

## Rock Fest 2017

Back home in the newly renovated high school auditorium, the LaFayette Rock Festival continued its successful run. Since 2005, the festival has not only been a great tradition that students of all grades look forward to, but also a key revenue source for a scholarship created in memory of former student Matthew Nastasi. This year's scholarship of \$1,500 will once again be awarded to a graduating senior who shows a multi-talented and individualistic spirit similar to its namesake.

The concert committee would like to thank everyone who contributed to this year's show, specifically staff members Maria Nastasi, Kevin Morel and Tiana Poplawski, along with the numerous staff members who attended and volunteered at this year's event. Finally, a big thanks should be given to our home grown band Decent, in addition to the other three high school bands that volunteered their musical talents throughout the evening. Can't wait until next year!



## BUDGET VOTE

**Tuesday, May 16, 2017**

**1:00 - 9:00 PM**

**Jr./Sr. High School Lobby**

### Voter Qualifications

Must be a citizen of the United States. Must be eighteen (18) years of age. Must be a resident of the District for a minimum of thirty days prior to May 16, 2017.

### Absentee ballots are available.

Contact the District Clerk for an application at 315-677-9728.

### Detailed Budget

A detailed budget may be obtained by any District resident at School District Offices beginning April 24, 2017 during weekday hours of 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

## Therapy Dogs

Is your Junior-Senior High School student feeling stressed and overwhelmed? Encourage him/her to make an appointment to see Kyra June, the therapy dog. Kyra June has been visiting the JSHS throughout the school year to help de-stress and calm students (and staff). Students have the opportunity on days that Kyra June is in to make an appointment to see her during their lunch or study hall.

Students are able to play, snuggle, or vent to Kyra June during their appointment and return to their day feeling more relaxed and ready to learn. Kyra June can be found in the Guidance Office and appointments can be made with Ms. Fredericks, Mrs. Thompson, or in the Main Office. Kyra June is looking forward to seeing you and returning next school year.

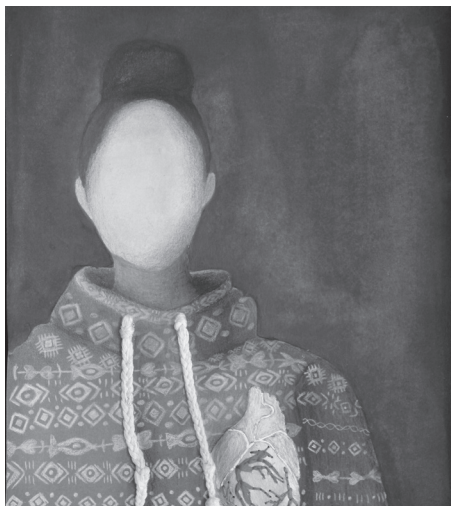
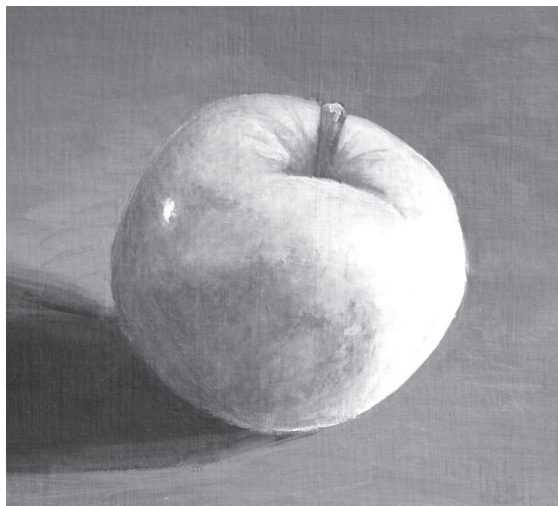


## Save the Date

We will be offering an orientation program for students transitioning from 6th grade to 7th grade in the Junior-Senior High School. This program will familiarize students with the High School and their 7th grade teachers. It will also provide instruction on organization, time-management, and the general "what to expect" from middle school. Orientation consists of three ½ day sessions that will be provided August 1st through 3rd OR August 21st through 23rd. We will also be offering a parent information night for families of incoming 7th graders on August 24th from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Registration information and more details to follow.

