

Lehman Catholic High School

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From the Desk of
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Dear Parents:

Where did September go? I cannot believe that we will be finishing up our first quarter of school in less than 2 weeks!

I am writing this letter on the Memorial of St. Faustina Kowalska. She was born in 1905, in Poland and grew up as Elena (Helena) Kowalska in a family of 12. She had to quit school at the age of 15 in order to work as a housemaid and support her family. At the age of 18 years old, she felt a calling from God to the religious life but her parents objected to this. At the age of 19, she left home and joined the Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy in Warsaw, Poland. It was then that she received the name Sister Maria Faustina of the Most Blessed Sacrament. In the 1930's Sister Faustina received a message from Jesus to spread God's mercy to the world and to paint a picture of him with the inscription: "Jesus, I Trust in You". This painting shows Jesus clothed in white with red and white rays of light streaming from Christ's Sacred Heart. St. Faustina Kowalska died on October 5, 1938, of tuberculosis and was canonized by Pope John Paul II, on April 30, 2000.

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We are excited to announce that our incoming freshmen, along with our current sophomore class will be working with a Lehman faculty member throughout the 2015-16 school year to produce and add to their **electronic student portfolio**. This portfolio will follow each student through their 4 years of high school and will include artifacts to represent their academic and spiritual life growth during their high school career. By the end of their 4 years at Lehman, students should have a strong portfolio and resume that will not only help them with their college and career plans but should also show how they represent the mission of Lehman Catholic High School – to educate the whole person – body, mind, and soul – for the glory of God and service to others. The first portfolio day for our freshmen and sophomore students is scheduled for Tuesday, October 20th, from 8-9:45 AM. The school buses will run on a regular schedule for that day. The junior and senior students will need to arrive in time for classes beginning at 10:00 AM. These upperclassmen may come early to school if the bus is their only means of transportation on that day. Feel free to contact the school office if you have any questions.

In academic circles, October is known as the month of **standardized testing**. To help students to perform well on these tests, I would encourage you to: 1) insure that your child or children get a good night's sleep prior to the test(s); 2) eat a nutritious breakfast the morning of the test; and, 3) not waste time trying to study for the test the day prior to its administration. Standardized tests are designed to measure learning that has taken place over a period of time.

The sophomore and junior classes will be taking the **PSAT (Pre Scholastic Aptitude Test)** on Wednesday, October 14th, Mods 1-9. Most sophomores and juniors in the United States take this test. Junior students who score high enough will be recognized as National Merit Scholars. National Merit Scholars are highly recruited by colleges and universities. Students who achieve this honor often receive full academic scholarship opportunities. The purpose of the sophomores taking this test is to prepare for this competition (National Merit Scholars) their junior year.

The **OGT (Ohio Graduation Test)** is a five section test that will be given the week of October 26th. Juniors and seniors who have not yet passed all 5 sections last year will be taking this make-up test. Previous tests and preparation materials are available to look at on the Ohio Department of Education's website (www.ode.state.oh.us). Feel free to contact Guidance Counselor, Kim Koverman if you have problems locating these sample tests or if you have any questions regarding the administration of any of these assessments.

The **academia team** will host the quiz bowl competition at Lehman on October 12th and 19th starting at 7:00 p.m. in the Cianciolo Family Gym. Come out and show your support!

We have several students with **peanut allergies** again this year. These allergies can be life threatening. Even the smell of peanuts can cause an allergic reaction for a couple of our students. Because of this we are asking parents and students to please be sensitive to these students when packing lunches or bringing snacks to the school for extra curricular events and class celebrations. **We ask you to avoid any peanuts or foods made with peanuts or peanut oil.**



Because of the number of students with these allergies, the Ohio Department of Education has required each school to establish a food allergy policy. We have our policy on file and it is also provided in the student handbook on pages 25-27. We have also eliminated peanut butter and other foods containing peanuts and peanut oil in our cafeteria. I appreciate your help with this situation. I definitely want our students to be safe and to keep them healthy throughout the school year. Thanks for your cooperation!

There will be **no** school on October 19th. Staff, Faculty, and Students will be on their fall break. Enjoy the time off!

Congratulations to our newly elected Freshmen class officers!

President: Joe Ritze

Vice-President: Samantha Edwards

Treasurer: Kiera Burns

Secretary: Ann Pannapara

Their class advisor is Lehman Business/Computer teacher, Greg Place.

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The first quarter will end October 16th.

Parent/Teacher Grade Card Conferences are scheduled for the following dates and times:

Thursday, October 22nd
(5-8:00 p.m.)

Wednesday, October 28th
(2-5:00 p.m.).

Parents are invited to pick up their child's grade card and take the opportunity to talk with their child's teachers on the day that works best for them. We encourage the students to attend these conferences with their parents. Grade cards will be handed out at the new concession stand. Students will be dismissed at 1:30 p.m. from school on Wednesday, October 28th because of the early conference time.

ACT Test dates for the 2015-16 academic year are October 24th, December 12th, February 6th, April 9th, and June 11th.

