



Mrs. Houston's Monday Memo

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Drumline brings it...

#redgolddrumsdragons



by [Amber Houston](#) on May 7, 2018

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Our kids had a great day. We were promoted to the Junior Advanced division after semifinals, and placed second at champs today - our best finish yet!

What's really special about these kids is that they do this in only 26 rehearsal hours and with one instructor, compared to groups they're competing with who have as many as eight on their drumline staff, and who start rehearsing their show in November (we start late January), working weekends and nights. It shows that the kids can be efficient with their time. It's also a great example of teamwork, and working beyond the class (drumline is a completely optional activity).

They represented us well. Way to go Mr. Graves----IMPRESSIVE!





Important Upcoming Dates:

- Sports at Lexington 3:15, May 7.
- May 7-11 Math State Testing.
- DELAC Meeting May 8, 9:15am.
- "It's A Musical" - Choir/Guitar Show on May 9th, shows at 6:00 AND 7:30pm.
- Make Up Math State tests May 14/15.
- Scholar Athlete Dinner, May 14 5pm at Anaheim convention Center.
- Concert on the Green, Band in our quad, May 16, 6pm.
- Lunch with a Lion, May 17.
- Lion Awards, May 17 6pm Gym.
- Yearbook Distribution May 22.
- 8th Grade Party, May 24 (during school day).
- Minimum Day 12:10, last day of school----Thursday May 24th!

***** Attention PARENTS*****

-Please remind your student to **turn off** all electronic devices, including phones before school begins. It should be off all day. Students may always use our phones in the Main Office if the need arises. Thank you for your cooperation!

-Administration will be speaking to all 8th grade classes on Monday and Tuesday of next week and making announcements every morning on morning announcements about 8th grade privileges. We want to provide a transparent, clear and consistent message to you and your students that 8th grade activities is a privilege. Every 8th grader has that privilege right now-but discipline issues arising from here on out could potentially prevent 8th graders from participating in these activities.

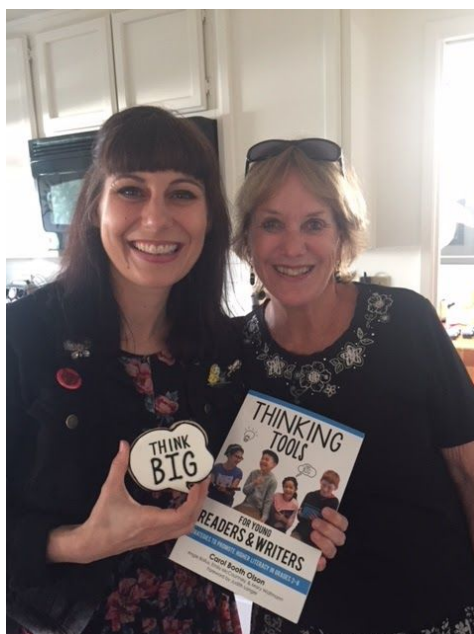
ELA and Science done...Math is up next!

We will begin our Math testing in math classes starting Monday. Please review with your child and check your calendars. We kindly request that students make the strongest effort to be present for these times. Remind your student that this test is a summative measure of what they have been learning all year---get plenty of rest, consume breakfast and be ready to focus! Thank you to Mr. Pfeiffer for all your hardwork and all our staff for doing what is best for kids!

April 19, 2018 Thursday ELA/CAT	April 20, 2018 Friday ELA/PTA	April 23, 2018 Monday ELA Make-up (regular schedule)	April 24, 2018 Tuesday ELA Make-up (regular schedule)
May 7-11, 2018 Math/CAT/PTA Mon - Fri (regular schedule)	May 14-15, 2018 Math Make-up Mon - Fri (regular schedule)	April 30 to May 1, 2018 CAST 8th Grade (regular schedule)	May 14-15, 2018 CAST Make-up (regular schedule)

OUR ENGLISH TEACHERS ROCK

Lexington's Book Clubs were mentioned in Carol Booth Olsen's latest book for teachers. This photo was from the book launch party that Ms. Stewart attended! Way to go English teachers!



This Week's
TOP STORIES

Dance Has THE moves

"Lights, Camera, Dancin'" showcased the talent, creativity, and teamwork of Lexington's Dancers. Hannah Montana sang, Sofia the First spun around, and a dinosaur chased after ballerinas- because it wanted to learn their moves. Thanks for sharing your talents, dancers!





