



December 8, 2023

Dear Lakes Families,

What a great week of generosity! It has been fun to see the students dressed in spirit wear and stacking up donations for the Adopt-a-Family program! Our food drive wraps up on Monday, December 11. Lakes is collecting mac and cheese, granola bars and fruit snacks.

**Lakes Information and News:**

LOC for December

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*Crazy Cookie Mania*

JOIN THE SWEET FUN DECEMBER 14TH!  
DEPOSIT AND DECORATE A COOKIE BEFORE THE HOLIDAY BREAK!

Open a Student Youth Account today, visit: [loccreditunion.com/join-loc](http://loccreditunion.com/join-loc)  
Questions? Contact: Stephanie Hamlin | [shamlin@loccreditunion.com](mailto:shamlin@loccreditunion.com)



Parent Guidance Mental Health Series

The county mental health sessions are being recorded and posted. Here is the link to the session on anxiety. [Mental Health Series-Your Child's Anxiety](#)

Next Thursday (Dec. 14) is the session on school avoidance. More information is located below.

Upcoming Dates:

12/14: LOC Day, Parent Mental Health Session (school avoidance) 6pm

12/15: Movie Night

12/18-12/22: Spirit Week!

M: winter accessory day (hats, necklaces, etc)

T: holiday sweater day

W: candy cane day (wear red, green and/or white)

Th: pajama day

F: "stocking" day (wear crazy, fancy or holiday socks)

12/22: ½ day of school (dismissal 12:00pm)



## PTO News:

### Did You Know???

Money raised through our PTO fundraisers provide the funds for in-house presentations and field trip transportation. Here's what's been funded so far this year:

3rd grade participated in a virtual field trip called

"The Native American Experience".

2nd grade had a presentation from the Sloan Museum about communities.

4th grade visited the Capitol building and the Michigan History Museum.

The fundraising dollars raised go directly back to your students! Thank you PTO members! If you are interested in joining this group, please see the link on our website or the Lakes PTO facebook page.



Movie Night, December 15

Link to donate art supplies:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0849AEAA2AA0F58-46665824-artsupply>



**Come join us for a FUN Family night!**

**When: Friday, December 15th**

**Doors open at 6pm Movie starts promptly at 6:30pm**

**We ask that you bring a donation of an art supply from this list:**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0849AEAA2AA0F58-46665824-artsupply>

- Prismacolor Scholar Colored Pencils – 24 ct (Qty 14 sets requested)
- Hot glue Sticks (School Smart All Temperature Glue Stick, 0.43X4 in, clear, pack of 50)
- Glue Sticks (request is AUHU Glue Stick. 0.74 oz (Qty 48 requested) -
- Sharpie Fine Tip Permanent Markers, Assorted Colors (24 ct set, 6 needed)
- Sharpie Fine Tip Permanent Markers, Black (Qty 48 requested)
- Crayola Crayons (no specific size or quantity requested)
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Feel free to wear your PJ's and bring your own pillow, blanket, and/or sleeping bag! Chairs will be provided for the adults.

**Food available for purchase (cash only):**

Pizza, popcorn, pop, juice boxes and water, chips and candy

**There will be a raffle for some great prizes as well!!!**

*Please note: This event is for the entire family to attend. It is important that you stay with your child(ren) the entire time they are at the movie.*

*This is meant to be a fun night out for the family, but we would appreciate your help making sure your children are seated during the movie to limit the distractions for the other families in attendance. There will not be any babysitting services provided during the movie.*



## Other District News and Community Events:

**Hartland Youth Lacrosse** is excited to announce two free “Try Lacrosse” winter clinics.

**December 2 and 16, 2023 at the HESSC main gym.**

\*Grades 1st-4th will be 3:30-5PM

\*Grades 5th-8th will be 5-6:30PM

The clinics are **FREE** and designed to introduce boys and girls (grades 1-8) to the incredible game of lacrosse. We will have stations set up to learn the important fundamentals of lacrosse, as well as activities with a focus on fun! Free gift\* and registration discount for all new players! \*while supplies last



## Livingston County Families *join our next Mental Health Series...*

### School Avoidance

Why don't they REALLY want to go to school? What are they avoiding?

It can be frustrating when your child does not want to go to school or is avoiding something they used to love. Learn how to ask the right questions - get to the root of the real problem.

**This session covers the following:**

- How to ask the right questions
- Reasons kids avoid school
- The why behind behaviors
- What parents can do to help



## December 14, 2023



**6:00–7:00 PM via Zoom**

or check your local district website for an onsite viewing location

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*"Helping parents, help their kids"*



Have a fabulous weekend!

Melissa Frasier

Principal

Lakes Elementary