


GET READY FOR KINDERGARTEN: Pre-registration for Kindergarten is on Wednesday, April 23rd from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at all LCS elementary schools. LCS staff members will be available to help you make sure your child is ready to start school on time. Log on to www.lcsedu.net and click on the icon shown at the right to find out which school your child would attend.



HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

■ **Touching Bases: A chance for parents to check in with teachers**

This open house opportunity allowed parents to speak briefly with their child’s teachers about the start to the school year. Teachers and parents alike at both high schools commented on the positive outcomes that came from having that chance to “touch base” on their students’ progress.

■ **College application week: A big hit at both high schools**

About 720 college applications were submitted by LCS seniors during this week, and many local and state colleges and universities were on site to communicate with high school seniors. More than 100 seniors were offered admission to four-year colleges and universities on the spot.

■ **Second Annual “Project Launchburg”: A win for the community**

All LCS 10th graders visited local colleges and universities. It was a jump start into thinking about post high school education, and a chance to learn about the wonderful opportunities right here in Lynchburg. Local institutions promote their schools and give Lynchburg a greater chance of keeping local talent within the community.

MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

■ **Reality Check: 8th graders get glimpse of future**

The Reality Check gives students a clear vision of how their life choices will impact them once they move out on their own. The activity ties into SOL content as well as academic and career planning. Students choose their profession ahead of time and are given a pre-assessment to determine how much money they would be able to make. They also make college and family choices, and they live out the lives of their future.



ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWS

■ **Gifted Students: New program serving identified students at all schools**

Three newly added gifted resource teachers have been working with students each week throughout the elementary schools to serve gifted students who don’t attend the division’s Gifted Opportunity Center. The teachers work with the students in special pull-out activities, and they also communicate with parents to help them find ways to keep things interesting and challenging for their gifted children. Coming this spring, students will be creating a living maze. Stay tuned!

FACULTY & STAFF HIGHLIGHTS

■ **Regional Teacher of the Year: Jennifer Lovett selected by state**

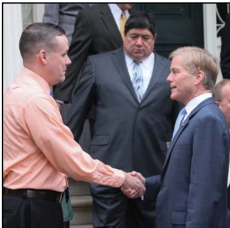
Linkhorne Elementary School Reading Specialist Jennifer Lovett was named the Region 5 Teacher of the Year. Region 5 consists of 20 school divisions. Last year the school division selected her to represent them in the regional competition. Eight teachers state-wide were selected as Region Teachers of the Year.

■ **Teacher Cabinet: Tom Foster appointed by Governor**

Paul Laurence Dunbar Middle School for Innovation science teacher Tom Foster was appointed to the Governor’s Teacher Cabinet. He was among 20 teachers from all over Virginia who met several times in Richmond to propose recommendations to the governor. In their conclusion they wrote: In working together, the Governor’s Teacher Cabinet identified strategies focused on reducing administrative burdens and closing the achievement gaps that exist among our student populations. Ultimately, the Cabinet made strides in increasing meaningful learning experiences for all students.

■ **Hall of Fame: Chip Berry inducted into 24th class**

E. C. Glass Athletic Director Chip Berry was one of seven individuals statewide to be inducted into the 24th Virginia High School Hall of Fame class.



COMMUNITY SUPPORT

■ **Scholarship Donation: \$100,000 to be given to 4 LCS graduates**

Dr. Charles W. Pryor, Jr. and his family have chosen to give a total of \$100,000 in college scholarships to four high school seniors from E. C. Glass or Heritage high schools over the next four years. The “Award for Excellence in Science” will provide a four-year, \$25,000 scholarship to be awarded every school year for the next four years to an outstanding senior interested in entering a science-related field of study.

■ **Education Foundation: 46 grants awarded to teachers**

The Lynchburg City Schools Education Foundation, Inc.’s Board of Directors awarded 46 grants totaling \$72,526.65 to Lynchburg City Schools teachers. The Classroom Innovation Grant program, now in its 22nd year, provides funds to a wide range of innovative projects and programs. To date, more than \$480,000 has been awarded through the program.

■ **Partners in Education: Superintendent rolls out latest Give Me 5**


Business and community leaders packed the Lynchburg College Burton Center for the 24th Annual Partners in Education Breakfast, where Lynchburg City Schools kicked off the latest edition to its “Give Me 5” campaign. Keynote Speaker Pat Price, of Lynchburg College, motivated schools to communicate about their needs and be inviting to the many talented members of the community who truly have a lot to offer for the students and staff of Lynchburg City Schools. She also encouraged the community leaders to take an active role in the schools in their community, setting the stage for Superintendent Dr. Scott Brabrand’s introduction of the “Community Give Me 5.” Log on to www.lcsedu.net/volunteer for details.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN


■ **First Quarter Data: Full report available online**

We continue to track data in line with our division-wide Comprehensive Plan that focuses on Achievement, Behavior and Culture. Recent data shows an increase in students in Advanced, AP and Dual Enrollment courses, a small drop in As and Bs, and overall improvement in student attendance and suspensions. Log on to our website to see the most recent updates.





■ **Connie Womack Britton | E. C. Glass Class of 1985:** The 46-year-old actress currently stars on the ABC drama “Nashville” and is also known for her roles in “Friday Night Lights” and “American Horror Story.”



■ **Ralph “Chopper” Wilson | Heritage High School Class of 1984:** The former high school basketball star owns and operates several barber shops in Lynchburg, including the 9th Street Parlor. He has invested millions of dollars in downtown Lynchburg.

Where are they **NOW**?

These are only a few of the many LCS stories, highlights and events. Log on to our website to learn more about Lynchburg City Schools. We also invite you to share your stories at www.lcsedu.net/my-lcs-story.



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ECG inducts latest into Hall of Fame



Theatre students take the stage



Board approves new HHS design



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5th graders celebrate Urban Ag Day

LCS invites you to see what’s happening in your schools, and to join us in our mission: Every Child, By Name and By Need, to Graduation.

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