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## A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

*"Courage is not the absence of fear. It is acting in spite of it."* -Mark Twain

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Don't worry, because I am with you. Don't be afraid, because I am your God. I will make you strong and will help you; I will support you with my right hand that saves you ... I am the Lord your God, who holds your right hand, and I tell you, "Don't be afraid. I will help you." Isaiah 41:10, 13

We have things that we face daily that make us nervous. We may have things that make us shake in our boots some days. This is nothing to be ashamed about. We need to remember that the disciples struggled with a lack of courage. They started as regular ordinary people. The difference is they were a bit more devoted than they were afraid.

"Earthly fears are no fears at all. Answer the big question of eternity, and the little questions of life fall into perspective."

Portions taken from *God's Inspirational Promise Book* by Max Lucado.

Blessings,  
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**Mission Statement**  
*Lutheran High School Parker will play a role in the development of each student's personal relationship with Jesus Christ, nurture them as redeemed children of God, and equip them in a safe environment to meet the challenges of an ever-changing world.*



## **SCHOOL NEWS**

### **Kitchen Help Needed!**

Kitchen cleaning volunteers needed once a month. Please call Shirley Wall at 720-851-0406 or Jan Washburn at 303-805-0708 to get a date and time.

### **Fun Raiser**

This fall, a very special event will be taking place. Lutheran High School Parker will be hosting our LHSP *Fun Raiser*, and we need your help! Our team of volunteers has been working diligently to plan this event, and we are counting on you to help us reach our full potential by participating in the event and helping us to attain our goal and to provide for vital school needs.

Mark your calendar. The Fun Raiser Kickoff is Thursday, October 8 in the Flex Room at 6:00 p.m. The Fun Raiser will take place Tuesday, November 3.

### **Bronco Wives' Food Drive**

We will once again join Trinity Lutheran School in participating in the Bronco Wives' Food Drive. We encourage you to send non-perishable food items to school with your son or daughter during Homecoming week (Oct. 19-23). This food drive provides much needed supplies for area food banks. It is done in conjunction with COMPA, which feeds 8,000 families per WEEK! Please join in and help make this year's drive a great success!

### **Drop off and pick-up procedures**

In order to guard the safety of our students, please form a single line when dropping off or picking up students. Also, please do not block the entrance to the main parking lot.

Staff members have also noticed that people exiting the parking lot have not been stopping at the stop sign. Please be sure to follow the rules of the road, even if you are in a parking lot. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

### **Parent/Teacher Conferences**

Our first quarter ends on October 16, so Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held on Monday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, from 3:00-7:00. Parents can come in any time during those hours to see teachers in their rooms. There will be a sign up sheet outside every teacher's room with time slots for you to sign up on. Our coaches, Mrs. Davis and Mr. Fickert may still be coaching their teams and will not be available until either 5:00 or 6:00. First quarter report cards will be available at school on that evening.

### **Fall Break**

There will be no school Wednesday, September 30 – Friday, October 2 for teacher in-service.

### **Snowy Weather**

There have already been a few flakes flying this year. Just a reminder that our delay schedule begins at 9:10 a.m. You can get delay or closing information on TV channels 2, 7, or 9 or radio stations KOA, 850 AM or KOSI, 101.1 FM. There will also be an email sent out and a message on the school phone no later than 6:15 a.m.

### **Flu Season**

The flu season is here! Please keep your students home if they are sick so we can try to keep the germs from spreading! Any donations of antibacterial wipes would be greatly appreciated at this time to help fight the germs!

**GUIDANCE COUNSELOR**  
**DENISE NOFFZE**  
**303 841 5551 ext. 2004**

**All School Test Day is Wednesday, October 14**

<b><u>Class</u></b>	<b><u>Test</u></b>	<b><u>Purpose</u></b>
Freshmen	Explore	Practice for the ACT test
Sophomores	PLAN	Practice for ACT test
Juniors	PSAT	Practice for SAT test
Seniors	ASVAB	High score creates eligibility for National Merit Scholarship Administered by the US Military, this is an aptitude test indicating possible career avenues to pursue

Testing will start at 8:00 am and will be finished by 12:00 pm. There is no additional cost for these tests. Sports practices will be held on this day and will be scheduled by the coaches.

**ACT and SAT Test Dates and Practice Tests**

Please go to the school website in the College and Career section to find the dates. Additional information and practice is found on their individual websites.

