Upcoming Events

Feb. 7: 3rd gr. Guest Day at 3:00pm
Feb. 11: Site Council 5:30pm/ PTO Meets 6:30pm
Feb. 13: Class Parties 3:00 - 3:30pm
Feb. 14: No School / Recording & Reporting
Feb. 19: Parent/Teacher Conferences
Feb. 20: Parent/Teacher Conferences
Feb 21: No School
Feb. 24: 2nd Grade Field Trip

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Watch D.O.G.S.
Schedule

Feb. 10-13: Darrell Stuckey, Tim Wood

Feb. 17, 18: Garrett Halton, Heath Peterson

Feb. 24-28: Aaron Rinehart, Jeff Dasenbrock, Bryan Duncan

Sign up to be a Watch DOG by stopping by the office or calling 785-832-5890. Please arrive at 8:25am and check in at the office with your student(s). If you do not have a Watch D.O.G. shirt, you may borrow one for the day.

We are looking for two gently used Car Booster Seats.

If you have one that you are no longer using, please contact the office at 785-832-5890.

Langston Employee Recognition Program
One of the Lawrence Public Schools goals is to recognize Effective Employees as it is outlined in the District Strategic Plan. At Langston Hughes Elementary we will be recognizing one classified and one certified employee each month. This is a wonderful opportunity to publicly thank someone that has had a positive impact on your student or family. At the end of the third week of the month our Building Leadership Team will review nominations and choose a winner. Nominations are anonymous and will not be carried over to the next month. Please join me in celebrating our wonderful staff by nominating someone that has made a difference for your student. Hard copies available in the office.

**February Teacher of the Month**
Certified Employees: Classroom Teachers, Sped Teachers, Gifted Teacher, Nurse, Librarian, Counselor, Art, Music, PE

For February:

**February Support Staff of the Month**
Classified Employees: Food Service, Paras, Office Staff, Custodians, ISA’s, Library Clerks, Health Clerks, Speech Paras

Time to order a yearbook!
Orders can be placed online at: https://ybpay.lifetouch.com/
Our school ID code is: 9513420

*Paper order forms also available in the front office (checks payable to LH PTO). Please contact Angela Randall (orangaku01@hotmail.com) for assistance.

**Deadline to order a yearbook is March 13.**

We are also still accepting candid pictures for possible use in the yearbook until March 6. Please send pictures to orangaku01@hotmail.com or upload to Lifetouch’s partner site, Shutterfly Share Sites. Pictures can be directly uploaded from desktop, mobile devices or Google Photos. Access to our unique site is:

https://langstonhughesyearbook1920.shutterfly.com/

School Lunch:
Please note February Menu changes:
Click here to view the updated February Lunch Menu

Lunch Menus are on-line at:
https://usd497.nutrislice.com/menu/

Get the new app on your smart device as well.

You may pay online at:
http://www.usd497.org/Page/4567

Langston Hughes Science Fair/
Family Science was a great success!

Thank you to all who volunteered and to all of our participants as well.

See what’s going on in the Learning Commons
http://langstonlearningcommons.weebly.com/

See what’s going on in Art:
https://www.artsonia.com/schools/school.asp?id=56609
https://www.facebook.com/LangstonArt/

See what’s going on in Music:
https://www.facebook.com/groups/270963556746371/

See what’s going on in PE:
https://www.facebook.com/groups/145382366054365/
Spring Conference Meal Sign-Up

Spring conferences are right around the corner (2/19 and 2/20). PTO will be sponsoring several meals as a thank you to our teachers. Below is a link for a list of food donations. We are so thankful for the way you support our teachers and appreciate all donations.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0B4AACAC28A7F58-spring

Thank you so much!!  
Langston PTO Hospitality Committee

School Carnival  
April 25 from 3:00 – 6:00pm 

Carnival Committee Volunteers Needed:
Please sign up today by clicking this link: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0D4BA8A72AA4F85-langston4
We need lots volunteers to make this event a great success for our children.

Ways to Help support our school anytime throughout the year:

If you shop on Amazon, please shop https://smile.amazon.com/ch/43-1900267 
Langston Hughes PTO Inc as the beneficiary and the school will get donations from every purchase.

Help support our school by ordering pictures, cards and other projects through Shutterfly:

Order cards, family pictures and gifts by clicking the link below and a portion of the proceeds will be donated to Langston Hughes: http://langstonhugheselementary-lawrencepublicschools.shutterflystorefront.com/

Staff Appreciation Days
Sign-Up to help or bring something:
The PTO Hospitality Committee is responsible for coordinating and the majority of those days are coming up this spring. This is a great way to say thank you to our staff at Langston! I’ve included a Sign-up Genius link below to sign up to coordinate a specific appreciation day (ex: librarian, nurse, crossing guard). This could look like a little basket of the staffer’s favorite things or dropping off a favorite lunch to the school for the person you are celebrating. Sign-up Genius link below. https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0b4aacac28a7f58-2020
PTO Hospitality Committee -Charissa Robertson, Myranda Zarlengo, & Kelsi Salava

All 5th grade parents:

5th grade Recognition is approaching and there will be a memory book given to every 5th grade student, and a slideshow during the ceremony. So, in order to make the memory book and slideshow we need to acquire two pictures from every student’s parent/guardian.

We are asking for 2 pictures: a younger picture (infant/toddler picture) and a current picture. The pictures need to be just of the student, no one else should be in the picture.
Please send these pictures to: langstonpictures5th@gmail.com along with your students name and classroom teacher. Digital is preferred but if you want to drop pictures to the student’s teacher that is ok, but please email explaining the pictures are with the student’s teacher. The goal is to get these collected by mid-February (February 19th) in order to have plenty of time to make and print the memory book and create the slideshow. If you have any questions, feel free to email langstonpictures5th@gmail.com or myersjennifer123@gmail.com. Jen Myers, Missy Combs, Amity Humphries, and Megan Sheldon – 5th gr Volunteers

Marathon Club:
Marathon Club is working to get ready for club starting end of February / early March. We are hoping to have all of our volunteers back from Fall on the trail, Danielle will be contacting you soon. If you are interested in volunteering and have not please email Danielle Krehbiel danien101584@yahoo.com.