SAT test dates for the 2014-15 academic year are November 7th, December 5th, January 23rd, March 5th, May 7th and June 4th.

The **2014-15 School Yearbooks** have arrived and were handed out to current students and faculty. If you ordered a yearbook and have not received one, please make arrangements to pick it up during school hours as soon as possible. If you have any questions, you can contact Teresa Haller in the school's front office.

The sale of the 2015-16 yearbooks will take place during the month of October. The price of the 2016 Cavalcade is \$45.00.

If you have a business or service and would like to **advertise in the 2015-16 Lehman Cavalcade yearbook** and have not been contacted by the yearbook staff, please call Meghan McGlothin at 498-1161, extension 211, or send an email to L.journalism@lehmancatholic.com. The ads are \$50 for a business card size.

Music Booster's Annual Citrus Sale begins October 19th.

To order, contact a Lehman Music student or Music Director, Betsy Moorman at b.moorman@lehmancatholic.com



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Mark your calendars.

Education Apparel will be at Lehman on October 12th from 3-6:00 PM, for anyone needing winter uniform items.

The Lehman music boosters are selling spirit items all year long. They have seat cushions (\$2.00 each or 2 for \$3.00), drawstring bags (\$5.00), and license plate frames (\$3.00). Contact Music Director, Betsy Moorman at the school or Karen Elsner if you would like to purchase any of these items to support the Music program.

Once again this year, I would encourage you to begin your morning by listening to one of the local radio stations to learn if we are having either a **delay or cancellation of classes** (during my time here, we have experienced fog delays very early in the school year). The delay/cancellation information is telephoned to WMVR (Sidney) and WPTW (Piqua). The information is also transmitted to local television stations, although I have found that information is not always aired in a timely manner. We will also be using the **One Call Now Phone Notification Service**. This notification and voice messaging system will allow the school to communicate with parents about school delays/cancellations and emergency information. All Lehman families who want to be included in this program should have filled out these forms at the time of registration.

The **Lehman Homecoming Football Game and Dance** will take place this weekend (October 9-10). The festivities will begin with the Homecoming Parade and Football Game on Friday night (October 9) at our first ever "Under the Lights" game at Lehman Catholic High School. The parade will begin at 6:15 p.m. and the football game will follow at 7:00 p.m. The **Homecoming Court** this year includes Senior Queen Candidates are Claudia Fatone, Olivia Gorman, Janelle Gravunder, Caroline Heitmeyer, Marianne Hissong, Emily Reinhart, and Ana Vazquez. The Senior King Candidates are Nate Bosway, Jerry Curtis, Stephen Monnin, Ian Smith, Connor Thobe, Christopher (CJ) Trahey, and Adam Vanderhorst. This year's Grand Marshall, as selected by the Senior Class, is Lehman's Math Teacher and Lehman Alumna, Melissa (Grob) Safreed. This year's king and queen will reign over the **Homecoming Dance**, which will be held at the high school on Saturday, October 10th, from 8:30-11:30 p.m. This year's theme is Under The Lights. The students are reminded to follow the dress code and guidelines for dances as outlined in the student handbook on pages 13-14. The administration does reserve the right to refuse admission to students who are not properly/modestly dressed. The school will also be using a breathalyzer for random testing at the dance. This device was purchased with Title IV - Safe and Drug-Free School money by Lehman's SAAC (Substance Abuse Advisory Committee).

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Congratulations to our Golf Team for winning the Northwest Central Conference (NWCC)! Congratulations also to Tyler Scott for being named to the First Team All-Conference and Tyler Lachey for being named to the Second Team All-Conference!

Tyler Lachey also qualified for the District Golf Match which will be played on Thursday, October 8th, at Weatherwax Golf Course in Middletown, Ohio. We wish Tyler our best!

The girls tennis team ended their season and improved on last year's record with 3 more wins. A job well done!

The **Sectional Tournament** drawings are this weekend for soccer and volleyball. Here are the scheduled **tournament dates for the Southwest District**:

Cross Country—District Run @ Miami Valley Career Tech Center in Clayton, Ohio, on Saturday, October 24th. The girls run at 10:00 AM and the boys run at 10:45 AM. The cost to attend and cheer on the cavaliers is \$6.00. The top 8 teams qualify for the Regional Meet at Troy (Levee) on October 31st.

Girls Soccer—Sites are determined by the top seeded teams. Sectional's First Round is Monday, October 19th; Second Round is Thursday, October 22nd; and Sectional Finals are Monday, October 26th. The District Tournament begins on Thursday, October 29th.

Boys Soccer—Sites are determined by the top seeded teams. Sectional's First Round is October 20th or 21st; Second Round is Saturday, October 24th; and Sectional Finals are Tuesday, October 27th. The District Tournament begins on Saturday, October 31st.

Volleyball—Site will either be Tippicanoe High School or Troy High School depending on the tournament draw. Sectional's First Round will be on one of the following dates: October 17, 19, or 20. Second Round will be on one of the following dates depending the first round game: October 20, 21, or 22. Sectional Finals will be on October 24 and the District Tournament will be on Saturday, October 31, 2015.

