

# **Lebo Schools**

# December 2023

## Once A Wolf, Always a Wolf

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# THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

#### December 2023





**Dr. Melissa Veatch** 



Hello Lebo Family!

With Winter Break fast approaching, I can't even believe we are at the end of the first semester. It feels as though we were just having snow cones with Kindergarten on the playground and now they are walking the halls with confidence while practicing for the Winter Program. It is amazing what a semester does for all of our students as we watch them grow, navigate, and adjust to the people they are becoming with each day that passes. Thank you for sharing your children with us, entrusting the teachers and staff with their education, as well as their safety and well-being as a person.

As I reflect and prepare for second semester, we will continue to focus as a teaching staff on implementation of our literacy and math curriculum resources at the elementary. We will begin taking our data conversations to new levels as we drill down to find what instructional adjustments need to be made in order to better meet student needs both academically and social/emotionally.

The Junior High and High School will be tweaking the format for our Intervention and CAP time to ensure we are both adding enrichment and strengthening our overall vocabulary and literacy skills. We will also begin looking at executive functioning skills, which support our students with organization, emotional control, flexibility, attention to task, and time management.

The holiday season is a time for family and friends, but also a time of hope, joy, and love. On a daily basis, I am reminded of the love poured into our school by our community and the joy I experience from witnessing children interact with the world around them. The future is looking bright!!

# Recipe Corner.

Salt Dough Ornaments

#### **Ingredients**

4 cups flour 1 cup salt 1.5 cups water

\*Maybe a little more water needed once kneaded.

- Preheat your oven to 200 degrees
- Combine your flour, salt and water and mix well. Knead for 10 minutes. If your dough is too dry, add a little bit more water. If it's too sticky, add a little bit of flour. It will help to place flour down on your surface when kneading and on your
- Keep kneading until the dough becomes really smooth. This takes about 10 minutes.
- Once you're done kneading, roll out the dough to about 1/2 cm thickness. The thinner you make the ornaments, the better they will thoroughly bake and dry through. If you make them too thick they will take too long to dry.
  Using your Christmas cookie cutters, cut out
- different shapes for your salt dough ornaments.
- Using a straw, make a hole in the top of the ornament for where you would like the twine to hang.
- Bake for 1-2 hours. If your ornaments are not completely dried through when you pull them out put back in for another hour.
- Once cool and completely dried, paint and decorate.

#### Dr. Veatch's Kitchen

This is one of my favorite traditions with my daughter! We make a new batch each year and now we've started to invite the neighbors over for the fun!





Mamma Jo's Waffles

#### **Ingredients**

1 2/3 cups Buttermilk 3 eggs 1 teaspoon baking soda 2 teaspoons baking powder 1/2 teaspoon salt 1 tablespoon white sugar 1/2 cup softened butter 1 3/4 cups flour Splash of vanilla

- Whisk together eggs, buttermilk in a mixer or large bowl. Add dry ingredients and butter.
- Beat together until smooth.
- Pour full 1/2 cup of batter into a waffle iron. Cook until light goes off.
- Serve hot and drizzle with warm maple syrup. Topping with strawberries and homemade whipping cream is also yummy!

#### Dr. Veatch's Kitchen

This is our family recipe for waffles. Every memory with my mom at Christmas begins with having waffles for breakfast! From my family, to yours... ENJOY!

# TECHNICAL EDUCATION & WORK STUDY.

Authors: Keaira Ferguson Ashton Ehrhardt Grant Williams Jessica Treu Dr. Veatch

College and Career Readiness is an essential focus for schools everywhere. It is no secret emphasis has been placed on college; applying for scholarships, allowing opportunities to take classes, and earn college credits prior to high school graduation. We have signing parties when a student commits and run out to buy a sweatshirt to show our support. Colleges and Universities arm students with degrees, which signals they are prepared to enter the workforce in their selected area.

Equally as important, schools should place emphasis on Technical Education and rally around those students who exit high school with a technical certificate! Additionally, students who have worked to complete their graduation requirement early may elect to participate in the Work Study program which provides professional experiences that translate into their post-secondary endeavors by teaching necessary soft skills to like time management, accountability, and real-world problem solving.

