

Lighthouse Elementary

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Principal

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Mission Statement

Our mission: Empowering all students to succeed in an ever-changing world.

STUDENT SIGN IN/OUT: As always, safety is a top priority. The new district safety protocol requests that parents **wait outside the vestibule** when signing children in or out of school or dropping them off late during the school day. This new protocol is part of the safety plan, to help secure the building. A QR code is posted that directs parents to sign in or out on a form through Google. **Parents, please complete this form on your cell phones.** The QR code is posted in the vestibule outside the main door, #1. Once the form is submitted, you will still need to ring the doorbell to request your child be allowed in the building, or called out early. We will call your child to the office once you are here. We do not want students waiting in the office, missing class instruction. **Be prepared to show ID.** If you have an item to deliver to your child. (i.e. water bottle, lunch, folder), please leave it on the table—marked with your child's name and teacher. The office staff will deliver the item. Your support is greatly appreciated as we work through these new security changes.

Mrs. Hoffman, Principal

NO SCHOOL: There is no school on **Tuesday, November 7th**, Election Day. There is a **1/2 day of school on Friday, November 10th**, and **Friday, November 17th**. Dismissal time is 12:26 pm. **There is no school on Monday, November 20th through Friday, November 24th**, for Professional Development and Thanksgiving Break. School resumes on Monday, November 27th. There is no school from December 23rd through January 2nd. School resumes on Wednesday, January 3rd.

REPORT CARDS: Will be sent home on Tuesday, November 14th.

FEED THE BAY: Way to go Lighthouse Lakers! Over 1000 items were collected for Feed the Bay! Congratulations to Mrs. DeShon's class for donating the most food items (132). They won the pizza party!

SPIRITWEAR: You can purchase Lighthouse or Anchor Bay gear in many different designs and styles of clothing items! The online store is ready for your browsing enjoyment. **Please note: all orders are purchased online and shipped directly to your home-- no orders will be sent to school.** This makes it easy for gift giving! You can choose from over 70 products that can be purchased in a variety of colors. The items can even be personalized! Take a moment and browse the site: <https://www.lighthousepiritwear.com/> The store is open throughout the whole school year! Each week there are different promotional offers.

SCHOOL MESSENGER: Are you missing receiving text messages or emails? If you would like to receive text messages from Anchor Bay School District, make sure your email is correct in PowerSchool and send a text message to (67587) with the words "opt in" as the message. If you are already receiving text message from Anchor Bay School District no further action is required. For more information, you can visit <https://www.schoolmessenger.com/txt>



VISION & HEARING SCREENING:
Young 5's students are being screened on 11/15/23.

Grades 1, 3 and 5 will be screened for vision on 12/18, 12/19 or 12/20/23. Please make sure students wear their glasses and any hearing equipment. Please inform the office if your student has a Shunt, Baclofen, Insulin Pump, Vagus Nerve Stimulator, or Pacemaker.

PICTURE RETAKES: Children who were absent on picture day can still have their pictures taken on **Thursday, November 16th**. Order online at mylifetouch.com, Picture Day ID



EVTBQXV83, or send an order form in with your student. If your child needs a re-take, please return their picture package to school on or before re-take day. **Yearbooks are NOT included in the packages** but can now be ordered on-line as well with ID Code 13981224.

PTG CORNER: LHE's trunk or treat was a huge success, we would like to give a big thank you to everyone who hosted a trunk! We are so fortunate to have such an amazing community! We would like to congratulate our winners:

Trunk Creations- 1st- Nightmare before Christmas , 2nd- Hunting , 3rd- Mario **Costume Winners-** 1st- (Alice in Wonderland) Lilyana DiTrapani, 2nd- (Skipity Toilet) Liam & Carter Miller, 3. (Patrick) Hunter Lietz. Go to <https://lighthouseptg.ptboard.com> if you have not done so already to stay up to date on our latest news!



We will have a link for discount **Detroit Pistons** tickets coming soon!

SCHOLASTIC BOOKFAIR: Our PTG will be hosting the Bookfair in the library! Save these dates and view our school's Fair site: November 27th – December 1st.

PLEASE RESERVE THE HANDICAPPED SPACES AND WALKWAYS IN OUR PARKING LOTS FOR THOSE IN NEED WITH A PERMIT. Your cooperation is appreciated and will be enforced.



TEACHER/PARENT SCHOOL CONFERENCE VIRTUAL MEETINGS:

Teachers will email parents/guardians of those struggling students to set up either a Zoom (through Sign-Up Genius) or a phone conference. The fall conference window is from November 13th – December 1st. If you receive an email from your child's teacher, please make sure that you sign up to speak with them. While the focus of conferences is to help struggling students, we welcome any parents who would still like to meet with their son/daughter's teachers. Please contact any teacher or social worker you would like to meet with via email. As always, parents/guardians of students can also contact their child's teachers for questions or concerns at any time outside of conferences.

