

Lehman Catholic High School

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From the Desk of the
Principal/CEO



Denise Stauffer
Principal/CEO

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May 2016, Parent Letter

Dear Parents,

I am writing this letter on the Feast Day of St. Catherine of Siena. St. Catherine was born in 1347, and was the 23rd child in her family. At the age of 18, she entered the Dominican Third Order. She spent most of her time there in seclusion and prayer. She had many followers because of her commitment to Christ. She offered letters, spiritual advice and encouragement to her followers. Her holiness made a deep impression on the pope, as well. St. Catherine spent her last two years in Rome, working hard to establish peace and unity of the Church. She died in 1380, and was canonized in 1461. In 1939, she and Francis of Assisi were declared co-patrons of Italy.

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The annual "**Band Day**" and **Concert** for band students was held last week. Students in grades 5-12 from Lehman, Holy Angels, Piqua Catholic and St. Patrick Schools were represented. We had 70 students participating in the concert and a good crowd was on hand to listen to the music. We thank our band directors from the following schools for helping us organize and prepare for this annual event:
Rachel Owen – Piqua Catholic School
Elaine Schweller-Snyder – St. Patrick School
Betsy Moorman – Holy Angels School and Lehman Catholic High School

Congratulations to our Piqua-area students who were chosen by the Piqua Area Chamber of Commerce to be recognized, along with students from Piqua High School and the Upper Valley Career Center, for the **Top 100 Scholastic Honor Award!** These students included Elijah Baker, Aldo Barrera, Allison Bornhorst, Grace Brandt, Camille Brown, Timothy Buechter, Kiera Burns, Alexis Caulfield, Jerry Curtis, Jacob Earhart, Janelle Gravunder, Zili (Jerry) He, Madison Heffelfinger, Cassidy Hemm, Kate Hemm, Kameron Lee, Kassie Lee, Olivia Leece, Wyatt Long, Madeline McFarland, Grace Monnin, Stephen Monnin, Alex Musser, Alanna O'Leary, Elizabeth Pax, Brandon Simmons, Madeline Smith, Owen Smith, Shannon Staley, and Brianna Werling. Cassidy Hemm was honored as 4-year award recipient. Congratulations on a job well done to all these students!

School Bus Driver Appreciation Day is in May. The 15,000 school bus drivers in Ohio transport nearly 1 million students over 180 million miles each year. At the same time, the school bus safety record is unsurpassed. We are thankful to those who help transport our students and athletes throughout the year. These drivers include Anita Branam, Tom Christensen, Steve Coburn, Ed Cubick, Scott Cromes, Wade Dexter, Fred Drapp, Jim Justice, Sue Kaufman, Jim Moorman, and Robert Reed. Please join me in thanking these individuals for their dedication and compassionate service to our school and making sure our students are transported safely every day!

Any students currently in the 8th grade or in high school and interested in **registering** and attending Lehman Catholic High School for the 2016-17 school year, but could not make the earlier registration dates and times, should contact Guidance Counselor Kim Koverman or Principal/CEO Denise Stauffer at Lehman (498-1161 or 773-8747) to set up a registration time.

The **Senior Class** met and went over end of the year information. The seniors were given a newsletter explaining dates, times, and information concerning their upcoming responsibilities including the commencement exercises.

They also received a form/survey to be used for several reports and newspaper releases; and a senior checklist form from Senior Guidance Counselor Barb Saluke. Both of these forms must be completed and returned to school and to Mrs. Saluke as soon as possible or this information will not be printed in the local newspapers. The seniors are also asked to keep Mrs. Saluke up-to-date on their scholarship information because the school does not always receive this information from the colleges and universities.

The seniors also received their ten graduation tickets at this meeting. If more tickets are needed, please contact Teresa Haller in the front office. If you have extra tickets, please turn those back to the front office so we can provide those to families needing more than the ten they were given.