At Lebo High School, we are fortunate to have 6 students who are enrolled and gaining valuable experience through our Work Study Program, as well as FlintHills Technical College. We also have two students who go to work for one block throughout the school day; one at the Bank and one at the Hair Bar. Each of these experiences allows our students to obtain relevant working experience that contributes to their College and Career Readiness.

Student can enroll at FlintHills Technical College beginning their Junior Year. There are 13 technical pathways including: Graphic Arts Technology, Hospitality/Culinary, Multimedia Design, Dental Assisting, Health Occupations Technology, Business Technology, Computer Programing, Network Technology, Automotive Technology, Computerized Machine Tool Technology, Industrial Engineering Technology, PowerPlant Technology, and Welding.

Students can enroll in Work Study during their Senior Year. This allows students to both finish required courses, as well as gain work experience. Each employer signs a partnership agreement with the school so the skills students gain can be monitored.



We attend Flint Hills Technical College in the afternoon studying Automotive Technology. The skills we learn in the classroom give us hands-on experiences. This semester we have learned the fundamentals of manual transmissions, automotive engines, and four-wheel drive. We already see practical use of these skills in the work on our family farms where we plan to work full time after graduation.

Ashton & Grant

I'm enrolled in the Work Study program where I work at Wendy's for 3 hours in the afternoon. I chose to do this, so I could earn some extra money over the school year, since I didn't need any other classes to graduate high school. At my job, I have learned how to manage finances, work with a variety of employees, and balance having a job while also going to school which I will also have to do in college.

Keiara

My tech program is industrial engineering. My classes have many different labs and hands on training. My teacher, Kyle Hayes, is great and works with you to make sure you understand. My program has class work containing worksheets, vocab, labs, and tests. Every week, you will do 1-2 labs and other times you are in the book. This has provided valuable experience that will help me in my pursuit of a job in agriculture.

Clayton

I am going to the FHTC to get my certificate for business and culinary. I have interest in both areas and this allows me to see which one I want to pursue further. The traditional classroom sefting is not really my thing. Going to the technical college was a way to further my education and not have to go into debt with student loans. I could leave with a certificate that allows me to go to work right away. I want to open my own bakery and these classes are showing me what I will be up against in the long run. Even though I love to bake and cook, these classes teach me new things about it. The business classes have shown me what goes on behind the scenes of owning my own business. I get actual hands-on experience and I look forward to going every day.

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# Executive Functioning Skills



Planning is the ability to figure out how to accomplish our goals.



ability to develop and maintain a system that keeps materials and plans

#### Time Management is

having an accurate understanding of how long tasks will take and using time wisely and effectively to accomplish tasks.



Task Initiation is the ability to independently start tasks when needed. It is the process that allows you to just begin something even when you don't really want to.





Working Memory is the mental processes that allow us to hold information in our minds while working with it.



Metacognition is being aware of what you know and using that information to help you learn.



Self-Control is the ability to regulate yourself, including your thoughts. actions, and emotions.



Attention is being able to focus on a person or task for a period of time and shifting that attention when needed

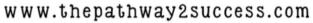


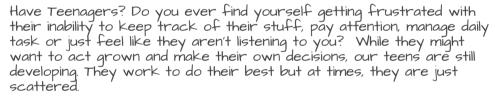




Perseverance is the ability to stick with a task and not give up, even when it becomes

Flexibility is the ability to adapt to new situations and deal with change.





Executive Skills are the functions of our brain and thought processes that help us regulate our behavior, set goals and meet them, and balance demands placed on us. Moving into the second semester, we will be helping our students learn and understand strategies to promote executive functioning skills in their own life.

Board games are excellent tools to help students work on these skills. Students have to remember directions, processes, attend to task, etc. Games promote positive peer interactions and also break up the traditional methods of learning they typically experience.

Please assist us in growing our game selection! New or used doesn't matter. If you would like to donate, please bring them to the high school office.









THANK YOU for your support!









# NEWS.

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# **PreK-4th Music Program**

December 5th
7:00 PM in Lebo Main Gym

Please have students arrive at 6:30 in dress clothes or nice holiday attire.



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#### 5th-12th Grade Music Concert

December 11th 7:00 PM in Lebo Main Gym

Please have students arrive at 6:30 in dress clothes or nice holiday attire.

