

# L. B. Clarke Middle School Chronicle

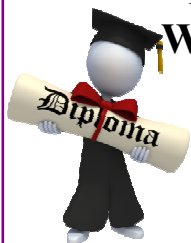


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*T*ogether *E*veryone *A*chieves *M*ore!

June 1, 2012

## 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Farewell



**LBC Gymnasium**  
**Wednesday, June 6th**  
**6:30 p.m.**

*Social to follow in the cafe*  
*cake & punch*

## Summer Reading Loss

- ✓ Numerous studies have shown that reading over the summer prevents “summer reading loss.”
- ✓ Research estimates 50-67% of the achievement gap is the result of summer learning loss.
- ✓ Summer reading loss is cumulative. Children don’t “catch up” in fall because the other children continue to move ahead with their skills.

By the end of 6th grade, children who lose reading skills over the summer are two years behind their classmates

### *What can you do to prevent this from happening with your middle schooler?*

- ✓ Read, Read, Read! (Magazines, books, newspapers, internet...)
- ✓ Talk about what your middle schooler is reading. Ask questions!
- ✓ Read to your middle schooler. Yes, read to your middle schooler...snippets from the newspaper, movie reviews before or after you go to a movie and compare your own reviews.
- ✓ Set a schedule in a visible so that reading is occurring at least 45 minutes a day!!

*Next weeks newsletter will provide you with ideas for summer reading and math activities for middle schoolers to do over the summer. Implementing reading and math is crucial in preventing academic regression.*



**Talent Show**  
**Tuesday, June 5<sup>th</sup>**  
**2:05 p.m.**

So many talents and so little time....

You are invited to attend our  
L.B. Clarke Spring Talent Show.

This will be held in the “Gymnasium” ☺



# UPCOMING EVENTS

## June Events

**Monday, June 4<sup>th</sup>**

3:08 p.m. – Talent Show Rehearsal

**Tuesday, June 5<sup>th</sup>**

2:05 p.m. – Talent Show

**Wednesday, June 6<sup>th</sup>**

Dare Graduation – afternoon

**Wednesday, June 6<sup>th</sup>**

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Farewell 6:30 p.m.

**Thursday, June 7<sup>th</sup>**

**Class Trips**

*5<sup>th</sup> Grade*

*Point Beach*

*6<sup>th</sup> Grade*

*Bay Beach*

*7<sup>th</sup> Grade*

*Noah's Ark*

*8<sup>th</sup> Grade*

*Great America*

**Friday, June 8<sup>th</sup>**

Last Day of School

Dismissal 1:05 p.m.

Students store lots of items in their lockers...and during cleaning they will throw good stuff away. Of course, we take the items and save them for students next year.



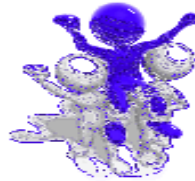
Please talk with your child about what they should do with their school items.

However, many items could be saved at home and reduce the number of items that need to be purchased in the beginning of the year. Send a bag to school with your child and have them bring their items home.

## Wisconsin Public Library Consortium

If you have a Manitowoc Public Library or Lester Public Library card you can borrow ebooks, audio books, music, and videos from the Wisconsin Public Library Consortium for 7, 14, or 21 days. The materials can be download to your computer or mobile device, transferred from your computer to a portable device, or some can even be burn onto a CD.

In order to read the ebooks, you will have to download Adobe Digital Editions and Overdrive Media Console programs to you computer or the apps to your ereader or mobile device. Lester Public Library and Manitowoc Public Library are part of the Manitowoc-Calumet Library System.



**Education is Not a  
Spectator Sport.  
Get in the GAME!**

## Summer School Forms Due ASAP

**Please send your summer school forms  
to school.**



**Classes begin**

**Wednesday, June 13th**

**Through**

**Wednesday, July 18th**

Summer school is a wonderful opportunity for all students. Enrichment and remedial classes are offered.

The summer school day is 8:00 a.m. – NOON.