## ♦ *Junior/Senior High School News* ♦

### Seniors Win Awards at the Edgewood Gallery Show



Each year schools have the opportunity to submit three senior artworks to the Annual High School Senior Show and Competition at the Edgewood Gallery. Sponsored by the Central New York Art Guild, each year's show is held in the Spring. This year senior artists: Taylor Cook, Janna Grant, and Vivian Mueller were selected to submit artwork to the competition. High schools within a thirty-mile radius of Syracuse are invited to participate. The guild members awarded Taylor's submission Honorable Mention, and Vivian's entry won the Acrylic Award! Each award comes with a monetary prize. This is a wonderful opportunity for senior art students to exhibit their work in a professional setting and for the public to recognize student accomplishments in the Visual Arts. An Awards Reception is held for students, friends, and families. Congratulations Taylor, Jannah, and Vivian!

## GUIDANCE/COUNSELING DEPARTMENT NEWS

### COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES

Logan Booth	Arizona State University Colgate University Cornell University Hobart & William Smith Colleges North Carolina State University St. Bonaventure University Syracuse University University at Buffalo University of Tampa (FL)
Lauren Gates	SUNY Cortland SUNY Oswego
Riley LaCava	Nazareth College SUNY Cortland St. John Fisher College SUNY Oswego Roberts Wesleyan College
Sophia Powless	Adelphi University
Jeremy Reynolds	Cazenovia College
Cecelia Robinson	Fordham University
Dana Scofield	Clarkson University Florida Institute of Technology Florida Southern College Lynchburg College (VA) Rochester Institute of Technology Siena College SUNY Albany SUNY Oswego University at Buffalo

### REMINDER TO JUNIORS

If you have not signed up for it already, juniors should be registering for this last SAT/ACT test in June.

Scores are sent directly to students as well as to the school counselor.

### 16/17 TESTING DATES

#### SAT

#### Registration Deadline

June 3, 2017

May 9, 2017

SAT recommends registering online at:  
[sat.collegeboard.com](http://sat.collegeboard.com)

#### ACT

#### Registration Deadline

June 10, 2017

May 5, 2017

ACT recommends registering online at:  
[www.actstudent.org/start](http://www.actstudent.org/start)



## ◆ Grimshaw School News ◆

### PRINCIPAL INPUT

The Merry-Go- Round Theater put on a wonderful ECHOES performance this past month. ECHOES is made up of original scripts created by students — across genres and across New York State.

The program is tailored for students in grades 6 through 8 and is the largest middle school writing competition in the United States. After taking part in a classroom workshop with our actors, the students from every participating district submit original material. Merry-Go-Round Theater producers read each submission and from them, selected dozens of poems, songs, stories, and skits to weave into an original 45-minute production. We are very proud of our 6th grade student, Emily McClary, who had her piece chosen as part of the production. Congratulations, Emily!



On Friday, May 19th, we will welcome many special guests to our annual Grandparents Day event. We are excited to share our wonderful school with our guests. We will have Kindergarten Screening starting Tuesday, May 8th through Friday, May 12th.

If you have a child that will be entering Pre-K or Kindergarten in the fall, please be sure to complete a registration packet and we will contact you to set up a screening time for your child. Near the end of the month, our 6th grade students will be given the opportunity to visit the Jr/Sr High School and learn about all of the exciting opportunities that they will have when they transition there next year. It is truly amazing how their time at Grimshaw has flown by so quickly.

*Jen Blossey, Principal*

**Paula Bush, Grimshaw Nurse**  
Phone: 677-5501

### Health Office News

Fax: 677-3154  
[pbush@lafayetteschools.org](mailto:pbush@lafayetteschools.org)

I hope everyone enjoyed Spring break with your children. Hopefully you all got some fresh air and sunshine and are coming back to school healthy.

There were still some cases of strep throat last month but mainly viral illnesses including colds, upset stomachs, as well as some flu but overall we had a healthier month at school.

Please remember to keep any child with a fever home for 24 hours after their temperature returns to normal without the aid of medicine and for a full day after vomiting.

We sometimes see a spike in cases of lice in the spring as children are sharing ballcaps, batting helmets, and just spending more time together in close proximity. This would be a good time to remind your child not to share anything with other children that goes on their head/hair such as hats, hair-ties, combs and brushes. I would suggest your child use

his/her own pillow and blanket if they sleep over at a friend's house. It is a good idea for girls with long hair to keep it pulled back or up at school. Please try to check your child's hair at home a couple of times per week, especially if they are scratching their heads more than normal, as the main sign of lice is an itchy scalp.

