

Good evening parents, this is Mr. Rice, Principal of Lyman High School and this is your Weekly Principal's Update!

Last week was one heck of a busy week for our Greyhounds! We started off last Saturday with our students representing Lyman High School so well at the **Seminole County Science Fair**. As I walked around the exhibits, it just amazes me to think about how they come up with the concepts that they test. I was thoroughly impressed. In this newsletter, you'll see that so many of our students earned awards and recognition for their hard work. Well done!

Monday night, the Mayor and City Commissioners of the **City of Longwood** recognized Senior, Ridge Bonnick as their **Juvenile of the Year!** It was a great ceremony where they recognized an incredible young man! Congratulations Ridge!

Tuesday brought our annual review of our **ROTC Program!** At the end of the day, I met with the reviewer and learned that our group earned a 98% (197 out of a possible 200) points! This is an incredible score and one that is rarely achieved by any ROTC Unit! This truly is a team effort between our instructors, Lieutenant Colonel Clark, 1st Sergeant Albert, and 1st Sergeant Turner along with our students. Outstanding work!

Wednesday afternoon, we recognized several of our student athletes this week who have committed to playing their respective sport at the next level of competition. As I spoke with our students, their family and friends, and the many teachers and coaches that attended the **NCAA Signing Day Ceremony**, I couldn't help to think about how special this moment it was. Special because it was a combination of athletic abilities and academic success that led them to this day. Special because it was the culmination of years of parenting and coaching that led them to this day. And, special because it took a village to help them develop their talents, both academically and athletically. Congratulations to the 8 athletes who are listed below on this outstanding accomplishment!

Thursday evening, both of our **Jazz Bands**, under the direction of Mr. Bill Muse, earned Straight Superior Ratings at their Jazz Music Performance Assessment. Most schools have a difficult time gathering enough students to have one full ensemble, but not here! We have two groups and both earned the highest possible rating! Congratulations!

As we wrapped up our week, we had a fun, enthusiastic, **Black-Out Pep Rally**. It was great to see so many spirited students and teams represented in this event!

Saturday, our **Lyman Diamonds Colorguard**, under the direction of Mr. Stephen Porter, hosted a Winter Guard competition with over 40 schools attending. Our ensembles all received a Superior Rating and two of our groups earned a 1st place finish while one group earned a 6th place finish in their division! Again, like our band, most schools only have one group. At Lyman, we have three and all are doing incredible work!

And finally, we learned yesterday that our **SECME Team** lead by Engineering Teacher, Mary Acken, won the Overall 1st Place Award at their competition at UCF. Congratulations to all involved!

A great week with great students and an incredible staff!

Here's some additional information and recognitions that I want to share with you:

Progress

Reports:

Progress Reports for Quarter 3 have been submitted and are available in your Skyward Family Access App. If you do not have access to Skyward, please be sure to visit the Lyman Student Services Office to get registered. This must be done in person.

Science Fair Awards:

Congratulations to the following students who participated in and earned top honors in this year's Seminole County Science Fair last weekend at the Seminole Town Center Mall.

OSC's Lockheed Martin Science Challenge

- Daniel Juarez and Ian Beller
 - Nathaniel Larkin, Elijah Choi, and Tyler Gentry
- ##### **State Science & Engineering Fair Selection**
- Nathaniel Larkin, Elijah Choi, and Tyler Gentry
- ##### **Environmental Engineering**

- 1st Place - Daniel Juarez and Ian Beller
Engineering
- Honorable Mention - Nicolas Bass, Bryce Bell, and Christopher Parry
- Honorable Mention - Daniel Lyles and Braxton Reynolds
- Honorable Mention - Nathaniel Vance, Perry Fraser, and Jordan Talopau
- 3rd Place- Gabriel Laverde, Ezri Garcia, and Eli Goldberg
- 3rd Place - Patrick Wilson and Kody Martin
- 2nd Place- William Wilson, Matthew Goldber, and Kyle Halladay
- 2nd Place - Michael Daleo, Marco Rivera, and Joshua Singh
Intelligent Machines, Robotics, and Systems Software
- Honorable Mention - Cameron Billingsley, Victoria Abuschinow, and Erica Hetrick
- Honorable Mention - Jesus Rodriguez, Connor Dowling, and Dylan Sutch
- 1st Place - Nathaniel Larkin, Elijah Choi, and Tyler Gentry
Special Awards: Crooms Excellence in Technology Awards
- Michael Daleo, Marco Rivera, and Joshua Singh
- Daniel Juarez and Ian Beller
- Nathaniel Larkin, Elijah Choi, and Tyler Gentry
- Jesus Rodriguez, Connor Dowling, and Dylan Sutch
- Patrick Wilson and Kody Martin
Special Award: Intel Excellence in Computer Science
- Nathaniel Larkin, Elijah Choi, and Tyler Gentry
Special Award: College of Engineers and Surveyors of Puerto Rico, Florida Chapter - Most Innovative Engineering Project
- Patrick Wilson and Kody Martin

