

The Weekly Spark

Leaman Junior High School

Mike Semmler, Principal

February 28, 2021

Issue 19

Message from Counselors

Course Selection

7th & 8th Grade:

Parents and Students – Check your Skyward Accounts. Time to start finalizing and approving your schedules.

All Approvals are made via Skyward

Information

Did you know we have a Facebook page?

We will often post important ongoings at Leaman via our Facebook Page!

Facebook.com/LeamanJuniorHighSchool

Reminders

March 2nd

Instructional Modal Change

March 9th 5p-9pm

Spirit Night - Freddy's

March 15-18th

Spring Break

March 19

Zoom Contest Entries Due

March 22

1st Day of Track Tryouts

March 26th

Progress Reports Due

April 6th & April 13th

STAAR - 7th Grade Writing See Flyer for FULL testing schedule

> Leaman Jr High Cheerleading **Tryout Information** Available this week.



Athletics

Home Games Streamed on Leaman's FB Page.

Away Games Streamed on Leaman's Athletic FB Page

Track Tryouts

Day 1 - March 22nd See Flyer for details

Basketball – check website for game times/locations

Leaman Athletics - www.lcisd.org/campuses/leamanjh/athletics



Week of February 15, 2021



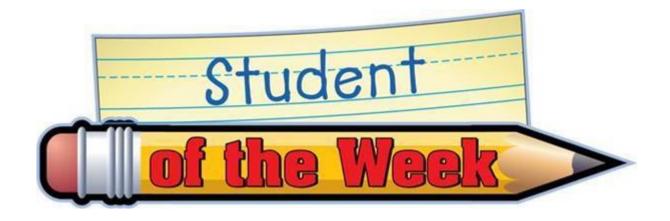
Landen Locke Nominated by: Ms. Longoria





Davy Akpabio Nominated by: Mr. Walters





Week of February 22, 2021



Adam "Riley" Gurbach Nominated by: Ms. Stricker





Hannah Krum Nominated by: Mrs. Cronin & Mrs. Poland No Photo Available

All dates are subject to change



2020-2021 Course Selection Schedule Dean Leaman Junior High

CURRENT GRADE:

8th GRADE

7th GRADE

6th GRADE

Grade Level(s)	Dates/Activity
8 th -Grade (current)	Dec. 1 st -Dec. 3 rd
	Programs of Study Informational Zooms
8 th -Grade (current)	Dec. 7 th -Dec. 11 th
	Choose Endorsement in Skyward
	(Math Classes)
8 th Grade (current)	J an. 26th
	Parent and House Bill 5 Night for Incoming 9 th graders
	6-7pm Via Zoom
8 th Grade (current)	Feb. 1 st
	High school counselors present to incoming 9 th graders @ Leaman JH (ELA
	classes)
8 th -Grade (current)	Feb. 2 nd - Feb. 10 th
	Skyward open for student/parent access for high school course selection
8 th -Grade (current)	Feb. 2 nd – Feb 10 th
	Counselors help students complete course selection for 9 th -grade (Science
	classes)
7 th -Grade (current)	February 15 th
	Counselors present info to students for 8 th grade course selection (PE Classes)
	Rescheduled to after the weather delay passes
7 th -Grade (current)	Feb. 16 th
	Parent Night and Elective Fair for Incoming 7 th -and 8 th -Graders
	6-7pm Via Zoom
6 th -Grade (current)	Feb. 16 th
	Parent Night and Elective Fair for Incoming 7 th -and 8 th -Graders
	6-7pm Via Zoom
8 th -grade (current)	Feb. 18th – Feb. 19th
	Course verification by high school counselors (ELA classes)
7 th Grades (current)	Feb. 22 nd – Mar. 6 th
	Skyward open for student/parent access for 7 th and 8 th grade course selection
7 th Grade (current)	Feb. 22 nd - Feb. 25 th
	Counselors help students complete course selection for 8 th grade (History
	classes)
6 th -Grade (current)	Feb. 23 rd
	JH Counselors Present to Roberts Middle School students (PE classes)
6 th Grade (current)	Mar. 1 st - Mar. 13 th
	Roberts MS Counselor helps 6 th graders complete course selection for 7 th
2 72	grade
8 th Grades (current)	Feb. 12 th – Mar. 13 th
	Course verification completed by JH and HS counselors

Leaman Jr High Needs You! ZOOM BACKDROP THE PIRM



CONTEST

Use your create talents and create a ZOOM We are having a contest for all students! Upload your submissions on Canvas background for ALL Leaman staff!! (assignment under Dean 2020).

