

LHS Family,

It was great visiting with many of you at last week's Parent/Guardian Conferences. If for any reason you have not had the opportunity to communicate with your child's teacher at Open House or Parent/Guardian Conferences, feel free to email them. All faculty/staff member email addresses can be found on the LHS website at <https://www.acsd1.org/lhs/>. Once there, run your cursor over the "RESOURCES" tab at the top of the page and select "PARENT RESOURCES." From there choose the faculty/staff email page. This page lists every faculty/staff member in alphabetical order by last name.

Speaking of the LHS website. If you haven't visited it lately, you might be missing out. Our landing page is home to the latest events and important information. I suggest making it a habit to check the website weekly as it is constantly being updated.

A year ago, I introduced our *Be Kind* student expectation in a November newsletter. This initiative was brought to Laramie by one of our assistant principals, Tanya Wall. This year I have been focusing my weekly communications with students around the *Be Kind* expectations. For your convenience, I've attached the common expectation document for all LHS students to this communication.

Finally, we have a variety of events taking place at LHS in the upcoming weeks. Please take a moment to look over those important dates. In conclusion, if you would like to contact me, feel free to call me at (307) 721-4420 or email me at ckern@acsd1.org.

Reminder of Important Phone Numbers:

LHS Main Office:	721-4420
24/7 Attendance Hotline:	721-4499
LHS Registrar:	721-4488
LHS Activities:	721-4427
ACSD #1 Central Office:	721-4400

Dress Up Day:

Students advocated for, and earned, a Spirit Dress Up Day tomorrow. I've already shared my expectations for dress up days (ex. Homecoming) with students, but wanted to get that information to you as well so you can help ensure everyone enjoys tomorrow. Below are the expectations I want you to be aware of:

- Students earned this dress up day
 - Strong attendance/behavior data, awesome Homecoming Dance behavior, etc.
- LHS & ACSD #1 expectations apply... dress up days do not change expectations
- Appropriate costumes only and costumes need to follow school day dress code
 - Costume must not impede learning environment/community
 - Costume must not be offensive nor perpetuate stereotypes of culture, heritage, ethnicity, gender, or religion
 - Costumes must leave student identifiable
- Mr. Kern's Rules
 - LHS has NEVER allowed masks
 - Body/face paint has been prohibited during school hours. Same as last year, no paint
- Absolutely no props
 - Zero props, just like any other regular school day
- Remember, just like Homecoming Week, learning comes first
 - Your costume must not impede your learning or that of others
 - Your costume must not get in the way of teaching
- If you are asked to change out of your costume...
 - it doesn't mean anyone is "costume shaming" you or shaming anything else
 - it might mean your costume did not meet dress code policies, rules, or expectations
 - it might mean you didn't anticipate how your costume might impact the LHS learning community
 - how you handle the situation will probably indicate your intent of the costume you wore
 - how you handle the situation will determine future dress up days at LHS

Trunk or Treat:

The annual Trunk or Treat event will take place on Wednesday, October 31, 2018. The event will run from 5:30-7:00 PM in the LHS faculty/staff parking lot.

White Christmas:

LHS is excited to announce the upcoming production of *White Christmas*. Please see the attached flyer to learn all the details.

From the Counselors:

With the holidays around the corner, there are programs in place to assist families in need of support. If you or someone you know could benefit from needed assistance please notify Jason Uitterdyk at (307) 721-4488 or jwitterdyk@acsd1.org. Additionally, for immediate food or clothing needs you can visit with a counselor for access to the Plainsmen Pantry.

The next ACT test will be Saturday December 8th. The deadline to register for the test is this Friday November 2nd.

As always, there is free ACT prep available through the Naviance program. See your counselor for details.

Our next Plainsmen Pathways is on December 12th during I&E and the emphasis is on careers in the medical field.

Scholarships are beginning to open up, so please visit the LHS counselor website and Facebook page. One of the biggest opportunities for seniors is the Daniels Fund Scholarship, which is found at www.danielsfund.org. Also, don't forget to complete your FAFSA as soon as possible for access to financial aid; such as Pell Grants, subsidized loans, and other scholarships that colleges offer. You can complete this process at www.FAFSA.gov.

It is always advisable for students to schedule an appointment with their counselor and learn about all the opportunities available to them.

LHS Counselors:

Kim Dale- **Email:** kdale@acsd1.org

Jason Uitterdyk- **Email:** jwitterdyk@acsd1.org

Debbie Bastian- **Email:** dbastian@acsd1.org

Bryon Lee- **Email:** blee@acsd1.org

Online Parent/Guardian Sources for LHS Information:

- ACSD #1 website = <https://www.acsd1.org/acsd/>

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www.acsd1.org

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- LHS website = <https://www.acsd1.org/lhs/>

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Plainsmen Rendezvous . For fresh Laramie High School news, updated daily, visit the Plainsmen Rendezvous v
Rendezvous strives to provide unbiased news in an easy to reach and credible manner.

- LHS Journalism website = <http://plainsmenrendezvous.org>

[Plainsmen Rendezvous – Laramie High School News](#)

plainsmenrendezvous.org

Plainsmenrendezvous.org is an online newspaper which is written and produced by students of Laramie High

- LHS Counselors Facebook page
= www.facebook.com/LARAMIEHIGH SCHOOLCOUNSELING

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Poudre High School is hosting the Northern Colorado Out-of-State College Fair on September 27th. This is a
reps and discuss opportunities.

Upcoming Important Dates:

October 31, 2018	<i>Trunk or Treat</i> 5:30-7:30 PM in LHS faculty/staff lot located on the south side of LHS
November 1-3, 2018	3A/4A Wyoming High School Activities Association State Swim Meet in LHS Pool
November 6, 2018	No School for Students – Professional Development Day

November 16, 2018 White Christmas 7:00 PM in LHS Theater (\$6 Child/Student; \$8 Adult)

November 17, 2018 White Christmas 2:00 PM & 7:00 PM in LHS Theater (\$6 Child/Student; \$8 Adult)

November 27, 2018 All-State Drama Preview 7:00 PM in LHS Theater

December 18, 2018 LHS Holiday Concert- Bands, Choir, & Orchestra 6:00 & 7:30 PM in LHS Theater

Attachments:

- 2017-2018 LHS Common Student Expectations [LHS Common Student Expectations.docx](#)
- *White Christmas* Flyer [White Christmas Poster.pdf](#)
- *Trunk or Treat* Flyer [LHS Trunk or Treat.pdf](#)

As always, feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Chuck Kern

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