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# Wildcat Lynx

Los Gatos High School

October 3, 2018

## Auspicious October

The first grading period of the year ended last Friday, and progress reports will be sent out via email this week. So far there have been many excellent learning experiences occurring in classes throughout campus. Please check out our Twitter feed to witness some of them – #golcats. From our feed, you will be able to notice several of the amazing learning opportunities taking place in the school.

If students at this point in the year find they are struggling in classes, please encourage them (if they aren't doing so already) to visit teachers during our daily tutorial period to ask questions and get help -- and to utilize tutorial time to the fullest to study or get work done.

## After School Tutoring

For students interested in getting additional help after school, we are starting up our free after-school tutoring program this week. The first date for after-school tutoring was today, Wednesday, October 3 from 2:15 – 3:45 in the LGHS Library Alcove. Our plan is to run the program every Wednesday from 2:15 – 3:45 in that same location. Thank you so much to junior student Anoushka Rao for leading a peer tutoring club that will be helping in our after-school tutoring program this year.

## Diversity and Inclusion

We are pleased to be continuing efforts to ensure an inclusive and respectful school climate, with several events planned to support this ongoing work. Students helped to name our Diversity and Inclusion team comprised of students and staff "Team BELONG." Already this year "Team BELONG" has held two lunchtime meetings to plan initiatives we will be implementing in the school.

Epoch Education will be coming to LGHS on October 22 and 23 to provide training to all freshmen about upholding a respectful school environment and will teach a protocol for responding to instances of disrespect students may unexpectedly encounter. This is a protocol we started learning last year as a school, and we have found it to be very useful in enhancing how we communicate with one another to create the kind of school we all want -- one that respects the dignity, welfare, and uniqueness of all.

LGHS will also be holding an evening Community Forum on Diversity and Inclusion. All interested parents, students, staff are welcome to attend on October 22 from 7 – 8:15 PM in the LGHS Library. Dr. Nancy Dome of Epoch Education will be the facilitator for the evening. She is an outstanding educator and presenter, and we are



## LGHS HOME & SCHOOL CLUB

**NMF, CASA & CASSY**

**INVITE YOU TO PLEASE JOIN US**

**THURS, OCT. 11  
7:00PM in the Theater**

**Parent Education Meeting:**

***Everything you want to know about Vaping, Juuling & Substance Abuse Prevention***

Note: HSC still needs your "dollars and bodies" to support our 2018-2019 programs, including the upcoming Homecoming/Coronation Dance. HSC cannot fund these important LGHS events without your kind support.

Please join us by

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grateful for her support.

### **No School Friday or Monday**

This Friday and Monday are non-school days for students. Even though we won't have any classes in session on Friday, we will be hosting a home football game on Friday night against Wilcox High School. Families are invited to attend.

### **Upcoming Events and Ways to Support**

Before closing, I sincerely encourage you to note upcoming evening events for parents that the school is hosting with the support of community groups (see the dates of events in this newsletter) as well as read the following article about LGHS grant requests that the New Millennium Foundation has committed to supporting this year. NMF and Home and School Club are able to fulfill many classroom requests each year because of the generosity of our local families. NMF immensely supports programs benefiting all students in the school; without the support of NMF, we could not offer the high-quality learning experiences across classes that we are able to.

We are so grateful to the incredible support that our community provides our children and the school. Thank you for caring about kids and their development, and for partnering with us in the shared mission of raising and educating healthy young adults.

Respectfully,  
*Kristi Grasty*  
Principal, Los Gatos High School

## **LGHS New Millennium Foundation (NMF) Needs YOU!**

### **Our Fall Fundraising Campaign is still underway. Kind thanks to those of you that have already donated!**

Our Administration and teachers truly appreciate your support and your dollars directly support your student's education this year. We had a record \$325,000 in grant requests this Fall. In addition to the important academic and electives grants that NMF and HSC partner to always fund each year, here are 2 highlighted grants from this Fall's campaign:

#### **Technology**

- NMF is funding 4 new Chrome Book laptop carts this Fall across 3 Departments--English, World Languages and New Tech. NMF's continued technology investment in our school reflects the important role NMF plays in filling the gaps the District is unable to fund. Increasing technology access across all departments benefits all our students and allows our teachers to integrate more experiential and innovative learning in every classroom.

#### **New Music Building and Art Courtyard Patios**

- The new Music Building is up and running but Measure E did not provide for any shaded seating or community area on the large patio. NMF will be filling this gap and funding a patio grant for the new Music Building as well as for a few other areas on campus that would benefit from more student gathering space.

**If you have not yet donated, now is the time! We have not yet raised enough funds to support our expanded grant program this year.** While we ask for \$500 per student, any amount you can contribute is vital. A good, solid public education does not just happen without support from our parent community. Be a part of making it happen.

***All LGHS NMF funds benefit Los Gatos High School only!***

LGHS NMF is a non-profit organization created and managed by a volunteer community of LGHS parents, alumni, teachers and administrators. Our mission is to make a difference, lessen that gap between state, federal and local spending, and raise funds to enhance the education and experience of each and every Los Gatos High School student.

