

# Little Miami E-News

September 17, 2021

## Homecoming Spirit Week NEXT WEEK!

It's that time of year Panther Nation! Homecoming is next week September 20th-24th & we invite all students to show their Panther Pride by participating in the themed spirit days!



### LMHS SPIRIT DAYS

Monday, Sept. 20th – Pajama Day  
Tuesday, Sept. 21st – Twinning Tuesday  
Wednesday, Sept. 22nd – Water Safety Wednesday  
Thursday, Sept. 23rd – Tie Dye Thursday  
Friday, Sept. 24th – LM Spirit Day

### LMMS SPIRIT DAYS

Monday, Sept. 20th – Pajama Day  
Tuesday, Sept. 21st – Country Western Day (wear your favorite cowboy gear/accessories)  
Wednesday, Sept. 22nd – Welcome Fall (wear fall colors or your favorite fall outfit!)  
Thursday, Sept. 23rd – Team Day (Represent your favorite team)  
Friday, Sept. 24th – LM Spirit Day

### LMES SPIRIT DAYS

Monday, Sept. 20th – Pajama Day  
Tuesday, Sept. 21st – Twinning Tuesday  
Wednesday, Sept. 22nd – Crazy sock & hat day  
Thursday, Sept. 23rd – Tie Dye Thursday  
Friday, Sept. 24th – LM Spirit Day

### LMPR SPIRIT DAYS

Monday, Sept. 20th – Pajama Day  
Tuesday, Sept. 21st – Twinning Tuesday  
Wednesday, Sept. 22nd – Water Safety Wednesday  
Thursday, Sept. 23rd – Tie Dye Thursday  
Friday, Sept. 24th – LM Spirit Day

### LMECC SPIRIT DAYS

Monday, Sept. 20th – Pajama Day  
Tuesday, Sept. 21st – Silly Sock Day  
Wednesday, Sept. 22nd – Hat Day  
Thursday, Sept. 23rd – Dress Your Best Day! Picture Day- bring your best smile!

## Homecoming Dance - Sat. September 25

LMHS Students- join us for a "Night Under the Stars!" LMHS Student Council is so excited to offer a dance celebration while being mindful of COVID-19 guidelines. This year's Homecoming Dance will take place OUTDOORS on Saturday, September 25th from 7-10 PM at Panther Stadium.

Dance attendance is limited to LMHS students only. No shoes will be permitted on the field, so please bring your flip flops! Doors will close at 7:30 PM and early exits will not be permitted.

**Tickets must be purchased online in advance. Tickets will be on sale from 9/20-9/23. [Click here to purchase.](#)**



### LM's Current COVID-19 Information

## Quarantine Guidelines & Clarification

Quarantine orders & requirements are duties of the Warren County Health District. While Little Miami is mandated to abide by quarantine orders, Little Miami Local Schools is not responsible for the act of quarantining your students. We ask for your patience, kindness & understanding when dealing with our LM nurses and administrative staff if your student is quarantined. A few notes of clarification are below:

- At-home COVID-19 tests will **not be accepted** as a method to reduce quarantine.
- **If a student is masked and maintains at least 3 feet of physical distance in the classroom, they will not be quarantined.**
- **If a student is unmasked, they must follow the 6 feet of physical distance rule in order to avoid quarantine. If an unmasked student is within 6 feet of a positive case for 15 minutes or longer, they must quarantine (even if sitting in the classroom).**

[Click Here for Quarantine Guidelines & Examples](#)



## Food Truck Rally

LMHS PTO is having the Little Miami Food Truck Rally this **Sunday, September 19th from 2-7 PM** at LMHS. Fifteen delicious food trucks will be in attendance this Sunday. There will be limited seating provided so families are encouraged to bring chairs & blankets. See you there!

Food Trucks Attending:

Roll on In, Chicken Mac, 12 Degrees Italian Ice, Loveland Dairy Whip, Funnel Vision, Steak it Eazy, Brent's Smokin Butts and Grill, Taste of Mexico, BG's Grill, Krimmer's, Joe's Mojo, East Coast Eats, Sweet Maize Kettle Corn, Sweet Jazz, and Roasted Corn by Scouts!

