



# The Principal's Post



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## Communication...

While we are all trying to warm up from the frigid weather, we must begin to plan for the end of the year! First, if you are the parent of an 8<sup>th</sup> grader please monitor your child's progress. Each 8<sup>th</sup> grader has just a little time and few decisions left at the middle school. Please discuss how to best use their time. The high school guidance counselor will be meeting with your child to discuss your child's course selection for next school year.

Finally, the last quarter of the year brings numerous activities to the Home of the Mustangs. We encourage you to have frequent conversations with your child regarding his or her academic achievement in school. It is important to keep your child focused on academics for the entire year.

As always, let our staff know if you have any concerns or if we can assist your child in anyway.

## Mission Statement

The Lynchburg-Clay School District is committed to continuous improvement. Through the combined efforts of the entire school community, we will provide challenging standards-driven curriculum and research-based instructional practices so that all children within our charge shall achieve at the highest level of learning.

## Pi Day...

March 12<sup>th</sup> marked our annual Pi Day Celebration. During math classes students completed several different Pi activities. Some created Pi art, Pi chains, circle drawings and measured different round objects to determine the circumference, while others hula hooped.



**Dates to Remember**

**March 29-30: State Testing**

**April 2-6: No School: Spring Break**

**April 13-14: State Testing**

**April 20: State Testing**

**May 4: 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Recognition (Virtual)**

**May 5: Band Concert**

**May 25: Incentive Reward**

**May 26: Early Dismissal/ Last Day of School**



***Support...***

Fear and anxiety about the pandemic, along with uncertainty about the future has disrupted our student's ability to come to school ready to learn. Our staff acts as a buffer against the adverse effects of trauma. We have established a safe and supportive environment for learning. From meetings to regular check-ins with students, we are using strategies that center on relationship-building and assisting our students. If you feel like your student or family needs additional support please contact our Social Worker Mrs. Layne or Homeless Liaison Dr. Smith.

***Basketball...***

Congratulations to our basketball teams for another outstanding season. Our 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys were tournament champions. The 7<sup>th</sup> grade girls were conference and tournament champions.



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