This year we are also introducing a "Sign on the Line" ceremony to recognize those students receiving an academic/merit scholarship from a college or university. This form was also included in the senior packet. We will be taking pictures of students, who have committed to the college/university, in which they received the scholarship, during the lunch modules and celebrating their achievements and accomplishments.

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Faculty Appreciation Week is this week. The administration will be showing our appreciation to our faculty and staff with a luncheon this week. We also want to congratulate Henry Cordonnier for receiving a certificate for 35 years of service to our Catholic schools, from the Archdiocese of Cincinnati's Catholic Schools Office, and to Dick Roll for his 10 years of service to our Catholic schools. We would also encourage our students and parents to thank a teacher sometime during the week for all their help over their high school years. We have a wonderful faculty and staff! We appreciate all that they do for our students and the Lehman community! As Pope Francis says, "Educating is an act of love; it is like giving life."

The **Undergraduate Awards Banquet** is scheduled for Wednesday, May 11th, at 6:00 PM, in the Cianciolo Family Gymnasium. Letters of invitation will be emailed and mailed to parents of those students, who will be recognized that evening. If you have any questions, please contact Guidance Counselor, Kim Koverman (k.koverman@lehmancatholic.com).

Advanced Placement Exams will be administered to students according to the exam schedule dictated by the College Board. If students are absent when the exams are administered, they are not allowed to make up the tests. The Guidance Department will administer the exams as follows: AP Chemistry (May 2nd), AP English Literature (May 4th), AP Calculus (May 5th), AP Biology (May 9th), AP Government (May 10th), and AP English Language Placement Exam (May 11th). If you would like more information about our Advanced Placement program, contact Director of Guidance Services, Kim Koverman.

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Six Lehman students will compete at the **State Science Fair** on May 14th at The Ohio State University. These students include Alex Gleason, Caroline Heitmeyer, Meaghan McDonald, Megan Neumeier, Jacquie Schemmel, and Brienna Werling. We wish them all the best!

Final Exams for seniors are scheduled for May 19th, 20th and 23rd during regular class time. Seniors do not have to attend school on May 24th, 25th, and 26th, unless they have work they need to complete. If your senior student has unfinished work and must come into school, they must come in uniform. Seniors must take care of all their responsibilities (return textbooks, pay lunch fees, tuition, discipline issues, etc.) by May 23rd or transcripts and/or diplomas will be withheld.

Final Exams for the undergraduates are scheduled for May 24th through the 27th. The exam schedule is copied on the next page. Students may not leave school until their final exam for the year is completed. If students elect to leave the building following their last exam of the year, they may not return. Students must have written permission (phone permission will not be granted) from their parents or guardian to leave school early (following their last exam of the year). We have a closed lunch policy, so lunches cannot be delivered to the school during these days. Students must pack their lunches or purchase them from the cafeteria. All library books must be returned, all lunch costs paid, and all other responsibilities taken care of (including disciplinary) prior to the final day of classes. Final grades will not be mailed until students have taken care of these responsibilities. In addition, grades are withheld if tuition and fees are not paid in full.

Second Semester Exam Schedule

Class Schedule

	<u>Time</u>	<u>Day</u>
No Homeroom		Tuesday, May 24
Mod 1	8:00-8:15	
2	8:18-8:33	
3	8:36-8:51	
4	8:54-9:09	
5	9:12-9:27	
6	9:30-9:45	
7	9:48-10:03	
8	10:06-10:21	
9	10:24-10:39	
10	10:42-10:57	
11	11:00-11:15	
12	11:18-11:33	
13	11:36-11:51	
14	11:54-12:09	
15	12:12-12:27	
16	12:30-12:45	
17	12:48-1:03	
18	1:06-1:21	
Break	1:21-1:27	
Exam 1 (mods 1-2) Tuesday, May 24	1:30-3:00	



