



From the Desk of

the Superintendent September 2019

Hello LCA Families,

God has truly blessed us with a great opening to this school year. We have completed three weeks of classes and everyone is grateful for settling into the new routines. It is great to have students back on campus and to witness the growth and maturity that has occurred over summer. Kindergarteners are learning to line up, Junior Highers are learning to navigate multiple classes and locker use, and High school students are learning what will be expected of them in the coming weeks and months.

I will endeavor to send out this Superintendent's update about once per month. This forum will provide me the opportunity to communicate with you some things that are on my heart as well as information which would not appear in the Knightly News.

New Fundraising Strategy

In years past it has been our practice to have numerous fundraisers throughout the year. We have so many groups who are in need of resources that our students have sold cookie dough, nuts, flowers, etc. That, coupled with the overall school fundraising event which takes place each fall, has left our school families feeling like the only thing we ever do is ask for money. That is not the message we want to convey.

Going forward we are going to be operating under a much more streamlined fundraising mentality. Fewer fundraisers with the proceeds distributed throughout various programs in need of funding. It is my hope that the intentionality and organization of this strategy will result in sufficient funding

for needed programs and LCA families feeling less overwhelmed in that pursuit.



Each fall we put together an annual fundraising event that is intended to provide funding on a larger scale than can be

accomplished with a cookie dough sale. In the near future you will receive an invitation to "Building a Legacy," the theme for this year's event. This will

October 19, 2019
Doors open at 5:30pm

Hors d'oeuvres
Dinner
Silent Auction
Keynote Speaker:
Xenia Mayor Sarah Mays

Schindler Banquet Center
1183 Tynedale Lane
Xenia, OH 45385

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be a wonderful evening showcasing some of our own students and hearing from some of our alumni about the legacy that LCA has provided for them. The evening is intended for our current families, grandparents, as well as local business people who have a heart for investing in the lives of young people. Would you consider inviting some people in your world who you think might fit that description? They could be your dentist, orthodontist, financial planner, bank manager, co-worker, pastor, neighbor... anyone you think might be an interested party in the future of LCA. They could come as your guest and sit at



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your table. They might be able to underwrite a sponsorship of the evening. As a partner with us, we need you to help make this event a great success. Please contact my administrative assistant if you have any questions or you would like to be involved in some way - hbright@legacyknights.org.

Social Media Policy

The internet has developed into a vital tool in our society. Our kids will never remember a time when they couldn't access all manner of information on the nearest "smart" device. Our ability to communicate freely, quickly and often is taken for granted. We all feel that sense of frustration when our search takes more than a few seconds to materialize.

As is always the case, with great advancement there is also the opportunity for negative influences to enter our lives just as freely, quickly and often. We have to create safeguards to protect our children from these negative influences. It involves setting policies and practices that are healthy and promote a healthy environment. The world of social media is constantly changing and we all need to go the extra measure to ensure we stay ahead of the influences that would seek to harm or hurt our children.

In the same way, we at LCA, must develop appropriate safeguards to protect our students, our faculty, staff and coaches. For this reason we have developed a Social Media Policy for our employees. The purpose of these policies is to protect our students, our employees and our school.

After reviewing numerous policies utilized by other schools around the country, as well as assessing the needs of our own school, the administrative team has constructed a set of policies that we expect our staff to follow. By the same token we would ask our LCA families to cooperate with the new policy standards as well. The main emphasis of this policy relates to how adults will interact on social media with our students. Additionally, some of the policies are

designed to protect you as families from having personal information put on the web.

How will this look in real terms?

- Teachers will no longer "follow" current students on social media platforms. After the student graduates they may choose to do so at that time.
- Teachers will not allow students to "follow" the teacher's personal social media sites.
- We are asking our staff not to "tag" any LCA students in photographs other than their own children. If a student wants to be identified they may choose to tag their own photo.

Implementing a policy such as this comes with many questions and challenges as we begin to live this out. If you have any questions please give me call and I will be happy to discussing this change with you.

Live2Lead

Legacy Christian Academy is proud to partner with Live2Lead in offering 50% off their upcoming local leader development experience. This information-packed day will breathe new life into leaders who will learn the art of the shift - how to make the changes needed as a leader to ensure personal and organizational growth. World-class leadership experts will share their insights and success strategies, equipping leaders to return to their offices ready to implement new action plans and lead with renewed passion and commitment.

This one day event is being held at Sinclair Community College on **October 11, from 8:00 am - 2:15 pm**. For more information and tickets go to www.live2leaddayton.com and be sure to enter the promo code LCA50 to receive 50% off.



As you may know, the theme we have chosen for this school year comes from John 15:4-5

Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.

Abiding in the Vine is a challenging concept to “flesh out.” **Abide** is not a word we commonly make part of our regular conversation. Outside of a Biblical context, I cannot remember the last time I phrased something using that word. What does it mean to **Abide**? As you look at various translations the word **Remain** is often used... *Remain in me and I in you...* You will also see the concept of continuing, or persevering.

As we read the passage, we tend to get fixated on *our* responsibility to abide. It is important that we don't miss the larger picture... **Christ abides in us!** He stays, remains, continues, perseveres, in us! Do you get the significance of that... the God of the universe, over all time, space and power... He remains in us! And because of that abiding, we can bear fruit. Without it... we can do nothing.

So what is fruit bearing? I think the first place to start is to ask what God has called you to do. Are you married? Then He has called you to be a faithful husband or wife. Do you have children (probably so if you are reading this), then he has called you to be a loving, teaching, committed parent.

Galatians 5 lists the fruit of the Holy Spirit, who ABIDES IN US! These are qualities that we are only capable of demonstrating because the Spirit of God remains in us.

Recently I have become more aware than ever that we are raising children in a world that doesn't seem to value respect. Between tweets and texts, music and movies that focus on sarcasm, name calling, and crass, demeaning humor, we have lost the value of showing deference to one another and to those in authority over us. This behavior isn't limited to children and teenagers. All too often we adults demonstrate to our young people just how disparaging we can be. When we don't like what the leadership is doing (either in government, church, or here at school) our tongues can tear them down in a matter of seconds.

The Bible calls us to be kind, to obey those in authority, to use words to encourage... to be **respectful** of others. It is one way to demonstrate our Abiding in the Vine. As a parent, and grandparent I know how easy it is to allow unkind, disrespectful words to slip into our own conversations, and that of our kids. Let me encourage you to call your children to a higher standard. Expect them to show respect toward you and your spouse. Don't allow an unfit word or tone of voice to be commonplace in your relationships both inside and outside your home. Set the example to your children of showing kindness, gentleness and self-control in your dealings with people.

It is my intent to offer a monthly encouragement to various ways each of us can demonstrate our position in Christ... Abiding in the Vine! I hope you will take up the challenge!

Daily Abiding,

Greg Scheck

Legacy Christian Academy partners with Christian families to educate students in a Christian Worldview and to develop character so they become innovative and wise world-changers.