

The best way to have a good idea is to have a lot of ideas. –

Dr. Linus Pauling

Linus Pauling Pride



Parent Newsletter

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Some of our upcoming events

Wed. Feb. 22nd: OBOB School Competition
Thursday, April 6th: Track meet at Junction City HS
Monday, April 17th: Know Your County Govt. Day
Wednesday, April 19th: Greek Olympics
Thursday, April 20th: Track meet at LPMS
Tuesday, April 25: Mock Congress Committee Hearings.
Tuesday, May 16th: Track meet at LPMS
Thursday, May 25th: Meet of Champions at CHS
Tuesday & Wednesday May 30 and 31: Mock Congress at Linn-Benton Community College.



The **Make Your Mark** (MYM) direct donation campaign for the 2016-17 school year is in full-swing at Linus Pauling Middle School. This direct donation campaign provides additional resources and unique experiences to enhance learning during the 2016-17 school year at our school. All the money raised this year will go toward activities and resources that will benefit your child this year and beyond. MYM is our primary annual fundraising campaign and our goal this year is to raise \$10,000. We have moved away from product-based fundraising and sincerely appreciate those who *made their mark* this past year. We hope we can count on you to join us again!

How can you support the Linus Pauling Make Your Mark campaign?

1. Make a tax deductible gift! Every gift large or small makes a difference for our students at Linus Pauling MS. You can give online at cpsfoundation.org (designate to: LPMS Make Your Mark). You will be able to designate specifically to MYM prior to submitting your donation. For those of you with employer matching gift programs e.g. Hewlett Packard, please consider giving your gift to Linus Pauling Middle School.
2. Another way to give is by writing a check to: Corvallis Public Schools Foundation (Please write LPMS Make Your Mark on the memo line). You may drop off or mail checks to:

**Linus Pauling Middle School
Make Your Mark Campaign
1111 NW Cleveland Avenue
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3. Help spread the word! Please consider sending this letter to family, friends, neighbors, business owners or anyone else who may want to help through email, Facebook, Twitter, or other creative ways. Thank you for spreading the news about Make Your Mark!

Make Your Mark brochures and more information about our campaign are now available in the LPMS office. As the campaign progresses, we will keep you updated on the progress toward our goal and will have our annual "Penny Wars" in February as a way for students to help us meet our goal. This campaign runs through the end of February. If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Lacey Purkey, Operations Assistant in the LPMS office at 541-766-4709.

NEW SCHEDULE

Beginning soon we will have a new bell schedule at LPMS. Passing time between classes will be reduced from five to four minutes. There will now be 15 minute lunch periods for each grade level with 30 minutes of outdoor rec/library/club time.

2017-18 Student Transfer Process Opens March 1, 2017
Corvallis School District student transfers may be requested through our online process March 1 – 31, 2017 for the 2017-18 school year.

Grades K – 12 in-district and inter-district student transfer requests for enrollment in Corvallis schools will be made through the district’s online transfer application process during the month of March. If the number of students seeking transfers exceeds the number of spaces available, an equitable lottery process will be used and school waiting lists created. Parents will be notified regarding offers of enrollment or placement on established wait lists by the end of April unless an extension is required. Kindergartners requesting transfers are required to register at their neighborhood schools by March 31.

TRACK AND FIELD!

Don't miss the chance to be part of this year's LPMS Track and Field team! Permission forms and physical forms (for 7th and 8th graders) are due February 27, and practice starts March 6. All forms are available at:

<https://sites.google.com/a/corvallis.k12.or.us/linus-pauling-middle-school/forms>

Need more information? Email head coach Coulter Rose at lpmstrack@gmail.com.