<u>Classes Regularly Scheduled</u>		<u>Exam</u>	<u>Day</u>
Mods	3-4	1	Wednesday, May 25
	5-6	2	Wednesday
	7-8	3	Wednesday
Mods	9-10	1	Thursday, May 26
	11-12	2	Thursday
	13-14	3	Thursday
<u>Exam Schedule</u>		<u>Time</u>	
Homeroom Study		8:00 - 8:10 AM	Wednesday/Thursday
Exam 1		8:15 - 9:45 AM	
Restroom Break		9:45 - 9:50 AM	
Exam 2		9:50 - 11:20 AM	
Restroom Break		11:20 - 11:25 AM	
Lunch (Cianciolo Family Gym)		11:25- 11:55 PM	
Exam 3		12:00 - 1:30 PM	
Dismissal from School		1:30 PM	



<u>Classes Regularly Scheduled</u>	<u>Exam</u>	<u>Day</u>
Mods 17-18	1	Friday, May 27
15-16	2	Friday
<u>Friday's Schedule</u>	<u>Time</u>	
Homeroom (Check Lockers)	8:00-8:15 AM	
Senior Award's Assembly	8:30-10:00 AM	
Exam 1 (mods 17-18)	10:05-11:25 AM	
Lunch	11:30-12:00 PM	
Exam 2 (mods 15-16)	12:05-1:30 PM	

Apple Watches, Fitbit Smart Watches, and other Wearable Technology.

Faculty and Staff are currently reviewing our technology policy to determine if we will allow Apple Watches, Fitbit Smart Watches, and other wearable technology to be worn in school for the 2016-2017 school year. Until then, we are banning these watches during Final Exam week this year. Our faculty have concerns that the new wearable technology can allow communication and could possibly be used for cheating. We will be communicating with our students and want parents to be aware of the following.

Apple Watches, Fitbit Smart Watches and any wearable technology that allows the receiving of text messages or communication will be banned during Final Exam week, May 24-27, 2016. Seniors should not wear these watches during senior exam week of May 19, 20, and 23.

Apple Watches and wearable communication cannot be worn during any AP testing.

If a teacher asks a student to remove the watch during any type of test or quiz before exam week, we expect our students to be respectful and remove the watch during the test.

No decision has been made yet regarding next school year.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Assistant Principal Pete Dunlap at 937-498-1161 ext. 121 or p.dunlap@lehmancatholic.com.



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College Credit Plus (CCP) allows high school students to be enrolled in high school and college courses at the same time and receive college credit/transcript upon successful completion. Students will have the opportunity to earn 15-30 college credit hours. Lehman High School will continue to partner with Edison Community College and Wright State University to bring this program (CCP) to our students. Lehman students must meet the admission requirements for these Higher Learning Institutes to be eligible to register for these CCP courses which will be taught at Lehman High School by our faculty. In order to be eligible for these CCP courses, students must demonstrate college level readiness. The cost of the courses are covered by the student, however, students can apply to the Ohio Department of Education to receive funding in order to underwrite their costs. Please check the following website for further information, forms and updates: <https://ohiohighered.org/cpp>. You may also contact me or Mrs. Koverman for further information or if you have questions related to this program.

***Important CCP Dates*:**

- 1) Funding award notifications sent back before May 15, 2016.**
- 2) Once you receive award notification, your child may register for college courses.**

Congratulations to the **Valedictorian** of the Class of 2016, Caroline Heitmeyer! Caroline is the daughter of Dan and Jill Heitmeyer of Sidney. She plans to attend Miami University in Oxford and major in Nutrition and Kinesiology.

Congratulations to the **Salutatorian** of the Class of 2016, Nicholas Neumeier! Nicholas is the son of Sam and Mary Neumeier of Troy. He plans to attend The Ohio State University and major in BioChemistry.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the Class of 2016! **Commencement exercises** include the Senior Awards Assembly, the Sophomore-Senior Dinner, the Baccalaureate Mass and Graduation all taking place at the end of May.