All children entering PK/K/2nd and 4th grades in the fall will need to have a physical exam. Please send in a copy of the exam as soon as your child's is completed. The state is also requesting that a dental exam be done and a form be filled out by your dentist and sent into school the same years that physicals are done. The dental forms will be attached to the physical forms that will be sent home with your child at the end of the month for your convenience.

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### *...Heath Office News...Continued from page 3...*

I'm planning on offering physicals this year for 6th graders entering 7th at Grimshaw as usual. However as of press time I don't have a definite date yet. I'm aiming for the first week in June. The paperwork regarding these physicals with the date will be sent home with your child on or about May 26th. A parent must sign and send back the form to school by the deadline in the letter if you want the exam done here.

Please send in any medicine your child may need for asthma/allergies/bee stings as this is the season for asthma, pollen and bees. Many children are suffering from allergies this time of year and sometimes it's hard to tell the difference between allergies and a cold. I can offer a few guidelines that may be helpful. Colds usually start with body aches, low-grade fever and scratchy throat followed by a cough and runny nose with yellow mucous. Allergies, on the other hand do not present with a fever and body aches but with itchy, watery eyes, cough and runny nose with clear mucous. A cold usually runs its course in 3-14 days where an allergy can last weeks or even months.

Kindergarten screening will be held this month (5/8, 5/9, 5/11, 5/12). I always enjoy meeting all your little ones that will be joining us next year. Please remember to bring or send in a copy of your child's immunization record if you didn't bring it to your child's screening. We will also need a copy of any

immunizations received over the summer as well as a copy of their Kindergarten physical done after 1/1/17.

All students entering 6th grade are required to have a Tdap vaccine before entering school in September if they've turned 11 years old. You should have received a letter before the April break with detailed information about this. All 6th grade students will be required to have had 2 doses of Varicella(chickenpox) to enter 6th grade also. Please discuss this with your child's doctor so you can have this taken care of before school starts in the fall. All students entering 7th and 12th grades will need a meningitis vaccine. If you have any questions regarding these or any other vaccination requirements, please call any one of the building nurses to clarify for you.

As most of you know in the last year a couple of years changes were made by the NYS-DOH regarding immunization requirements at each elementary grade level. Please review your child's immunization record with your doctor. I'll keep you posted if any more changes occur for next fall. Printed in this newsletter are the latest NYS requirements for school entrance.

Please keep updating emergency numbers right through the end of the year and thank-you for your cooperation on all of the above. As always, if you have any concerns or questions feel free to contact me.

### **2016-17 School Year New York State Immunization Requirements for School Entrance/Attendance<sup>1</sup>**

NOTES: Children in a prekindergarten setting should be age-appropriately immunized. The number of doses depends on the schedule recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP). For grades Pre-k through 8, intervals between doses of vaccine should be in accordance with the ACIP-recommended immunization schedule for persons 0 through 18 years of age. (Exception: intervals between doses of polio vaccine need to be reviewed only for grades prekindergarten, kindergarten, 1, 2, 6, 7 and 8.) Doses received before the minimum age or intervals are not valid and do not count toward the number of doses listed below. Intervals between doses of vaccine DO NOT need to be reviewed for grades 9 through 12. See footnotes for specific information for each vaccine.

Children who are enrolling in grade-less classes should meet the immunization requirements of the grades for which they are age equivalent.

Dose requirements MUST be read with the footnotes of this schedule. Schedule is on the next page.

For further information contact:  
**New York State Department of Health  
Bureau of Immunization  
Room 649, Corning Tower ESP  
Albany, NY 12237  
(518) 473-4437**

**New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene  
Program Support Unit, Bureau of Immunization,  
42-09 28th Street, 5th floor  
Long Island City, NY 11101  
(347) 396-2433**

