

LESLIE THOMAS JUNIOR HIGH

Home of the Lions

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I find myself reflecting on the past four years—my first principalship. This journey has been both challenging and incredibly rewarding. I arrived at LT in August of 2020 during the midst of COVID. The LT staff and community came together and allowed everyone to navigate that challenging time with tremendous success. I am deeply thankful to have been a part of the LT community. As I move on to new opportunities, I take with me the lessons I've learned and the memories we've made together over the past four years. LT has been a significant chapter in my life, and I am proud of all that we've accomplished. I will always be a LT Lion.

Grade 8 End of Year Celebration:

On June 21st, the LT staff will be celebrated with our Grade 8s as they prepare for their next step in their educational journey. I want to express my deepest gratitude to our grade 8s as they made this a very successful and enjoyable year. We all wish them the best moving forward.

LTJH End of Year Awards Ceremony

The end of year awards ceremony was another success Watching you

tackle challenges, celebrate successes, and grow into the incredible young people you are today has been a highlight of my time here. On Tuesday, we recognized and celebrated your growth and achievements. Congratulations to all of you who have earned awards and recognition during our ceremony. Your hard work and dedication have paid off, and you should be very proud of yourselves. Keep pushing yourselves, keep asking questions, and never stop learning. You have amazing futures ahead of you.

On Friday, we will be recognizing the Students of the Month for May and June and distributing the honour roll certificates for our Grade 7 and 8 students. We know some of you may not be here on Friday. For those returning next year, we will hold onto your certificates and give them to you in September. For our Grade 8 students, we will arrange for the Sackville High to distribute your certificates next year.

Calendar of Events

June 28 – Last Day of School

Locker Clean Out, Library Books and Chromebook Returns

Lockers have been cleaned out and emptied. Please contact the school if you need to pick up your items. Any unclaimed items will be donated.

Last Day of School – Report Cards

Report Cards will be sent home electronically the morning of June 28th. Students will be dismissed at 11:10.

SchoolsPlus supports for summer!

Did you know? SchoolsPlus operates 12 months of the year! SchoolsPlus is a confidential, free service available to every school in Nova Scotia. Families and students (12+) can self-refer to SchoolsPlus by contacting the SchoolsPlus facilitator for LTJH: April Peckham <u>april.peckham@hrce.ca</u> Learn more <u>here</u>.



HRA Registration goes live on Thursday May 30th!

Families will be able to access and enroll for free music programming for their children though our registration page starting on Thursday, May 30th. Please see the attached form.

2024-25 Bus Information

Information about student transportation for the 2024-25 school year will be available to view online through the BusPlanner Parent Portal later in July.

• Families eligible for transportation will receive an email to access the Parent Portal to view their child's bus information once it is available.

• Once you receive the email, you must follow the instructions to activate your new Parent Portal account and create a password. Using previous Parent Portal login information will not work.

• If you can't find the email, please contact <u>transportation@hrce.ca</u> or 902-431-4723 for assistance.

Over the summer, the HRCE Student Transportation team will also reach out to new HRCE families and those families who may require special needs transportation for their children with more information about busing.

Reminder: The Student Transportation team is available to assist you and answer questions about busing all summer. When contacting the team, please ensure you have your child's name, grade, school name and student ID number ready.

First Ride Program

Our service providers will host one-hour workshops for new bus families this summer to educate children about school bus safety on and around the vehicle. HRCE Student Transportation will reach out to new bus families over the summer with more information.

In the meantime, <u>click here</u> to learn more about riding the bus safely. Please contact <u>transportation@hrce.ca</u> or call 902-431-4723 if you have any questions.