The **Senior Awards Assembly** will take place in the Schlater Family Gymnasium on Friday, May 27th at 8:30 a.m. During the assembly, all seniors receiving awards and scholarships will be recognized. If your senior has received scholarships or grants, even if they have elected not to accept them, please advise Senior Guidance Counselor Barb Saluke so that they can receive recognition during the ceremony. All parents, grandparents, friends and relatives of seniors are invited to attend the assembly.

The **Senior Dinner** sponsored by the sophomore class will be held on Friday evening, May 27th, beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the cafeteria of Piqua Catholic School. All seniors must attend the dinner and sophomore class officers will help serve the meal. It is a long-standing Lehman tradition that the sophomore class sponsor this dinner for the graduating senior class before the Baccalaureate Mass. In two short years another class of sophomores will be providing a dinner for the class of 2018.

The **Baccalaureate Mass** will be celebrated at St. Mary Church in Piqua on Friday evening, May 27th, beginning at 7:00 p.m. with the prelude, and Mass will begin at 7:30 p.m. We ask everyone to be seated by 7:00 p.m. Seniors and faculty will have reserved seating. Parents, grandparents, and friends are encouraged to attend and arrive early to get a seat.

Graduation ceremonies will take place on Sunday afternoon, May 29th, at 2:00 p.m. in the Schlater Family Gymnasium. Admission to graduation is by ticket only. Each senior will be given ten tickets to the ceremony. If students need additional tickets, a few remain and can be picked up in the front office.

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Congratulations to the newly elected **National Honor Society Officers** for 2016-17:

President - Jacob Schmiesing
Vice-President - Kaitrin O'Leary
Secretary - Abby Jones
Treasurer - Theresa Flood

Lehman Catholic visual artwork will be a part of the **Piqua Main Street Taste of the Arts student exhibition** on May 9- May 23 on the second floor of the Apple Tree Gallery, 405 N. Main St., in downtown Piqua.

A variety of Lehman student work will be on display including: classical drawing, stylized mixed media painting, whimsical pastels, and ceramics. Lehman art teacher Tim Langenderfer has been invited to participate. On Friday, May 20, from 5:00 - 6:30 p.m., he will be demonstrating pastel drawing techniques in an illustrative style geared especially for junior high and high school students. That same evening, from 6:45 - 9:00 p.m., he will demonstrate a mixed media technique that includes acrylic paint, gouache and colored pencil. The demos will be on the second floor of the Apple Tree Gallery.

Congratulations to the juniors selected as this year's **prom** prince and princess: John-Henry Frantz and Sidney Chapman!

Congratulations to the seniors selected as this year's **prom** king and queen: Nate Bosway and Lihn Tu- Nguyen!

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Lehman Catholic High School has announced that **sports physicals** for the 2016-17 school year will be given on Monday, May 23rd at the high school starting at 5:30 p.m. Please use the west side entrance (Door 10). The OHSAA prefers that the medical history and physical forms for the high school athletes must be completed online. Once completed online, they can be printed and taken to the school or your family doctor for the physical exam. If you have any questions or problems with the online portion of the form, please contact Teresa Haller in the front office. The sports physical exams are open to all junior high and high school athletes for a fee of \$15.00. Checks should be made payable to the Lehman Athletic Boosters. Hard copies of physical forms can still be completed for the jr. high athletes and are available at Lehman High School, Holy Angels School, Piqua Catholic School, St. Patrick School, Holy Rosary School and St. Mary (Greenville) School. A physical exam is required before a student can participate in athletics for the coming school year.

In an effort to honor our spring athletes and team accomplishments, the **Spring Athletic Awards Night** will be held separately for each sport. This is because many of the tournaments still continue after the school year. Every athlete and their parents will be notified as to the time, date, and location of their awards night. We will do our best to stay away from graduation parties and other activities.