NCAA Signing Day:

This week, we recognized 8 Student Athletes on National Signing Day. This is a big moment for any athlete as this is what they have been working towards since they began playing their sport!

- Baseball
 - Ryan Benson – Indian River State College
- Basketball
 - Ashaunti Brown – University of West Florida
- Football
 - Johnny Tillman – University of Mary
 - Reginald Scott – University of Mary
 - Deon Woods – Florida Atlantic University
 - Tariek McKenzie – Lane College
- Soccer
 - Dylan Pixton – Kennesaw State
- Softball
 - Montana Szara – Florida International University

SAT Boot Camp:

Is your child taking the SAT in the coming months? Our SAT Prep Teachers, Mrs. Maisenholder, Ms. Farrell, and Mrs. Pollard worked with our students in the fall to prepare them for the SAT and were so well prepared! They had so much success that we decided to offer this again. If you are interested, click [HERE](#) to view the flier.

Prom 2018:

Junior and Senior Parents – Is your child interested in attending this year's prom. Please click on the following links for more information.

- Prom Information - <http://bit.ly/2EiRd9f>
- Guest Policy - <http://bit.ly/2o37epc>

School Snapshot Survey for Parents:

Parents, please be reminded that we would like to receive your feedback! Please click on the link <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SCPSParentSS18> to access the survey. The survey will ask how likely you are recommending Lyman High School to others and will provide an opportunity for you to tell us about your experience.

Testing Calendar:

This semester is a busy one when it comes to testing. Click [HERE](#) for a copy of the Lyman High School Testing

Calendar which includes the Florida Standards Assessment (ELA & Algebra 1), End of Course Exams (Geometry, Biology, American History) & AP Assessments.

Student/Teacher of the Week:

Congratulations to the following students and teacher who were awarded this week's Student/Teacher of the Week! You can view pictures of these students on our [Lyman Website](#) as well as on our [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) Pages.

- 9th grade – Kaleb Douglas
- 10th grade – Jacob Taylor
- 11th grade – Porter Palmer
- 12th grade – Hana Killingsworth
- Teacher of the Week – Midori Imhoof

This Week's Bell Schedule:

Click [HERE](#) for a copy of the Blue/Gold Full Year Calendar.

- **Monday & Thursday** are **Blue Days** (1,3,7,5)
- **Tuesday & Friday** are **Gold Days** (2,4,7,6)
- **Wednesday** is a **Red Day** (1-6)

IMPORTANT 2ND SEMESTER DATES (Visit the [Lyman Activity Calendar](#) for more information)

- **Blood Drive** – February 15th and 16th – Students Must Pre-Register
- **Athletic Booster Golf Tournament** – February 17th – visit the [Booster Website](#) for more information as it becomes available.
- **2018-2019 Course Registration** – February 20-23
- **SAT SCHOOL DAY – March 7th** - Grade 11 Only – FREE – Administered during the school day
- **Prom** – April 14th, Hilton Buena Vista Palace Resort
- **Greyhound Scholars Awards Night** – April 25th, 6:00pm
- **AP Testing** – May 7th - 18th (Speak to your AP Teacher for specific exam dates)
- **Last Day for Seniors** – May 18, 2018
- **Graduation** – May 25, 2018 – 9:00am - CFE Arena at UCF - click [HERE](#) for further details
- **Last Day of School** – May 25, 2018

Remember, you matter, we matter, *Everyone Matters* at Lyman High School.

Please let us know if there is anything we can do to help your child succeed!

Sincerely,
Michael J. Rice
Principal
Lyman High School