THE AUHSD PLEDGE

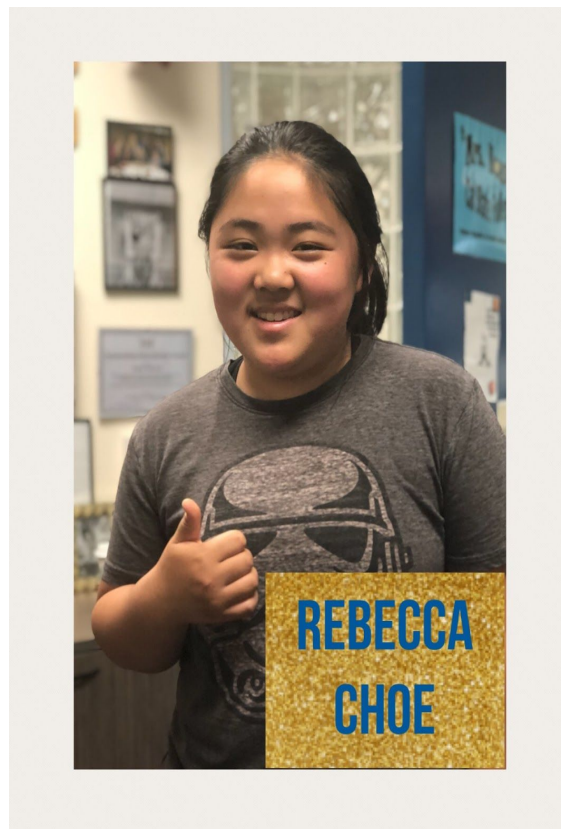
Remember our district is ahead of the game joining forces with our local post-secondary educational institutions. We have a partnership with Cypress Community College, CSUF and UCI! They are providing support for our students now and it continues after they graduate and attend one of these places. Recently, Ms. Giem and I attended the Anaheim Collaborative Convention where our state President Napolitano and the President of UCI spoke to our AUHSD students and staff about the importance of education and the amazing opportunities we have through our CSU and UC systems!



ENGLISH CLASS WRITES A WINNER

Please congratulate some awesome students on winning some very cool literary honors representing Lexington well! We have two 7th graders who wrote letters for ***Letters About Literature*** that made the top 10 in the state of CA. They are both honorable mentions! The awards ceremony will be in September.

Also we have four students selected for the annual ***What the Flag Means to Me***, contest. Congrats!





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SCHOLAR ATHLETE

The 2018 scholar athletes of the year have been selected! Congratulations to these well-rounded and stellar students!

They are:

7th girl - Tarin Rueckert

7th boy - Tyler Degener

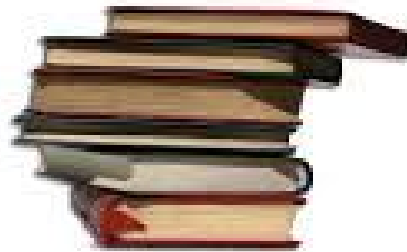
8th girl - Julia Peet

8th boy - Kody Papke

These students will be honored at a ceremony on May 14th at the Kennedy Performing Arts Center.



Scholar Athlete



ATHLETICS represent

We had our first round of intramural tournaments this week. At home on Tuesday, Lexington swept in all three victories in 7th and 8th grade Boys Volleyball and 7/8th grade Girls Softball. On Wednesday against, both our boys volleyball won, while softball had a heartbreaker loss of 2-1.



8TH GRADE STUDENTS VS STAFF

With the end of the year approaching, we begin our 8th grade activities. We started with our basketball games! Both teams for staff beat out our 8th graders this year!





**8TH
GRADE
BOYS
VS
STAFF**

VAPA SHINES ON CAMPUS

Thank you to PTSA and VAPA for funding our new Visual and Performing Arts Murals on campus! We love the arts!



DISTRICT and community announcements



The American Society of Civil Engineers, , has organized a **free** event for middle and high school students and their families. The event includes an **engineering career fair** and screening of the film **Dream Big** (here's a link to the trailer <https://youtu.be/huVNsT8BIM8>). The event is **Saturday, May 19 from 10-1pm @ the Frida Cinema, Santa Ana**. The 1st showing is 10:15am and the 2nd showing is 11:30am.

For event information or to sign up, visit the website at:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/asce-oc-k-12-outreach-dream-big-event-tickets-45353385196>



ASPIREIT 2018

#INNOVATE

WICS and Girls Who Code are collaborating to mentor middle school students through STEM-based projects. Program consists of free workshops where participants will learn game development, robotics coding, web development, and paper circuits through:

SCRATCH



HTML/CSS/JAVASCRIPT

SPHERO



CHIBITRONICS



REGISTRATION LINK: <https://tinyurl.com/aspireIT>

LOCATION

Santa Ana Public Library
26 Civic Center Plaza
Santa Ana, CA 92701

WHEN

Every Saturday, April 14th - May 12th
from 10AM-2PM

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