

## LAKE WORTH CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

# CONNECTION

**GROWING CHRISTIAN LEADERS SINCE 1959** 

**November 2022 Edition** 

#### **New Year Same Commitment**

Lake Worth Christian Reaches Record Enrollment and Continued Campus Growth





Fundraising and generous donations last year allowed LWC to complete the commons and courtyard areas in front of the middle-school and gymnasium. The final touch to the project will be two benches around the live oak tree.



Tables and benches have been added to provide more outdoor areas for students to congregate, have a snack and eat their lunch. (left picture - new oak tree welcomes students as they enter campus | right picture - completed picnic area in front of middle-school building)



New door wraps and floor mats (bottom) welcome you as you enter into the LWC gymnasium and the updated cafeteria.



In early September 2022, the soffit on the south-side of the high school building unexpectedly collapsed, leaving the underside of the roof exposed. Our school community sprang into action and worked over the weekend to quickly cover and seal the exposed area.

Proceeds from this year's school auction will go towards the repairs of the high school building. We hope with your help, we will raise enough funds to make repairs to the building and freshen up the appearance of the main entrance. Please contact Suzy Milian at <a href="mailto:smillian@lwcs.org">smillian@lwcs.org</a> for giving opportunities, or you can make checks payable to LWC with "High School" in the memo.

### **FAMILIAR FACES**

#### Alumni in Action

The process of "Growing Christian Leaders" has brought thirteen graduates back to LWC as teachers and staff members to reciprocate what they experienced as students. This year we have ten staff members that have worked at LWC for 20 years or more, with Mr. Welton leading the way with 41 years.



1996 alum, Dan Olthoff has returned to teach in our math dept.



Josh Schans, 2002 alum, teaches middle school history at LWC.



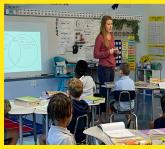
teaches Kindergarten students.



1985 alum, Nancy Van Kalker (Bom) Holly Baugh (Harrelson), 1996 graduate, teaches 2nd-grade.



2002 graduate, Cari Zylstra (Luciano) leads our secondary art dept.



Kaitlyn Coonerty (Johnson), 2007 alum, teaching our 2nd-grade.



2000 alum, Ashlee Kelly (Hevia) teaches Kindergarten at LWC.



Amber Kelly (Gorrin), class of 1998, teaches in 4th-grade.



Dr. Beth Bosman (Acosta), class of Danielle Lampman (Keesee), 2010 2002 alum, Kelly Zylstra (Cronin) '82, leads fine-arts, choir and theatre grad, teaching high school business. teaches middle school english and departments and has been at LWC for 37 years.

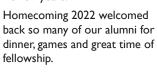




yearbook.



Class of 2017 alum, Tyler Maesel oversees LWC facilities and grounds













Austin Johnson, 2005 graduate, serves as Athletic Director at LWC.



2023 alumni dinner on January 20th!

### PURSUING EXCELLENCE IN ACADEMICS

#### **Experiential Hands-On Learning**

Opportunities for hands-on experiential learning is never far away. LWC students are actively involved with tangible learning through doing and seeing.



Elementary students enjoy hands-on learning with our STEM program which takes place in the Bray Family Learning Center.



For more than 40 years, Mr. Welton has taught at LWC and leads the International Travel Studies Program. This year they will be headed to Israel and Jordan.



Miss Assuncao's 4th-grade science class working on their Coin Challenge.





Elementary Principal, Mr. Davidson, participated in Water Day celebrating with students who raised funds during the Boosterthon fundraiser.



Mr. Fanego's Media and Computer Science courses (middle & bottom) offer real hands-on experience for our students in a technical field.

### PURSUING EXCELLENCE IN ATHLETICS

### Running the Race

**Cross Country** 



Cross
Country
kicks off the
season at
South County
Regional
Park. One of
the largest
cross country
events in Palm
Beach County.

#### **Court Ordered**

Girls Volleyball



Girls varsity volleyball in full swing as the Defenders look to make another deep playoff run.

### 2022 Spring Sports Update

Volleyball, Baseball & Soccer



Last spring, teams took to the court, fields and mounds for volleyball, soccer and baseball.



Boys Varsity Volleyball battled all season and finished 2nd in the district.



Girls soccer posted an 8-8 season with a trip to the district championship.



2021-2022 Varsity Basketball won the district championship finishing the season 18-7 including an upset of Highlands Christian to advance in the regional playoffs.



2022 graduate, Aaron Cocuzzo, heads overseas to play at Rome City Institute in Italy.

### PURSUING EXCELLENCE IN SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT

LWC focuses on our students spiritual well-being and our surrounding communities



The 2023 senior class traveled to Lake Placid for a time of bonding and spiritual enrichment during their annual senior retreat.



Campus Pastor, Jonathan Ramoutar, and Elementary Principal, Wes Davidson, lead our combined school chapel.



This fall, our students were active in the community with our annual Service Day. Students spent the day in the community helping others in need. Our students also headed to Ft. Myers to help with hurricane relief.

#### SAVE THE DATE!

### Online Auction



Starting on Thanksgiving day, November 24, at 8pm, and running during the first week of December, LWC will be hosting our annual online auction to raise funds for the upcoming year. The auction is our school's largest fundraising event and we are anticipating over a thousand participants throughout the country. If you would like to contribute with an auction basket or a donation, please contact Suzy Milian at smilian@lwcs.org or by phone at 561-717-5927, Opt: 151. All contributions and donations are tax deductible.

#### **Upcoming Events**

Nov. II - Veterans Day Chapel

Nov. 21-25 - Thanksgiving Break

Nov. 24 - Dec. 2 - Online Auction

Dec. 2 - Ladies Christmas Dinner

Dec. 5 - Secondary Music Concert

Dec. 8 - PreK-2nd Christmas Production

Dec. 9 - Grandparents' Day 3rd-5th Christmas Production

Dec. 19 - Jan. 2 - Christmas Break

Jan. 13 - Re-enrollment Begins

Jan. 19 - PreK/Kindergarten Round Up

#### Jan. 20 - Homecoming & Alumni Dinner

Feb. 2 - Prospective Family Open House

Feb. 13-16 - Spiritual Challenge Week

Feb. 17-20 - Winter Break

March 9-17 - Booster Fundraiser

March 20 - 24 Spring Break

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Please take a minute to LIKE us on <u>Facebook</u> so you can keep up with all the wonderful things happening at LWC!



LWCS continues to see growth in enrollment and programs. Help spread the word about all the great things happening at LWC. Families are eligible for up to \$1,000 referral credit for each new family enrolled at LWC.

Do you have news to share? We want to hear your story and highlight you in our next Connection issue! Please connect with us at <a href="https://www.lwcs.org/alumni">www.lwcs.org/alumni</a>