# **Caroling Downtown**

December 12

Dress warm! Student will go caroling at the Senior Center, Library, and Broadway Street



# **NEWS.**

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## **Stand Up 2 Cancer Event**

December 14

Lebo vs Waverly JH Basketball Game Special Presentation in between the girls and boys games approx 6:30





#### **HIGH SCHOOL FINALS!**

Students will take finals December 14, 15 & 18.

Please ensure students are in attendace during this time.

# CHRISTMAS PARTIES!!! December 19th

Elementary Teachers will be sending out more details.

JH/HS will also have their Positive Behavior Celebration which includes: games, popcorn, holiday movies, cookie decorating, and more!



Students who are eligible for selective membership into the Lebo High School National Honor Society are junior and senior students who have maintained a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or above and have completed a minimum of 40 documented community service hours. All community service hours should be submitted to the high school office by January 1st to be considered for admission for the following school year. Each eligible student will be personally notified by email and given written instructions for applying. Students should begin working toward their minimum community service hours when they enter high school.

The Lebo High School Chapter of National Honor Society was chartered in the fall of 1987. The purpose of the organization is to honor excellence in scholastic achievement, service, character, and leadership of the students. A five-member council meets to review the applications and on individual ballots each member rates each applicant in the four areas listed above. The selected students will be inducted into the Society at a special ceremony held in April.

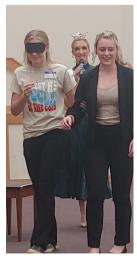
# SENIOR AND BABY PICTURES DUE JANUARY 15TH

Oct 18 - FCCLA took students from Lebo & Waverly to our District H Fall Leadership Conference at Anderson County High School where Delia Simpson and Cira Plummer helped lead the conference as district officers, we heard a message from Miss Kansas about being a leader where you are able and learned what it means to ge "Sight Guide Certified". We collected 200 pairs of shoes for our shoe drive while there and then enjoyed some fellowship with members from other FCCLA organizations in our district while having lunch at the Dutch Country Cafe in Garnett.

Our Shoe Drive officially ended. Thank you to our awesome community that helped clean up your homes, keep the landfills clear and helped people in other countries become able to provide for their families by starting microenterprises. Our organization donated almost 850 pairs of shoes!









# Christmas Candy Grams

The National Honor Society is sponsoring its annual Christmas Candy Grams project to raise money for their 2023 adopted family. You may purchase candy canes to be sent to any student in grades PreK-12 or any member of the faculty/staff for \$1 each. Candy canes will be delivered on Friday, December 15th.

Please fill out the form below and send it with your money in a sealed envelope to Mrs. Williams in the high school office, or Mrs. Nolan in the elementary office. The deadline is December 8th to allow time for purchasing. Extra forms are available in either the office or from Mrs. Durst.

Candy canes must be paid for at the time of submission with either cash or a check. Make checks payable to Lebo Activity Fund.

National Honor Society														
Christmas Candy Grams														
TO:							-							
GRADE: Please circle one.	Pre-K	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Teacher (Elementary Only):														
Candy Cane Flavor: \$1.00 each	.Pepper	min	t			.F	rui	ty						
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# **BOOSTER CLUB EVENTS**

# JANUARY 5 – ALUMNI NIGHT AND SUPER FAN AWARD

Free admission for Alumni to watch the Wolves vs SCC. Come out and cheer on the Wolves and find out who this years' Super fan will be when it is announced at half-time of the boys game.

# **JANUARY 12 - RED PRIDE NIGHT**

Any student, staff, or faculty wearing their red pride shirt provided by booster club can get a free popcorn at the concession stand.

# STUDENT COUNCIL Lebo High School



These STUCO students are continuing to show up and plan activities and provide leadership throughout the school and community. Please come to them with ideas, suggestions and of course let them know how great they are doing!

December 19- we are planning a fun filled Christmas themed celebration! Check out social media for all the information!

# School Spirit

There are no high school-home games in December so we will not have student section themes until January. We will get those posted on social media and then in the January Newsletter as well.

We are working on connecting the community with the school so please be on the lookout for more opportunities and ideas.