## LMHS Football: Week 4 Highlight; Week 5 Trailer





# More than a Meal

DO YOU NEED ASSISTANCE WITH PAYMENT OF SCHOOL FEES OR DISCOUNTS FOR OTHER PROGRAMS?



### SCHOOL MEALS

**FREE** breakfast & lunch meals for **ALL** students during 2021-2022 school year.



### INSTRUCTIONAL SCHOOL FEES

Eligibility will be determined by free & reduced application.



### FEDERAL GRANTS

Maintains funding for student programs & special services.



### P-EBT BENEFIT

Funds for supplemental Food Assistance for students.



### AP/SAT/ACT TESTING

Discounted registration fees.

While breakfast & lunch is free to all students during the 2021-2022 school year, please complete the application to be eligible for other benefits.

**Apply Online:** Log in to account @ PayschoolsCentral.com and click "Apply Now."

**Download Paper Application:** LittleMiamiSchools.com - Departments - Food Services

Contact Ron McWhorter, Food Services Director, with questions: rmcwhorter@lmsdoh.org

## 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 (7247 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. Same-day appointments are AVAILABLE, so please call if you have questions or need medical care. Schedule an appointment by calling (513) 215-9277.

[Click for more info.](#)

Your Local Health Clinic is Here to Help!



2021 LM Graduate Earns Semi-Finalist Status in Global Competition

Little Miami High School Class of 2021 graduate, Yaw Osei-Tutu, is doing impressive things & needs the support of his Panther community!

After entering the Breakthrough Junior Challenge Video Contest, in which Yaw created a 3-minute video explaining a science concept, he recently learned that he is a semi-finalist! This honor is an incredible accomplishment, as his video one of the Top 30 videos submitted across the globe! The winner of this competition receives a \$250,000 scholarship, \$100,000 award to the science lab for their school, and a \$50,000 prize for the science lab utilized by a teacher nominated by Yaw.

Let's help get Yaw into the Finals & a chance to win the generous prizes! Like, react & share his video [available HERE!](#) Voting ends on September 20th. Way to go Yaw! We are so proud of your creativity & passion for science!

[Learn more about the Breakthrough Junior Challenge Contest](#)



# 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.

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## 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](#).

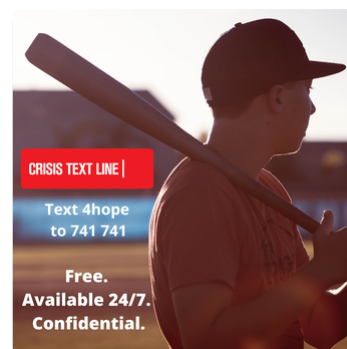
[View a Book List](#)

## 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](#).



## New Fee Payment Platform

This year, Little Miami Schools will be utilizing the services of **PaySchools Central** as the method to load school lunch accounts and pay fees.

Little Miami moved from the previous system, EZPay, to the PaySchools Central system on August 2nd, turning off access to EZPay. No action needs to be taken in order to shut down your family's EZPay account or to transfer remaining funds from EZPay to PaySchools. To create a PaySchools Central account, visit: [www.payschoolscentral.com](http://www.payschoolscentral.com).



With PaySchools, you are able to manage your student's accounts & fees in one platform, even allowing you to set up an auto-replenish option to automatically refill lunch accounts when they are running low.

[Click here for a step-by-step Setup Guide & additional information.](#)

Community Events, Links & Flyers

## Important Dates

Sept. 19: Food Truck Rally 2-7 PM @ LMHS

Sept. 20-24: Homecoming Spirit Week

Sept. 22: Fall Picture Day @ LMMS

Sept. 22: Fall Picture Day @ LMES


Sept. 23: Fall Picture Day @ LMECC


Sept. 25 - Homecoming Dance @ Panther Stadium  
Sept. 28: Board of Education Meeting 7 PM @ Central Office  
Oct. 7: Parent-Teacher conferences @ LMMS 3:30-7 PM  
Oct. 8: Advisory Schedule @ LMHS  
Oct. 11: Teacher In-Service/No School  
Oct. 14: Parent-Teacher Conferences @ LMHS 3:30-7 PM  
Oct. 14: LMHS Band Concert- 7 PM  
Oct. 15: LMMS Report Cards Go Home




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