Junior High Night will be celebrated at the October 23rd football game against Ridgemont. Athletes participating on the Lehman Jr. High athletic teams from Holy Angels, Piqua Catholic, and St. Patrick will be recognized throughout the football game. Students in our partner schools in grades K-8 will be given a free ticket for that game. These are available in the front office of each of these partner schools. The contest will be played in Sidney at Memorial Stadium beginning at 7:00 p.m. This is also our "Pink-Out Night", in support of Breast Cancer Awareness and all Cancer Research, sponsored by the Lehman Cheerleaders. We invite everyone out to the game to show our support of the Junior High athletic teams, cheerleaders and band. Wear your Lehman "pink".

Fall Sports Senior Night will be celebrated on Friday, October 30th, at the football game against Waynesfield Goshen High School. The game will be played at Sidney's Memorial Stadium beginning at 7:00 PM. The senior/parent festivities will take place prior to the game beginning around 6:30 PM.

A letter will be mailed to all parents of senior fall athletes. Please complete this information paper and return it to our athletic director, Dick Roll, by Tuesday, October 27th.

The **Marching Cavaliers** will perform at the Piqua Marching Band Contest on October 17th. They will perform at 4:30 PM. Come out and support our band!



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Dear Parents and Friends of Lehman Catholic,

There are many reasons to be proud of Lehman Catholic. Of all the opportunities and experiences that our students receive through this fine school, none is more important than formation in our faith. This is not an easy task, especially in this world that has become increasingly hostile to people of faith. Our young people will face a culture that has relegated God and faith to the sidelines. They will encounter a society whose values are in many ways not only antithetical to our faith, but a society that expects people to keep their faith to themselves. We know that our Lord is calling us to something more, to be "leaven in the world", to bring His Kingdom to a world in need. We know that we need His help to accomplish that task. We know that all of us, especially our young people, need prayers.

At Lehman Catholic there is an opportunity for such prayer. 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. Here is a snapshot of our October Mass schedule:

October 9 St. Denis and Companions

October 16 St. Margaret Mary Alacoque

October 23 St. John of Capistrano (Deacon Chris Geiger will be preaching at the school Mass)

October 30 St. Alphonsus Rodriguez (Fr. Dan Schmitmeyer will be celebrating Mass with us)

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 you do to support Lehman Catholic. Thank you for not only accepting the gift of children from our heavenly Father, but doing what you can to give them back to Him by instilling in them a relationship with God. May God continue to bless you and your family. You remain in my prayers.

In Christ,

Fr. Jim Riehle

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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 a list of these jeans days and the organizations we are helping:

Oct. 29	Halloween Dress-up Day—Anna’s Angels	Jan. 7	Women’s Center (Sidney)
Nov. 19	Area Soup Kitchens/Food For All	Feb. 11	Patrick Pudlewski Scholars hip
Dec. 1	Lehman Charitable Needs/Giving Tuesday	Mar. 17	Lenten Project—Dominica
Dec. 8	Mount St. Mary Seminary	Apr. 7	Cavs 4 A Cure
		May 5	Miami County Dental (Troy)

Special Guidelines for the **Halloween Dress-up Day** on October 29th:

Students who bring in \$3.00 on that day will be permitted to wear a Halloween Costume or may dress up as their favorite saint.

Costumes must be modest and appropriate and students may not: wear tight fitting clothing, low cut tops, or short skirts/dresses or cross-dress; wear costumes associated with the devil; wear costumes referencing sexual language or conduct; wear inappropriate slogans, labels, or trademarks on costumes; or wear costumes referencing drugs or alcohol.

Please see Assistant Principal, Mr. Dunlap if you have questions about your costume and your ability to wear it to school on that day.

Lehman Cavs 4 A Cure Team *Can Cancer* collection Oct. 9-11 (drop off by the garage behind the school). Please save your cans!

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Under The Lights Homecoming 2015

Join the CAVALIER FAMILY on October 8-11th for our Homecoming Weekend Festivities!

Check out Facebook, Twitter and our Website for more details!

This is a weekend You won't want to miss!

Bonfire, Homecoming, Mass with Father Earl, Coach Recognition!

Welcome Home to ALL our Students, Alumni, Families, Partner Schools and Friends!

I hope to see everyone this weekend!



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Mark your calendars for the 26th Annual Lehman Harvest Auction, October 24th, Lehman's primary fundraising event providing direct support to the school's general fund. This year's theme, "Making Dreams Come True", reminds us that attending Lehman should not be taken for granted, the actual educational cost of \$12,000 per student is subsidized by our Annual Fund donors, our parishes, and our general fund to make Lehman an affordable educational option. If you are a recipient of any tuition assistance please consider a donation of time, talent, or treasure to the Harvest Auction. Please contact Jenny Weber in the Office of Advancement and Development at 937 489 -1161 ext 119 or j.weber@lehmancatholic.com. Join this year's co-chairs, Bill and Mary Bosway and Dan and Jill Heitmeyer, make some new friends and be a part of an amazing event.

