Lexington Junior High School

November 26, 2018

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HONOR CHOIR

Choir was busy this past week practicing and attending our all district AUHSD Honor Choir Festival at Cook Auditorium. In my opinion, we were the best there! I am so proud of our choir program here at Lexington JHS under the leadership and vision of Mrs. Cherie Batinga. Our students are top notch performers . I am so entertained by their commitment and dedication to his awesome craft! The holiday show is Tuesday, December 11th with two shows in our Lexington gym.



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I am not sure about you, but about this time is when life seems to get a little crazy and exhausting. The seasons are changing, we have to force our kids out with a coat and even pull them inside from playing earlier in the night because it is getting so dark. Academically, teachers, staff, students and parents are probably ready for the end of the semester—that winter break to refuel and rewire for the new year! I always start the year off strong—bed times, home made dinners/lunches, and stick to schedules to a preciseness. By November I am in survival mode—lucky to get dinner made instead of cereal, starting to settle for my sons to bring home a "B" instead of that "A" (okay, I may be lying there:), and I am pushing snooze atleast twice each cold morning. I know that none of you feel like me....hmmm... hehe...but I always try to remember that these are special moments, first and sometimes last moments. The days seem to go by slow, but the years quick. I challenge you to take those moments with your children and remember to smile—even when it is like pulling teeth to get them off Fortnite, and to not burp at the diner table....around their grandma. We have four weeks left until winter break—there is a pause in sight. Remind your children on how important it is to finish strong at school and in life. I know we can all do this—we can do this together. We have a pretty awesome village here—none that I am more thankful for this Thanksgiving season. From my family to yours, I hope you enjoyed your holidays! See you Monday!



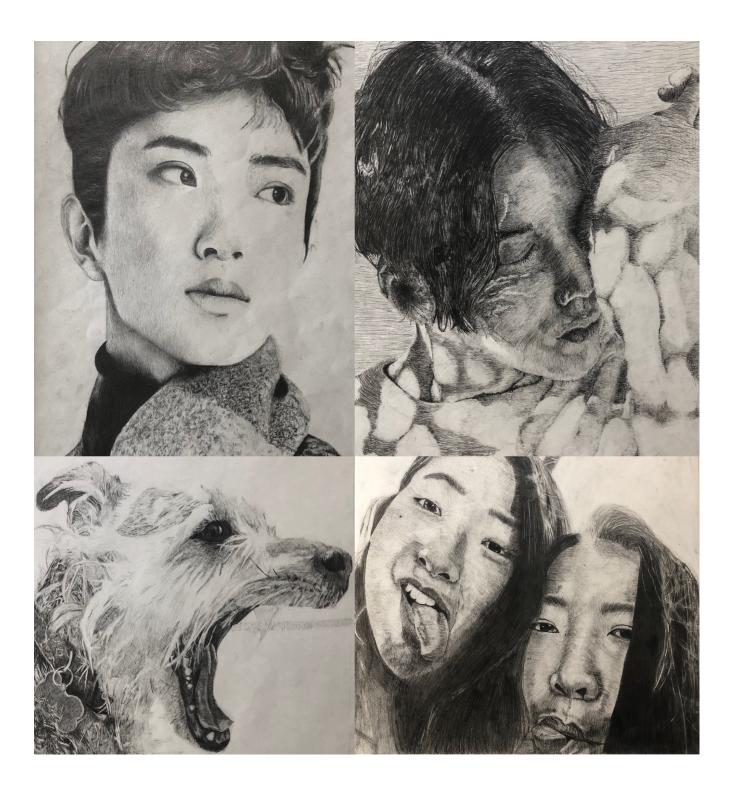
DRAMA

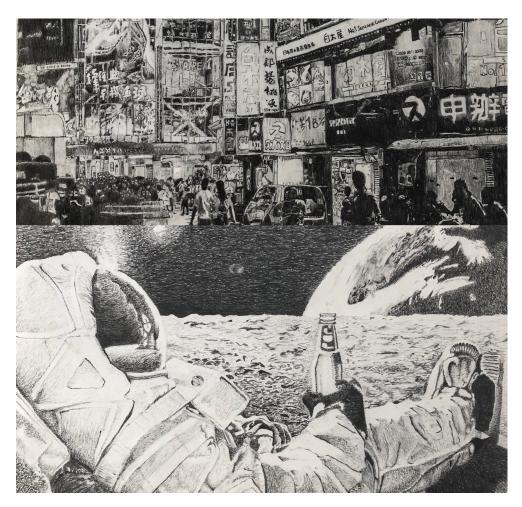
Drama got us into the Christmas spirit with their production of A Christmas Carol directed by David Wardle. As one of the only junior high schools left with a drama program-this truly showed the importance of acting, stage craft and production in a teenager's life. I love the passion Mr. Wardle and the students have for their craft. Everything was built by kids. This story has such a good message for this season of the year as well! I applaud drama and their superb performance! Drama starts our VAPA off in the holiday season-stay tuned for choir.



