

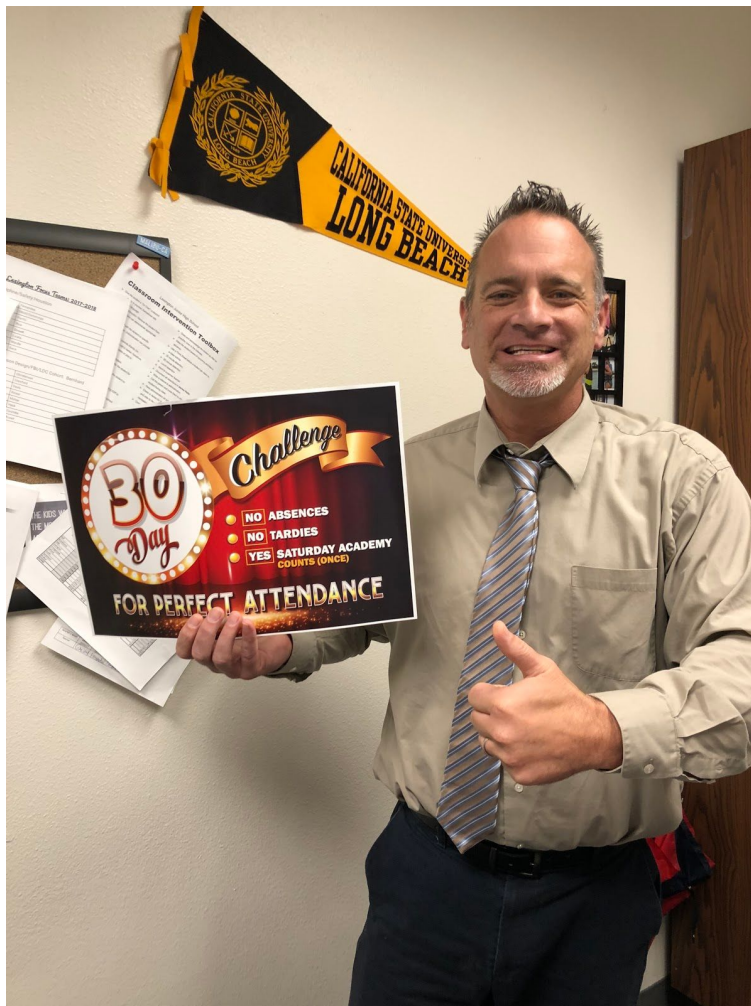


## Mrs. Houston's Monday Memo

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# Perfect Attendance...

#BEINGATSCHOOLPAYSOFF



by **Amber Houston** on December 4, 2017

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Academic success is directly related to student attendance. "You can't teach to an empty seat"

So let's make it a priority to attend school everyday and on time. Lexington Junior High School is committed to the "30 Day Challenge" for perfect attendance. That means - No Absences and No Tardies for a month. And Yes, it is as easy as it sounds. However, if you do miss a day, you have one chance to make it up during Saturday Academy. The best part of the "30 Day Challenge is that each month you have a chance to earn incentives and be recognized for perfect attendance.

### Important Upcoming Dates:

- December 5 - Lexington Velocity Show Choir sings at Cypress Tree Lighting
- December 13 - Choir/Guitar Winter Shows - 6:00 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.
- Words out Loud 12/6 @ District Office
- Dance Show 12/7 @ MPR Lexington
- Sports Friday 12.8: HOME
- Sports Monday 12.11: HOME
- Choir Show Wednesday 12.13: 2 Shows in Lexington Gym
- Band Recital: Band Room: Thursday 12.14
- Holiday Dance: Friday 12.15, 2:30-4:00pm.

### Office Reminders:

- **Lost and Found will be donated at the end of EACH MONTH.**
- Bikes and Boards must be locked in our bike rack area. Detentions will be assigned starting Monday if left without lock.
- Please do not block our school driveway-our busses and emergency vehicles need that clear to enter.

# THIS WEEK'S TOP STORIES

## **CHOIR Presents at Knotts**

The Advanced Choir will be performing on the Calico Stage at Knott's Berry Farm on November 29th. It is a great community representation of Lexington as well as an incredible learning experience for a performance-based class. The students will use this opportunity as a graded "writing piece" when they return. The rubric will contain:

COMMUNICATION - How they conveyed the message of each of their songs  
How their performance was perceived by the audience

OWNERSHIP - How they worked together as a team to reach performance level  
How their positive behavior affects their representation of Lexington

RELEVANCE - The many career opportunities that are available  
How intricate the protocol and coordination is to have a group go from backstage to performance  
How Knott's personnel portrays the atmosphere  
How some environments are very strict and rule oriented





## **CORPORATE PRESENTATION-CYBERPATRIOT**

Kyle Rodriguez and Justin Lee of Lexington's CyberPatriot program presented the positive aspects of CyberPatriot to various attendees of the OC Pathways program at the Marconi Auto Museum. The CyberPatriot program is a competition that teaches our students ethical hacking techniques where they learn to fortify and harden the defense of various operating systems including Windows, Linux, Ubuntu 14 , Cisco, Python, and more. The president and COO of SpaceX, Gwynne Shotwell, and Tim Buzza, Vice President of Launch for Virgin Orbit were the keynote speakers. The event was both inspirational and informative as both Kyle and Justin practiced their public speaking skills, toured the various exhibits, and also enjoyed listening to the speakers.





