



Family News - Wednesday, January 17, 2018

Upcoming Dates

Thursday, January 18: All school Bake Sale

Tuesday, January 23: Admissions Open House, 10:00 AM

Monday, February 5- Tuesday, February 6: M.C.A.S. Biology Retests
(students participating will be notified prior)

Friday, February 9: High School Valentine's Dance, 7:00-9:00 PM

Wednesday, February 14: All school Red Day

Wednesday, February 14: Admissions Open House, 10:00 AM

Friday, February 16: Full Day School, February Recess begins

Monday, February 19 - Friday, February 23: February Recess

Monday, February 26: School reopens

Monday, February 26: After School Program - Spring Session begins

Students attend Leadership Conference

On **January 12, 2018** ten high school students attended the [Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association's](#) "So you're a leader, now what?" peer leadership conference. The students, along with 100 other students from surrounding area high schools, participated in workshops that centered around Leadership Development. They explored: Team-Building, Communication, Effective Meetings/Activities, Fundraising, Community Service, Problem Solving, Substance Abuse and Teen Dating Violence Prevention, Networking /Sharing, and Action Planning. Our students presented themselves with poise and dignity and represented our school community with pride!

Alum panel speaks to seniors

On **Wednesday, January 10**, Learning Prep's Transition Department held an Alumni Day and welcomed back three former students. Alumni spoke with current seniors about their personal experiences transitioning from high school to college. Some topics that were covered included: course selection, accessing disability services, time management, and interacting with professors and navigating college life. After the panel discussion, students and teachers had the opportunity to ask questions and socialize with our alumni.

Newest member of LPS family

Congratulations to Elementary/Middle School science teacher **Anna Twigara** on the birth of her daughter Charlotte Linda Twigara who was born on December 28th. Both Mom and Baby are doing great!

LPS Spirit Program

Learning Prep School will be implementing a program designed to expand and enrich school culture and school spirit. This initiative is designed as the Blue and Green Spirit Program. Each student and staff member will be assigned as a member of either the Blue Team or the Green team and will be given a T-Shirt the color of that team.

Each year there will be designated Blue/Green Days where students and staff of each color will engage in friendly and fun competitions. These competitions will be appropriate for the age and grade level of the students and will include a myriad of extracurricular activities designed to advance school spirit, and in doing so, a healthy, vibrant, and respectful school culture.

Please send an email to **Debby Worcester** at dworcester@learningprep.org with the following information so we can begin the T-shirt ordering process:

Student Name:

Grade:

'Youth' or 'Adult' Size:

Size (S/ M/ L/ XL/ 2XL)

New school sign

Have you noticed our new sign out on Washington Street? Just last week, a new, taller Learning Prep sign was installed with added lighting, designed to increase our visibility and share upcoming events to the outside community.



Special Olympics Basketball

It's that time of year to show your support our LPS Special Olympics Basketball teams! Come cheer us on at any of the following games:

Sunday, 1/28: Salem State, 9:00 AM- 1:00 PM

Sunday, 2/4: Weston High School Qualifiers, time T.B.D.

Sunday, 2/11: Babson College, 1:00- 5:00 PM

Sunday, 2/25: Reading or Brooks, T.B.D.

Saturday, 3/10 & Sunday, 3/11: Worcester Winter Games

Call for Learning Prep Board Members

The Learning Prep School Board of Directors is currently seeking up to three new members to serve on the Board beginning in March 2018. These are voluntary positions that require between 5 – 15 hours per month of service, including monthly board meetings, as well as, a charitable commitment to the school. Further details of the position and applicant qualifications are listed [here](#).

Applicants should submit a letter of interest and resume to learningprepboard@gmail.com by **January 31**.

Inclement weather notification

When inclement weather causes a school delay or cancellation, Learning Prep utilizes Auto Alert, an automated system used to call families with emergency information or school closings.

When you receive this call, you will see "[617-965-0764](tel:617-965-0764)" on your caller I.D. This system is activated by automated voice recognition. In order to receive these notifications from L.P.S., when the phone rings, you may either pick up the phone and say "hello" or you may leave your answering machine on. The response generated from your end of the phone will trigger the Auto Alert feature in our system. Please understand that due to the distances that students and staff come from this call will come as early as 5:00 a.m. If for some reason you do not receive a call from the Auto Alert and you feel school may be closed please watch TV channels 4, 5 and 7, or check the Learning Prep website's homepage.

As weather is very unpredictable across the communities we serve, please use your judgment to guide your decision to send your child, if school/work is not closed. If a child stays home due to weather, it is considered an excused absence.

Yearbook orders

2017-2018 High School Yearbooks are on sale now! Order forms already went home with students or you order online and add special features!

Two ways to order:

1. [Download the order form](#) and return to **Kaitlin Scorzella**
2. [Order a yearbook online](#)

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact **Kaitlin Scorzella** at kscorzella@learningprep.org.



Spread the word about Learning Prep School

If you know someone who may be interested in Learning Prep for their child, please encourage them to attend one of our Open House events:

Tuesday, January 23, 2018 at 10:00 AM

Wednesday, February 14, 2018 at 10:00 AM

Thursday, March 15, 2018 at 10:00 AM

Tuesday, April 24, 2018 at 10:00 AM

Monday, May 14, 2018 at 10:00 AM

Tuesday, June 5, 2018 at 10:00 AM

RSVP's appreciated to:

Korina Martin, Director of Admissions

[617-965-0764 ext 226](tel:617-965-0764) or kmartin@learningprep.org

Learning Prep School is an innovative school for students with language and learning disabilities. Understanding that language skills are the basis for all learning, LPS's unique curriculum integrates the teaching of language skills in all subjects.

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