# Thank you to all how continue to support Lebo Activities



# **Keep It Up Students**

# **Upcoming Events:**

December 14- Stand Up to Cancer please check out social media for all the details there are shirts to purchase, we will have a photo opportunity to honor your loved ones who have/are battling cancer, turn in names to be honored at the basketball game that evening.

Follow Lebo High School Stuco on Facebook and Instagram



This event will be a district wide event honoring those from Lebo and Waverly. Please get your shirt orders placed as \$2 of every order will go to Coffey County Cancer Society. We will also have a pass the bucket at the game to help raise funds for this organization.

#### https://slingin-ink.com/products/stand-up-to-cancer

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeS1vhqwDK2SC0c9bmVL-A5P8MlBWRXAtiyZsSR0LUiTe5DkQ/viewform?usp=sf\_link

# **ELEMENTARY**

THE PLACE TO GET **INVOLVED** 

Upcoming Meetings: Sunday, December 3rd at 5:00 pm January 7th at 5:00 pm





#### CHRISTMAS SHOPPE

Our annual Christmas Shoppe will be December 18th. We are still accepting donations for items for the students to select to gift to their loved ones. Each student will get to select two gifts this year. Thank you to those that have donated so far.

We are also asking for wrapping supplies, gift wrap, bags, bows etc. if you would like to donate please contact Lebo PTO. Volunteers are requested to help sort, wrap and help students! If you are available please let us know! Thank you

#### Christmas Celebration

PTO will be providing a snack and hot chocolate during the elementary school end of the semester celebration! These activities would not be possible without the support of our students and families! Thank you! This will be the morning of December 19

#### THANK YOU TO OUR TEACHERS AND STAFF

We will cater lunch for all teachers and staff for Christmas. This is a little way to say thank you for all they do throughout the year to make our students learning experience wonderful! We will need a few deserts if you would like to help with that or help serve/setup that would be greatly appreciated.

#### **Baked Potato Bar** February 6th

We will need help and items for this! Please check out our Facebook page for more information at the beginning of the year. Thank you



#### CAN'T MAKE IT TO A MEETING?

You don't have to come to a meeting to be involved! During the year there are plenty of ways to volunteer!

We will have sign ups for items needed, time slots for events that need sponsors and of course we would love your ideas as

Message us on Facebook or email Amanda

bb.amanda.hopkins@gmail.com



Thank you to all the amazing supporters, volunteers and students for a successful pie fundraiser!

we sold 564 pies! This fundraiser helps PTO provide items for the school, activities and supplies!

#### **EVENTS FOR** 2023-2024

Adult/Student Events Breakfast with Santa

- Testing Snacks
- Staff Appreciation Days Conference/Inservice Treats
- Potato Bar
- Kindness/Leader of the Pack
- Awards
- Fundraising
- 5th Grade Promotion Hometown Christmas
- Adult Nights
- T-Shirt Sales
- Pie Sales
- Football Toss
- School and Teacher Needs



supporting our annual Breakfast

with Santa

**GET IN TOUCH WITH US** 

**LEBO ELEMENTARY PTO** 

# CLASS OF 2026



# **NOVEMBER 2023**

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	1	2

THANK YOU!
WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK
EACH PERSON THAT
PURCHASED A CASH
CALENDAR RAFFLE! THIS
WAS A GREAT SUCCESS AND
WINNERS WILL BE
CONTACTED.

Thank you for your continued support with our raffles at each home game!

We are excited to continue to offer fun prizes. Your support is greatly appreciated! Your next chance to win is December 14!





OUR ANNUAL PULLED PORK DINNER WILL

BE FEBRUARY 12TH- WE WILL HAVE TO

GO ORDERS AVAILABLE AS WELL! COME

OUT AND SUPPORT YOUR STUDENT

ATHLETES AND GET A DELICIOUS MEAL!



# Lebo School Library Celebration Club

### Honor Special Moments and Support our school library!

Participation in the program involves a \$20 donation per child.

Joining is OPTIONAL.

