



# CHARTER CHATTER

JANUARY 10, 2012

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## HOMECOMING 2012

The Homecoming theme for 2012 is "Let the Good Times Roll." The entire school is invited to participate in spirit week and the homecoming games.

### SPIRIT Week

Wednesday the 18th

**SUPER HERO DAY**

Dress as your favorite hero

Thursday the 19th

**MARDI GAUDY DAY**

Dress loud and extravagant

Friday the 20th

**LCS SPIRIT DAY**

Show your Eagle pride

3:00-4:30

Junior Cheerleaders pictures

MP Room

4:30

JV Boys Games

Varsity Boys Game

Homecoming Court Presentation

HS Girls Game

9:30

HS Homecoming Dance

## INTENT TO RETURN

We are currently compiling our enrollment for the next school year. Please complete the intent to return form and indicate your intentions for your child(ren) for the 2012/2013 school year at Lincoln Charter School's Denver Campus. All forms are due by Feb 8, 2012. If you have any questions contact Robin Harwood at [robin.harwood@lincolncharter.org](mailto:robin.harwood@lincolncharter.org).

## PTO

The elections for the 2012-2013 PTO Board members are just around the corner. We are looking for 1 staff member and 2 parents to head up the Nomination Committee. This committee will assist the PTO President in running the spring election. This election will be held at the Patriotic Program on May 10th. If you are interested please contact Cindy Grembecki at [mikencindy@charter.net](mailto:mikencindy@charter.net) no later than January 20th.

Check out next weeks Charter Chatter for PTO Board positions and nomination information!

Last week we thanked the Coaches that led the 5th graders (both Lincoln & Denver) in activities prior to their DARE Graduation, and in our error we deleted one very important person. Please extend our apologies and gratitude to Coach Seitz for all his help in making their DARE Graduation a wonderful success.

## TALON CHALLENGE

The 3rd annual Talon Challenge with Thomas Jefferson will be taking place on February 3 at LCS. 100% of the proceeds from this event benefit the V Foundation for Cancer Research, both schools have raised close to \$10,000 in the past two years! In preparation for this event, please be aware of the following opportunities to get involved:

T-shirts are for sale, click [here](#) for the order form. Orders are due by January 20. This t-shirt may be worn with uniform bottoms the entire week of January 30.

Memory cards are available in all front offices – for a suggested donation of \$1/card. Publically remember those whose lives have been touched by cancer.

LCS is competing with TJCA to see who can raise the most pints of blood, by donating through the Red Cross. Help us defeat the gryphons by donating at the MS/HS on Jan 31 or at the Lincoln campus on Feb 1. Appointments are preferred; please register for the Denver drive by e-mailing [heather.kline@lincolncharter.org](mailto:heather.kline@lincolncharter.org) or [keith.hain@lincolncharter.org](mailto:keith.hain@lincolncharter.org) for the Lincoln drive.

LCS will play Thomas Jefferson in basketball (all basketball teams, MS and HS) on February 3 at LCS. Please plan to come out and support the Eagles!

## SPRING SPORTS TRYOUTS

Spring tryouts begin the week of Feb 13 – stay tuned for full details

HS Softball (girls only) – Open field workouts start Jan 19 and will run every Tuesday and Thursday after until tryouts – weather permitting. These sessions will begin immediately after school and run until 4:45pm.

MS softball – begins open fields on 1/15 from 2-4pm, and continues each Sunday until the start of tryouts

MS/HS Baseball (boys only) - Open fields TBA

HS Soccer (girls only) – Jan 9, 3:30-5, and every Monday and Wednesday following – weather permitting

MS Soccer (girls only) – Jan 9, 4-5:30, and every Monday and Wednesday following – weather permitting

HS Track (boys and girls) – every Monday/Tuesday/Thursday after school until 4:30 – weather permitting

Additional sports/team open fields/practice sessions will be announced later - stay tuned for details. Questions? Please e-mail [daniel.schmitz@lincolncharter.org](mailto:daniel.schmitz@lincolncharter.org).

## SWEETHEART BALL

SAVE THE DATE!

Attention all elementary students and parents: Dust off your dancing shoes! The annual Family Sweetheart Ball is approaching! We will be gathering to dance the night away and have some LCS family time. This is a PTO sponsored event and we hope to see you there on Friday, February 10th from 7-9pm. Be on the lookout for further details and volunteer opportunities in the weeks to come!

## EAGLES FUND FACTORY

Watch for details on the second annual "It's Snow Much FUNd!" winter contest coming home! Be sure to save your Box Tops, Tyson Project A+ labels, Labels for Education and My Coke Rewards for the contest.

## SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

SO BLESSED! We could make a list as long as this page to thank those that participated in some way to help those in need.

When we say LCS is a family, it means we are cohesive in pulling together in any event. This has happened once again. Thanks to PTO, parents, Reeves Family, Candance Nance's Girl Scouts, Humprie's Dental Office, Denver Fire Department, Sailview Community, Boner/Primm's class food drive, Eli McGalliard, Lakeshore BBQ and staff at LCS.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

## SCRIP

Thank you to all of you that have ordered Scrip over the past weeks. We had two record high weeks before Christmas Break. Our goal for the year is \$6500 and so far our total raised is \$5506. Way to Go Parents, Grandparents, Aunts & Uncles!!!!

We will continue ordering every week. Be on the lookout for our next Scrip Ordering Contest coming soon...

