



The Weekly Spark

LEAMAN JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Mike Semmler, Principal

September 13, 2019

Issue 3

Important Information

Trustworthiness

“TRUE BLUE”

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- Being honest
- Don't deceive, cheat or steal
- Be reliable — do what you say you'll do
- Have the courage to do the right thing
- Build a good reputation
- Be loyal — stand by your family, friends, and country

Teacher & Staff Shout Outs

Don't forget to send those Teacher/Staff Shout Outs

<https://bit.ly/2ZICArC>

START
WITH
HELLO
WEEK

MONTH
September 20-26

Reminders

September 16

Progress Reports go home

September 19

NJHS Meeting 7:40 am

September 19

Washington DC Meeting 6pm

September 20-26

Start with Hello Week

September 20

Back to School Dance 4-6pm

October 18

Photos (during PE)

Athletics

Football Games:

8th Grade 9/17: Home vs Reading
5:00/6:30pm @ Fulshear HS

7th Grade 9/16: vs Reading
5:00/6:30pm @ George Ranch HS

Volleyball Games: 9/19

8th Grade: at Reading
5:00/6:15pm

7th Grade: at Reading
5:00/6:15pm

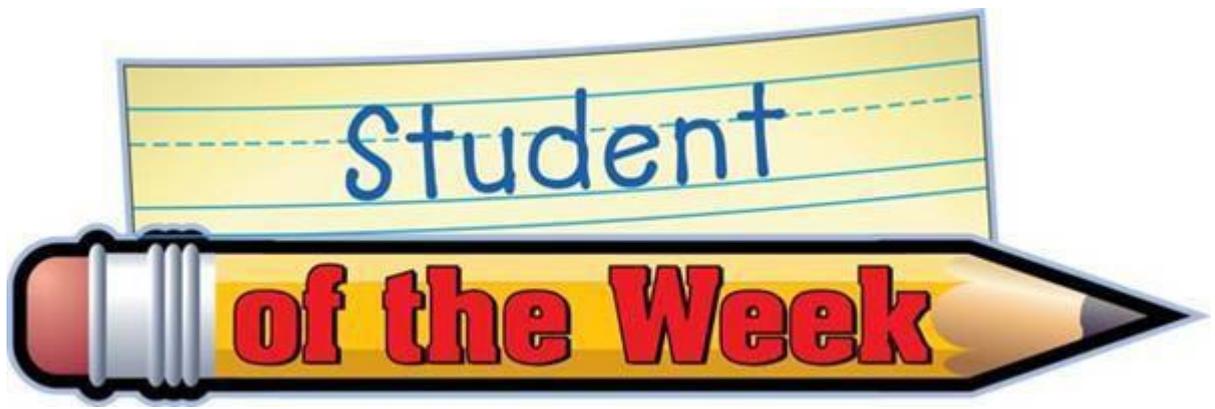


New

Information

This Week

NEW!



7th *Grade*

Bailey Warren
Nominated by: Mr. Wooten



8th *Grade*

Addison Stull
Nominated by: Katie Reyna
and Nicole Smith



AT EVERY SCHOOL AND IN EVERY COMMUNITY...

there are young people who suffer silently because they feel left out, alone or invisible.



Social isolation is an individual's perceived or real separation from a group of peers. It is a feeling that you don't fit in, that you don't belong, or that you have been left out. The separation may be the result of a rejection from others, or from the person's own withdrawal from others. Social isolation can happen in person or online.

Social isolation can become a serious issue. Young people who experience social isolation can become a victim of bullying, violence and/or depression.

As a result, many pull further away from society, struggle with learning and social development and/or may choose to hurt themselves or others.

There is a difference between social isolation and healthy alone time. Not all alone time is bad. Healthy alone time is when you choose to be alone to clear your mind, take a break from "socializing," give time to focus on and recharge yourself, and/or work through problems or possibilities without any outside influence. Some people are introverted, and need more healthy alone time than others.

ABOUT SANDY HOOK PROMISE

Sandy Hook Promise (SHP) is a national, nonprofit organization based in Newtown, Connecticut. SHP is led by several family members whose loved ones were killed in the tragic mass shooting at Sandy Hook School on December 14, 2012. SHP's sole purpose is to educate and empower parents, schools and community organizations on how to prevent gun violence BEFORE it happens by providing mental health & wellness early-identification and intervention programs, gun safety storage practices and advocating for sensible state and federal violence prevention policy.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

About Sandy Hook Promise and our other school and community-based prevention programs and training, please visit: sandyhookpromise.org

Make the Promise and together we can protect children from preventable gun violence.



Sandy Hook
PROMISE

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START with
Hello

**PARENT
GUIDE**

FOR PARENTS OF STUDENTS
IN GRADES 2-12



WHAT IS...