Please take a moment and support us today and mail a check to: LGHS NMF, 20 High School Court, Los Gatos, CA 95030



**LOS GATOS HIGH SCHOOL  
NEW MILLENNIUM  
FOUNDATION**

**Donate to NMF Now!**

***Be a part of the LG Difference...The time to donate is now!***

## Leadership Happenings...

# SPIRIT WEEK AND CORO ARE COMING!



## SPIRIT WEEK OCT 15-19TH

**Mon, Oct 15 Country vs Country Club**

*are you ready to hit the ranch or the tennis club?*

**Tues, Oct 16 Tacky Tourist**

*bring your cameras, binoculars, and best Hawaiian shirts*

**Wed, Oct 17 On Wednesdays We Wear Pink**

*wear pink for Breast Cancer and Mean Girls!*

**Thur, Oct 18 Throwback Thursday**

*bring back your Fisher PE clothes, old team uniforms, 2000's hair clips*

**Fri, Oct 19 Class Color Day!**

*Freshmen GREEN, Soph BLUE, Juniors ORANGE, Seniors BLACK*

**There will also be fun Spirit Week Lunchtime Games on the front lawn Monday-Thursday...**

Sign up [here](#) by Oct 10th to enter the raffle to represent your class and participate in the lunchtime games.

## SPIRIT RALLY FRIDAY, OCT 19TH

The Spirit Rally will take place in the Large Gym from 1:15-2:15pm.

## CORONATION DANCE SAT, OCT 20TH

The dance will be held from 8:00-10:30pm in the Large Gym! Tickets are on sale during tutorial and lunch in the Student Store in the Quad.

Ticket prices are: \$15 (thru 10/4), \$20 (thru 10/12) and \$25 (thru 10/18).

**Note Oct 18th is the last day to purchase tickets.**

Guest passes are still available and must be approved by Ms. Chiodo (L5) before you purchase your tickets. *Breathalyzers will be present.*

**We are excited about Spirit Week and the Coronation Dance!**

If you have questions or comments, please contact your ASB Spirit Reps in L5 or by using the **ASB Feedback Form**.

## SAVE THESE DATES!

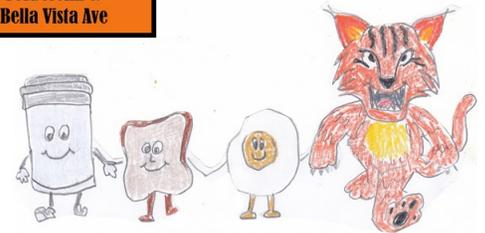
**Safe Routes To School  
Wed, Oct 10th**



## Walk2Breakfast

**On October 10<sup>th</sup>, Safe Routes to School and the Home and School Club celebrate all the students who walk to school. Stop by either Forbes Mill or Bella Vista Ave on your way to school for a tasty breakfast!**

**Celebrate  
Walk to School Day  
Oct 10  
7:30 - 8:10 @  
Forbes Mill &  
Bella Vista Ave**



**Music Boosters Fundraiser  
Sun, Oct 14th**

## 1ST ANNUAL LOS GATOS MUSIC PROGRAM THE MATTRESS FUNDRAISER

*Every Purchase  
Benefits LG Music  
Programs!*



**Twin From \$199 | Full From \$239 | Queen From \$279 | King /CA-King From \$399**

- ✓ All Sizes Available!
- ✓ Firm, Pillow-top, Orthopedic, Latex & Gel Memory Foam Sets
- ✓ All Mattresses are BRAND NEW with Full Factory Warranties!
- ✓ Adjustable Beds, Luxury Pillows & Mattress Protectors!
- ✓ Name Brands like Simmons Beautyrest
- ✓ Layaway and Delivery Available
- ✓ Cash | Check | Credit Card

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Adjustable Beds



Pillows

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**When:** Sunday, October 14

**Time:** 10AM-5PM

**Where:** Fisher Middle School  
19195 Fisher Ave., LG

**Event Link:** [bit.ly/beds4losgatos2018](http://bit.ly/beds4losgatos2018)



BENEFITS LOS GATOS MUSIC PROGRAMS IN BOTH LOS GATOS HIGH SCHOOL AND FISHER MIDDLE SCHOOL

## More Parent Education Nights...

**Tuesday, Oct 9th from 6:15-7:45pm at Saratoga High:**

*Join Saratoga High School's Multimedia Arts Program for a documentary premier of 'Fail State' produced by Dan Rather and SHS alumni*

This film explores the dark side of American Education, chronicling decades of policy decisions that have given rise to a powerful for-profit college industry.

**Monday, Oct 22 from 7-8pm in the LG Theatre:**

*Join us for a parent collaborative discussion about Equity in our Community*

*Presented by Epoch Education*

*Sponsored by NMF, HSC, CASA & CASSY*

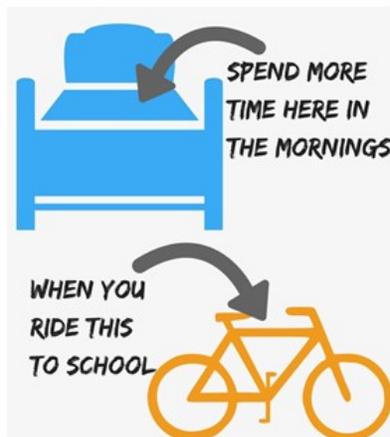
**Thursday, Nov 1 from 7-8pm in the LG Theatre:**

*Everything you want to know about how to support better Mental and Physical Wellness for our teens*

*Panel of 4 Distinguished Experts and Parent Q&A*

*Sponsored by NMF, HSC, CASA & CASSY*

## Safe Routes to School



The secret is out! The fastest way to and from school is by bike. The majority of students that bike to school can leave their house later in the morning.

The fastest way out of the parking lot is to avoid it and use the bike racks instead. Try it. Not only will you arrive at school ready to learn, but you will also get to and from school faster and with less stress.



Interested in learning more?

- Check out our website at <https://www.lgsaferoutes.org/>
- Contact us at [lgsr2s@gmail.com](mailto:lgsr2s@gmail.com).

