



learning community charter school

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FRIDAY FLIER (5/29/09)

- 1) **THE NEW BUILDING TOUR** is tomorrow at **11am** at 2495 Kennedy Blvd. at entrance to Lincoln Park.
 - Please stay after the tour if you can volunteer for an hour or so to help move a bit of furniture.
 - Antique and office furniture from the school will be for sale Saturday and Sunday from 9 am to 3 pm. Hundreds of schoolhouse desks, chairs, and other office furniture will be sold. The money raised to be matched by Simon Foundation. *See attached flier.*
- 2) **WORK PARTIES** at the **NEW BUILDING** are being scheduled at various times all summer starting soon. These dates will be posted at the website, www.lccsnj.org and will be emailed to the parent listserv as soon as available.
- 3) **MUSCLES NEEDED:** We need 6 – 8 strong people to help move **HEAVY PLATFORMS** (used last year for Fashion Runway) from the gym to front of school next week. **Tuesday or Wednesday after morning drop-off.** Contact Charlotte Kreutz at charlotte-kreutz@lccsnj.org.
- 4) **JUNE-A-PALOOZA RAFFLE ITEMS and BASKETS** are being accepted now and all next week.
 - **THIS SUNDAY, 5/31**, you may drop off any raffle items at LCCS between 4:30 and 6 pm.

JUNE-A-PALOOZA 4 is coming!

Don't miss all the fun!! Saturday, June 6, 12 – 5 pm.

- ❖ Fabulous raffle prizes including fun activities you can win from or to do with LCCS teachers (see attached flier)
- ❖ Bounce House for the younger set
- ❖ DUNK TANK!!! Soak your teachers!! Three balls per turn.
- ❖ Live Music by professional and LCCS student bands all day!
- ❖ Arts and Crafts: tie-dye bandanas, magnet decoration, cupcake decoration, pipe cleaner creatures, make your own tamborine & wand decorating
- ❖ Games for kids: bean bag toss, pick a duck, can toss, basketball dunk & ring toss.
- ❖ Super deluxe Face Painting
- ❖ Cakewalks all day: Choose a cake if you're a winner when the music stops!
- ❖ Performances by Silly Willy the magician and the LCCS Dance Team.
- ❖ Get sprayed by a fire engine, pet a police dog.

Start gathering together your **FLEA MARKET** items now!

Large items like bikes, appliances, work-out equipment, and furniture make the most money!

NO clothes or too much little stuff please. Bring to the school Friday or Saturday.

MORE VOLUNTEERS are still needed in many areas for 2 hour blocks of time, 10 am – 5 pm.

Please email Wendy Tom at wendyjames@aol.com to sign-up.

Participate in the June-a-Palooza **BLOOD DRIVE**. The room will be AIR-CONDITIONED!!

Do something great for your community, then enjoy all the activities at the spring fair.

CALLING ALL BAKERS! If you can bake a cake and deliver it to LCCS on **6/6** before noon, contact Sharol Jenkins at 201-200-0219 jenkinssharon@yahoo.com, or just bring it on Saturday!!!

- 5) The **LCCS PARENT SURVEY** is available electronically at http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=QT4nfalTOssCZzQ6JwIZWw_3d_3d and is also attached to this

Friday Flier. This survey provides us with valuable information about how the LCCS family community feels about their school and their child's learning experience. **Please fill out the survey and return to your classroom teacher or fill it out online and return electronically by 6/8.**