Must be at least 16.9 Ratio (1920px x 1080px) Max file size: 5MB and in JPEG, PNG and MP4 formats

Download the Charger Staff logo from Canvas Logo must be placed in at least one corner Design needs to be clean, not overly busy

Winner will receive \$50 gift card

TEA Interim Assessments

- Math, Reading, Science (8th only), and Social Studies (8th only) will be giving TEA Interim Assessments this spring starting in February.
 - Face to face students will test during the class period
 - Virtual students will test at home
 - Dates TBA by your student's teachers (check <u>Canvas</u> calendars)
 - The Math and Reading Assessments are two parts, and may take up to two days
- These assessments benchmark student progress at key points in the year.
- These assessments are best done on a laptop, desktop, or table. Students will access the TEA Interim Assessment App through <u>Classlink</u>.
 - Log in information for each assessment can be found on <u>Skyward</u> <u>Family Access</u> using these <u>directions</u>.
 - Directions for accessing the Interim Assessment App in Classlink can be found HERE or in your teacher's Canvas course.
 - Algebra students will take the Algebra Interim Assessment
 - 7th Grade PAP Math Students will take the 8th Math Interim Assessment
- For more information about testing in LCISD visit the <u>Students & Parents</u> site.

TEA INTERIM ASSESSMENTS ARE DUE BY MARCH 5TH

TEA Interim Assessments must be completed online. This puts strain on our school WiFi network. Therefore, during Interim Testing, all student devices will be turned off or switched to airplane mode. Please call our front office to give messages to, or make contact with, your student, 832-223-5200.



STAAR TESTING INFORMATION

- STAAR testing will occur in April (7th writing) and May (EOC, all other tests)
 - Schedule follows
- All STAAR testing will be done <u>ONLINE</u>
 - Benefits of online testing:
 - · More flexibility in scheduling
 - Results will come in faster
 - Due to device availability, each subject's test will occur over two+ days.
 - Students will be assigned a specific date to test per grade/subject

Be on the lookout for more communication regarding specific testing dates

ALL STUDENTS MUST COME TO LEAMAN TO TAKE THEIR STAAR/EOC TESTS



7th Grade Tests

8th Grade Tests



Writing

April 6th

• Alpha Split A-Le. April 13th

• Alpha split Li-Z



Algebra I EOC

High school credit, required for graduation

May 4th & 5th



7th Math & Reading

Testing Window: May 11th-21st



Science, Social Studies, 7th Pre-AP & 8th Math, Reading

Testing Window: May 6th-21st



January Administration Score Reports

PSAT 8/9 scores are available. Your students can access the scores by going to the College Board site. Use the email your student provided the day of the test or create an account.

If your student logs in and does not see their score, please use this access code to view: **YLP3DG**

Watch this <u>video</u> to understand what information is in your score report.

Visit <u>Student Score Reports</u> on the College Board site to learn more about how to use your report to determine next steps before the PSAT/NMSQT taken during 10th and/or 11th grade.

You will get another opportunity to take the PSAT 8/9 next year in 9th grade.

To learn more about how to use your score report to help make decisions about your schedule for next year, watch this <u>video</u>.

Your ELAR Teacher will be talking with you about linking your College Board Account to Khan Academy.

Research has shown using Khan Academy can help boost your PSAT and SAT scores.

You these directions (English) (Spanish) to see how to link your College Board Account and your Khan Academy Account (provided by the district)

For more information about the PSAT 8/9, please visit the <u>College Board site</u>.

For more information about testing in LCISD visit the <u>Students & Parents</u> site.

If your student was unable to take the PSAT 8/9 this year, but would like a test booklet to review questions and practice, we have extras available.

Please see Mrs Crawford in the front office if you are interested.





Leaman Jr High Nurses Corner

SPRING HEALTH SCREENING

During the Spring Semester Nurse Boddie will begin screening for the following

All 7th Grade
Acanthosis Nigricans
Risk Assessment for Type 2 Diabetes

7th Grade Girls 8th Grade Boys Scoliosis

Contact Kathleen Boddie with any questions kboddie@lcisd.org



Join us: enjoy scrumptious while

RAISING MONEY!

