

LEO HIGH SCHOOL

CAREER MAJORS ACADEMY



Principal's Desk

Dear Parents:

Your son/daughter will soon be graduating with the class of 2019. The Faculty and Staff at Leo Jr. /Sr. High School wish to congratulate you for assisting your child in achieving this milestone in their life. We wish your son/daughter every success in the future.

In order to keep you informed concerning graduation and other upcoming events, we submit to you the following information.



1. In order to graduate with a diploma from East Allen County Schools and Leo Jr./Sr. High School, a senior must have met Indiana high school diploma requirements and passed the Graduation Qualifying Exam (ECA). All parents and students should be aware of their individual graduation status. Seniors who have not fulfilled minimum state graduation requirements by May 22, 2019, will not participate in the graduation ceremony on May 31, 2019.
2. Graduation will be at 7:00 P.M. on Friday May 31, 2019. Exercises will be held at the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum. Students should be at the War Memorial Coliseum no later than 6:15 P.M. to line up for the procession. General admission seating begins at 6:00 P.M.
3. In the interest of time and in order to preserve the dignity of the graduation ceremony, we ask that recognition of all graduates be held until all seniors have received their diplomas. Traditionally the graduation ceremony is a dignified ceremony, and anything that interferes with the ceremony is disturbing to all. We ask that there be no yelling, whistling, or other activity that would draw undue attention to a particular graduate. We also ask that you encourage your son/daughter to conduct himself/herself in a manner that will not detract from the dignity of the ceremony. The time for recognition is at the end of the reading of all graduates' names. I know all of you are proud of your graduate, but individual recognition is out of order and you are asked to refrain from it. Parents, we really need your cooperation in this matter. Please do your part to make sure we have an orderly graduation.
4. All financial obligations to the school are to be remedied by Friday May, 2019, at 3:15 P.M. Books and iPads are to be turned in and all fees paid.
5. Exam Schedule-Seniors Only
 - A. Friday, May 17th Class Periods 1,4, and 7
 - B. Monday, May 20th Class Periods 2 and 5
 - C. Tuesday, May 21st Class Periods 3 and 6

6. Wednesday, May 22rd Schedule

- A. Breakfast and Senior Awards – 8:00 A.M.
- B. Bus leaves for Coliseum - 9:30 A.M.
- C. Picture for Academic Honor Diplomas, Valedictorian, and Salutatorian - 11:00 A.M. (Cap & Gown must be worn for picture)
- D. Bus goes to Shoaff Park – Noon – Lunch and activities
- E. Students return to the high school at 2:30 pm and released

- 7. A group picture of academic honor diploma recipients, valedictorian, and salutatorian will occur at graduation practice. Recipients will need their caps, gowns, dress shoes, and National Honor Society stoles. Without the preceding items, you will not be part of the photo. The group picture will hang in the south entrance of our school, above the display cases.
- 8. Male graduates are to wear dress shirts with ties as well as dress pants and dress shoes with their graduation gowns. Ladies are to wear dresses or dress pants and dress shoes with their gowns.
- 9. Parking is available in the War Memorial Coliseum parking lot at a charge of \$5.00 per car.
- 10. General Admission seating is available as well as handicapped accommodations. There are 5000 seats available for the families of 200 plus graduates. The War Memorial Coliseum is air conditioned for your comfort.
- 11. During graduation practice, students will be instructed in the procedures for gathering with relatives and exiting the Exhibition Hall after the graduation ceremony.

We anticipate a large crowd for graduation, and we will do everything possible to limit the ceremony to a reasonable length of time, hopefully one hour or less.

We hope the above information will prove to be helpful to you. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the school. Once again, congratulations to the Leo High School Class of 2019 Graduates!

Sincerely,

Dr. Neal Brown III
Principal

Spotlight on Academics

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Social Studies

The Social Studies Department continues to work with our Instructional Coach, Ms. Belcher, to utilize reading strategies as well as using data to drive instruction into all of our courses. We are also beginning to explore test taking strategies to better prepare our students for upcoming standardized testing. It is hoped that these strategies and data will help our students not only become better readers, but also become more engaged with the content. Our students are responding very well and we are seeing vast improvements in the classroom and on test scores.

Mr. Lance is currently collecting items that will be turned into care packages. These care packages will be sent to a Leo alumni that is currently deployed overseas. In the past these former student are delighted to not only get them but also share them with their fellow soldier. The students enjoy doing this for them as well as getting hand written thank you notes and souvenirs from the soldier sent back to the students.