ACT: [www.act.org](http://www.act.org)

SAT: [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)

Many different companies and publishers offer practice tests. Some of them are free, but some charge a

fee. A few additional websites for practice tests are listed below:

[www.rmass.com](http://www.rmass.com)

[www.collegeincolorado.org](http://www.collegeincolorado.org)

[www.prepassociates.com](http://www.prepassociates.com)

[www.actexampracticetests.com](http://www.actexampracticetests.com)

**College in Colorado**

The website [www.collegeincolorado.org](http://www.collegeincolorado.org) is a wonderful website to assist in the college/financial aid search. There are tools for career searches, searching for colleges by majors/careers, comparing colleges, financial aid, FAFSA estimator, and more. Be sure to sign up for the College Opportunity Fund as this gives \$65 or more per credit hour taken at a Colorado college/university.

**Fall College Fairs**

There are many throughout the Denver metro area. Be sure to attend at least one of them to get information from multiple colleges/universities. See below and check out the College and Career section of our school website.

**Lutheran College Night**

**Sunday, October 4, 6:00-9:00 PM** (42 colleges represented)  
Bethany Lutheran Church (Financial workshop available)  
4500 East Hampden Ave.  
Cherry Hills Village, CO 80113  
303-758-2820

Visit website for possible time change and location: [www.lutherancolleges.org](http://www.lutherancolleges.org)

**Colorado College Fairs across the state**

September 10 - November 12

Various High Schools across Colorado host these College Fairs during the day and evening. Please choose one to attend in your area.

[http://collegeincolorado.org/Plan/College\\_Fairs\\_in\\_Colorado.aspx](http://collegeincolorado.org/Plan/College_Fairs_in_Colorado.aspx)

## **MORE COUNSELOR NEWS**

### **Out of State Colleges (from Hawaii, Alaska, and continental U.S.A.)**

**Thurs., Oct. 8,** 6:30 – 8:30 PM

John F Kennedy High School

2855 S. Lamar Street

Denver 80227

(125 colleges represented)

(Financial workshop available)

Visit website: [www.collegefairsdenver.org](http://www.collegefairsdenver.org)

**Sat., Oct. 10,** 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Cherry Creek High School

9300 E Union Ave

Greenwood Village 80111

(over 200 colleges represented)

### **Christian College Fair**

(68 U.S. Christian colleges represented)

<http://www.yfc.net/Brix?pageID=21307>

**Mon., Sept. 28,** 6:30-9:00 PM

Colorado Springs Christian High School

4825 Mallow Rd., Colorado Springs 80907

**Tues, Sept. 29,** 6:30-9:00 PM

Faith Christian Academy

6250 Wright Street, Arvada 80004

(64th and Ward)

For more info: 303-843-9000

**Thurs., October 1,** 6:30-9:00 PM

Valor Christian High School

3775 Grace Blvd., Highlands Ranch 80126

### **Advice for attending college fairs**

1. Bring address labels. This saves you LOTS of time and you can visit more booths.
2. Don't wait in long lines!!! Visit the colleges that don't have long lines. You may get more scholarship money from one of those schools than from the more popular ones. All of the colleges are there because they have money to give away for your education.

### **A Winning Approach to the College Search: What should I do at a college workshop?**

1. Describe your admission criteria. What are my chances of admission?
2. What are your college entrance test requirements? When are your deadlines?
3. Must I apply separately for financial aid?
4. What types of scholarships does your school offer and what are the criteria? How do I apply?
5. Which departments or programs do you consider outstanding?
6. Why would a Colorado student come to your school?
7. What percentage of students who start as first year students graduate in 4 years? In 5 years? What percentage transfer to other colleges?

### **Jr. & Sr. Parents: Financial Aid for College Workshop**

You are invited to attend the Thrivent Financial Aid Workshop on Thursday, October 8th, from 7:00 - 8:30 pm in the Flex Room at LHSP. This workshop will provide information about scholarships, grants, loans, etc. that will assist in paying for college.

You will receive a folder of financial aid information from the LHSP counseling office as well as other handouts from our presenter, Thom Dorr, Financial Consultant from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans.

Looking forward to seeing you on Thursday, October 8th!

**ADMISSION DIRECTOR'S CORNER**  
**ABBIE DUITSMAN**  
**303 841 5551 ext. 2017**

**Important Dates:**

**7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Visitation**

Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>

9:30-11:30am

**Trick or Treat on LHSP Street**

Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup>

10:00am-1:00pm (Football game at 1:00)

\*We would appreciate any candy donations\*

**Youth/Info Night at LHSP**

Sunday, November 15<sup>th</sup>

6:30pm

\*We will be hosting a praise and worship night for confirmation/youth groups, as well as, an information night for their parents.\*

**5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Visitation**

Thursday, November 19<sup>th</sup>

12:00pm-2:15pm

**Open Houses:**

Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>

3:00pm-6:00pm

Tuesday, January 12<sup>th</sup>

3:00-6:00pm

**Shadow Opportunities:**

Wednesday, November 4<sup>th</sup>

Friday, January 8<sup>th</sup>

Tuesday, February 9<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday, April 14<sup>th</sup>

\*Placement Test can also be taken on these days.\*



**DEAN OF STUDENTS**  
**MARK DUITSMAN**  
**303 841 5551 EXT. 2003**

**Edline**

Many of you have already received an access code to check the grades of your students. If you still have not received an access code and have not set up a username and password, it is not too late. The easiest way for me to get the information to you is for you to email me ([Joel.Palmreuter@lhsparker.org](mailto:Joel.Palmreuter@lhsparker.org)) and ask for it. Be sure to include the name of your student in the email.