ART GETS READY FOR SHOW

Mr. Coombs, art teacher, has help bring out the artist in his students. He explains the pictures below: "Graphite pencil using 2h to draw contours...3b-6b to shade directional shading to show volume, sharp pencil always to show texture and direction. Match value to original—layers and layers to create blacks. Draw what they see not what they want to see. Making art legitimate." Get ready for our annual AUHSD Color and Light Art Show—-Lexington students always bring home the golds!







CHOIR AND GUITAR







Pictured is choir receiving a donation from Korean American Master Chorale AND special treat- their conductor Ms. Soojoung Lee conducted Carol of the Bells. Our choir performed with them last month and have an awesome partnership with our friends from KAMC!

Upcoming Events:

Cypress Tree Lighting - Dec. 4

Choir/Guitar Show- Dec. 11

HOME EC

HOME EG GOOKS IT UP

HOME EC

Our beginning Home Ec students are learning how to cook and wash!

Homemade spaghetti and pumpkin scones this week.

Don't forget to have your student cook dinner for you over Thanksgiving Break! They definitely know how!

Or give them kitchen duty after everyone eats!



BAND

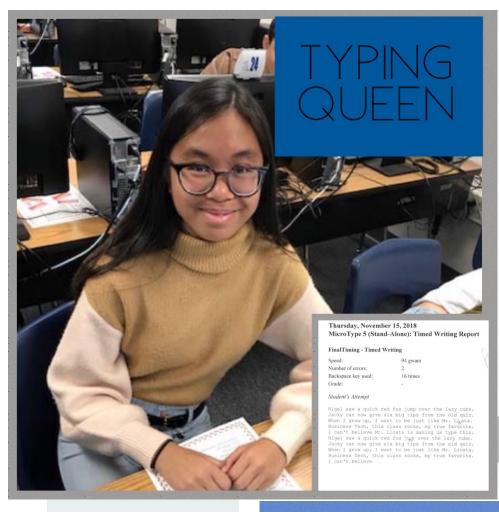
Here is a photo of some of our Lexington students who represented Lexington in the All-District Jr.High Band at the AU-HSD Band & Pageantry Spectacular last Wednesday!

VETERAN'S DAY

Our amazing band director, Steve Graves, and some of the band students headed over to Arnold Elementary and played patriotic songs for the Veteran's Day ceremony. Way to go!



BUSINESS TECH



I don't know if you're doing a Monday Memo, but just in case, here is the winner of the final timing in all my Business Tech classes.

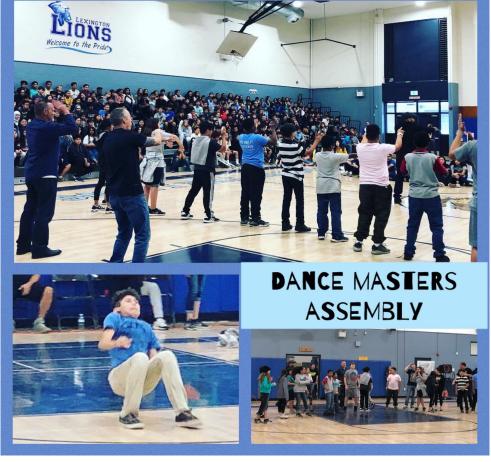
Kayla Macabinlar

94 WPM in a 1 minute timing.

FUNRUN ASSEMBLY

DANCE MASTERS

Because our awesome community donated over \$75,000 for our FunRun FunRaiser, we had our school wide assembly today—DANCE MASTERS! The kids loved it!!! We had volunteers, break dancers, beat boxers and even staff got up there to show off their moves! Thank you Mrs. Dunham for organizing this incentive for all our kids!



SPECIAL OLYMPICS BASKETBALL SQUAD

Our students had a great time showing their skills and spirit at the annual AUHSD Basketball Tournament! Way to go! Mrs. Galvin and I are so proud on how awesome you represented our school! Great character and sportsmanship—while having fun!



HOME ED CATERING

After weeks of planning and prepping, Advanced Home Ec successfully catered back to back events last week. Our annual event, Dia de Los Muertos had a few minor changes this year. Every student entering the event received a tasting ticket (designed by Ally Cheng) and a passport for participation. The event provided a tasting ticket for 850 students which included a taste of enchilada, Spanish rice and vegetarian beans with chips and homemade salsa on the side.