#### Participation in the Celebration Club includes:

- \* During the month of your celebration, club members will be invited to the library to select a new book from the pre-purchased CC book collection to "donate" to the library.
- \* A special book plate with your child's name will be placed inside the donated book.
- \* Your child will have the honor to be the first student to check out their donated book.
- \* A photo of your child and their donated book will be on the school's social media and kept on display in the library.
- \* Summer celebrations can be done any month during the school year.

This is a very special honor and a gift that keeps on giving to all students at Lebo
Elementary School!

Yes, I'd like my child to join the Lebo Library Celebration Club!

Student's Name

Special Day you'd like to celebrate:

Teacher

Parent email

\*\*Please send \$20 cash or check payable to Lebo Activity Fund and return to your teacher or Mrs. Rosine in the library. (Mark envelope LIBRARY.) Any questions, contact Mrs. Rosine at vrosine@usd243ks.org.

December 2023								
					1 HS BB @ Flinthills @ 4:45 p.m.	2		
3	HS BB @ Central Heights Tourney	5 Pre-K-4th Grade Winter Concert @ 7 p.,m.	6	HS BB @ Central Heights Tourney  JH BB @ Olpe @ 5 p.m	8 Welding Contest @ Paola  HS BB @ Central Heights Tourney	9 HS BB @ Central Heights Tourney		
10	5-12th Winter Concert @ 7 p.m.	HS BB @ Hartford @ 4:45 p.m	13	JH BB @ Home vs. Waverly @ 5 p.m. Stand Up For Cancer	15 HS BB @ Olpe @ 5 p.m.	16		
17	18 HS BB @ MDCV @ 4:45 p.m.	Last day of the semester	20 Winter Break	21 Winter Break	22 Winter Break	23		
24 Winter Break Winter Moratorium Christmas Eve  31 New Year's Eve	25 Christmas Day Winter Moratorium	26 Winter Break Winter Moratorium	Winter Break Winter Moratorium	28 Winter Break Winter Moratorium	29 Winter Break	30 Winter Break		

December 2023 Lunch Menu									
				1 B. Br. Pizza L. Beef & Noodles M. Potatoes WG Roll/ Gr. Beans Mandarin Oranges					
4 B. Coffee Cake L. Cheeseburger Romaine/Tomato Chips/Baked Beans Pears	5 B. Bisc. & Gravy L. Chicken Alfredo Garlic Bread Peas, Oranges Cookie	6 B. Donuts L. Chicken Nuggets M. Potato/Gravy Roll/ Gr. Beans Peaches	7 B. Br. Bites/Toast L. Taco Soup Tortilla Chips Brocc/Caulif. Applesauce, Cookie	8 B. Cinnamon Roll L. Pizza Salad w/ romaine Bananas, Pudding					
11 B. Muffins L. McRib Sand. Au Gratin Potato Peas/ Mand. Oranges	12 B. Bagel Sand. L. Chicken Legs M. Potato/ Gravy WG Roll/ Corn Strwb./Bananas	13 B. Fr. Toast Sticks L. Ravioli Bosco Stick Gr. Beans Grapes	14B. Br. Pizza L. Grilled Cheese Potato Soup Veggies/Dip Peaches	15 B. Long John/ Yogurt L. Hot Dog Fr. Fries Baked Beans, Apples					
18 B. Pancakes/Saus. L. Pizza Casserole WG Roll Gr. Beans Applesauce	19 B. Biscuit & Gravy L. Pulled Pork Sand. Chips, Slaw Mand. Oranges	20 No School Christmas Break	21 No School Christmas Break	22 No School Christmas Break					
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Are you looking for a job? Lebo Schools is a great place to work! We have several job opportunities available:

Daycare Aide- Join our team at Lebo Learn & Play Daycare and work with our littlest Wolves, ranging from 2.5 to 5 years of age.

Contact Mitzi Carpenter at mcarpenter@usd243ks.org or call 620-256-6161

Paraprofessional- Make a difference every day! We have multiple para positions open, ranging from elementary to high school. Apply online at www.usd244ks.org

Substitute Teacher- Substitute teachers are crucial for keeping the classroom running smoothly when the regular teacher cannot be there. Apply online at www.usd243ks.org

For more information go to https://www.usd243ks.org/page/personnel or call 785-733-2651. Resume and credentials can also be sent to Melissa Veatch myeatch@usd243ks.org