Take the time to find out what is happening in the life of your student. This should include more than just how they are doing in school. Take the time to have family devotions, to pray together, and to go to church together.

Remember the saying, "the family that prays together, stays together."

**Attendance**

Remember to keep the lines of communication open and call the school office to report an absence, late arrival or early pick-up. This makes our job easier and helps us know where students are at all times.

**ATHLETIC DIRECTOR**  
**JASON BLOCK**  
**303 841 5551 ext. 2005**

Our fall sports teams have done a great job in the month of September! Our athletes have done a great job representing our school, not only by winning games, but also by the way they have competed. Our student body has also done a very nice job of supporting their school sports teams by their attendance at games. Great things are happening in LHSP athletics! I encourage you to come attend some events this month if you have not been to a game yet.

The fall regular season wraps up in October, with the volleyball playoffs being competed among the Mile High League schools. Those playoffs will be held the week of October 26, with the finals at Alexander Dawson on October 30. The soccer team seeks to be one of three teams to qualify for the playoffs from 3A Region 4, while the football team will seek to be one of the two automatic qualifiers from the Metro North Conference. Finally, the 2A cross country regionals will be held on October 23 at Salisbury Park here in Parker, with the state meet to follow on October 31. You can always follow our teams' schedules and results through links on the school website or at varvee.com.

Our boys golf team completed their season on September 25, finishing 15<sup>th</sup> in the 3A Metro regional. They finished fourth overall in the Mile High League this year. Special congratulations to **Patrick Kundracik** who qualified for the state golf tournament. Besides enduring very poor conditions, Patrick had to qualify by winning a four person sudden death tiebreaker which he won on the 3<sup>rd</sup> playoff hole. He is the first LHSP golfer to qualify for the state tournament and will compete at Cougar Canyon Golf Course in Trinidad October 5 and 6.

## **MORE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR'S CORNER**

### **Cross Country Regionals**

Our school is in charge of hosting the cross country regional this year. As mentioned above, it will be held at Salisbury Park on Friday, October 23, and starting at 4:00. We need lots of helpers to assist in running the meet. The meet itself will last about an hour. Please let Mr. Block or Coach Hubbard know if you can help. Experience is not necessary!

### **Homecoming**

Homecoming week is October 19-24. The homecoming games will be played on Saturday, October 24 with volleyball games against Nederland at 9, 10, and 11 am. This will be followed by the football game with Nederland at 1:00. All alumni get free admission and are welcome to attend. Invite your friends and neighbors, and let's have a great crowd!

### **Wrestling**

We are planning on starting a wrestling program this winter at LHSP. Things are currently in the planning stages. For more information contact Coach Tom Joseph at [atthewell@comcast.net](mailto:atthewell@comcast.net).

### **Athletic Line**

If you ever have a question after office hours about activities, an athletic recording is maintained to keep you updated. Just press "3" after the auto-attendant answers and you will hear the schedule for that week. Information about postponements and rescheduled games will also be updated. As always, you can check the school's website for schedule information as well as directions to away games.

### **Athletic Passes**

You may still purchase yearlong athletic passes to all our home games for the year for \$45. Also, sponsorships and advertising spaces are still available, which also provides you with a yearly pass. Please contact Mr. Block in the office if you are interested.

### **Facebook Page**

Our Lutheran Parker Athletics fan base is growing through Facebook. If you have not yet become a fan to receive regular updates, please do so! Also invite friends and relatives to become fans to keep them updated. There is a link on the athletics page of the school website to become a fan.

### **Clausen Cup**

LHSP plays against Denver Lutheran High School in every common sport we have, and competes for an all-sport trophy called the Clausen Cup. Currently the competition stands at 1-1, with the next scheduled event being our football game at Denver on October 17.

### **Winter Sports**

Winter sports are right around the corner. The winter sports meeting for basketball, wrestling and spirit teams will be on Monday, November 2. Those planning on participating in these activities must have a permission form and physical examination form on file with the office prior to the first practice, November 12. Please plan ahead!

### **Jostens Orders**

A representative from Jostens will be on campus during Academic Lab on Tuesday, October 27 to meet with seniors regarding graduation materials, and with sophomores about class rings. Ordering materials will be distributed at that time and he will return on November 5 to collect those orders.

