

Little Miami E-News

March 4, 2022



Traffic Reminder for LMMS & LMHS Families

We are kindly requesting your help to keep our campuses safe at the times of student arrival and dismissal.

Recently, a number of concerning traffic incidents have occurred in the roundabout area near the LMMS and LMHS complex that are unsafe for staff and students & have caused damage to other vehicles. Please only drop off and pick up your student in designated areas and follow directions given by designated staff members volunteering for traffic duty. Our staff members assisting with traffic are doing the best to help keep students & other motorists safe.

We understand and acknowledge that traffic delays are frustrating and inconvenient. However, please be patient and considerate at arrival and dismissal and remember we are all neighbors trying to ensure that students get to and from our buildings safely.

Thank you!



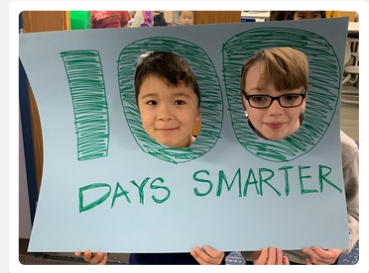
HOBY Representatives Announced

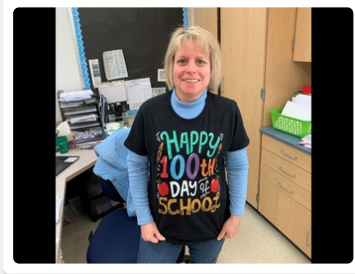
Little Miami is proud to announce the four sophomores who will be representing Little Miami at the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) Conference this Summer: Ryan McCollister, Micah Wall, Isabelle Wills and Ellie Zutavern.

All students who were nominated by a Little Miami staff member submitted an essay in which they presented their leadership skills. Of all nominated students, four students were chosen, with Micah Wall being named the top winner for Little Miami.

We are so excited for these students & cannot wait to hear all of the great lessons learned at the Conference this summer! Learn more about the mission of the HOBY Conference: <https://hoby.org/>

100 Days of Learning at LM!





[Click to View the 2022 LM Annual Report](#)

SOY Kick Off Video 2021



STUDENTS
OF THE YEAR



THE
LEUKEMIA
AND
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SOCIETY

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STUDENTS
OF THE
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[Leukemia & Lymphoma Society Fundraiser Information](#)

Academic Team Continues Domination

On Wednesday, March 2nd, in a battle of league champions, the LMHS Academic Team swept SWOC champions- Harrison High School 68-63 & 68-62! Additionally, several members of the squad were recognized with All-League honors:

First Team All-ECC: Dakota Baldwin, Maddie Highfield & Bella Wilkerson

Second Team All-ECC: Paige Zimmerman

Honorable Mention All-ECC: Julia Tenbusch

ECC Coach of the Year: Ron Maupin

Congratulations Academic Team!



Senior Panthers Earn Prestigious Recognitions

We are so thrilled & proud to share that four Little Miami High School Seniors have earned the distinction of National Merit Finalist Scholar and three Seniors are recognized as National Merit Commended Scholars.

The National Merit Scholarship Program is a national academic competition for high school students. Students qualify for the National Merit program by achieving a high score on the PSAT. Upon receiving their PSAT scores, high scorers may be designated by the NMSC as Commended Students, Semifinalists, or (after an additional application) Finalists. From the Finalists, around 7,500 students are selected to become scholarship winners.

Congratulations to the following students & their learning community who has helped equip them for this achievement!

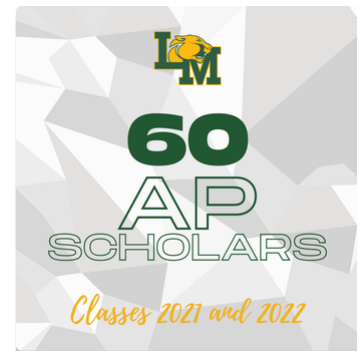
National Merit Finalist Scholars- Dakota Baldwin, Madelyn Highfield, Ryan Houser, Emily Yeung

National Merit Commended Scholars: Caleb Dattilo, Kevin Holtkamp, Nilli Tayidi



60 LMHS Students Earn "AP Scholar" Distinction

The incredible news keeps rolling in! CollegeBoard has released its annual list of AP scholars and Little Miami High School proudly reports that 60 students have earned the distinction of AP Scholar between the Classes of 2021 and 2022. Below are the current LMHS Seniors who have been recognized by CollegeBoard:



AP Scholar: Princesa Barradas-Gomez, Camille Burwinkle, Ben Carr, Justine Cline, Emma Greulich, Nick Harris, Kathryn Heckscher, Ryan Houser, Abby Kirkendall, Marina Lindsey, Kristen Lovins, Cecelia Pucko, Emma Rudkin, Lucy Schneider, Julia Tenbusch, Lilianne Volz, and Amanda Yeung

AP Scholar with Honor: Dakota Baldwin, Caleb Dattilo and Alexander Mitchell

AP Scholar with Distinction: Maddie Highfield, Tyler Kivercik, Sarah Spencer, and Emily Yeung

Additionally, Little Miami High School had 77% of their AP exams receive a 3 or higher, with the average score being 3.4. For reference, the National Average is 60% with a mean score of 2.8.

POWER OF THE PEN



Good Luck at Regionals!

[Click for Class of 2026 Freshman 101 Website](#)



GIRL SCOUTS GOLD AWARD

Maddie Summers

Congratulations Maddie Summers & Madelyn Highfield!

Little Miami is excited to share the news of two LMHS students earning high distinctions within the Girl Scouts – with Madelyn Highfield earning her Gold and Silver Award and Maddie Summers earning her Gold Award. Not only have Madelyn and Maddie been active in Girl Scouts for thirteen years, but they are also highly-involved Little Miami students who excel in the classroom.

This week, LM is spotlighting Maddie Summers, who focused her project on bringing attention to the declining population of Monarch butterflies. Maddie worked with a naturalist and a team of volunteers at Cowan Lake State Park to plant two butterfly gardens at the park full of native plants that are beneficial for pollinators. She also organized educational workshops with local beekeepers, environmental experts, and enthusiasts, and a naturalist from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, where attendees learned about the importance of pollinators, chose native seeds to take home and plant in their own gardens, and completed a community service project for the Ohio Pollinator Habitat Initiative. [Click to learn more about Maddie's project.](#)

Next week, we will spotlight Madelyn Highfield and her STEM project!

LITTLE MIAMI LOCAL SCHOOLS


Daily Wellness Check

LM students should complete a daily wellness check each morning before going to school.
Please report any illness and/or student absence to your student's school.

CHECK FOR SYMPTOMS OF ILLNESS

Does your student have a combination of these symptoms? If yes, **please keep them home from school and/or call your school nurse with any questions.**

<input type="checkbox"/> Fever	<input type="checkbox"/> Nausea or vomiting
<input type="checkbox"/> Cough	<input type="checkbox"/> Diarrhea
<input type="checkbox"/> Headache	<input type="checkbox"/> Cold or flu-like symptoms
<input type="checkbox"/> Sore throat	
<input type="checkbox"/> Congestion or runny nose	



THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!

COVID-19 Testing Hours

COVID-19 Testing Hours are Monday-Friday 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM at Central Office

Little Miami is thrilled to have a nurse provided by the Warren County Educational Services Center to assist with COVID-19 impact and questions! Nurse Sheila Edwards will be assisting in building nurse clinics when needed and stationed at Central Office to administer COVID-19 tests to students directly exposed in a school setting. As a reminder, students will only be tested if parent/guardian gives consent.

If you have COVID-19 questions regarding isolations and quarantines, please send Sheila an email: sedwards@lmsdoh.org.

LM's Current COVID-19 Information



Join the ThoughtExchange!

Little Miami is utilizing an innovative communications tool to engage with the community & gather public feedback!

ThoughtExchange allows the community to give insight and perspectives to LM administration that will help us gauge outreach success and make decisions. This tool is designed to gather a well-rounded picture of stakeholder priorities.



ThoughtExchange links may be emailed directly to families and/or posted on social media platforms and the LM website. Get started sharing now by scanning the QR code (pictured to the right) with the camera app on your mobile device or [clicking here](#).

Thank you for your input!

Learn About the Warren County Career Center

WCCC Something to Prove



Class of 2022 Information Hub

Unable to Reach LM Staff via Email?

If you have sent emails to your student's teacher or other LM staff member and have not received a response, there is a great likelihood that your email may have gone to that staff member's "Junk" folder. The Office 365 email system utilized by LM has become more strict in identifying "Junk" emails, unfortunately leading to non-junk emails ending up in the wrong inbox folder.