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Vaccines	Prekindergarten (Day Care, Head Start, Nursery or Pre-k)	Kindergarten and Grades 1 and 2	Grades 3, 4 and 5	Grades 6, 7 and 8	Grades 9, 10, 11 and 12
Diphtheria and Tetanus toxoid-containing vaccine and Pertussis vaccine (DTaP/DTP/Tdap) <sup>2</sup>	4 doses	5 doses or 4 doses if the 4th dose was received at 4 years of age or older or 3 doses if aged 7 years or older and the series was started at 1 year of age or older		3 doses	
Tetanus and Diphtheria toxoid-containing vaccine and Pertussis vaccine booster (Tdap) <sup>3</sup>	Not applicable			1 dose	
Polio vaccine (IPV/OPV) <sup>4</sup>	3 doses	4 doses or 3 doses if the 3rd dose was received at 4 years of age or older	3 doses	4 doses or 3 doses if the 3rd dose was received at 4 years of age or older	3 doses
Measles, Mumps and Rubella vaccine (MMR) <sup>5</sup>	1 dose	2 doses			
Hepatitis B vaccine <sup>6</sup>	3 doses	3 doses or 2 doses of adult hepatitis B vaccine (Recombivax) for children who received the doses at least 4 months apart between the ages of 11 through 15 years of age			
Varicella (Chickenpox) vaccine <sup>7</sup>	1 dose	2 doses	1 dose	2 doses	1 dose
Meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MenACWY) <sup>8</sup>	Not applicable			By Grade 7: 1 dose	Grade 12: 2 doses or 1 dose if the dose was received at 16 years of age or older
Haemophilus influenzae type b conjugate vaccine (Hib) <sup>9</sup>	1 to 4 doses	Not applicable			
Pneumococcal Conjugate vaccine (PCV) <sup>10</sup>	1 to 4 doses	Not applicable			



## ◆ ATHLETIC NEWS ◆

### Attention Parents/Guardians of Varsity Players – Varsity Block L Dinner

Monday, June 5th at 6pm, Orchard Vali • More details to come via USPS mail

### Lancers Take the Beach!

Spring Training was a Grand Slam in Myrtle Beach! The LaFayette Lancers Varsity Baseball Team had a wonderful experience and opportunity to play baseball in the warm weather. The Lancers loved training and playing games at The Ripken Experience baseball facility. In addition to baseball, they also enjoyed time on the beach, in the ocean, and doing various team building activities. Many families also went on the trip to help cheer on the Lancers! Some of the players commented that this trip was, “Amazing” and “The best time of my life!” Thank you to Coaches Sean Kelly, Jerry Kelly, Karl Seeman, and Pat Buff for making this a great experience for the kids. Also, many thanks to the LaFayette Community for helping to support our team!



## Community News ◆ Community News ◆ Community News

### Boy Scout Troop 100

Be Prepared: an important motto. But no less important are the scouting ideals of: “Do a good turn daily” and “Try to help others at all times.”

The Boy Scouts of Lafayette are not strangers to helping their community. Throughout the year, scouts can be seen at VFW pancake breakfasts, Cub Scout events, cleaning up the Columbian Presbyterian Church (the troop’s sponsor) as well as other locations in our town.

Just recently, two more members have gotten approval to move forward with their Eagle Scout projects. These projects will help with cleanup and improvement projects, as a way to give back to the Lafayette community. More details to come.

Troop 100 Boy Scouts will be wrapping up its regular schedule as the school year comes to a close, but they will continue events throughout the summer. Remember, it is never too late to join!

The bottle drive trailer at Dollar General will be slated for the troop in late May. If you have bottles to donate, the troop uses those funds for projects all year.

For more information contact Kevin Gretskey, Scout Master gretskeyk@aol.com or Brian Kramak, Assistant Scout Master, bkramak@gmail.com.

Thank you for your support!



# LaFAYETTE COMMUNITY COUNCIL NEWS

## YOUTH PROGRAMS

**Tee-Ball/Baseball/Softball** (boys and girls grades K-6) - League games are under way and end mid June.

**Instructional Tee-ball** (Pre-K and K) - Thursday evenings at Stafford Park North (behind True Value)

**ULA lacrosse** (boys and girls grades 3-6) - Games are scheduled to begin June 12 and the Opening Tournament weekend will be June 16 & 17 in Auburn. For additional information phone 677-7272 or send e-mail to: lafayettecommunitycouncil@cnymail.com

**Instructional Lacrosse\*** (girls and boys grades K-2) - Dates, times and location to be determined.

**Swim Lessons** (boys and girls, all ages) - Offered in conjunction with the Town of Pompey, the lessons are conducted at Cazenovia College in July. There is no cost for residents of the Town of LaFayette; however, participants must provide their own transportation (directions available on line at Town's LCC website). DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS MAY 12.