# LIBRARY BOOK CONTEST



## WIN A PAPERBACK BOOK SET



Guess the number of books that have been checked out since the beginning of the school year until the contest ends on **December 15, 2017**. The student who comes closest without going over will be announced the winner of the paperback book set.

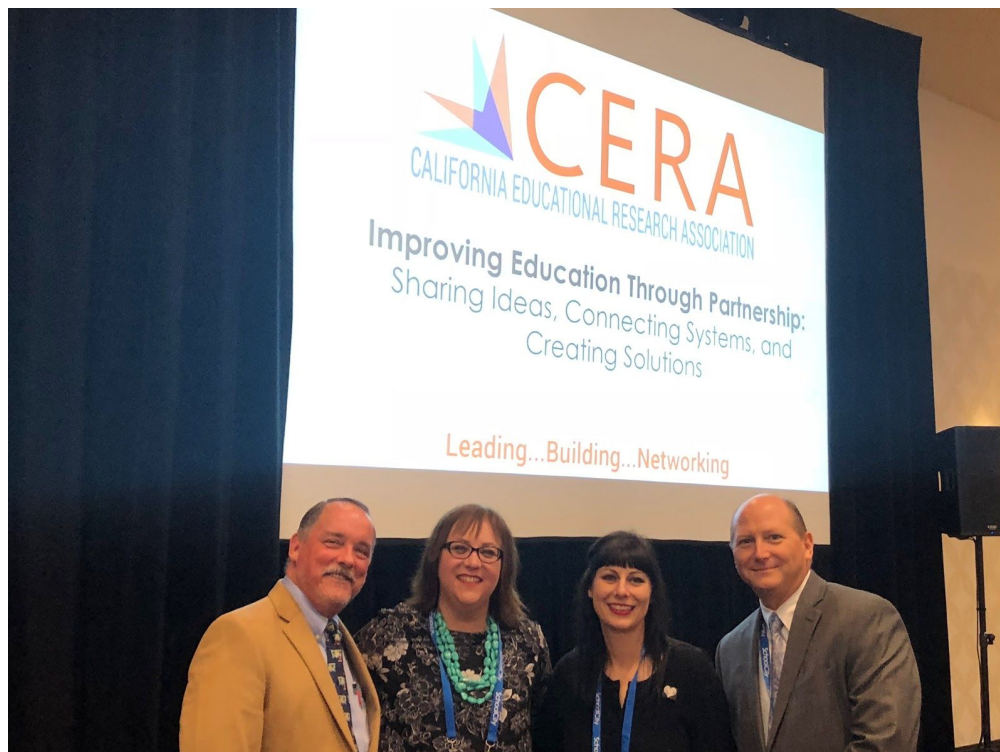
Only **ONE** entry per student.

May the odds be ever in your favor. Good Luck!



## **TEACHERS Present at CERA conference**

We had strong representation by a team of dynamic teachers: Mr. Wardle, Ms. Hind, Ms. Stewart, and Mr. Day, at the California Educational Research Association (CERA) Conference this past week. I am so proud of this team that were sought after to present and share the ACE (Achieving Creative Excellence) program that they lead on our campus. Ace vision is “engaging students’ ways of knowing through an arts-based interdisciplinary capstone project.” We have had so many students benefit from this extra opportunity to develop creativity and critical thinking which is part of our 5 C’s! Congratulations teachers!





## **KINDNESS COOKIES are Here**

We have started selling our Kindness Cookies---\$5 a box makes you part of the kindness movement! Anaheim was named the City of Kindness and AUHSD has partnered in spreading this movement. Gourmet Foods sponsored our AUHSD students and teachers in the creation of this very cool project that afforded our AUHSD students with the opportunity to create, market, and sell this idea. The proceeds from the cookies will go to fund paid internship for our AUHSD high school students as well as Lexington's Journalism and Speech programs. Get yours today! You can purchase these at lunch in the quad or you may purchase them from Mrs. Sanchez in the Main Office.





December 13th in our Gym at 6:00pm and 7:30pm.

CITIES OF CYPRESS AND LA PALMA

# 2018 NEW YEAR'S DANCE

1.20.2018 | 6:00-9:00PM

7TH & 8TH GRADERS ONLY

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LA PALMA COMMUNITY CENTER  
7821 WALKER STREET

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TICKETS: \$10  
SNACKS: \$1

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TICKETS AVAILABLE THE WEEK  
OF THE DANCE AND AT THE  
DOOR. LIMITED NUMBER  
OF TICKETS.

Teens must be present to purchase ticket PLUS have a valid SCHOOL ID card stating their current grade! MUST have valid school ID and ticket to enter dance. Verification of student's ID through Aeries may be used in the absence of a student ID card.



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