



# Lowell Lantern



Lowell Elementary School -



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**MONDAY IS A BLUE DAY FOR LUNCH  
AND SPECIALS**

Lunch cost for student - \$2.05 per day \*\* Extra Milk – 50 cents \*\*Lunch cost for adult - \$3.40 per day.

Welcome to the 2016-2017 school year! We are looking forward to a great school year. We invite parents to visit any time and to let us know if you have any concerns or questions. YOU ARE AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE LOWELL FAMILY!

**WE ARE LOWELL**

Our theme at Lowell this year is "We are Lowell...this is our house!" - Civility, Order, Respect, Excellence. We are encouraging students to embrace this challenge and achieve them.

## WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 12-SEPTEMBER 16, 2016.

### FREE OR REDUCED LUNCH

If your child is participating in the Free or Reduced Lunch Program and you have not received a new approval letter for the 2016-2017 school year, you must reapply immediately. Unless you resubmit an application and are approved FREE or REDUCED meal assistance, your child's status will change to FULL PAY. You will also be responsible for your child's textbook rental, which is due Oct 31st. Forms are available at the school office. Students with outstanding lunch balance will receive cheese sandwiches. If you have any questions contact Chartwells at 532-3906.

### Immunization Update

If your student is not current on his/her immunizations, please turn them into the nurse by Friday, September 16th. Parents whose students were missing immunizations will be notified next week. If your student is not current they will not be permitted to attend school after September 19th until they are current. Walgreens at 10th and Post will have a vaccine clinic on Tuesday, August 23rd from 3pm-7pm. Please bring shot record, insurance card...Medicaid is not accepted. If you have any questions please contact Jan Gross at 532-3905.

### We Are Launching PERSONALIZED LEARNING at Lowell!!!!

Warren Township has launched a personalized learning initiative across all of our township schools. What is personalized learning? Personalized learning is the belief that instruction should be differentiated to customize learning paths for each student in order to best meet each student's needs and abilities. It provides more opportunities for students to reflect on their learning and to better understand the outcomes and next steps in their own learning. Throughout the school year, you will hear this term "personalized learning" often. Our personalized learning vision statement at Lowell is: *We are Lowell ~ We Deserve to Learn in Our Own Best Way! Our focus will be on the Core Four of Personalized Learning:*



- **Targeted Instruction** -- instruction aligned to specific student needs and learning goals
- **Data-Driven Decisions** -- use of frequent data collection to inform instructional decisions and groupings
- **Student Reflection & Ownership** -- ongoing student reflection promotes ownership of learning
- **Integrated Digital Content** -- digital content allows for a differentiated path and pace

As we venture into personalized learning, we will continue to share information and insights into its impact on student learning. As always, it is our goal to create an engaging learning environment that responds to the needs of each child! We are excited to launch into personalized learning and believe this will continue to enrich and support student learning!

### ATTENDANCE!

Remember your child's attendance is a huge factor in his/her academic success. Five absences are considered excessive for the whole school year. We understand there may be times when your child is sick and will need to stay home. Please call and report your student absent. If you take your child to the doctor, please provide the school with a copy of the doctor's excuse. If your child isn't vomiting or running a fever, please send them to school. Our nurse is absolutely wonderful. If your child visits and truly isn't feeling well, we will send him/her home.



### DATES TO REMEMBER

9/9/16	HOMEFEST
9/13/16	PTA Board Meeting 6:30pm
9/16/16	Dinner and Movie Night 6:30pm
9/23/16	VACCINES DUE
10/4/16	NO SCHOOL Parent/Teacher conferences
10/4/16	FUNDRAISER PICKUP
10/6/16	Picture retakes

#### Rights & Responsibilities Handbook

Parents may gain access to the Student Rights & Responsibilities Handbook online through the Warren Township website as well as through the Lowell Elementary website. The link to access the handbook is: <http://www.warren.k12.in.us/student-rightsresp>

**REMINDER PTA FUNDRAISER ORDERS WERE DUE SEPTEMBER 8TH. PLEASE TURN IN IMMEDIATELY. ORDER PICK UP IS 10/4**

**FRO-YO FRIDAYS ARE HERE!  
BUY FROZEN YOGURT AT LUNCH  
FOR \$1.00**

**PTA MEMBERSHIP INCENTIVES**  
9/16-10/31 Popcorn party to the highest classroom memberships of each grade level.  
Pizza party to the highest classroom membership in the whole school. JOIN today!

