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Your PTO—enhancing education and welfare of LHS students and fostering communication throughout the LHS community

Upcoming Events



Nov 28-Dec 2 Week 14

- Nov 28 **No School** (High School ONLY): Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Nov 29 Senior Caregiver Discussion Group, 9am
Deadline for AP exam registration, 2:30pm
- Nov 30 Junior Caregiver Discussion Group, 9am
- Dec 1 Parent/Caregiver Discussion Group (all grades), 9am
Junior Caregiver Discussion Group, 7pm
Senior Caregiver Discussion Group, 7pm
- Dec 2 Half Day

Dec 5-9 Week 15

- Dec 8 Parent/Caregiver Discussion Group (all grades) meeting with Principals, 9am ([Google Meet link](#))
- Save the date:**
- Dec 20 PTO forum with Principal Stephens (virtual), 6:30pm
- Dec 26-Jan 2 Winter Break: No school

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Weekly Announcements

PTO News

How can we help you? We welcome conversation, questions, and dialogue. Connect with us by email anytime at president@lhspto.org.

Thank you!

Kim McCormick & Meg Khanolkar

LHS PTO Co-Presidents



We are so thankful for YOU!

On behalf of the LHS PTO, we want to thank YOU—the readers of this newsletter, who include all the parents, caregivers, teachers, administrators and support staff—for all you do to make LHS such a great community. We are so grateful for your ideas, your time, your willingness to collaborate, your reading of this newsletter, and your donations that provide valuable experiences for our LHS students.

What did the PTO do last week?

- PTO Presidents **met with Principal Stephens and his assistant**
 - 2022-2023 **printed directories** mailed out
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College and Career Student Workshop—Multiple Pathways to Success: Plan Your Future

The IAL Education Committee, in collaboration with the LHS PTO and CAAL, is presenting their annual College and Career workshop, **Multiple Pathways to Success: Plan Your Future**.

Getting ready for the path into and beyond high school does not have to be an intimidating process. If you are a middle school student, a freshman or sophomore, or a parent of students in this age range, then this workshop is for you!

In this 6th Annual workshop, you will listen to a dynamic panel of speakers made up of LHS students and alumni as well as professionals who will share their unique journeys through high school and beyond and share valuable tools that can help you navigate your journey in a less stressful way. Walk away with a feeling of empowerment as you begin to chart YOUR unique roadmap to success!

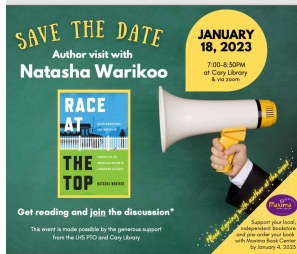
Some of the questions we will explore:

- What can I do to explore my interests and find potential career paths
 - What classes, clubs, extracurriculars and camps/internships will help me in this journey
 - Should I take the SAT, ACT or neither and when should I start preparing for it
 - How to find a college that is the best fit for you
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- **When:** Sat, Dec 10, 2–4:00pm
 - **Where:** online
 - **Reserve your spot** [here](#)
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Join us on Facebook!



Want to find out about more opportunities, and see more photos of PTO-sponsored events? Join our Facebook page [here](#) and click "like" on what you see!



LHS PTO/Cary Memorial Library Author Talk: Save the Date!

Join author Natasha Warikoo as she discusses her book, *Race at the Top: Asian Americans and Whites in Pursuit of the American Dream in Suburban Schools*. This event, which will be held both in person and on Zoom, is made possible by the generous support of the LHS PTO and the Cary Memorial Library. A book signing will follow the event. Copies are available for pre-order from Maxima Book Center [online](#) or in person at 1717 Massachusetts Ave in Lexington.

- **When:** Wed, Jan 18, 7:00–8:30pm
- **Where:** Cary Memorial Library
- **Register**[here](#)

LHS and LPS Announcements



Updates from Dr. Stephens

- The [LHS News and Happenings Letter](#) has everything you need to know about what's going on at LHS.
- Advanced Placement Exam Registration Reminder: The deadline for registration is Nov 29, 2:30 PM.
 - If you would like to sign up for an AP Exam please visit [Total Registration](#)
 - There will be a \$40.00 late fee for this registration
 - If you have any questions please go to the LHS AP Testing Site (click on the three lines in the top left corner of the page for a menu) or reach out the AP Coordinator [Danielle Ballou](#)

LPS Vaccine Clinic

Lexington Public Schools is hosting another vaccine clinic open to all Lexington residents and LPS staff. Both Covid-19 and flu shots will be available. Please take advantage of this offering.

- **When:** Fri, Dec 2, 9:00am–5:00pm
- **Where:** Central Office, 146 Maple Street, Lexington
- **Sign-up**[here](#)

LHS Community News

LHS Parent and Caregiver Discussion Group (all grades)

- **Next Meeting:** Thu, Dec 1, 9:00am
 - **Topic:** Standardized Testing Overview
 - **To Join:** Email [Jen Roney](mailto:Jen.Roney) with your full name, and the grade(s) of your LHS student(s)
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Junior Parent and Caregiver Discussion Group

- **Next Meeting:** Wed, Nov 30, 9am *and* Thu, Dec 1, 7pm (both sessions cover the same material)
 - **Topic:** Rachel Masson, Associate Director of First Year Recruitment for the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, will speak on the topic of "UMass Amherst: Admissions Trends—What do they mean for Applicants?"
 - **To Join:** Sign up for the mailing list and meeting links [here](#)
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Senior Parent and Caregiver Discussion Group

- **Next Meetings and locations:** Tue, Nov 29, 9am at Starbucks on Bedford St; Thu, Dec 1, 7pm at the Community Center in room 237
- **Contact**[Cynthia Pfeiffer](#) for further details and Zoom links
- **More event information** is available on our [Facebook group](#)

Useful Links and Resources

PTO Links

- [LHS PTO Homepage](#)
 - [Membership Toolkit Registration Link](#)
 - [Volunteer](#)
 - [LHS PTO on Facebook](#)
 - [Who's on the PTO Board this year](#)
 - [Useful Links](#)
 - [LPS 2022–2023 School Calendar](#)
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LHS Links

- This year's [school calendar](#) 2022–2023
 - LHS [Student Absence Form 2022–2023](#)
 - LHS [Block Schedule](#) and directions to [add Block Schedule to your Calendar](#)
 - No Homework [Calendar](#)
 - LHS [Counseling Department webpage](#)
 - Superintendent's [reports](#)
 - School Committee [webpage](#)
 - Building Committee [webpage](#)
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Community Resources

- Cary Library [teen programs](#)
- Lexington Recreation and Community Programs: [classes for children and teens](#)
- Lexington Community Education: [classes on test prep and college planning](#), and [classes for children and teens](#)
- [Munroe Center for the Arts](#)
- [Youth Counseling Connection](#)

Stay Connected

- Principal Stephens: Follow him on Twitter (@LexingtonHSMa)
 - Athletics [games/meets](#)
 - LHS PTO [website](#) and [Facebook](#) group
 - LHS [Performing Arts Calendar](#)
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