

9-27-19

Thursday's Curriculum Night for third through fifth grade went well. We are proud to show our students taking an active part in their learning and in classroom leadership through the student led portion of these curriculum nights. If you have any questions regarding our curriculum or any part of the classroom schedule feel free to contact your child's teacher – they are available through e-mail, voice-mail or written notes.

Attendance

If you bring your child to school after 8:57 and the doors are locked, they are considered tardy. You will need to be buzzed in (with a photo id), come to the office and sign your child in and the staff will give them a tardy pass. Students are considered tardy when they arrive between 8:57 and 10:00 am. After 10:00 am they are considered absent for the morning. Students leaving before 1:45 are considered absent for the afternoon.

SIP Minutes

Shared Involvement Process is a process for soliciting, collecting, evaluating and using information and the expertise of educational partners for the purpose of making and implementing decisions that will improve or enhance student achievement. Our SIP Committee is comprised of three teachers, three parents, the building principal and the building secretary. They meet once a month and the minutes are published in the Discovery. If you have any questions or concerns that you would like the SIP committee to consider, please see the information on the bottom of the minutes outlining the procedure. The minutes from our September meeting are attached.

SIP Meeting Minutes

From the Michigan Department of Education-

If your child was in third, fourth or fifth grade in the Spring of 2019 and took the M-Step Test at Dolsen the parent letter and test scores were mailed on September 13th, 2019. Your child's test score report is a helpful tool you can use to better understand whether your child is on track with the skills needed in math and English language arts. You can use the report to partner with your child's teacher to make a plan for this school year. You will find information in parent-friendly language that will help you:

- understand your child's M-STEP score report
- locate resources to support learning at home and school
- prepare for an effective Parent Teacher Conference
- see and practice with online M-STEP practice questions and tools
- learn about the Read by Grade 3 law
- understand what academic standards students are expected to master
- learn about the accessibility tools and supports available to students during testing

Parents are Critical Partners in a Child's Success The Michigan Department of Education is committed to making sure parents have the information they need to best support learning. When you receive your child's score report, be sure to visit mi.startingsmarter.org.

Safety Drills (repeat announcement)

We held our first ALICE drill today. Last year, all of SLCS staff was trained in the ALICE protocol. As we did last year, we will continue to hold ALICE Drills (formerly known as lockdown/intruder drills) at intervals throughout the school year. The drill today was held with the assistance of our Oakland County Sheriff's Liaison.

October Menu

Attached is the October Fall Menu: "Fall into something good".

[October Menu](#)

Spirit Wear

Below is the link to order Dolsen Spirit Wear – the final day for ordering is Oct. 13, 2019. Orders will be delivered 2 -3 weeks later.

https://kensingtonvalleyvarsity.com/dolsen_elementary_2019/shop/home?fbclid=IwAR3NVFpCvYtIEAEUqP4iuDOZDIBzdC6ZsPKV-GljVot9bh_ufWwe66gIJY

Back to School Picnic

Just a reminder that the BTS Picnic is next Thurs. Oct 3, 2019. We still need some volunteers (PTO will enter all BTS picnic volunteers in a raffle to win a Dolsen tote bag! Teachers and staff included!) and we ask that families sign up so we can have an idea of how much food/drink to provide!

Sign up to volunteer: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090f4bacae28abff2-back>

Sign up to attend: <http://dolsenpto.weebly.com/back-to-school-picnic.html>

[BTS Picnic Flyer](#)

[Dolsen Tote](#)

Last call for Popcorn

PTO supplies popcorn to Dolsen students once a month during the school year. They would like to collect \$10.00 per student (for the entire year) to offset the cost of it. If you haven't done so already, the flyer attached explains how to submit payment. First Popcorn day is 10/10. Proceeds from the popcorn sales support school assemblies.

Sign up/pay online: <http://dolsenpto.weebly.com/popcorn.html>

or print order form and turn in cash to office:

[Popcorn Flyer](#)

Boo Bowling (repeat announcement)

Please join the South Lyon Educational Foundation for a fun filled afternoon of Boo Bowling Sun 10-13-19. Wear your best bowler-friendly Halloween costume and come raise funds for SLEF.

Cost is \$16/bowler.

Check in begins at 2 pm.

Includes:

2 hours of bowling, shoes and 1 cheese or pepperoni pizza per lane

Pizza and pop for non-bowlers \$4/each

Max of 6 bowlers per lane/ Smaller groups may be combined

TICKETS: <http://bit.ly/slefboobowling>

Silent Auction Raffle items being accepted and sponsorship opportunities available.

Please contact SLEF at info@slefoundation.org

PTO News

Little Caesar's Pizza Kits (repeat announcement)

The PTO is excited to announce the launch of the 2019 Pizza Kit fundraiser for Dolsen Elementary! Flyers and order forms will be going home with your children this week. We have some exciting prizes for the top selling class as well as the top seller in each grade! Orders and payment are due back to school Mon. 10-7-19. Pizzas will be available for pick up on Mon. 10-21-19. PTO's fundraisers offer support to the school in a variety of ways including funding for substantive learning materials (Raz Kids, Brain Pop and Scholastic), educational apps, school assemblies, party on the playground and teacher appreciation events! Please see the attached flyer for additional information.

[Little Caesar's Flyer](#)

Alternative Fund Raiser (repeat announcement)

PTO offers an alternative fund raiser for families that don't want to fundraise. See the attached flyer

[Alternative Fund Raiser](#)

Upcoming Events

10-3-19 – Dolsen Taking Care Thurs-Wear Red

10-3-19 – Back to School Picnic – 5:00 – 7:00 pm – playground

10-9-19 – Dolsen Cottage Inn Night

10-10-19 – Popcorn Day

10-11-19 – Picture Day

10-15-19 – Pod Meeting 2:45 pm

10-15-19 – PTO Meeting 4:15 pm

10-17-19 – Dolsen SIP Meeting – 8:00 am – Conference Room

Please see the district web site for District approved flyers -

http://www.slcs.us/enrolling/district_approved_flyers/index.php

School Website:

http://www.slcs.us/dolsen_elementary/index.php

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