For the 2016-17 school year, we will, once again be working with **Educational Apparel** as our school's uniform company. Educational Apparel will be at Lehman Catholic High School on Thursday, July 28th from noon until 6:00 p.m. The company will bring their store to the school and the uniform items will be available for purchase and can be taken home at that time. You can also shop for uniform items online at www.educationalapparel.com. Just click on schools, select Lehman Catholic and purchase the items specifically for our dress code. If you have any questions about the uniform company, uniform items or the dress code, please contact Assistant Principal, Pete Dunlap, at the school (ext. 121).

The **spring sports tournaments** begin the week of May 9th. T

The Lehman boys tennis team will begin tournament play on May 10th in Troy at 8:30 a.m. and the finals will be played on May 14th at 8:30 a.m. The district meet will be held at Centerville High School on May 18th and 21st at 9:00 a.m.

The baseball team had a bye for the first round of sectionals and will play the winner of the Houston/Botkins game on May 11th at Lehman Catholic High School starting at 5:00 p.m. The cost of admission will be \$5.00. If they win, they will play again in the sectional championship game at a site to be determined on May 18th at 5:00 p.m. If they make it to the district game, it will be played at Centerville High School on May 20th beginning at 5:00 p.m. The cost of admission in the district game is \$6.00.

The Lehman softball team will begin their first round of the sectionals on May 10th at 5:00 p.m. The site is Lehman Catholic High School and there will be a \$5.00 admission cost. The second round and sectional championship game for softball will be played on May 12th and 17th with a 5:00 p.m. start time. The district softball game is played at Eaton High School on May 21st, with an admission cost of \$6.00.

The boys and girls track team will run in the District Track Meet on May 17th in West Milton with the field events beginning at 4:00 p.m. and the preliminary running events beginning at 4:30 p.m. The District Finals for track will be on May 21st starting at 9:30 a.m. with field events and 10:00 a.m. with the running events. The admission cost is \$6.00. The Regional Track meet will be held at Troy Memorial Stadium on May 25th (preliminary events- 4:00 p.m. field events, 5:00 p.m. running events) and May 27th (final events- 5:00 p.m. field events and 6:00 p.m. running events).

We wish all our spring athletes and teams much success!



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Congratulations to our newly elected **Student Council Executive Board Officers** for the 2016-17 school year:

President - Jacob Schmiesing
Vice-President - Ryan Schmidt
Secretary/Treasurer - Kaitrin O'Leary.

Our newly elected **class officers** for 2016-17 include:

Senior Class President - Sidney Chapman
Vice-President - Kara Gillman
Secretary - Hannah Fogt
Treasurer - Eli Baker

Junior Class President - Abby Jones
Vice-President - Griffin West
Secretary - Brogan McIver
Treasurer - Tyler Lachey

Sophomore Class President - Allison Bornhorst
Vice-President - Samantha Edwards
Secretary - Ann Pannapara
Treasurer - Carly Edwards

The Freshmen Class Officers will be elected in the fall of this upcoming school year.

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Congratulations to Janelle Gravunder, who was chosen by her classmates for the honor of crowning Mary at the **May Crowning Ceremonies** on May 13th. The May Crowning Court also includes Diana Gibson and Emma Simpson. These students were selected because they display the virtues of joyfulness, gratitude, hopefulness, holiness, humility, honesty, goodness, forgiveness, and peacefulness, also shown by the Blessed Virgin Mary. The May Crowning will take place after our 10:00 a.m. Mass on Friday, May 13th. All are invited to celebrate Mass and the May Crowning with us and our celebrant Father Eric Bowman.

You are invited to come and join our students for **Mass** each week. The schedule may vary, but normally Mass is held each week in the Cianciolo gym at 10:00 AM. You and your family may come and join us in the most perfect prayer that is the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

[May Mass schedule:](#)

May 6	St Isidore	Father Tom Bolte
May 13	Our Lady of Fatima/May Crowning	Father Eric Bowman
May 18	Last All School Mass	Father Jim Riehle

Another opportunity for prayer is **weekly Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**. **Each Friday, during mods 9-13 (approximately 11:43-1:20)**, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed in the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Chapel. Benediction will be at 1:15 PM. Come, take time out of your day if possible, and spend some time before our Lord praying for your children, for our school and for our nation. If you do decide to join us for Mass and/or Adoration, please be sure to sign in as a visitor at the office.