Example 1 Leaman Jr. High PTO



TUE 9th



26840 FM 1093 RICHMOND, TEXAS



5-9 PM

Come out with your friends and family, while giving back to your community.

Please, remember to tell your cashier you are there for the fundraising event when you place your order.

DRIVE THRU & CARRYOUT COUNT TOWARDS THE FUNDRAISER.









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OUR DINING ROOMS ARE OPEN!

NOW DELIVERING WITH DOORDASH and Uber Eats

March 19th Order by

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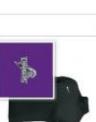
\$42.00 Nike Dry Franchise Polo Available in 2 other colors.



\$66.00 Nike Element Dry Half-Zip Top



\$56.00 Nike Therma LS 1/4 Zip Top Available in 1 other color.



\$66.00 Nike Women's Dry Element 1/2 Zip Top





\$42.00 Nike Women's Dry Franchise Polo Available in 1 other



\$42.00 UA Locker 1/4 Zip



\$59.00 UA M's Qualifier Hybrid 1/4 Zip



\$42.00 UA Rival Polo Available in 2 other colors.



\$42.00 UA Women's Locker 1/2 Zip Available in 1 other color.



\$66.00 UA Women's Qualifier Fleece Blocked Hoody



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\$42.00 UA Women's Rival Polo



\$50.00 Nike Club Pullover Fleece Hoodie



\$38.00 Nike Legend Long Sleeve T-Shirt



Available in 2 other colors.



\$30.00 Nike Legend Short Sleeve T-Shirt Available in 2 other colors.

\$29.00 Nike Women's Dry Balance 2.0 Available in 1 other color. Tank



\$37.00 Nike Women's Legend L/S Tee Available in 2 other colors.



\$30.00 Nike Women's Legend S/S Tee Available in 2 other colors.



\$32.00 Nike Women's Legend Veneer Crew Tee



\$48.00 Nike Youth Club Pullover Fleece Hoodie



\$27.00 Nike Youth Legend T-Shirt

Available in 2 other colors.





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\$50.00 UA Hustle Fleece



\$38.00 UA Locker Tee 2.0 Long Sleeve Available in 2 other colors.



\$30.00 UA Locker Tee 2.0 Short Sleeve Available in 2 other colors.



\$32.00 UA Women's Game Time Tank Available in 1 other color.



\$50.00 UA Women's Hustle Fleece Hoody



\$38.00 UA Women's Longsleeve Locker Tee colors. Available in 2 other



\$30.00 UA Women's Available in 2 other Locker Tee



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Government Affairs Committee

Present





LCISD CHIEF

DALLIS WARREN

Thursday, March 11, 2021@1pm

facebook LIVE Streaming

https://www.facebook.com/FulshearKaty

www.FulshearKaty.com

(832) 688-3221

You can view this live on our Facebook Page March 11, 2021 at 1pm just join us at Facebook.com/FulshearKaty

or you can tune in on ZOOM

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86509613546?pwd=eW1qdDJ4dkttaFFueEpUWnMzNkRiQ T09

Meeting ID: 865 0961 3546 Passcode: LCISD



TRYOUTS

MARCH 22nd - 26th

6:30AM - Do NOT Arrive before 6:15AM

MUST HAVE A CURRENT PHYSICAL & ALL RANK ONE FORMS COMPLETE

Coach Alvarez 7th & 8th Grade Girls laura.alvarez@lcisd.org Coach Haynes 8th Grade Boys lekenwic.haynes@lcisd.org

Coach Soehnge 7th Grade Boys esoehngeølcisd.org

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, virtual students must leave campus by 8:00am Track tryouts are subject to change

Please fill out the link below and complete the Track and Field Survey

Girls Link: http://bit.ly/3bw4BVA

Boys Link: http://bit.ly/2ZFUJTH

NHS Spring Tutorials

Join on Zoom with questions and an NHS student will help!

When: Each Wednesday (Except March 3rd and March 17th) until the end of April

Time: 4:30 pm-5:30 pm

How to find help:

Log into Zoom and use the ID: 943 3273 5527

OR go to: https://lcisd.zoom.us/j/94332735527

OR scan QR Code:



Please use your real name and bring questions!