This was an excellent opportunity for our students to practice their serving skills; while their teammates were cooking behind the scenes, nearly 60 of our chefs were able to have the "front of the house" experience at the main service table. Students cooked and served the day before the event and periods 1-7 the day of the event. It was a great success with many compliments to the chefs! On Monday, our chefs began prepping for the teacher breakfast which took place on Tuesday morning. Students made breakfast casseroles, homemade blueberry muffins and a homemade Snickerdoodle Cookie for every teacher. The following morning,

students arrived at 6:15am to begin cooking for their teachers. A big thank you to: Aiden Ramos, An Tran, Jaidyn Green, Kallyn Kumagawa, Kaylee Campbell, Kylie Heredia, Maddy Sanchez, Samy Balaji and Tyler Smith who cooked up fresh pancakes, prepped fruit and yogurt parfaits and set up the MPR to make their teachers feel special. It was a wonderful meal with smiles all around!

HOME EC

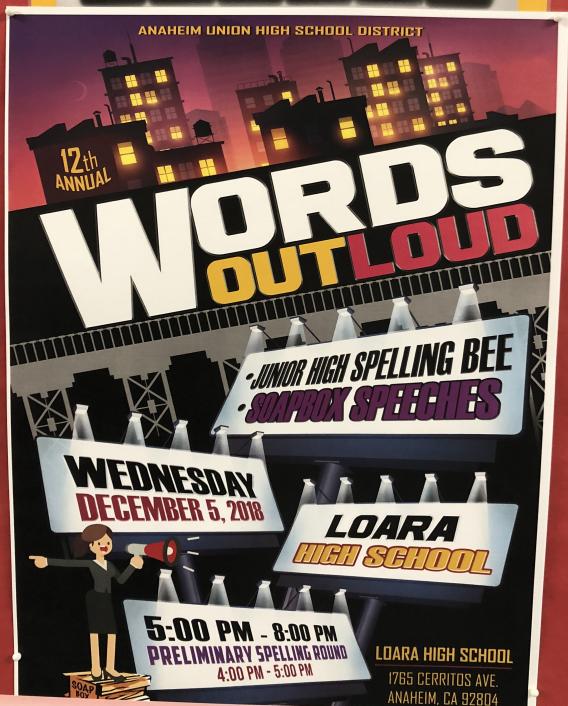


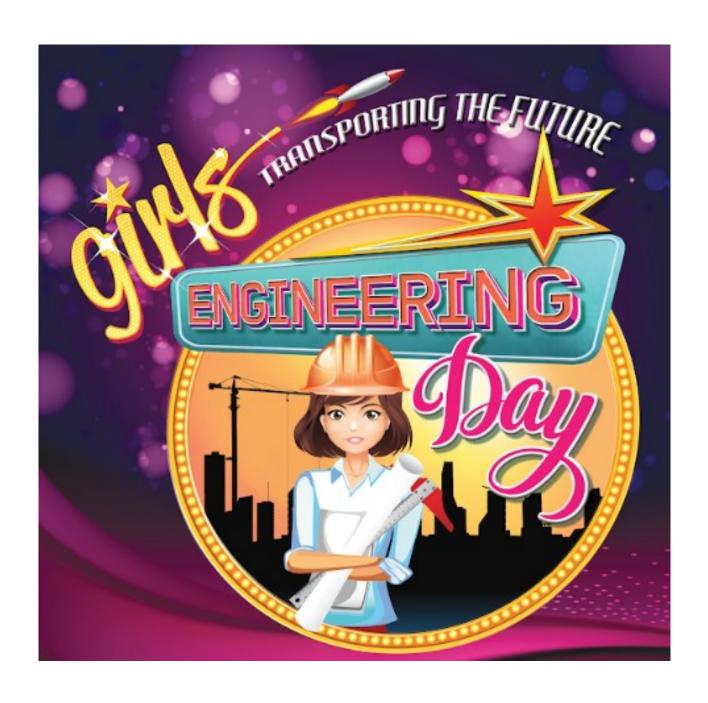
BAND SHOW

Band rocked another awesome holiday show! With a packed gym, these young musicians showed us what music can be when given the opportunity to pick up an instrument. I am so impressed that some of these students only picked up an instrument for the first time when entering Lexington. Mr. Steven Graves is so patience and such an inspiration for these students to believe in themselves and grow in the area of the arts!