PAT IT FORWARD CHRISTMAS FOR ANCHOR BAY:

Join Pay-It-Forward Foundation in collecting toys for ages 4-14 for our community event. We need your help to bring Christmas to kids in our community. https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1QXB0VNOQOO02?ref=wl_share&fbclid=IwAR16p5gacnAhSkF4tW7Cj5lfbld1knskzDnH4Q1HwjEg32ogZGknBBubzXQ

[ref=wl_share&fbclid=IwAR16p5gacnAhSkF4tW7Cj5lfbld1knskzDnH4Q1HwjEg32ogZGknBBubzXQ](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1QXB0VNOQOO02?ref=wl_share&fbclid=IwAR16p5gacnAhSkF4tW7Cj5lfbld1knskzDnH4Q1HwjEg32ogZGknBBubzXQ)

Our Student Council will be collecting body care set. More information will be published soon.

The event will take place on 12/09/2023 at Anchor Bay Middle School North. Pay-It Foundation will be posting their volunteer sign up as time gets closer.



NEW BALTIMORE GOODFELLOWS: Is now accepting applications for their "No Child Without a Christmas" program. Gifts are given to children from birth through age 15. Applications are available from any Anchor Bay School or New Baltimore City Office. Completed applications can be returned to any AB school location, mailed directly to New Baltimore Goodfellows, or emailed to nbgoodfellows@yahoo.com. Completed applications must include proof of Anchor Bay School District residency, a signed application by a parent or guardian with a VALID phone number. A copy of a birth certificate for each child is required as well as proof of income. NO PHONE CALL REFERRALS WILL BE ACCEPTED. Due date for applications Friday, December 8, 2023.

LOST AND FOUND will be turned into the Salvation Army on the 15th of each month. Please have your child check the lost and found for any items they may be missing.

CALL IN ABSENCE: If your child is going to be absent or tardy for any length of time during the school day, please call the school absent line @ **586-648-2500 X 1901**. **LATE STUDENTS must report to the office** and be signed in, using the QR code, by a parent or guardian.

GLEANERS FOOD PANTRY: is open November 21, 2023, from 1:30 -3:30 pm at Northshore Church, 51028 Base Street, New Baltimore. The School Food Mobile Program provides free nutritious healthy food for up to 100 families.



ANCHOR BAY COMMUNITY GIVING TREE: Is a full service program that identifies families in need, via inquires and referrals. The program provides holiday assistance in the form of food, toys, children's clothing, school supplies etc. If you are in need or know of a family that is, please contact Michelle at 586 -747-1196 or Sherry at 586-405-0225. To avoid redundancy / duplication of efforts, ABCGT is asking that any families that are recommended for other programs such as, The New Baltimore Goodfellows, Shop with a Cop, or Salvation Army, are not forwarded to the Giving Tree Program. The program accepts referrals through December 8, 2023.

SAC Parents When dropping off or picking up students, please park in a designated parking space, not the delivery area. Our kitchen has delivery trucks dropping off food and milk deliveries throughout the day. Trucks need this space to back in. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Attention Lighthouse Parents:



If your child needs any medicine administered during a school day, Anchor Bay School District requires medical paperwork to be filled out and **signed by a doctor and the parent each school year**. This includes both prescription and over-the-counter medications, such as Motrin, Tylenol, inhalers, Epi-pens, etc. Medical forms can be picked up in the school office or printed from our webpage. No medicine will be administered without the proper paperwork. **Liquids are not allowed per the School District**. All medicine must be dropped off in the school office by a parent. Please help us to keep our students safe in regard to medicine and their medical needs.

REMEMBER, IT ALL DRAINS TO OUR LAKES AND RIVERS: Storm drains and roadside ditches lead to our lakes and rivers. So, any oil, pet waste, leaves or dirty water from washing your car enters a storm drain gets into our lakes and rivers without being treated. With almost five million people living in Southeast Michigan, we all need to be aware of what goes in our storm drains. How can you help? Simple.

1. Sweep it. Do you have extra fertilizer, grass clipping or dirt on your driveway or sidewalk? Sweep it back onto your lawn. Hosing your driveway sends these pollutants into storm drains that lead to our lakes and rivers.
2. Keep it clean. Whether in the street or in your yard, remember to keep leaves, grass clippings, trash and fertilizers away from storm drains.
3. Only rain in the drain. Never dump motor oil, chemicals, pet waste, dirty or soapy water, or anything else down the storm drain. All of these materials pollute our lakes and rivers.

STUDENT COUNCIL: Please join us in donating unwanted or excess Halloween candy to **TREATS FOR TROOPS** from November 1-8th.