2016-2017 LPMS Concert Schedule
(Subject to change)

Feb. 11, 2017	TBD	All Choirs	CVHS
Feb. 23, 2017	7:00pm	All Bands	LPMS
Mar. 1, 2017	7:00pm	All Choirs	LPMS
Apr. 8, 2017	Day time	Anyone Interested	NAlbany

Apr. 21, 2017 TBD Int. & Adv. Bands LaSells Stewart Ctr. OSU Band Festival

May 3, 2017 Day time Advanced Newport, OMEA Dist. XI Instrumental Festival

May 10, 2017 Day time Advanced Choir TBD OMEA Dist. XI Choral Festival

June 1, 2017 7:00pm All Choirs LPMS

June 7, 2017 7:00pm All Bands LPMS

ENGAGE OREGON

A conference to engage families in education and technology.

Technology is changing how today’s students learn. This event is designed to give parents additional tools to support their student.

Corvallis - Saturday, March 4, 9 AM - Noon

Linus Pauling Middle School, 1111 NW Cleveland Avenue

Reserve your spot today! This event is free! Sessions include:

- Checking your student’s grades online
 - The 21st Century Classroom
 - Cyberbullying and Teens
 - Internet Safety and Setting Limits at Home
 - Safety with Social Media
- Continental Breakfast and Maker Space child care area for children ages 5-12.**

Thank you to our sponsors!

For a complete schedule and to register

visit: <http://tinyurl.com/Engage-Corvallis>.



Library News!

Our annual Scholastic Book Fair was held in December and as always it was a huge success. We sold over \$1200 worth of books and merchandise, which means our library will receive \$600 in Scholastic books! Many thanks to all the parents who volunteered to help out at the book fair. We couldn't have done it without your help.

Kristy Kemper-Hodge, the wonderful youth librarian at the Corvallis Public Library, will visit LPMS on Wed. March 8th for a book discussion on *A Night Divided* by Jennifer Nielsen from this year's Oregon Battle of the Books selections. Kristy will be in the purple area of the library during lunch time/outdoor rec. Please encourage your children to attend. They do not need to be members of an OBOB team and Kristy is very engaging. The conversations often lead to other great books.

Speaking of OBOB our school competition will take place Feb. 22-24 during lunchtime/outdoor rec.

New Books in Spanish for LPMS!

The LPMS DLI program received a grant for \$5000 to expand our library collection of Spanish books. Titles that will be added include classics like *Little House on the Prairie*, *Neverending Story*; popular series such as *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*, *Big Nate* and the *Hunger Games*, as well as culturally relevant selections such as *Women Hollering Creek*, *Cuentos Populares Mexicanos* and *Cuentos con Sazón*. If you would like to suggest a selection to add to our collection, please contact Mr. Fulton at 541-757-5737 or by email: joe.fulton@corvallis.k12.or.us

Geography Bee!

Congratulations to 8th grader Christina Lundahl, the winner of our school Geography Bee. And congrats to all of the students who qualified and participated in our school competition. The questions were very difficult, but you did great.



Attendance Reporting – Call 541-757-3980

Accurate student attendance must be taken each school day, and Oregon state law dictates the types and the number of absences which may be reported as excusable. When your student will be absent from either a full or partial day of school, it is very important to report the absence to the school by 9:15 a.m. the day of the absence by calling the school attendance line. Voicemail is available for attendance messages around the clock. When leaving an attendance message, please give 1) your name, 2) the student's name, 3) date of the absence, 4) time of the absence, 5) reason for the absence, and 6) a phone number where you may be reached during the school day for information. **And there are free refrigerator magnets with our phone numbers in the office!**



Health Navigator

The school Health Navigator can assist with the Oregon Health Plan, finding medical providers, scheduling health appointments. Also, the health Navigator can connect students with after school programs and physical/recreational activities. The Health Navigator serves as a link to community resources. You can reach her at 541-766-4688.

La Navegadora de Salud escolar puede asistirle con solicitar/renovar el Plan de Salud de Oregon, encontrar proveedores de servicios médicos, programas citas de salud. Además, la Navegadora de Salud puede conectar a los estudiantes con los programas después de clases y actividades físicas o recreativas. La Navegadora de Salud puede conectar a las familias con recursos en la comunidad. Se puede comunicar con la Navegadora llamando al 541-766-4688.



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