



korina martin <kmartin@learningprep.org>

LPS Newsletter, Issue No. 30

Learning Prep School <admin@learningprep.org>
Reply-To: Korina Martin <kmartin@learningprep.org>
To: Korina Martin <kmartin@learningprep.org>

Tue, Mar 7, 2017 at 3:32 PM



Family News - Tuesday, March 7, 2017

Upcoming Dates

Wednesday, March 8: Early Release (All School)

Thursday, March 9: Elementary/Middle School Bake Sale

Monday, March 13: [After School Programs](#) Start (Spring Session)

Tuesday, March 14: High School Bake Sale in celebration of Pi Day

Thursday, March 16: [Admissions Open House](#)

LPS to host guest speaker Greg Forbes Siegman

On **March 24**, Learning Prep School will host a day-long visit by **Greg Forbes Siegman**. A former educator, he has guest lectured and/or served as Scholar in Residence for schools and programs in different countries. Greg's story serves as the basis for *The Silhouette Man* and condensed student edition, *The First Thirty*. He has received honors such as the [Jefferson Award](#) for Public Service and has been featured by media like Good Morning America. During his visit to Learning Prep, he will spend time with all three age ranges - elementary, middle and high school.

Summer Program / Extended Year Program

Learning Prep School Summer Program/ Extended Year Program (often referred to as E.Y.P.) is a program designed to maintain progress and prevent substantial regression through structured educational and social experiences. The program is modeled after the regular Learning Prep School program but includes activities to provide a "camp-like" feel. The 4-week program will run Monday through Thursday from 8:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M. starting **Monday, July 10 - Thursday, August 3**. The program is open to any student who is enrolled at Learning Prep School, entering grades 3-8 for Elementary/Middle School and entering grades 9-12 for High School.

Elementary/Middle School (Entering grades 3-8):

- Supervised by **Laura Carney**, the program components consist of academic classes, social skills groups, arts/crafts, organizational support, interactive games and structured field trips. The academic areas will include reading, math, writing, and social communication.

High School (Entering grades 9-12):

- Supervised by **Michelle Cuddy**, the program components consist of functional academic classes, social and transitional/pre-vocational skills development as well as travel training through local educational trips. The functional academic areas will include reading, math, and writing. All students entering 12th grade will be participating in a work experience 2 days per week.

Enrollment Information:

- The tuition for Summer Program (EYP) is \$3,300.
- The Summer Program (EYP) is not approved by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE). A school district seeking placement in the LPS Summer Program may submit the Notification of Intent to Seek Approval for Individual Student Program (form 28M/3) to DESE. Parents may choose to enroll independently.

Please contact **Kathy Snow**, Summer Program secretary, for enrollment forms at [617-965-0764 ext. 124](tel:617-965-0764) or at ksnow@learningprep.org.

High School MCAS News

We have many different MCAS tests coming up, as we move into the spring. Please try not to schedule a doctor's appointment or vacation during your child's MCAS testing period. Also, make sure that your child eats a healthy breakfast before coming to school on the days of MCAS.

The students will be tested 1:1 or in small groups, and students will be provided with MCAS accommodations listed in their current, signed IEP.

Each year the Department of Education (DESE) makes adjustments to how tests are administered. This year they are again asking us to have students in Grades 9 and above sign a letter of personal responsibility regarding MCAS testing. In the high school, these letters are being reviewed and signed in Health classes. A sample will be sent home to review with your child so parents can see what has been discussed. We are using the DESE suggested format.

The upcoming schedule for high school MCAS testing is as follows:

March 21 - 23: Grade 10 ELA

May 16 - 17: Grade 10 MATH

June 5 - 6: Science MCAS (Biology or Engineering)

If you have questions regarding MCAS, please contact:

Gretchen Petersen at [617-965-0764](tel:617-965-0764) ext. 310

or gpetersen@learningprep.org

or **Jen Thorell** at [617-965-0764](tel:617-965-0764) ext. 350 or jthorell@learningprep.org.

S.A.D.D Pet Drive

S.A.D.D. (Students Against Destructive Decisions) is organizing a Pet Drive for the Gilford Cat Shelter at the end of March. Students will collect canned/bagged cat food and new or gently used cat toys. This drive will culminate in a student visit to the shelter.

Donations received before **March 17** can be sent to room, 224-B in the High School Building. Donations after that can be put in donations boxes located throughout the high school, or in high school

homerooms. If you have any questions, please contact S.A.D.D Advisor, **Mark Terra-Thomas** at mterrathomas@learningprep.org.

Student Council News

Elementary/Middle School:

The Middle School students had their Tropical Dance on **March 3rd** where about 50 students (grades 6-8) enjoyed socializing with their friends with structured activities such as musical chairs, limbo and a hula hoop group activity. Students also enjoyed quieter games at a table outside the dance if they needed a break from the music. Snacks and drinks were also enjoyed by all.

High School:

The High School Student Council held their annual Valentine's Day Dance on **March 3rd**. Students enjoyed dancing, socializing, and spending time with friends.

The next Student Council event is March Madness on **March 17** from 7:00 - 9:00 PM in the gym. Basketball, board games, and pizza are all included in this event!

Spread the word about Learning Prep School

Here at Learning Prep, we know current families are our best ambassadors. If you know a child that may benefit from a Learning Prep School education, please share our upcoming Open House dates!

Thursday, March 16 at 10:00 AM

Thursday, April 13 at 10:00 AM

Wednesday, May 24 at 10:00 AM

Thursday, June 8 at 10:00 AM

If you have any questions, please contact **Korina Martin**, Director of Admissions at [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.

1507 Washington Street | West Newton, MA 02465 | [\(617\) 965-0764](tel:6179650764) | [email](#)

[Unsubscribe](#)