- 6) Next week is **SPIRIT WEEK!** Students show their school spirit by participating in activities and wearing clothes with different themes every day! Let's try to get 100% participation from the whole school! The dress code information for each day, chosen by the Middle School Student Council, is below:
- Monday** – Pajama Day
 - Tuesday** – Mismatch Day
 - Wednesday** – Twin Day (two or more students should dress alike)
 - Thursday** – Sports Day (students can wear sports jerseys, t-shirts, or uniforms to school)
 - Friday** – Color Day (each grade is assigned a color to wear)
 - 8th - blue ♦ 7th - red ♦ 6th - green ♦ 5th - yellow ♦ 4th - brown
 - 3rd - gray/black ♦ 2nd - purple ♦ 1st - orange ♦ Kindergarten – pink or light blue
- 7) The **SIMON FOUNDATION MATCHING CHALLENGE** has raised over **\$20K!** We now have two weeks to get those last donations. Let's make at least **\$25K**. Doubled that would be **\$50,000**.
- 8) **THIS WEEKEND** is the last chance to **PURCHASE ADVERTISING SPACE** in the **2008 Yearbook!** This may only be done by emailing Marie Salle at marie-salle@lccsnj.org.
- Help students defray the costs of the yearbook.
 - Parents and families may send congratulations to 8th grade graduates.
 - Community businesses can advertise.
- 9) **CELL PHONES FOR SOLDIERS:** The deadline is next Friday, **6/5**. We've only collected 32 phones so far! Let's try to reach 100 in the last week!
- 10) Thanks to the many parents who accompanied classes to Nicola Stemmer's music studio with Meera Jaffrey to record the **LCCS K-5th GRADE CD** compilation (on sale at the Spring Concert, Friday **6/5** at 9 am and at JUNE-A-PALOOZA.) Special thanks to John Hickman, Jayne Freeman, Matthias Gustafsson, and Nicola for the generous donation of time and talent at the recording studio.
- 11) **JUNE EVENTS at LCCS:**
- **K-4 SPRING CONCERT:** Friday, 6/5 - 9 to 10 am. Concert CDs will be for sale for \$10!
 - **GRADES 6-8 DANCE:** Friday, 6/5 7:30-9:30 pm
 - **3rd – 8th GRADE STUDENT TALENT SHOW:** Thursday, 6/11, at **1:30**.
 - **WINGSPAN** Grades 6-8 – Performance and Art Display: Monday, 6/15 10:30 am
 - **WINGSPAN** Grade 5 - Performances: Thursday, 6/18 10:30 am
 - **EXIT DAY:** celebrating graduating 8th graders: Friday, 6/19
 - **LCCS GRADUATION:** Monday, 6/22 – 5 to 7 pm at St. Peter's College
- 12) **FUNDRAISING SALES** for LCCS and Simon Matching Grant:
- **LCCS CHOCOLATE BARS are back** – Milk chocolate, dark chocolate, with and w/o almonds, krispies, and caramel: They are \$1 a piece and the school keeps 50% of the profit. Boxes of 50 (or less) are available to sell.
 - **LCCS ONLINE STORE: T-shirts, HOODIES, etc.** at <http://www.cafepress.com/lccsnj>.
- 13) **THANK YOU** to:
- Joe and Alek Osenenko and Roger Sayre who kept the banner for June-a-Palooza attached and flying over Manila Avenue at risk of life and limb. What great guys!!
 - Parents who chaperoned on the Kindergarten trip to the Brooklyn Botanical Gardens.
 - Parents who chaperoned on the 4th grade trip to Ellis Island and the Statue of Liberty.

LCCS PARENT SURVEY 2008-2009

INSTRUCTIONS: Please complete the survey by Monday, June 8, 2009. All responses are confidential and anonymous. Many of the questions ask you to rank your opinions on a scale. If you feel that a specific question does not apply to you, simply choose N/A. If you have additional comments on any of the questions, please write them in the text boxes provided.

OVERALL SATISFACTION

1. What do you think are the best and/or most successful things about the school?

2. In what areas do you think the school needs improvement? What goals do you think the school needs to focus on for the 2009-2010 school year? Please list in order of priority.

3. Overall, how would you rate the school?

Needs Improvement	Fair	Good	Very Good	Excellent	N/A
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Comments:

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM / SCHOOL SUPPORT PROGRAM

Please rate our educational program and the variety of services that support the educational program.

4. How would you rate each of the following?

	Needs Improvement	Fair	Good	Very Good	Excellent	N/A
The Educational Program	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Assessment/ Progress Reports	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Parent/Teacher Conferences	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Facilities/Building	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Safety and Security	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
School Lunch Program	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
After School Program	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Comments:

COMMUNICATION / FAMILY INVOLVEMENT

5. Do you get weekly classroom reports (including the Friday Flier) emailed or sent home with children every week?

- Never Rarely Sometimes Usually Always

Comments:

6. Please rate the following.

	Needs Improvement	Fair	Good	Very Good	Excellent	N/A
Do you find the weekly classroom reports from teachers useful?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Do you find the Friday Flier useful?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Comments:

7. If you are subscribed to the LCCS News listserv (i.e. Do you receive the Friday Flier and other occasional announcements by e-mail?), how would you rate your satisfaction with this service?

Needs Improvement	Fair	Good	Very Good	Excellent	I am not subscribed to the listserv.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If you are not on this list and would like to be, please enter your email address here or send an email to charlotte-kreutz@lccsnj.org

8. Family involvement is key to the success of LCCS. On the "Family Involvement Survey" distributed in September, we set a goal of 10 hours of volunteer time (chaperoning on class trips, school-wide fundraising events, in-class support, etc.) per family per year. How many hours would you estimate that your family has volunteered this year?

0	1-5 hours	6-10 hours	More than 10 hours	N/A
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please specify approximately how many hours your family volunteered AND what kinds of activities you were involved with. Also, do you have suggestions for things the school could do (including any new projects such as fundraising or community outreach, etc.) to increase family involvement?

9. How would you rate each of the following?

	Needs Improvement	Fair	Good	Very Good	Excellent	N/A
Are teachers responsive?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Is the principal responsive?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Are other administrative staff members responsive?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Are the Board of Trustees responsive?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Is communication (i.e. telephone calls or emails) helpful?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Curriculum Nights	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Parent Meetings	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Comments. Please indicate when is the best time for you to attend meetings and/or participate in school activities.

OTHER INFORMATION

10. How would you describe your racial/ethnic group and your qualification for the Free Lunch Program?

	We qualify for Free Lunch Program.	We DO NOT qualify.	We don't know.
Black	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
White (not of Hispanic origin)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Asian/Pacific Islander	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hispanic	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

What grade was your child this year? (If you have more than one child, please list each grade attended.)

***Thank you for your time and participation with the survey!
We value your input!***