



LUELLA HIGH SCHOOL

Pride News

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Week #11

We are now 51 days into the school year; there are 39 days remaining in the first semester.

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PRIDE OF THE PRIDE

This has been a great weekend to be a Luella Lion with success in several areas....

On Friday evening, the football Lions defeated the McDonough High School Warhawks in a hard fought game by a score of 26 – 16.

- Plan to join us this coming Friday at 7:30 PM when we play North Clayton High School in this year's Homecoming game in another important region game.

On Saturday afternoon, the Volleyball Lions traveled to Upson-Lee High School to play in the first round of the state playoffs. It was an epic match going to five games before the Lions prevailed, meaning that they will move onto the 2nd round in the state playoffs.

- They will play Heritage, Ringgold on Wednesday in Ringgold.

Wow, Go Lions!

Also on Saturday, the competition one-act play cast and crew competed at region competition with our one-act play Peter/Wendy and brought home the top award, earning the Region Championship.

- They will now go onto to compete in the state one-play competition on Saturday, November 2.
- The show also earned several other honors:
 - Dawson Babishkin was named the Region's Best Actress;
 - Aryana Barnes and Makylah Jackson were named to the Region All Star cast;
 - The show earning special recognition for best costume design.

It was a proud day for the theatre Lions! Congratulations to all.

The Competition Cheer squad competed on Saturday in the Metro Atlanta Cheer Championships and placed 3rd in the co-ed division.

- Sophomore Christopher Williams was a top three finalist in the jump off competition.

Congratulations to cheer as they begin their competition season.

HOMEcomings WEEK

This coming week is Homecoming week, and it will be an active week in The Lion's Den. Let me encourage everyone to take part in Homecoming activities:

Monday, October 21st

- Girls Flag Football Game – 6:00 PM Lion's Stadium Admission \$3

Our Flag Football team is having a great first season and stands to move into the playoffs. Come on out for these games and support these new Luella lady athletes. Also, it is a blackout game – be sure to wear your black.

Tuesday, October 22nd

- We'll announce the winner of the door decoration contest.
- Students vs. Teachers Kickball Game – 4:30 PM Lion's Stadium Free Admission

Wednesday, October 23rd

- Fine Arts Showcase during the Advisory period

Thursday, October 24th

- Powder Puff Football Game – 7:00 PM Lion's Stadium Free Admission

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Friday, October 25th

- Fall Festival/ Student Homecoming Activities – 2:00 - 3:15 PM Free Admission
 - Including: a Mini Parade; Fall Festival activities, including: both Luella and community booths for students to visit; Grade Level Tug of War; Teachers vs. Students Dance Contest
- Club/Organization/ Sports teams' Tailgate – 5:00 – 7:00 PM
- Football game: Luella vs. North Clayton - 7:30 PM Lion's Stadium Admission \$7.00

Saturday, Oct. 26th

- Homecoming Dance: 6:00 – 9:00 PM Admission \$8.00
 - Ticket information is available on our website.

TEACHER OF THE YEAR

Ms. Jaime Henck, our TOTY semi-finalist, will be honored along with all the other HCS Teachers – of – the Year on Thursday evening. At the end of the evening, the Henry County Schools Teacher – of – the – Year will be named. Let's wish Ms. Henck the best, as we know that she represents our best.

DECEMBER IS MAY

I hope that I have your attention now. The first nine weeks has ended; therefore, we are half through the first semester. Remember that beginning this year we will award course credit at the end of each semester – meaning that the grades earned through December will be just like grades earned in May, which determine if students earn the ½ unit credit for having completed the course with a final average of 70 or above.

If a student does not earn the credit, then the student will have to take the course again. For our seniors, this allows them very little room should they fail a course in order to graduate in May. Please take time with your student and review their report card grades. All students did receive a printed report card, and grades are posted in the IC Parent/Student portal.

Please help us spread the word: December is May!

SAFETY AND SECURITY

Safety and Security continue to be our top priority each day. The following protocols and procedures are in place to assure the safety of each student and staff member:

- To enter the building during school hours, use one of the four main entrance doors. All other exterior doors will remain locked.
- All staff members will wear official picture ID badges.
- Visitors must check in at the front office and be issued a printed visitor ID badge, which must be worn while in the building. Any visitor without this standard ID badge will be stopped and escorted to the front office.
- During class time, all classroom doors will be locked.

REMINDERS AND INFORMATION

School Operation Hours:

- The school opens at 6:45 AM each school day and closes at 4:30 PM. Students should not be in the building outside of these hours unless they are under the direct supervision of a teacher or coach. Students remaining in the building after 4:30 PM will be moved into the front lobby to wait for their pick-up.
 - The front office is open, and telephones are answered from 7:45 AM until 4:00 PM.

Thank you for your support and understanding of our work. We are certainly #BETTERTOGETHER and together we do EXPECT *Exceptional*.

And, as always,
Go Lions!

Jerry Smith

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