## MIDDLE SCHOOL MADNESS

6th Grade Barrier Island Environmental Education Center Field Trip

Total Cost: \$260 per person (includes charter bus transportation, lodging, meals, and program for 3 days and 2 nights.)

2nd payment Due (\$70.00) Monday, January 9, 2012 3rd/final payment Due (\$70.00) Monday, February 6, 2012

7th Grade Mountain Trail Outdoor School Field Trip

Total Cost: \$200 per person (includes charter bus transportation, lodging, meals, and program for 3 days and 2 nights)

2nd payment Due (\$50.00) Monday, January 9, 2012 3rd/final payment Due (\$50.00) Monday, February 6, 2012

8th Grade Washington, D.C. Field Trip

Total Cost: \$370 per person (including round trip motor coach transportation, transportation while in DC, lodging for 2 nights, 2 breakfasts, 3 dinners, over-night supervision at hotel by security guard and admission to the DC attractions and tours. Lunch for all three days is not included in the price of the trip. Students will need to bring extra money or bag lunch for these meals)

3rd payment Due (\$80.00) Monday, January 23, 2012 4th payment Due (\$80.00) Monday, February 13, 2012

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mrs. Williams at 704-483-6611 or by email

You may also visit the my website for more information regarding these three field trips.

## SCIENCE FAIR EXPO

The 2012 Science Fair Expo will take place on January 19th from 6:15-7:30. You are invited to attend the Science Fair Expo which showcases the 6th and 7th grade students' work investigating, experimenting and exploring the world around them. If you are interested in serving as a science fair judge, please contact Mrs. Tranquilino.

## HIGH SCHOOL HAPPENINGS

Be sure to check out the Scholarship link on Mrs. Wood's page. Scholarship information is coming in daily.

Tickets for the Homecoming Dance are available the 9th - 18th during lunch. Tickets are \$5.00 in advance and \$7.00 at the door. Semi-formal attire is required.

## GLOBAL AMBASSADORS

World Travelers!! Are you aching to see ancient Troy and the Greek Islands?? Sign up before Friday and receive a \$200 early signup bonus to travel with Ms. Lazear! The trip is open to 2013's rising 9th graders and up! Check it out at [www.eftours.com/1104279](http://www.eftours.com/1104279), or call Ms. Lazear @ 704-747-4604! See you in Ephesus!!!

Papa John's week has been moved to NEXT week: January 16-22! 25% off any order with our magic LCSEagles code!!

Profits go to the Global Ambassador kids travelling to Europe this summer!! Thanks, Papa John!!!

Don't forget French Club with Madame Gascon this Thursday! Room 120 of the MS, 3:30-5:00! Bonjour!!

## THIS WEEK IN SPORTS

Tuesday Jan 10th

MS Basketball @ ARMS - 4pm- Both MS Girls and Boys play at 4pm

Wednesday Jan 11th

HS Basketball @ Challenger 5pm- JV Start

Friday Dec Jan 13th

HS Basketball vs. Carolina Christian- 6:00

MS Basketball vs. Carolina Christian- 4pm start

Jr. Cheer night for MS Games – 3pm

Sat Jan 14th

HS/MS Swimming- PCAC Championship Meet- HFFA

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Have you been asking yourself "How can I help someone in need?" "How can I make a difference in the life of a child?" How can I get my service hours accomplished?"

Last year LCS began working with a group of Montagnard children with their adaptation to the USA and helping them learn this crazy language of ours. Let me briefly tell you about the Montagnards for those of you who do not know about them. They are legal refugees from the highlands of Vietnam. Their families assisted our soldiers to fight against the North Vietnamese government during the Vietnam War. When the US left Vietnam, the Montagnards were left with a life of persecution and abuse by the Vietnamese Government; not only because they helped the US and were looked upon by the Vietnam government as traders, but also because of their Christian beliefs. Today, the persecution continues, so many were forced to leave their country and relocate to the US. Many of these children now live in the Charlotte area and most have seen many of their parents, grandparents, and or other family members threatened, beaten, or worse. This is a culture that most of us don't even realize exist...but it does and this is a small way we can all help.

On Tuesday evenings from 6:00 to 7:30, LCS hosts a group of children at our MS/HS. They attend school in Charlotte-Mecklenburg, at some of the most impoverished and crime-ridden schools in the areas, and need extra help to keep up with their studies. Most of these children only receive 1 meal a day, generally the one at school. When the children arrive at 5:30 we serve them dinner, then our teachers normally teach a lesson and our students also work with them individually with reading or with homework. There are usually about 30 students ranging in ages 5 – 17.

We rely on our wonderful volunteers to either provide a meal or (team up with others to provide a meal) and drinks. The school furnishes the paper products, but donations are welcome. It doesn't have to be a 5-course

meal...the children are happy to receive, without complaint, any food we offer. Some suggestions are: hamburgers from a fast food restaurant, spaghetti (they love spaghetti), hot dogs (they love hot dogs), Homemade Chicken Noodle Soup, fruit, chips, or sandwiches –bread, lunch meats and cheese and they could make their own. They are not fans of Tex-Mex or Pizza and no Milk. If you would like to provide a meal, you can access <http://www.takethemameal.com> and click on “Find a Meal Schedule” and enter recipient last name (Children) and password (LCS).

Remember...you can count these hours towards your volunteer time whether it is preparing the meal or helping with tutoring. If you would like to volunteer with tutoring, please contact Heidi Martin and [heidi.martin@lincolncharter.org](mailto:heidi.martin@lincolncharter.org) and thank you for making a difference!