansing, Lansing, KS 66043 for the purpose of hearing and answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed . . .

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The Lion Pride-Cast

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Congratulations to our Lansing High School College Board National Award Winners!

September 1, 2022

Congratulations to Claire Snyder, Hannah Platt, Jacob Mitchell, Peter Hamilton, and Ryan Dennis - each earns academic honors from the College Board's National Recognition Programs! Their notable academic achievements and test scores (PSAT . . .

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Escaped LCF Prisoner Has Been Apprehended

September 1, 2022

We wanted to inform our parents that the Lansing Correctional Facilities (LCF) prisoner has been apprehended. Thank you again for your support in keeping our kids safe.

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Friday, September 2nd Will Be Military Appreciation Night at our Lansing Home Football Game

September 1, 2022

To show appreciation for the sacrifice given by the men and women who have served or are currently serving in the U.S. Armed Forces, we are thrilled to offer them free entry to this Friday's varsity home . . .

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