Staff have been informed to check & review their Junk folders for any parent emails. We apologize for this inconvenience & are working to find solutions to close any potential communication gaps.



Help Us Fill the Need for Substitute Teachers!

Did you know that you do not need a Bachelor's Degree to be a substitute teacher? If you enjoy spending time with students & are looking for a way to make extra money that helps our community, LM could use you!

Are you interested? The Southwest Ohio Council of Governments (SWO-COG) handles the processing of substitute teachers for LM, so please visit bit.ly/3F44cWR to apply.



Little Miami/Mercy Health Clinic is Ready to Serve You!

Are you or your child are in need of medical care, a vaccination, or just an annual wellness check? Nurse Practitioner Mary Compton is ready to help! Conveniently located at Little Miami Primary (7217

Zoar Rd.), the staff at the Mercy Clinic are available 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. weekdays to serve residents of all ages.

At this time, the Mercy Health Clinic is NOT taking walk-in appointments, so please be sure to schedule an appointment in order to be seen. Schedule an appointment by calling (513) 215-9277.

[Click for more information & necessary paperwork.](#)



SPEAK UP

SAVE LIVES

By calling or texting the statewide hotline -844-SAFEROH- you can report anything that is suspicious or endangering you, your friends or your school.

[Report a Tip/Crisis Line](#)

Imagination Library - ENROLL TODAY

DID YOU KNOW? By the age of three, a child's brain is already 80% developed, and, by the time a child enters kindergarten, they must already know thousands of words in order to succeed in the classroom. Reading aloud to a child and giving them access to books is the best way to ensure they are prepared to enter kindergarten.



The Ohio Governor's Imagination Library wants to start a new chapter in early childhood literacy throughout Ohio by providing families with books. With the goal of preparing students entering Kindergarten for success in the classroom, the Imagination Library program will send a customized book to your child each month from birth until age five. Sign up is easy and FREE! Give your Panther the gift of reading & [enroll today](#).

Learn more about the [Ohio Governor's Imagination Library](#) and its partnership with [Dolly Parton's Imagination Library](#).

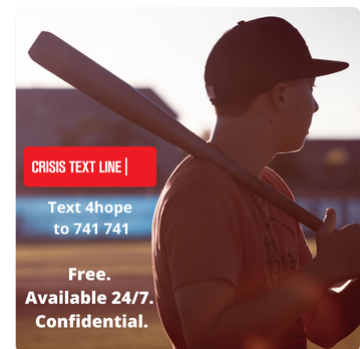
[View a Book List](#)

Crisis Text Line - "4hope" to 741 741

You are not alone. Do you need help now?

Text the keyword "**4hope**" to **741 741** to be connected to a trained Crisis Counselor within 5 minutes.

Any person may need help in coping with a stressful situation. Reach out by text to communicate with someone trained to listen and respond in a method that is private, secure and confidential.



The Crisis Text Line is a free, confidential service available 24/7 via text on mobile devices. Data usage while texting Crisis Text Line is free and the number will not appear on a phone bill with the mobile service carrier. People of all ages can use Crisis Text Line.

For more information about the Crisis Text Line and for supporting resources, please visit the [Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services website](#).

Community Events, Links & Flyers

Important Dates

Mar. 7th: LMECC Yearbook Orders Due

Mar. 8th:

- LMES PTO Meeting @ 7 PM

Mar. 10th:

- Parent-Teacher Conferences at LMECC 4:45-8:15 PM
- LMHS Choir Concert @ 7 PM

Mar. 11th:

- LMHS Advisory Schedule - All Students Arrive by 7:15 AM

Mar. 13th: Daylight Savings Time Begins - Spring Forward 1 Hour!

Mar. 15th:

- Spring Picture Day @ LMECC
- LMMS Band Concert @ 7 PM

Mar. 16th: LMECC PTO Meeting @ 7 PM

Mar. 18th: Spring Picture Day @ LMMS

March 22nd:

- Spring Picture Day @ LMPR
- BOE Meeting - 7 PM @ Central Office

March 24th: Parent-Teacher Conferences @ LMPR 4:30 - 8:00 PM

March 25th: End of Quarter

March 28th: LMECC Fun Run Kick Off

March 31st: Parent-Teacher Conferences @ LMPR 4:30 - 8:00 PM

[Full District Calendar](#)



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