



Lakeshore Excellence Foundation

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Annual "Art Around Town" Artworks Chosen Showing at "Back To School Night"

The *Lakeshore Excellence Foundation* is entering its sixth year with the "Art Around Town" project. Approximately 100 Lakeshore students representing grades K-12 entered their artwork in the juried exhibition for the 20 spots to be displayed around town. Judging this past May were Sherri Baum and Jan Bell who are both from the Krasl Art Center. The judges were very impressed by the quality of artwork Lakeshore students are putting out. **The art will go on a traveling exhibition in September to each of the "Lakeshore Back to School" nights.** After the exhibition the 20 pieces of artwork will be made available to community businesses for lease. Thank you to last year's artists and to the businesses who supported this project by leasing and proudly displaying student art.

Congratulations to the 2007/08 Collection Artists

Hollywood Elementary – Lily Brandt, Sam Gruver, Sarah Dubbert, & Natalie Stampfly **Roosevelt Elementary** – Isaac Hemsath, Sandra Tarnowski, Andrew Sanders, & Parminder Kaur **Stewart Elementary** – Danielle DeFries, Maria Rouseva, Kayleigh Bennett, & Logan Mead **Middle School** – Laura Deloria, Sundeep Kaur, Jacob Ramirez, & Kellie Russell **High School** – Marsie Klug, Allison Nuechterlein, Audrey Schlutt, & Leeann Penley

"Art Around Town" is a joint venture between the LEF and the Lakeshore Public Schools. The goal is to promote community awareness of art education while showcasing the talents of our students. If you are interested in leasing a piece of the "2007-08 Collection" please contact Jeanne Simpson at 429-7982.

Improving the "Curb Appeal" of the Lakeshore High School

Lakeshore Excellence Foundation (LEF) Partnering with Nature's Way

"Phase One" of a new landscape project has been initiated by LEF in cooperation with Nature's Way. This phase concentrates on improving the appearance of the Lakeshore High School office entrance. Large patio areas have been constructed on both sides of the walk leading to this entrance, and two decorative flower boxes have been built on the west building elevation. Additionally, new serpentine planting bed areas have been prepared for late summer and fall plantings. Nature's Way drawings are displayed inside the school illustrating the details of the project. More information will be available to inform the Lakeshore community of opportunities to participate in this improvement project after school convenes.



The "Landscape Project" was conceived two years ago in a LEF Projects Advisory Committee planning meeting. The objective of the proposed project was to improve the appearance of school sites, reflecting the quality level of the Lakeshore Schools and the community. The LEF decided this project would have value to families, students, and the Lakeshore community and would be a natural addition to the Electronic Message Center (EMC) project which was completed in May 2005.

After deciding to actively pursue this proposal, various landscaping organizations were asked to provide concept design proposals and cost estimates. The LEF selected Nature's Way with whom to partner in this venture. Nature's Way is well known to the Lakeshore District and has provided plans, products and services over the years, including all the landscaping for the EMC.

LEF believes that Lakeshore is a great school district and is continuing its efforts to go from "Good to Great" by Reaching Higher!

News You Can Use . . .

Celebrate With LEF

Turning 10 is a big deal—especially when the 10 years have included the impact of half a million dollars on hundreds of teachers, thousands of students, and even more community members! Innovation Grants to teachers, Stepping Stone scholarships for students, special programs like author/illustrator Lauren Stringer's visit, our Electronic Message Center and so much more are all made possible through our community's support of the Lakeshore Excellence Foundation. We will kick off our anniversary year—and the 2007-08 school year on August 25 at the Point O' Woods celebrating 10 years of Reaching Higher! Join us pool side "Under the Stars" for a night filled with food, fun, friends, and music. Call Marcie Barker at 428-1736 for more information.

Stepping Stones To Enrichment

Next Application Deadline:

October 15, 2007

Attention all students (K-12) who want to Reach Higher! Applications are now being accepted for Stepping Stones to Enrichment funding. Is there a special class, training or workshop you would like to attend? The Lakeshore Excellence Foundation can help you offset the cost. Applications are available at your school office or online at: <http://www.l-e-f.org>

Innovation Grants

Next Application Deadline:

Monday October 22, 2007

Attention all Lakeshore teachers, staff, and community members. Do you have an innovative idea to help our schools Reach Higher! The LEF can help fund your idea. Grant applications can be picked up in your school office or printed from our website: www.l-e-f.org. Please submit applications to your building principal or supervisor.

Advisory to All Parents

Lakeshore Public Schools has adopted an Integrated Pest Management program. Inherent with this are the district's efforts to reduce pesticide use as much as possible. While it may occasionally be necessary to apply a pesticide, these will only be used as a last resort. This program does not rely on routine pesticide applications to resolve problems. We use various techniques such as habitat alteration, sanitation, mechanical means, exclusion, etc. to prevent pest from becoming a problem.

You will receive advanced notice of the application of a pesticide, other than a bait or gel formulation at your child's school. This advance notice of the application will be given 48 hours before the application. The law requires us to do this notification by using two methods. The first method required by the law is the posting at entrances to your child's school. The second method we are going to use is the posting in a common area located by the main office of the school. Parents are also entitled to receive this notice by first-class United States mail postmarked at least 3 days before the application. If you would like to be notified by mail please contact the Business Office at 269.428.1400, ext. 2952. Please give the Business Office secretary your name, mailing address, and which school your child attends.

In an emergency (for example, bee nest), pesticides may be applied without prior notice, but you will be provided notice following any such application.

You may review our IPM program or pesticide application records for your child's school by calling Robert Burgess, Chief Financial Officer, at 269.428.1400, ext. 2951 or emailing him at: rburgess@remc11.k12.mi.us This number or email may also be used when school is not in regular session.

Privacy Policy

File: JO-E

Notice of Right to Access and Privacy of Records

Parents and guardians of each student under 18 years of age and each student who is 19 years of age or older have certain rights respecting the records kept on the student by the Lakeshore Public Schools.

These rights include:

The right to examine the student's record upon completion of the proper forms as provided by the school administrator.

The right to have the administration hear evidence that any part of the record is inaccurate, misleading or violates a student's privacy or other rights, to have the record changed if the administration agrees with the applicant's evidence and to insert an explanation in the record if the administration disagrees.

The right to have records which personally refer to a student kept confidential except either by consent of the parent, student, or when being used by school personnel for school business. Certain official agencies may also request records. Within 14 days after enrolling a transfer student, the school shall request in writing directly from the student's previous school a copy of his or her school record. Any school that compiles records for each student in the school and that is requested to forward a copy of a transferring student's record to the new school shall comply within 30 days after receipt of the request unless the record has been tagged pursuant to section 1134 (section 1134 deals with records of missing students).

The following information is subject to release (upon request for information) in the form of student directories, programs, and news releases: student's name, address, photo, telephone number, date of birth, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of athletic teams, dates of attendance, degrees and awards received, and the most recent previous school attended. If a parent or student does not wish this information to be available for publication, notice must be given to the building principal by September 1 of each school year.

The right to obtain a copy of the Board of Education Policy on privacy of Student Records from the office of the Superintendent of Schools.

The right to protest if the school district is not complying with the Family Rights and Privacy Act of the Department of HEW Rules.

Such protests should be sent to:

The Family Educational Rights & Privacy Act Office Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, 330 Independence Ave., SW Washington, DC 20201