RESPONSIBILIT

FAIRNESS CARING

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RESPECT

The Counselor's Corner



Pillar of the Month:

CITIZINSHIP

 Be kind · Be compassionate and show you care · Express gratitude and Forgive others · Help people in need · Be charitable and altruistic.

Quote of the Month

"A single act of kindness throws out roots in all directions, and the roots spring up and make new trees. The greatest work that kindness does to others is that it makes them kind themselves."

- Amelia Earhart

Caring: Building Character at Home

- Demonstrate love and affection.
 Give time, attention, and praise.
- Encourage the awareness of and expression of feelings.
- · Teach children to think of the impact their conduct will have on others.
- Encourage and model caring, empathy, charity, and service to others.

CHARACTER COUNTS!

7th and 8th Grade Counselors

Anita Oliphant-7th Grade

Contact information: Anita.oliphant@lcisd.org 832-223-5209 Office Hours M-F 7:15-3:15

Latoya Session— 8th Grade
Contact information: lsession@lcisd.org
832-223-5269
Office Hours M-F 8:15-4:00

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Who is going the extra mile for you?

- Think for a moment about the amazing staff at Leaman. Who is working hard for students? Nominate a teacher or staff member that you would like to recognize for their hard work in the Be the One survey. If you agree, we will post the shout out on Facebook to share what a great a place Leaman is. You can fill this survey out for as many staff members as you'd like.
- Each Monday the results will be gathered. They will then be shared with staff members during Tuesday department meetings or Wednesday staff meetings.

◆Thanks for sharing the love ◆

Important Updates from Nurse Boddie

If a student is waiting for COVID test results - please keep student home, until results are received.
Do not send students to school, who are waiting on COVID test results.

ALL students must bring two
(2) masks to school.
Students must be wearing
one mask, as they enter
school or bus.
And keep a second in their
backpack, incase the 1st one
breaks, lost or otherwise
misplaced.
Masks are worn, covering

Masks are worn, covering Mouth AND Nose

Contact Nurse Boddie with any questions kboddie@lcisd.org

Welcome to Leaman! Welcome to Leaman! Frequently Asked Questions

Attendance

Excuses for absences must be submitted within 10 days of the absence. These can be e-mailed, faxed, or dropped off in the attendance office.

Michelle O'Brien <u>april.obrien@lcisd.org</u> Fax: (832) 223-5201

Behavior Expectations

Students follow the P.R.I.D.E. matrix for expected behaviors. The LCISD student code of conduct can be found in the LCISD Secondary handbook at this link:

http://www.lcisd.org/students-parents/general-information

P.E. Uniforms

All P.E. and Dance students must dress out every day. P.E. uniforms are available for purchase from the coaches for \$25.00 (shirt and shorts). Lockers are available to store items in the dressing rooms.

Extracurricular/Clubs

Leaman has a variety of fun organizations. Check out our website for more information at this link:

http://www.lcisd.org/campuses/leaman

j h/extracurricular

Homework

Each teacher's Canvas page will include homework information for their course.

Uniform/Dress Code

Leaman Junior High follows the dress code policy in the LCISD Secondary handbook at this link: http://www.lcisd.org/students-parents/general-information

When a student is out of dress code, he or she will be required to change.

Birthdays

Gifts, cakes, cupcakes, balloons, treat bags, and flowers are not to be sent to school. Invitations to individual parties are not to be distributed at school, during class time.

Lockers

Lockers are optional. There is a mass check out at the beginning of each year. At any other time, if your student wants a locker, they will contact Jennifer Leslie ileslie@lcisd.org

Transportation changes

Submit all changes by 3:00 each day. Students cannot ride the bus home with other students due to limited seating.

Lunchtime

A parent can only provide lunch for his/her child. Students are not allowed to pop popcorn for lunch.

Drinks must be in a clear see-through bottle.

Communication

A weekly newsletter will be sent out each Friday. This newsletter contains important information about our upcoming events and current programs.

You will receive a phone reminder about this e-mail each Friday as well.

Cell Phones

Students can only use their phones when permitted by a staff member. If a phone is taken, there will be a \$15.00 fee.

Textbooks

Consumable workbooks and textbooks will be provided in the classroom.

Textbooks (for home usage) can be checked out from Jennifer Leslie jleslie@lcisd.org (if available)

Conferences

To set up a conference with a teacher, counselor, or principal, please contact them directly via e-mail or phone.