Upcoming EVENTS





Information about 5th Annual Girls Engineering Day 2019

Date: Saturday, February 23, 2019

Time: 8:45am - 3:00pm

Location: South Junior High School

More info and official application to come after Winter Break.

STAY CONNECTED

- Don't forget to make sue you have a working Aeries account.
 This is where you can see your student's attendance, grades, assignments and more!
- Gradepop is an awesome APP that pulls from your Aeries account in a quick and easy viewing screen.
- Haiku is an online program that many of our teachers use to post information, assignments, tips, tools and more! Parent log in-is the same as your student.
- Follow up on Face-book for live and current happenings! We post daily pictures of your students in action and also use this to notify families of events or cancellations of clubs/practices.
- Lexingtonjhs.org
 is our website. Class
 curriculum lettres,
 news, calendars and
 updates are also on
 this tool!

CLUBS



OWNERSHIP RELEVANCY LEXINGTON JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Club Calendar

Day	Club	Times	Teacher	Location
Monday	None	None	None	None
Tuesday	Book Club	2nd/3rd/4th Lunch	Cooley	Room 501
	Comic Book Club	1st/Lunch	Cooley	Room 501
	Game Club	All	Jones	Room 402
	Speech and Debate Club	All/ After School 2:30-4:00pm	Heck	Room 506
Wednesday	Best Buddies	All/ Lunch	Galvin	Room 301
	Club Agape	All/ Lunch	Jones	Room 402
	CyberPatriot	All/ After School 2:30-5:30pm	Cummings	Room 307
Thursday	SciFi Club	All/ Lunch	Wardle	Room 801
	Robotics Club	All/ Lunch	Cummings	Room 307
Friday	GSA Club	All/ Lunch	Stewart/Berekian	Room 406
	KPOP Club	All/ Lunch	Coombs	Room 701
	WOW Club	All/ Lunch	Keiser	Room 405

Next Steps

- YOU CAN JOIN AS MANY CLUBS AS YOU WANT!
- ATTEND WHEN YOU CAN!
- HAVE FUN!

COFFEE WITH THE PRINCIPAL

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Library

*August 14th - Welcome to Lexington
September 4th- Aeries & Other Apps for
Student Success
October 2nd- Being Succesful in Jr. High
December 4th- AUHSD Educational Pledge
January 8th- TBD
February 5th- 6-Year Plan
April 2nd- State Testing
May 7th- Cypress HS Admin Visit





* Meeting will be in MPR

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

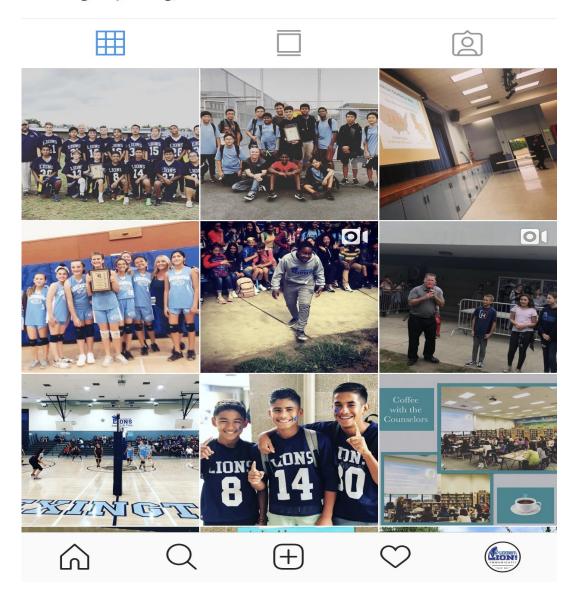
Date Event

November 27	Advanced Choir at Knott's Berry Farm		
November 29	FunRun Pizza Party		
December 1	Saturday School		
December 3	Sports at Brookhurst		
December 4	Coffee with the Principal 9am, Library Sports at Lexington vs. South		
December 5 Sports at Lexington vs. Sycamore Words out Loud @Loara HS, 5pm Band Parent Meeting			
December 6	Sports at Lexington vs. Dale		
December 8	Soap Box Tournament		
December 10	Sports Championship TBD		

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OUR SCHOOL VISION

At Lexington Junior High School, we believe that to be successful educators we must create a high interest level in learning and maintain cross-curricular collaboration with enthusiasm for our subject areas. We are dedicated to maintaining high expectations for ourselves and for our students and to utilizing a variety of instructional strategies so all students are actively engaged in relevant learning and are successful in our classes. We set professional goals annually and frequently re-examine our effectiveness through peer collaboration and the sharing of best practices. Our collaborative and enthusiastic spirit maintains our focus on continuous improvement with the intent to help all students achieve academically and socially at Lexington.

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