Thank you for all your prayers for our Catholic schools and the Lehman Community!

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We will be offering a number of jeans days for our students. Jeans days are used to help raise money for a variety of organizations and individuals less fortunate than us. Jeans days guidelines are spelled out in the student handbook on page 17. The following is the last jeans day of the year and the organization we are helping:

May 5 Miami County Dental (Troy)

Lehman Cavs 4 A Cure Team *Can Cancer* collection May 13-15 (drop off by the garage behind the school). Please save your cans from your graduation parties and drop these off, as well!

The **Music Department** will hold the following **auditions** for next school year:

Lehman Limelighters Show Choir Auditions will be held on May 18th beginning at 5:00 p.m. and concluding around 7:00 p.m. Show Choir audition packets will be emailed out to current 8th graders who registered for Show Choir this fall. Packets can also be picked up in the Lehman choir room from Ms. Betsy Moorman.

Lehman Color Guard Clinic/Auditions will be held on May 21st in the Cianciolo Family Gymnasium from 10-12 PM. Contact Ms. Betsy Moorman at Lehman if you have any questions.

The **Lehman Athletic Boosters** invite you to their **Spring Social -Derby Race and Raffle** - on May 7, 2016, at St. Johns Hall, 110 S. Wayne Street, Piqua, Ohio, starting at 5:00 p.m. Cost for tickets is \$20 per person which includes appetizers, drinks and an entry into the raffle. Please come out and support our athletic boosters!

Anyone **interested in becoming an athletic booster member** is invited to attend their monthly meetings which take place the second Wednesday of every month. Feel free to contact Booster President, Julie Smith, for more information.

The 2016-2017 Cheerleading Tryouts for Varsity Football, Junior Varsity Basketball and Varsity Basketball Cheerleaders will take place on Friday, May 20th, at 4:00 p.m. There will be two mandatory **CLINICS** on Friday, May 13, from 3:30-5:30 p.m., and Monday, May 16, from 3:30-5:00 pm. It is mandatory for those trying out to attend these clinics. You may contact Melissa Safreed, at school, if you have any questions.

There is a **required parent meeting** for all those parents of students participating in the **2016-17 Lehman Marching Band** on Tuesday, May 31st beginning at 6:00 p.m., in the band room. Information will be shared about the July 19-22, 2016, band camp. Please plan to attend. You may contact Band Director, Betsy Moorman, if you have any questions.

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Have you considered hosting a **foreign student**? Such an experience can be very rewarding to the host family and to the foreign exchange student. It sometimes can be an experience that lasts a lifetime. These students are covered by insurance, have their own spending money, and pay their own tuition. **We currently have 2 international students (girl—16 yrs. old and boy-16 yrs. old) from Spain who are interested in attending Lehman and looking for host families for the 2016-17 school year.** We are currently working with an International Student Exchange Program (ASSE) to place students for the 2016-17 school year. Families hosting an exchange student for the school year and attending Lehman do receive a \$2000.00 tuition discount. If you have an interest in hosting a foreign student, please contact me at school. If you would like to speak with one of our families who have hosted a student over the previous years, please let me know and I can put them in contact with you.

Congratulations to Caroline Heitmeyer for being named the
Kiwanis Teen of the Month!

Congratulations to Sidney Chapman for being named the Lehman
Cavalier Student of the Month for May!

The last **ACT** Test date for the
2015-16 academic year is June
11th.

SAT test dates for the 2015-16
academic year are May 7th and
June 4th.

Have a wonderful end to the school year!

Denise Stauffer
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