



## LUTHER BURBANK MIDDLE SCHOOL

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### BURBANK BULLETIN

January 9, 2017

#### A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

I hope this message finds everyone well and having enjoyed a celebratory holiday season. I also hope the holiday break enabled everyone an opportunity to rest and recharge. While the break from the steady and busy pace we all lead was much appreciated, it was great to see our hallways filled with staff and students again on Tuesday. Our Luther Burbank faculty came back to school last week ready to go for the start of the new year. I spent time in many classrooms last week and was able to observe active and engaged students settling right back into the daily routine of learning and inquiry. It was great to see our community in action... back together again. A great start to a new year ahead.

Warm regards,

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

- January 9 – Geography Bee, MRE Auditorium, 6:00 PM
- January 12 – Nashoba SEPAC, NRHS, Rm 2016, 7:00 PM
- January 16 – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, No school
- January 19 – LBMS School Council, 3:30 PM
- January 27 – Early Release Professional Development, 11:30 AM dismissal
- February 6 – Spelling Bee (mark your calendars)

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

##### Honor Roll Recap

Congratulations to all of our students who achieved the honor roll during the first trimester. I'm very pleased to report that 56% of our students met the honor roll criteria. We had a great turnout at our first honor roll breakfast before the holiday break, and we are looking forward to offering the event again at the conclusion of the second trimester. Honor roll names will be printed in the Clinton Item in the near future. Please be on the lookout.

### Luther Burbank Award Recipients

Congratulations to our first trimester recipients of the Luther Burbank Award. The Luther Burbank Award is a new award for our school community. Recipients are selected by their teachers for demonstrating the qualities of citizenship, respect, and kindness. These qualities are ones that epitomize the vision set forth by our school's namesake. We will be preparing a special bulletin board in our main hallway to recognize our Luther Burbank Award recipients. Please take a look the next time you are in the building. Luther Burbank Award recipients: Mariah Reisner (gr. 6), Chase McClintock (gr. 6), Bridget Bailey (gr. 7), Margot Sonia (gr. 7), Dylan Petri (gr. 8), and Rosie Bailey (gr. 8).

### Candid Picture Day – Monday, January 9

Hockmeyer Studios will be at school on Monday to take candid photos of our students for this year's yearbook. The photographer will also take pictures of all student activity groups and interscholastic sports teams. The yearbook is shaping up very well this year. A huge thank you to Mrs. Brennan and the yearbook committee for all of their work on this publication. Watch for information coming soon regarding yearbook orders.

### Lancer Basketball Off to a Great Start

After a great turnout for tryouts, the Luther Burbank Middle School Basketball season is off to a terrific start. 27 boys participated in tryouts with 13 being selected to the team. The squad is made up of a strong core of 6 eighth grades with 3 seventh graders and 4 sixth graders working hard to complement the talents of their veteran teammates. The preseason kicked off with a grueling two weeks of practice focused on getting into game shape, learning plays and becoming a team. The first two games resulted in tough losses to Bolton and Stow by 4 and 12 points respectively, but the team has built up a lot of momentum and confidence as they have earned a 3 game winning streak and look forward to a strong remainder of the season. In like fashion, the Lady Lancers is also comprised of a hard-working, dedicated group of student athletes. To date, the team has participated in five games, and is currently on a three-game winning streak. Giving it their all in games and at practice, the girls strive to play together as a single unit and to represent our school community with distinction.

You can cheer both teams on at our next home game on Thursday, January 12<sup>th</sup>. For the full schedule, please click [here](#).

### February NRSB Enrichment

The 2017 February Enrichment Academy registration is now open! This vacation academy will be held at the Emerson School Gym and will offer three amazing opportunities for students in grades K - 8. In addition, this Academy is offering a full day opportunity for students in grades 6 -8 to participate in the Magical Enchantment Academy as Academy Assistants. To register and read [more...](#)

**PICTURE OF THE WEEK**



The New Year begins with CrossFit in PE!