Mrs. Baumert is currently seeking interested students to work the voting polls in the near future. Here are the following expectations and criteria:

Current Indiana election law allows students to serve as poll workers on Election Day under the following qualifications:

- The student is sixteen (16) or seventeen (17) years of age.
- The student is a citizen of the United States and a resident of Allen County.
- The student has a cumulative grade point average of at least a 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
- The student has the written approval of their principal.
- The student has the approval of their parent or guardian.
- The student satisfactorily completes training required by the Allen County Election Board.
- The student is otherwise eligible to serve as a precinct officer under state statute.
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If your student is interested in participating in this rewarding experience please contact Mrs. Baumert at: mbaumert@eacs.k12.in.us for further details. Deadline for applications is February 22, 2019.

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Mr. Lance and Mrs. Morgan are in the final stages of planning our annual trip to Washington DC in May. This year approximately 45 students and chaperones will be making the trip. This trip is a great way for students to see first-hand the topics that are covered in 8th grade U.S History class. We are looking forward to the trip.

Many high school Social Studies students are busy preparing to take Advanced Placement exams in early May. The Social Studies department offers many Advanced Placement opportunities including AP World History, AP U.S. History, AP Government, AP Economics, and AP Psychology. AP classes are a great way for students to meet Academic Honors diploma requirements. There will also be a practice AP exam given in April, please watch for announcements and sign up in the CDC.

Family and Consumer Sciences

Family and Consumer Sciences classes are one semester classes offered and are electives. They are all taught by Mrs. Votaw who has over 13 years of teaching middle school and high school students. Although new to Leo, the only class new to her teaching agenda is Advanced Nutrition and Wellness. A recap of FACS classes may interest your student to sign up for a class in the future.

Introduction to Fashion and Textiles: Students started off with learning about sewing supplies and their functions. The machine sewing projects were a large rag and shag flannel blanket and an elasticized pair of shorts or slacks. They also have a hand sewing recycling project to learn very simple techniques. The second semester class has their own pattern and make more challenging sewing techniques in their garment. We also explore the elements and principles of design.

Nutrition and Wellness: Students started off with learning Food Safety, Measuring, Equipment, and Preparation Skills prior to beginning in the lab. This very popular class makes over 15 recipes throughout the course while learning about the nutrition, my plate, along with food groups and primarily baking from scratch. The advanced class explores nutritional meal planning, small appliances, cultural foods, and usually 15 times in the cooking lab as well, the most popular part of the course.

Child Development: Students explore topics such as learning about children, pregnancy and fetal development, and taking care of an infant. At the end of the course, a reality works simulated baby is taken home for the weekend. We also explore play options and nutrition for the infant, toddlers and preschoolers.

Guidance Department



Christi Smeltzley, Guidance Director – grades 11 & 12
Gary Rogers, Guidance Counselor – grades 9 & 10
Cary Cogdell, Guidance Counselor – grades 7 & 8
Morgan Barclay, Guidance Counselor Intern



- **Scheduling** for next year will begin on Tuesday, January 29th with class meetings. Look for information to come home with your child in the next couple days!
 - The Parent Scheduling Meeting is scheduled for the evening of February 6th at 6:00 p.m. for all incoming 9th grade parents/students and at 7:00 p.m. for all incoming 10th – 12th grade parents/students. Questions about courses and graduation requirements will be addressed. This is your opportunity to learn about what choices your child(ren) has(have) and actively participate in the course selection process.
 - Selection sheets are due to the guidance office on February 8th or sooner. Counselors will then meet individually with each student beginning the week of February 11th to go over course selections.
- **The Career Academy at Anthis information meeting:** Monday, February 4th @ 9:15 am: 10th/11th grade students and parents interested in learning more about and/or participating in one of the eleven (11) programs offered at Anthis next year are invited to attend.
- **EACS' ABC Construction and Automation/Robotics information meeting:** Monday, February 4th @ 1:30 pm: 10th/11th grade students and parents are invited to attend. The partnership between Associated Builders & Contractors (ABC) and EACS gives students the opportunity to obtain a jump start on a career in the construction industry. Students will get one year of their apprenticeship finished before graduation. The Automation/Robotics program, new next year, is a partnership with Vincennes University and EACS.