Join us for dinner and movie night

**UNDER THE STARS**

Friday, September 16th

@6:30pm

**ZOOTOPIA**

**Rated PG**

Hot dog, chips, drink \$2.00

Movie will be shown outside by the cabin, weather permitting. In the instance of rain, we will have the movie in the gym. Bring chairs, blankets...to watch movie.

Refreshments will be available for purchase. Students must be accompanied by adult. **NO DROP OFFS.** Bring in a canned good to donate for a free bag of popcorn!



Any parents that are wanting to chaperone field trips, please request a background check from the office. These are good for two years!

# A Note from the Principal

Dear Lowell Families,

It is hard to believe, but September is here! We have a lot going on in the month of September and hope that you are able to be a part of all the fun! Our September attendance contest has started. Students who are in school every day in September will earn a free Lowell foam finger! They are pretty cool, and I am hoping that all of our students will earn one this year! Below are some reminders of events that are coming up in September.

Don't forget.....

- Homefest/Fun Run is this evening! If you are registered to run in the fun run please report to the high school between 4:00-4:30 to make sure you have time to locate the racing area. It will be a busy evening at the high school! If you're not running the races, join us anyway for lots of fun, food, and activities.
- Fall intersession is fast approaching. Teachers will be making recommendations for select students to attend intersession classes during the first week of break. Registration forms will be coming home next week with students who are being recommended.
- Our first Dinner and Movie night is scheduled for Friday, September 16th. The movie will be shown outside by the cabin, weather permitting. Parents must remain with students throughout the evening.
- Immunization records are due to the school nurse by September 16th. Any student not up to date by September 19th will not be permitted to attend school.
- Parent teacher conferences are scheduled for Tuesday, October 4th. Students do not have school that day. Look for more information to come home soon.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Mrs. Griffin

## Parent's Corner

Parents next week we will begin **Parent's Corner**. Each grade level will have a question posted in the Lantern. Students can return the slip with their answer and Parent signature for a prize. This is a great chance to go over a skill learned, a lesson taught, or something they have done that week.

**YES, I WANT TO JOIN PTA! Please enclose a check or cash in an envelope marked with Lowell PTA.**

**Student Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Teacher's Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Name** \_\_\_\_\_

# Important Schedule Information

The special class and lunch schedule will operate on a three-day rotation. In each week's Lantern, there will be a line indicating Monday's rotation for each. For example, this past Monday was a RED day for lunch/recess. The rotations for the rest of this week were as follows: Tuesday: WHITE special and lunch/recess, Wednesday: BLUE special and lunch/recess, Thursday: RED special and lunch/recess, Friday: WHITE special and lunch/recess. Our 3rd and 4th grade students rotate on a red, white, blue, green schedule for specials. They have pe, art, music, and computer lab.

*All medications must be brought to the school by a parent or guardian.*

Indiana law allows for only one exception. Students with chronic health conditions such as asthma, allergies which would require emergency treatment, such as inhalers, epi pen, etc., are allowed to carry prescribed medications if documented by a doctor's order or note. This note must be presented to the school nurse.

**DO NOT SEND MEDICATIONS WITH YOUR CHILD ON THE BUS.**

There is a form that **MUST** be filled out by the parent/guardian in order for school personnel to dispense medications. The medicine must be in the original prescription bottle.

Nurse Jan is no longer allowed to supply any child with over the counter meds. They must be brought in by parent and a waiver to treat must be signed. Any questions please contact Nurse Jan at 532-3905.

Hearing and vision screening will take place for 1st, 3rd, and 4th starting next week, August 8th.

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"Indy Eleven's aim is to create a team that is representative of Indiana and creates strong emotional connections with its fans." During the match held on Saturday, September 17th, at halftime Indy Eleven will be recognizing Warren's very own Samantha Tantillo Powers, Teacher of the Year, and Michael Watson, Support Staff Person of the Year! We hope you can attend and join in celebrating their recognition. This is Warren Family is an opportunity to have fun while supporting Warren and Indy Eleven! They are offering discounted tickets to ALL of Warren community, students, families, staff, and friends. To purchase tickets: <http://warrentownship.indyeleven.com/>



**INDY ELEVEN**  
THE WORLD'S GAME. INDIANA'S TEAM.

## ATTENDANCE CONTEST

During the month of September, Lowell students who have **PERFECT ATTENDANCE** will receive a special prize! Students can earn a green Lowell foam finger by attending school everyday during the month of September. Please encourage your child to attend school everyday during September.



## HOMEFEST 2016

Friday, September 9 WCHS 4:00-6:00 pm

Fun Run 4:00-6:00

Vendors with crafts, snacks, and games 4-7  
Food trucks

Homecoming Football game Warren take on  
Lawrence Central 7:00 pm