

Lamoine School

Principal's Report

May, 2010

Our 8th graders have finished their registration process for the area high schools. Ten of the seventeen 8th graders have registered at Ellsworth High School and ten at M.D.I. A number of students are undecided and have registered at a more than one of the high schools including John Bapst. The high school freshman night held at the Trenton School in March was enjoyed by parents/students and allowed them to take a look at the programs and different schedules offered at our regional high schools. Comments were very positive regarding this event.

Our coaches for baseball/softball have been set with Curt Strauch stepping forward and offering to coach the boys with Stacy Curtis directing the softball program. Both coaches are parents who enjoy these sports and are willing to spend the time and energy to help our student athletes learn the game.

The Commissioner of Education released the DOE's achievement and progress list for all Maine schools on Tuesday, March 30th. According to this list, Lamoine students have shown an 18.20 percent increase on average math and reading scores over the last three years. Only 24 of the reported 557 schools had a higher increase in their percentage of students meeting or exceeding standards. The three year average of students meeting or exceeding standards in these content areas is 67.77 percent. On this fall's NECAP, 75 percent of Lamoine students' scores were proficient or higher.

Our 5th and 6th graders were involved in the Get Wet Project out of the University of Maine. They received instruction in how to test for water quality and then take samples throughout our community and apply their testing knowledge and the results. A number of community members helped out with this program.

The food service department has provided parents with an online payment method for depositing money into students' lunch accounts. One must go to MyNutrikids.com to set up the account. Once obtaining their child's I D number, parents can then set up this convenient method of keeping track of hot lunch involvement.

The Civic Oration Contest was held on Wednesday, April 7th with Samantha Mason finishing 1st, Robyn Henry 2nd, and Erin White 3rd. All three are 6th graders and represented us at the Peninsula School on April 29th. I am pleased to report that Samantha Mason came away the winner and will move on to the state competition.

7th graders Madison Brown and Ivey Wallace participated in an essay contest sponsored by the Challenger Learning Center in Bangor and won a free trip scheduled for June 10th for our 6th and 7th graders. We thank these two students for providing this opportunity for our school and these grades.

Upcoming Events

Thursday, May 6th – Kindergarten Screening-11 registered as of today.

Thursday, June 10th- 12th – 8th grade class trip to Funtown and Boston

Wednesday, June 16th – 8th Grade Graduation at 6:00