We will not have a designated letter jacket fitting day this year. You may order letter jackets from Monograms by K & K through the spirit wear link on our website. Samples of the jackets can be seen at Monograms by K & K's shop in downtown Parker.

# **SPORTS PAGE**

## **Boys Basketball - Coach John Adam**

### **FALL SKILLS WORKOUTS**

Fall skills workouts have begun and take place every Wednesday night from 6-7:30. All LHSP boys interested in playing basketball are welcome. **All fall sport athletes must get their coach's approval before being allowed to participate.**

### **THE ROAD TO PUEBLO**

The full game schedule has been completed. This will be another tough year as the Lions will face six 3A opponents and top 10 2A opponents in addition to their league schedule. All three levels will open up at home against Kent Denver on December 1st. The annual game versus Denver Lutheran is scheduled for December 18 at DLHS.

### **TRYOUTS**

Tryouts for all teams will be held November 12-14.

### **MANAGERS/STATISTICIANS**

The teams are looking for help with managers and statisticians. If you are interested please contact Coach Adam at **john.adam@LHSParker.org**.

For more information please go to our boys basketball website at **www.LHSParker.org/bball**.

**Go Lions!**



## CALENDAR DATES TO REMEMBER

### Upcoming Dates To Remember!

Wed – Fri, Sept 30-Oct 2	No School – Fall Break!
Thursday, October 8	Fun Raiser Kickoff – 6 pm Financial Aid Workshop – 7 pm
Monday, October 12	Late Start – Classes begin at 9:10 am
Wednesday, October 14	All School Testing Day - ½ Day –Early Dismissal
Friday, October 16	End of 1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter
Thursday, October 22	7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Visit
Mon-Sat, October 19-24	HOMECOMING WEEK! Homecoming Dance Saturday, October 24 – Flex Room – 8-11 pm
Monday, October 26	Parent/Teacher Conferences – 3-7 pm

### Mark Your Calendars!

Monday, November 2	Winter Sports Meeting – 7 pm
Tuesday, November 3	LHSP FUN RAISER!
Wednesday, November 4	Shadow Day
Monday, November 9	Late Start – Classes begin at 9:10 am
Thursday, November 12	Winter sports practice begins
Thursday, November 19	5 <sup>th</sup> /6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Visitation
Friday, November 20	Drama Production – <i>Twelve Angry Jurors</i> - 7 pm
Saturday, November 21	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Placement Test – 8-11 am
Saturday, November 21	Drama Production – <i>Twelve Angry Jurors</i> - 7 pm
Tuesday, November 24	Grandparents Day
Wednesday, November 25	½ Day – Early Dismissal
Thurs-Fri November 26,27	No School – Thanksgiving Break

## **OTHER NEWS AND INFORMATION**

### **School Directory**

The 2009-2010 LHSP Student Directory is now available to download off of Edline or pick up in the office.

### **Items We Can Always Use!!**

We can always use Kleenex for our classrooms, plastic silverware, paper plates, napkins, and paper towels for the kitchen. Please bring any items you would like to donate to the office. Thank you to those who have already donated items this year!!!

### **Spirit Wear**

A variety of awesome football spirit wear is available for purchase as a fundraiser for the football program. Samples of the current styles can be seen in the display cases at school. Order forms are available in the office or check out the link to Spirit Wear on the school website at [www.lhsparker.org](http://www.lhsparker.org). Support LHSP teams by wearing your spirit clothes!

### **Grocery Certificates**

Don't forget to stop by the office and purchase your grocery gift cards for King Soopers or Safeway. Cards are available in \$25 or \$50 denominations and our school receives 5% back. Last year \$3000 was raised through grocery certificate sales. Thank you to all who participate! Grocery gift cards will be available at Parent/Teacher Conferences on Monday, October 26.

### **Scrip at LHSP**

Do you give gift cards for presents? Do you shop at Old Navy or Kohls? Do you ever stop for dinner at Chili's or Olive Garden? Do you go to the movies or rent them to watch at home?

Buy gift cards to your favorite stores/restaurants through LHS-Parker's "SCRIP" program. Our school will receive an automatic donation through your purchase.

#### **How does it work?**

- Select from the list of various merchants.
- Indicate the quantity and total for each merchant.
- Write a check for the total amount you are purchasing. (A credit card may be used for purchases of \$500 or more.)
- You will receive equal value in gift cards.
- Send your order in to the school office by Monday morning at 8:00 am, accompanied by a check, and you will receive your gift cards by Friday (after 2:30 pm) of the same week.

#### **How do we benefit as a school?**

- For each order placed by LHS-Parker, the merchant will send a percentage (indicated on the order form) of your gift card purchase to our school as a thank you.

**Order forms are available in the school office or on the school website.**

**Buy scrip on-line at [ShopWithScrip.com](http://ShopWithScrip.com)**