START with
Hello

START WITH HELLO

is a prevention program that teaches children and teens how to be more socially inclusive and connected to each other. Start With Hello asks students, educators, parents and other community leaders who interact with children to take steps in class, the lunchroom and/or other times in their day to be inclusive and connected.

YOU CAN START WITH HELLO IN 3 SIMPLE STEPS:



WE NEED YOU! HERE'S HOW YOU CAN HELP...

FOR ALL AGES

- **Make Start With Hello part of your family culture.** Make an intentional effort to greet each other with hello and ask questions about each other's day.
- **Practice active listening.** During car rides or at dinner challenge each other to use eye contact and truly listen.
- **Model best practices for your child.** Say hello to strangers on the street and make conversations at stores or restaurants.
- **Share your story.** Tell your child a story about a time that you reached out to someone who was alone and in need. What happened? How did you feel afterwards?
- **Be there for your child.** Talk about what your child can do if they ever feel lonely at school. Remind your child that you are always there for them if they need someone to talk to.
- **Talk about good and bad kinds of being alone.** When does being alone feel good? When does being alone feel bad?

Fostering inclusion and community is an important life skill and with practice, simple to do every day. There is no age limit to reaching out to and helping others!

Your school or community organization may already be taking part in Sandy Hook Promise's Start With Hello activities. If they aren't, why not bring Start With Hello to them? All the materials and training are provided at no cost and are extremely easy to implement. Also - kids love it! We believe Start With Hello will be both meaningful and fun for your child. But it can also be fun for you! We hope you can use the ideas in the brief guide to continue the conversation at home and beyond into your community.

FOR GRADES 2-5

- **Act it out!** Pretend to be an isolated student at your child's school and have your child practice reaching out and saying hello. Act out different scenarios, then switch roles and try it again.
- **Create a poster.** Draw or paint a poster with your child to remind your family to "Start With Hello" and hang it up in your house.
- **Learn how to say hello in different languages.** Challenge your child to try a different language each time they say hello!

French - Bonjour	Spanish - Hola
Italian - Buon Giorno	German - Guten Tag
- **Make it a game!** Create a family wide contest to see who can say hello to the most people each day. Keep track of each person's "hello count" and celebrate the winner at the end of the week.

FOR GRADES 6-12

- **Share strategies for starting conversations.** Create your own conversation starters or try using the following: How is your day going? What did you do over the weekend?
- **Discuss cyber bullying.** Talk about what respect and social inclusion looks like on social media and discuss what to do if they witness cyber bullying.

START WITH HELLO WEEK

MONTH

September 20-26

FRIDAY

Sept 20

HELLO- **H** is Hi's and High 5's to everyone you see today!

MONDAY

Sept 23

HELLO- **E** is Everyone Wear Green Day! Join students from around America to promote including everyone and reaching out to those who may be isolated.

TUESDAY

Sept 24

HELLO- **L** is Life-saver Day! You can be a life saver by showing kindness and helping others. Dress up like your favorite superhero (must be in dress code; no weapons).

WEDNESDAY

Sept 25

HELLO- **L** is Look for People Who Need You. Sit with a new person at lunch, help someone in class, and make a new friend.

THURSDAY

Sept 26

HELLO- **O** is Oh "Hay" Day! Join us in saying "Hay" to each student in the hallways. Wear your best Country Western look, y'all!

SEE
SOMEONE
ALONE

REACH OUT
+ HELP

START with
Hello

A YOUTH VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAM FROM SANDY HOOK PROMISE

SKYLERT

Text Message Information System

This year, Lamar CISD would like to utilize text messaging to communicate important information to our community. To opt in to these messages, parents must log in to the Skyward Family Access Center and add a Text Message Number to their Skylert communication options. To access this option, first click on the "Skylert" menu option inside the Family Access Center.



2 Home

- New Student Online Enrollment
- Beginning of Year Forms
- Gradebook
- Attendance
- Student Info
- Schedule
- Educational Milestones
- Portfolio
- Skylert**
- Login History

3 My Skyward Contact Info

Contact Info	School Hours Emergency	Attendance	General	Non-school Hours Emergency	Food Service	Survey
Primary Phone: [] []	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					
Family With: []	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cell Phone: (832) [] []	<input type="checkbox"/>					
Family With: []	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Home Email: []	<input type="checkbox"/>					
Family With: []	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					
Additional Contact Info for Family With: []						
Phone Numbers						
Additional Phone 1: [] []	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Email Addresses						
Additional Email 1: []	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Text Message Numbers						
Phone 1: [] []	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

3. Once on the Skylert communication screen, scroll to the bottom of the page and add a Text Message Number to be associated with your students. You should also select the types of communication you would like to receive via text. You may also add additional contact options in the "Additional Contact Info" area.

4 Save

Food Service	Survey
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

4. Don't forget to Save

**you must
OPT IN**

LEAMAN JUNIOR HIGH

NJHS MEETING

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH - 7:40AM



We are looking forward to a great year with this dynamic group of students!