- **Senior cap/gown orders** have been taken. There are still many seniors who have not ordered yet! Please take care of this very important detail of your senior year! You must contact Jostens directly at 483-1825.
- **Upcoming Testing – Please make every effort to have your child in school on these important testing days by avoiding appointments and/or unnecessary absences.**
 - 11th/12th ISTEP+ Retest (February 19-20: ELA; February 21-22: Math)
 - 10th ISTEP+ Part 1 Practice Tests: February 28-March 1
 - 10th ISTEP+ Part 1 (March 5-6: ELA; March 7: Math)
 - 10th ISTEP+ Part 2 Practice Tests: April 10-11
 - 10th ISTEP+ Part 2 (April 15-16: ELA; April 17: ELA/Math)
 - 9th ILEARN Biology Practice Tests: Week of April 15
 - 9th ILEARN Biology Test (April 22-23)
 - 7th/8th ILEARN Practice Tests: April 25-26
 - 7th/8th ILEARN Math (April 29-30)
 - 7th/8th ILEARN ELA (May 1-3)
- **College Goal Sunday** – Need help filing your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)? Financial aid professionals are volunteering their time to help you complete your FAFSA form. The event takes place on Sunday, February 24 at 2:00 p.m. at PFW. This is Indiana’s largest FAFSA filing event and if you and/or your parents have not completed the application, it is highly recommended that you attend to get it done!
- **Military Students** – The Department of Defense is providing a program that gives all Active Duty, National Guard and Reserve members – and their dependents – free access to professional tutors 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Go to www.tutor.com/military to sign up.
- **Pathways to Graduation** - Information on Indiana’s new Pathway diploma requirements follows on the next page.



Indiana GRADUATION PATHWAYS

The path to graduation is not one-size-fits-all. Indiana provides many pathways for students to earn a high school diploma.

OVERVIEW

Students starting with the Class of 2023 must meet all of the following:

- 1 Credits
- 2 Learn & Demonstrate Employability Skills
- 3 Postsecondary-Ready Competencies

DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS

- 1 **Credits**
Earn credits toward a diploma with designation.
 - Core 40 - minimum 40 credits
 - Academic Honors - minimum 47 credits
 - Technical Honors - minimum 47 credits
 - General

- 2 **Learn & Demonstrate Employability Skills**
Produce defined outcome(s) based on experience.
Defined Outcome Options
 - Videos
 - Papers
 - Resume
 - Dual Credit
 - Certifications
 - Portfolio
 - Projects
 - Slideshows
 - Presentation
 - Five Year Goal Plan
 - Reflection of Experience
 - Letters of Recommendation
 - Letter of Employment Verification
 - Postsecondary-related Experiences
 - Co-Curricular Participation
 - Extra-Curricular Participation
 - Locally Defined Outcome

- 3 **Postsecondary-Ready Competencies**
Meet at least one of these competencies.
 - **Honors Diploma**
academic or technical
 - **SAT**
reading/writing = 480, math = 530
 - **ACT**
english = 18, reading = 22, math = 22, science = 23 (2 out of 4 needed with at least one in English/Reading and one in Math/Science)
 - **ASVAB**
minimum of 31
 - **Industry Certification**
certification from approved DWD list
 - **Apprenticeship**
federally recognized
 - **CTE Concentrator**
C average or higher in at least 2 advanced HS courses in a state-approved CTE Pathway
 - **AP/IB/Dual Credit/Cambridge International/CLEP**
C average or higher in 3 courses (1 of the 3 courses must be in core content area or all three must be part of a CTE pathway)
 - **Locally Created Pathway**
approved by SBOE
 - **Waiver**
see listed web link

TRACKING

- 1 **Transcript with Completed Courses**
Project-Based Experience
Allows students to gain knowledge and skills by working for an extended period of time to investigate and respond to an authentic, engaging, and complex question.
- 2 **Work Toward Completion of One of the Experiences *Below***
Service-Based Experience
Integrates academic study with service experience, reflects larger social, economic, and societal issues, and collaborative efforts between students, schools, and community partners.
- 3 **Course Selection, Graduation Plan, & Testing Opportunities**
Work-Based Experience
Activities that occur in a workplace while developing the student's skills, knowledge, and readiness for work.



Please Visit: <https://www.doe.in.gov/graduation-pathways>
Questions: DOEGradpathway@doe.in.gov

IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR 2019-2020 SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

The Indiana State Department of Health **requires** parents to submit immunization documentation for the following *additional immunizations* for all students prior to entering 12th grade:

- A second dose of MCV4 is required prior to the start of 12th grade; the second dose may be given any time after age 16.
- Two (2) doses of Hep A is required prior to the start of 12th grade; the first dose should have been given after age 1, and the second dose can be given at least 6 months after the first dose.

See your Health Care Provider for needed immunizations or you may go to:



The **Allen County Department of Health**, located at 4813 New Haven Avenue, at the corner of New Haven and Meyer Road, offers immunizations. Vaccinations are given by appointment only. There is an administration fee per vaccination. Medicaid is accepted. Clients with private insurance will be given a receipt to submit to their insurance provider. When making an appointment, the approximate costs will be given. Call 449-7514 to schedule an appointment or obtain additional information. You may also visit www.allencountyhealth.com. *An adult (parent/legal guardian) must accompany the child and*

bring the child's shot record.