**Soccer Camp\*** (boys and girls grades PK-6) - Offered by The Ultimate Goal at Stafford Park, July 24-28.

**Tennis Camp\*** (boys and girls entering Grades 3- 7) - Conducted by LaFayette Sr. High School Varsity tennis coach, Joe Fox, Monday, July 24 - Thursday, July 27, 4:30-6:00 p.m.

**Youth Soccer Clinic** - Josh Jewett, a student in LaFayette's Big Picture School will be conducting a soccer clinic as part of his Learning Through Internships (LTI) project. The clinic, which will be for boys and girls in grades 2-4, will be held May 19 & 20 at Stafford Park North (behind True Value Hardware). There is no fee to attend the clinic, but participants must register ahead of time. For more information and to register, enter the following address in your browser: [https://docs.google.com/a/lafayetteschools.org/forms/d/1LLqxFr9QuVxVr7go1rlkWsX05lwlHK0Xz1L0xbp1aVQ/edit?usp=drive\\_web](https://docs.google.com/a/lafayetteschools.org/forms/d/1LLqxFr9QuVxVr7go1rlkWsX05lwlHK0Xz1L0xbp1aVQ/edit?usp=drive_web)

**Youth Football** - Two programs, TOOLON and Southern Hill Storm Football, will be available to LaFayette youth this fall. Contact the respective program for more information.

*\*Notices with details will be sent home from school. Information and forms can also be found at the Town Offices and on the Town's website under the Community Council tab.*

## ADULT PROGRAMS

**Daytime/Senior Exercise Class** - Classes are held Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, 8:30-9:30 a.m., at the LaFayette Community Center. The cost is \$35 for the entire session or \$4/per class walk-in fee. The class begins May 9 and runs through June 15.

**Yoga** - Classes are held Mondays and Wednesdays, 6:30-7:45 p.m., at the Grimshaw Elementary School. The current session runs through June 21. Costs for this session are \$63 if attending classes one night per week, and \$126 if attending classes two days per week. Walk in fee is \$4 per class. A pro-rated rate is available.

**Zumba/Aerobics** - Wednesdays; 6:30-7:30 p.m.; Grimshaw Cafeteria; \$50 for the entire session or \$4/per class walk-in fee. Current session began February 3 and runs through June 15. A pro-rated rate is available.

**Tabata** (interval training) - At this time, due to scheduling conflicts, LCC is not offering this class.

**Tai Chi** - Beginner classes are held at Grimshaw School on Tuesdays, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Advanced classes are held at the LaFayette Community Center, Mondays, 10-11 a.m. Call 677-7272 for additional information.

**Men's Basketball** - Monday evenings, 7-9 p.m. in the Grimshaw Elementary School gymnasium. The program runs through April.

## Adult and Youth Activities

**Walking** - The recreation path at Stafford Park is also available, every day, dawn to dusk.

**Memorial Day** - LCC baseball teams will be participating in the Memorial Day parade, Monday, May 29, 9:00 a.m.

**Community Day** - Saturday, June 3 at Stafford Park. LCC will be providing popcorn and sno-cones, and conducting other activities, including our Annual Duck Race. Ducks can be purchased the day of the race only. Kid's ducks, which can be decorated, will be available at no charge again this year. Stop by our table; enjoy some refreshments and GET YOUR DUCKS!

**First Aid and CPR/AED course** - Time, date and location to be determined.

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## May

## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

*Please check your LaFayette Central School District Directory/Calendar for the many activities going on in the month of April, 2017. Particular dates to note are:*

Thursday	11	Progress Reports Mailed	Friday	19	Grandparent's Day
Tuesday	16	Budget Vote BOE Meeting Senior HS Concert, 7pm	Wednesday	24	Grimshaw Spring Concert, 7pm
Wed-Fri	17-19	ONS Pre-K/KG Registration	Thursday	25	BOE Meeting ONS Community Give BP Appreciation Breakfast
Wednesday	17	GS Pre-K Lottery	Monday	29	No School - Memorial Day
Thursday	18	Junior High Concert, 7pm			