Students will also be able to access the service hours document in case extra copies are needed

Canvas course has been created to help with communication regarding meetings and upcoming events

Order your Embroidered Nike or Under Armor Spirit Wear – handpicked by Mr. Semmler.

<http://bit.ly/2Lq5HGD> (thinner items are not embroidered / shorts, tights, tank tops)

ORDER BY
OCTOBER
1

LEAMAN JUNIOR HIGH LEAMAN SPIRIT WEAR



\$45.00 Nike Men's Short-sleeve Polo
Available in 3 other colors.



\$45.00 Nike Women's Dry Short-sleeve Polo
Available in 3 other colors.



\$60.00 UA Elevated Polo
Available in 2 other colors.



\$35.00 BSN SPORTS PREMIER 1/4 ZIP
Available in 2 other colors.



\$35.00 BSN SPORTS WOMEN'S PREMIER 1/4 ZIP
Available in 2 other colors.



\$50.00 UA Rival Knit Warm-Up Jacket
Available in 2 other colors.



\$50.00 UA Women's Rival Knit Warm-Up Jacket
Available in 2 other colors.



\$45.00 Nike Club Fleece Hoody
Available in 2 other colors.



\$30.00 UA Women's Fly By Short
Available in 2 other colors.



\$35.00 Nike Flex Woven Pocket Short
Available in 2 other colors.

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1-800-749-3813 | myteamshop@bsnsports.com
Team Coordinator Mr. Semmler mramirez03@clisd.org

Access Code
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www.bsnteamssports.com



Click Here To
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Order 9/10 to 10/1

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LEAMAN JUNIOR HIGH
LEAMAN SPIRIT WEAR



\$55.00
UA Women's Balance Crop Legging



\$35.00
UA Women's Game Time Tank
Available in 1 other color.



\$25.00
Nike L91 Custom Tech Cap
Available in 2 other colors.



\$35.00
UA Locker Tee 2.0 Long Sleeve
Available in 3 other colors.

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DONATE BLOOD



DONATE LIFE

Leaman Junior High

9320 Charger Way, Fulshear, Texas

NOVEMBER 5TH | 12-4:30PM

Please Give 



Charger Spirit Yard Sign

Order Form



Item/Activity	Quantity	Total
Blank with Activity: \$25 each		
Activity: _____	_____	\$ _____



Item/Activity	Quantity	Total
Name with Activity: \$30 each		
Name: _____		
Activity: _____	_____	\$ _____

ACTIVITIES AVAILABLE:

CHEER, PEP SQUAD, DANCE, VOLLEYBALL, FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL, TRACK, TENNIS, CROSS COUNTRY, UIL ACADEMICS, BAND, CHOIR, ORCHESTRA, THEATER ARTS, COLOR GUARD, STUDENT COUNCIL NJHS, TSA-TECHNOLOGY & STUDENT ASSOCIATION

STUDENT NAME: _____

GRADE: _____

Advisory Teacher Name: _____

Parent name: _____

Parent email: _____

Parent phone: _____

Cash	_____
Check #	_____
Delivered	_____

****Make checks payable to DLJH Activity Fund #7****

-Turn form and money in to the Leaman JH front office or Coach Megan Tyler in room 1619.

Receipt - Charger Spirit Yard Sign

Date: _____

Sold to: _____

Sold by: Leaman Cheerleaders

Quantity: _____

Names: _____



Yard signs will be delivered to the student during advisory period.

All orders must be submitted by Wednesday, Sept. 18th, 2019

LAMAR CISD

A PROUD TRADITION | A BRIGHT FUTURE

COLLEGE, CAREER & MILITARY NIGHTS!!!

Monday September 30th, 2019

6:00pm to 8:00pm

B.F. Terry High School

&

Monday October 7th, 2019

6:00pm to 8:00pm

Foster High School

Meet representatives from Ivy League schools, in and out of state public/private institutions, junior and community colleges, military academies, scholarship foundations, and much more!

See your high school's College Career Facilitator or Counselors for more details!



Ongoing
Information/
Notices



September 2019

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Welcome! As we begin the 2019-2020 school year, we call on every CHARGER to display honesty, loyalty, and trustworthiness. Use your words and actions to show people that they can trust you. We have many new faces at Leaman Junior High School, and we want to create a family environment for everyone who enters our doors. Take the time to meet new people in your classes, in the halls, in the cafeteria, and in your groups and organizations. Encourage everyone around you to be trustworthy so we can continue to build a strong Leaman family and stay CHARGED UP!!



YOUR COUNSELORS

Lisa Garcia- Pineda-
7th Grade

ligarcia@lcisd.org

Latoya Session- 8th
Grade

lsession@lcisd.org

TRUST

is a fragile thing.

