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Message from the President

Dear LCE Families,

It looks like another busy week at LCE!

I hope you can attend the PTA meeting this Wednesday, November 16th, at 9:15am in the cafeteria. We will be discussing the purchase of a new Riso copy machine and other new business. Our special guest speaker, Nancy DeBoer, will be giving us a more detailed look into the district's GATE program. Coffee and treats will be served.

Wednesday is also the LCFEF Jog-a-thon. If you have not already done so, please register your child at lcfef.org and pledge your support.

Thursday is LCE's dine out at Round Table Pizza from 5pm-10pm. To my fellow sixth grade families, this is our last official LCE dine out as a class. I hope to see you all there.

Lastly, the LCE Student Council will be conducting a food drive this week, benefiting needy families in and around our community this holiday season. I hope you join me in supporting their efforts. See the article below for more information on how you can help.

Have a wonderful week,
Christie Clarkson
LCE PTA President

Student Council Food Drive

Student Council Food Drive - November 14th-18th

A food drive sponsored by LCE's Student Council in conjunction with the LCF Community Center and Sherriff's Department will take place this week.

Start this season of giving by donating much needed food that will be distributed to needy families in our community. Each class has been given specific items to bring in, they are as follows:

Kindergarten - canned soup
1st grade - canned vegetables
2nd grade - cereal, snack bars, and granola bars
3rd grade - dry pasta
4th grade - packaged desserts (Jell-O pudding packages, etc.)
5th grade - canned tuna, canned meat (Vienna sausages, etc.)
6th grade - canned fruit

You can drop items off in your classroom at LCE. If you have questions, please contact Mrs. Franz or Ms. Diaz. Thank you for your support!

What is GATE - Gifted and Talented Education Program?

Please join us at our November PTA meeting to find out:

- What is GATE (Gifted and Talented Education Program)?
- Who qualifies for the program?
- What is the procedure involved in identifying GATE students?
- What is the percentage of GATE students?
- What are the components of GATE programs and how are they structured?
- Introduction to LCE Spring GATE programs

Nancy DeBoer, LCE GATE Coordinator and Counselor, will speak about the GATE programs in our school district as well as answer any questions and concerns. Please mark your calendar to attend our PTA meeting on Wednesday, November 16th, at 9:15am in the Cafeteria and find out other exciting news from your LCE PTA!

You're Invited!

What: The LCE PTA Annual Holiday Breakfast and Choral Concert

When: Wednesday, December 14th at 9:15am

Where: LCE Cafeteria

Festivities will include a fabulous breakfast, choral concert performed by our very own Lion's Pride Chorus directed by Barb Drange, and our white elephant gift exchange.

Please bring a wrapped gift of minimal yet comical value for the gift exchange. We hope to see you there! Please RSVP to Jill Oliver at jilloliver@pobox.com by

December 1st.

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