# LYMAN HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL'S WEEKLY UPDATE – 12/15/19

Good morning, Lyman Families! This is Mr. Rice, Principal of Lyman High School, and this is your Principal's Weekly Update!

Exams days have arrived (Click <u>HERE</u> for this week's bell schedule)! Let's make it count, Greyhounds! Study hard, get some rest, and make this week the most important 4 days of the quarter. Remember, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Exam is 20% of your grade and your 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Grade is averaged with your 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Grade to determine the Semester Grade that will go on your transcript. The Semester Grade is also the grade that determines your Overall GPA. Make it count!

#### **CONGRATULATIONS DANCERS**

I attended the Winter Dance Showcase on Thursday night and I was blown away by the talent displayed by our students! Congratulations to our Dance Teacher, Mr. Porter, and all dancers and Lyman Diamonds for the preparation and perseverance it took to put together this outstanding performance!

#### **CONGRATS ROTC!!**

Our Lyman JROTC teams - Academic and Leadership - competed in JLAB Level 1 in November against all 1740 Army JROTC programs. The other services also competed within their respective services. I am pleased to report both Lyman teams advanced to Level 2 (Regionals). Our JROTC was the NATIONAL CHAMPIONS in 2016 and I am confident they are on track to this achievement once again! Good luck, ROTC!

### THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

On Friday Night, our Softball Team hosted a fundraiser to support PE Teacher, Dawn Coleman, whose 8-year old son was recently diagnosed with Bone Cancer. They hosted a Home Run Derby Competition which brought over 200 hitters from across Central Florida to support the cause. It was an awesome display of community support for one of our very own! Well done, Coach DeSalvo and Lyman Softball!

# LYMAN H.S. HALL OF FAME 5K A SUCCESS!

Lyman Community, you are awesome! Saturday morning, we had a bit of rain come through around 6:30am, but by race time, it was gone and our 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Lyman H.S. Hall of Fame 5k was a success! It was great to meet long-time teacher and coach, Larry Baker, his family, and so many Alumni who were *Inspired* by his teaching and his leadership. Thank you to our Athletic Directors for planning such a great event and to all volunteers, runners, and donors for helping our athletic department to raise funds for necessary equipment repairs and upgrades. Thank you as well to all of our sponsors for making this event possible.

# 2<sup>nd</sup> QUARTER EXAM SCHEDULE!

This is the week! Click <u>HERE</u> for the Exam Bell Schedule. Note – the last three days of the quarter are half days. *Dismissal on December 17, 18, 19 will be at 11:45am.* 

#### FIRST DAY SEMESTER 2 SCHEDULE – JANUARY 6, TWENTY TWENTY!!!

In order to distribute 2<sup>nd</sup> semester schedules, students will report to their PAWS period for 32 minutes before going to periods 1, 3, 7, 5 for the remainder of the day. Click <u>HERE</u> for the Bell Schedule on January 6, 2020.

#### **CAMPUS CLOSED**

Lyman High School will be closed December 23<sup>rd</sup> - January 5<sup>th</sup> in order for our staff to also enjoy the Winter Holiday Break. We will return during regular office hours, January 6<sup>th</sup>.

#### **5ESSENTIALS AND SNAPSHOT SURVEY – JANUARY 2020**

Beginning January 21st, parents, students in grades 4-12 and school staff will have the opportunity to take part in the Snapshot Survey. This 3 question, open-ended survey will showcase what makes each of our school's unique. Your input and comments are important and will play a key role in spotlighting innovation and student achievements. On January 21st, parents will receive the link to the Snapshot Survey through School Messenger. The survey link will also be available on the SCPS web site.

In addition to the Snapshot Survey, students will have the opportunity to participate in the 5Essentials Survey and the SCPS Safety Survey. These opportunities allow students in grades 4-12 to share their thoughts on important elements of their school and classroom experiences. Students will participate in these surveys during the school day.

The Snapshot, 5Essentials and SCPS Safety Surveys will be conducted January 21 – February 21, 2020. A copy of the student survey questions will be available for preview on our school website the week of January 13th.

Participation in the surveys provides valuable information on our school and helps to guide school improvement. Participant identities and survey responses are kept completely confidential and will never be connected to parents or students.

#### THIS WEEK'S BELL SCHEDULE

Click <u>HERE</u> for the General Bell Schedule Click <u>HERE</u> for the Blue/Gold Calendar – Including PAWS Periods

- **Monday** Modified 7 Period Day 1, 2, 3, 4, 7<sup>th</sup> Period Exam (Extended, 5, 6 Click <u>HERE</u> for the Exam Bell Schedule
- Tuesday Half Day Periods 1 & 2 Exams Period 1 & 2 Click HERE for the Exam Bell Schedule
- Wednesday Half Day Periods 3 & 4 Exams Period 3 & 4 Click <u>HERE</u> for the Exam Bell Schedule
- Thursday Half Day Periods 5 & 6 Exams Period 5 & 6 Click <u>HERE</u> for the Exam Bell Schedule
- Friday NO SCHOOL TEACHER WORKDAY
- Winter Break NO SCHOOL December 20, 2019 January 5, 2020

#### When We Return JANUARY 6th.....

- Monday BLUE Day <u>PAWS</u>, 1, 3, 7, 5 Lunch based on 7<sup>th</sup> period Click <u>HERE</u> for the Bell Schedule.
- Tuesday GOLD Day 2, 4, 7, 6 Lunch based on 7<sup>th</sup> period
- Wednesday RED DAY Periods 1-6 Lunch based on 4<sup>th</sup> period
- Thursday BLUE Day 1, 3, 7, 5 Lunch based on 7<sup>th</sup> period
- Friday GOLD Day 2, 4, 7, 6 Lunch based on 7<sup>th</sup> period

#### **IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES**

(Visit the Lyman Activity Calendar for more information)

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Exams December 16-19 Click HERE for the Exam Bell Schedule
  - Monday 7<sup>th</sup> Period Exam

- Tuesday Period 1 & 2 Exam Dismissal at 11:45am
- o **Wednesday –** Period 3 & 4 Exam Dismissal at 11:45am
- o **Thursday –** Period 5 & 6 Exam Dismissal at 11:45am
- Friday NO SCHOOL/TEACHER WORKDAY
- Winter Break NO SCHOOL December 20, 2019 January 5, 2020
- First Day of Quarter 3 January 6, 2020
- PAWS Period 1/6/20 Click HERE for the Bell Schedule.
- Next PAWS Period 1/28/20 Click HERE for the Blue/Gold Calendar Including PAWS Periods
- Report Cards Distributed TBD
- General Athletic Booster Meeting Monday, January 13, 7:00pm Teachers' Lounge (Cafeteria)
- Senior Lunch/Breakfast Off Campus January 14<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> Period Seniors who submitted their permission form arrive by the start of 4<sup>th</sup> Period
- **Blood Drive #3** January 14<sup>th</sup> Register Online in January
- **4.0+ Honor Roll Lunch** January 17, 2020 During Lunches
- **Light Up Lyman** January 30, 2020 Incoming 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Registration Night 6:00pm
- Advanced Placement (AP) Information Night February 4, 2020

Remember, you matter, we matter, *Everyone Matters* at Lyman High School. Please let us know if there is anything we can do to help your child succeed!

Sincerely,

Michael J. Rice Principal Lyman High School