Easy to break, Easy to lose
and one of the hardest things to
ever get back.





Summer's Over!

A Back-to-School Dance

**Friday
Sept
20th
2019**

4-6PM

WITH DJ DLF

Tickets \$5 in advance

\$6 at the door

**Tickets will be sold at all lunches
starting Friday, Sept 13th**

Be there!

2019 Washington DC/Philadelphia/NYC Trip

Attention parents of 8th graders:
Registration is still open for the
2020 Washington DC/Philadelphia/New York City trip.

There will be a parent meeting on
September 19th at 6:00 pm (Room 1308).

This meeting is for those who are interested in
registering for the trip.
Those who have already registered, do not need to attend

Contact Coach Walters with questions
twalters@lcisd.org.



Charger Spirit Yard Sign

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Dear Charger Families,

I would like to extend a warm welcome to you as we kick off our 2019-2020 school year! The Lemman Junior High School Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) plays a vital role in our Charger community, advocating for EVERY student that walks through our doors.

What does the PTO do?

- Continually improve the technology of our school
- Enhance our campus to provide our students with a comfortable environment that is conducive to excelling academically
- Supports our amazing teachers and staff through hospitality efforts throughout the school year
- Awards teacher grants for continuing education which in turn enhances the academic enrichment of our children
- The list goes on and on...

We need your support to ensure we are successful!

How can you help?

- Membership - Join the PTO: You can join the PTO online at www.lemanpto.org or return your membership form to the front office. Membership is only \$10 per family! We invite parents/guardians as well as our teachers and staff to join.
- Write a Check Campaign - Any amount you can donate is so appreciated. Our goal is \$40,000.
- Volunteer - Help the PTO while staying plugged in to what is happening at DLJH.

We will have our first General PTO Meeting on September 10, 2019 at 5:00 pm. I hope to see you there!

We look forward to an amazing school year with your support and participation in your PTO!

Regards,

Cleo Griffith
DLJH PTO President

2019-20 Club '16

Dear Parents and Students of Leaman Junior High,

Club '16 is a parent-run (non-school sponsored) organization, which organizes and holds dances off campus. We encourage attendance to all school dances; however, Club '16 is just another way to supplement with even more activities. We feel parent involvement is essential for the success of Club '16. The dances are planned and chaperoned by parent volunteers. A DJ is hired for the dances, along with food and drinks being provided. There will also be door prizes given away through each evening!

If you choose for your child to join Club '16, you and your child will be agreeing to the guidelines and rules of conduct on the following pages.

This year, the **membership fee is \$120.00** per student. **All checks should be made payable to Club '16.** This fee is to cover the costs associated with each dance and will be used in its entirety for this year's scheduled dances. **The fee must be paid in full.** There are no prorated or partial payments accepted. Your payment, membership form and waiver, are due **by October 1, 2019.** Please return payment, membership form, and waiver to the front office in an envelope labeled Club '16.

Our dates and locations are subject to change, but we do our best to keep the planned schedule. We try to schedule events, so that they do not conflict with school related activities.

Fall Dance	<u>October 4th</u>	7-9:30pm	Halloween Theme	(Swinging Door)
Winter Dance	<u>January 31st</u>	7-9:30pm	Western Theme	(Swinging Door)
Spring Formal	<u>April 4th</u>	7-9:30pm	Formal	(TBD)

In order to make Club '16 a success, parent participation is important. Chaperones are needed at each event. In addition, we will hold a planning meeting before each event to ensure the kids have a great time! Please offer to volunteer your time on the registration form.

We want to thank Swinging Door for being so flexible and excited to work with Club '16 on these events!

Thank you,

Terrie Ward
terrieward@sbcglobal.net

Email Terrie Ward for the
Full Registration Form
terrieward@sbcglobal.net

Parenting Help for Canvas



Canvas is our district's Learning Management System. Communications and information can be shared through this tool. Follow these 3 easy steps to ensure you are kept up-to-date with your student's education.

1

Sign in and set your password.

A checklist is below. Need further assistance?

1st Time Parent Login to Canvas:

- Make sure you have a valid email in Skyward
- Open the Canvas login page
- Select "Forgot Password"
- Go to your email account
- Open the email from Canvas and create a new password
- Login to Canvas with email address and new password

2

Set Notifications/Add Cell Number

- Notification Settings to turn on:
Announcements and Conversations

Need further assistance? Check out these resources: bit.ly/canvaslcisd

3

Stay Connected

Download the Canvas app for your phone.



<https://goo.gl/uE67H>



<https://goo.gl/XK1ebi>

Welcome to Leaman!

Frequently Asked Questions



Attendance

Sarah Marino: sarah.strawther@lcisd.org
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.

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/leamanej/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 jleslie@lcisd.org

Transportation changes

Submit all changes by 3:15 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 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 Delana Jones djones@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.