Super Shot also offers immunizations at various locations throughout Allen County. There is a \$10 fee per shot; Medicaid is accepted. No one will be turned away due to inability to pay. *Your child's shot record is required and he/she must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.* See attached schedule, visit <https://supershot.org> or call 424-7468.



If you have questions, call your physician or your school nurse. To view a copy of the shot records EACS has on file for your child, please log into your RDS Parent Access account.

IMMUNIZATION RECORDS SHOULD BE BROUGHT TO REGISTRATION
OR
DELIVERED TO YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL *PRIOR TO THE FIRST DAY OF THE
SCHOOL*

Francine's Friends

Bosom Buddies in the Fight Against Cancer



PARKVIEW

COMPREHENSIVE CANCER CENTER

in partnership with:



Francine's Friends Mobile Mammography Unit is returning to EACS. This is a wonderful and convenient service offered to EACS and to our community by Parkview Hospital and the Breast Diagnostic Center.

Parkview recommends women have an annual mammogram beginning at age 40. Women 35 and older, who are not experiencing any problems with their breasts, can get a screening mammogram on the coach.

All participants must have a family physician as the screening report is sent to the physician.

For participants that have insurance, their insurance company will be billed. For those that have EACS Group Health Insurance, Mammograms will be considered as a wellness benefit, covered at 100%. Please bring a photo ID and your insurance card.

NO ONE will be turned away for inability to pay. Francine's Friends has funding available and a donation toward the cost of the mammogram is welcome.

2019 screening schedule:

- January 22 (Thursday) – New Haven High School
- January 28 (Monday) – Paul Harding Junior High
- February 11 (Monday) – Cedarville
- February 15 (Friday) – Prince Chapman Academy
- March 7 (Thursday) – New Haven Middle School
- March 22 (Friday) – Leo Jr/Sr High School
- April 16 (Tuesday) – Woodlan Elementary
- May 3 (Friday) – Heritage K-12 Campus



Appointments may be scheduled in by calling (260) 266-8120.



Look what's happening in the library!



New Book(s)

Tales of Honor by Dixie Saylor

This book is a collection of stories about honorable people who show courage in the face of great danger and respect and help others. This book is a good choice for students who would like to read a traditional (genre) book.

The Giver by Lois Lowry

Given his lifetime assignment at the Ceremony of Twelve, Jonas becomes the receiver of memories shared by only one other in his community and discovers the terrible truth about the society in which he lives.



Events



Come in and check out Galia's Corner! You will find book reviews written by a student who loves to share information about some good books. Please feel free to share your thoughts about this exciting display.



iPads

Students can now access Britannica School through the Canvas app on their iPads. Britannica School is a safe, up-to-date, and age-appropriate information resource for Elementary, Middle, and High School. Students can access encyclopedia articles, multimedia, primary sources, and other learning resources that support student research and reinforce curriculum standards.



Student Services

Absences / Appointments / College Visits / Vacation

- All absences must be called in to the attendance office. The number is 446-0186.
- Please make every effort to schedule appointments outside the school day. If a student must miss school for an appointment please provide documentation to the attendance office for the appointment upon the student's return.
- Juniors and seniors are allowed 2 college visit days. Parents should notify the attendance office on the day of the absence. Students must provide signed documentation from a university representative to verify the absence.
- We strongly discourage parents from taking students out of school for vacation, if a student must miss school for a family vacation please contact the attendance office for a vacation form. **Forms should be completed and submitted two weeks prior to the absence.**

Clinic

- If your student must take medication during school hours, the medicine must be checked in the clinic so the nurse can administer dosages. **STUDENTS WHO ARE ILL AND WISH TO GO HOME DURING THE DAY MUST BE SEEN BY THE SCHOOL NURSE IN THE CLINIC. STUDENTS WHO CONTACT THEIR PARENTS DIRECTLY AND ASKED TO BE PICKED UP FROM SCHOOL WILL BE COUNTED AS UNEXECUSED.**

Requesting Homework

- In the case of student absence that lasts at least three consecutive days, homework may be requested by calling the attendance office at 446-0180 ext. 7114. Parents are also encouraged to check a teacher's web page, assignments will be posted there. Homework may be picked up in the attendance office 24-hours after a request has been made.

Deliveries

- It is the policy of Leo Jr./Sr. that we will not deliver items to students unless the items are needed for class. Likewise, unless it is an emergency, we cannot deliver messages to students throughout the day.



KITCHEN HELP WANTED!!!

If you or someone you know is interested in a part-time job opportunity with EACS Food Service Department, please call Dan Krleski at 260-446-0166.



Transportation is in need of Bus Monitors on our Special Needs Buses. We are offering Flexible hours, anyone interested please call EACS transportation department at 446-0159 for more information.