

March  
2025

# Lewistown Intermediate School

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212 Green Avenue, Lewistown, PA 17044

# NEWSLETTER

## IMPORTANT DATES

March 10 - 13

*Book Fair*

March 11

*Academy Tours  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade*

March 13

*STEAM Fair*

5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

**Project Drop Off:  
from 9:00 – 4:30 PM**

March 13

*Chinese Auction*

Buy a ticket sheet for \$5  
includes:  
25 tickets & 1 door prize  
ticket

March 14

*Act 80 Day  
No School*

March 18

*Class Group Pictures*

March 18

*Husky Choral Festival  
5<sup>th</sup> grade only  
MCHS @ 7PM*

## WHY PSSA TESTING IS SO IMPORTANT

The annual Pennsylvania System School Assessment is a standards-based criterion-referenced assessment which provides students, parents, educators and citizens with an understanding of student and school performance related to the attainment of proficiency of the academic standards. These standards in English Language Arts, Mathematics, and Science and Technology identify what a student should know and be able to do at varying grade levels. School districts possess the freedom to design curriculum and instruction to ensure that students meet or exceed the standards' expectations.

Every Pennsylvania student in grades 3 through 8 is assessed in English Language Arts and Math. Every Pennsylvania student in grades 5 and 8 is assessed in science.

Individual student scores, provided only to their respective schools, can be used to assist teachers in identifying students who may be in need of additional educational opportunities, and school scores provide information to schools and districts for curriculum and instruction improvement discussions and planning.

Our students will be taking the online version of the assessment this year.

### 4<sup>th</sup> Grade PSSA Schedule

*ELA PSSA*

April 22 | April 23 | April 24

*MATH PSSA*

April 29 | April 30

**Tips for testing days: be well rested, eat  
breakfast, be on time for school, and avoid  
making appointments if possible.**

### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade PSSA Schedule

*ELA PSSA*

April 22 | April 23 | April 24

*MATH PSSA*

April 29 | April 30

*SCIENCE PSSA*

May 6 | May 7

## PBIS NEWS

### GRANGE FAIR TICKETS ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

Completed forms and money are due  
March 28<sup>th</sup>.

Tickets will be available for pick-up at LIS on  
May 1<sup>st</sup>.

Grange Fair dates: August 15-23, 2025

### MIFFLIN COUNTY HUSKIES BEACH TOWELS

30" X 60" (full size)

Cost is \$18

Quantity is limited!

Send cash or check (payable to LIS PBIS) to  
your child's homeroom teacher!

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## HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

	NO Monthly meeting for March
March 13	Pizza Hut Fundraiser ALL DAY
March 21 – April 4	Butter Braids Frozen Pastry Fundraiser
April 15	Butter Braids Fundraiser pick up in LIS Café from 3:00 – 5:00

Thank you for your support of the Pizza Hut fundraiser!!  
We appreciate all your support!!

This year's Chinese Auction at the STEAM Fair will feature over 50 prizes you can enter to win as well as several door prizes options!

Please bring **CASH** to purchase tickets and to shop at the book fair.

Please send questions to [lewistownintermediateschoolhsa@gmail.com](mailto:lewistownintermediateschoolhsa@gmail.com)

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING OUTDOOR SCHOOL

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Now, per district policy, fifth grade students that need medication to be administered while attending outdoor school will be **REQUIRED to have medication orders from a physician**. A physician order will be necessary for all prescription medications, as well as over-the-counter allergy medication, sleep aids, vitamins, and/or supplements. Any student that requires medication and does not have a physician order **will not** be permitted to attend the trip. There will be more detailed information on outdoor school and medications sent home in the future.

**REMINDER: NO energy drinks, soda or coffee drinks are to be brought to school**

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### SKYLERT

The Skylert System is the main source of family contact for important district information.

To relay messages to parent/guardians, LIS must have accurate information stored in Skyward.

Please notify the LIS office immediately of any changes in contact information.  
717.242.5801

### FAMILY ACCESS

You can access your child's transportation arrangements, grades, Skylert information and more via Family Access.

Visit the MCSD webpage, and select Family Access Login from the STUDENTS/PARENTS menu.

To obtain your account information, contact the LIS office at 717.242.5801.

## Medication Policy Reminders

Over-the-Counter Medication forms were handed out to students on the first day of school. This form must be completed and signed by a parent/guardian in order for students to receive medication from the school nurse. If your child has not submitted the Over-the-Counter Medication form to the Nurse's Office, your child will not receive medication at school. Forms are available in the nurse's office/main office.

As a reminder, students are NOT permitted to carry any medications on their person during school hours. This includes cough drops, medicated creams, eye drops or anything used for medicinal purposes. Any medication that is required to be taken at school MUST be transported to school by a parent/guardian or designated adult and accompanied with a physician's order. Parents and guardians are required to sign medications into the nurse's office at drop-off. If your child requires an inhaler, a new physician order must be submitted to the school nurse EACH school year before your child can carry an inhaler on their person. Failure to do so is a violation of the MCSD Medication Policy. Please contact our school Nurse with any questions.

### ATTENDANCE

Students arriving after 8:20 AM are tardy.

Students arriving after 9:30 AM or leaving before 2:00 PM will be marked absent for ½ of a day.

Excuses must be returned within three (3) days of an absence.

Excuses should include the student's full name, the date of and reason for absence, and a parent/guardian signature.

See your child's First Day Packet for information on submitting excuses via Family Access.

### TRANSPORTATION

If a student will not be riding the bus, submit a written note with the student's full name, the time of pick-up, and who will be picking up the student.

Please park in the parking lot or along Green Avenue during drop-off/dismissal.

Please DO NOT park or drop-off/pick-up students along Kish Street, in the Bus Lane or at the "Maintenance Shed" at the end of Kish Street.

Remain in your vehicle during dismissal.

Afternoon dismissal begins at 2:45 PM. Pick-ups/walkers will be dismissed at 2:50 PM.