

# Lewisville High School

Report to the Parents – April 2024



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## Mission:

Lewisville High School empowers learners for success through diverse and rigorous experiences.

## School Improvement Council

Thank you to everyone that made it to our SIC meetings this year! We really appreciate your hard work and service to our school. Thank you to Mandy Freeman, Trina McFadden, David Loftin, James Harris, Dean Jackson, Madison Dawkins, Reggie Harris, Zan Wallace, and Ashley Morrison.

## Academic Achievement:

At the time of this report the LHS EOC scores were as follows:

Algebra 1 – pass rate 61.1%  
English 2 – pass rate 87.61%  
Biology 1 – pass rate 59.37%  
US History – pass rate 45.21

## Team Athletics for the 23-24 School Year

Football – Region Champs again!  
Volleyball – Region Champs again!  
Girls basketball – Region Champs for the first time in nearly 20 years!  
Softball – Region Champs again!

## Student Council

The LHS StuCo started the year with a field trip to TopGolf to plan their year of giving back to LHS and the greater Lewisville community. Notable events included Powder Puff Football, Stud Muffin volleyball, and the first annual Trunk or Treat for area youth before a home football game.

## Marching Band:

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place - Olde English Festival of Bands - Rock Hill
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place - Phillip C McIntyre Tournament of Bands- James F Byrnes HS
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Overall, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Percussion, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Color Guard - Fin Fest Tournament of Bands - Murrels Inlet
- SCBDA 1A State Marching Band Championships (3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive year) Westwood HS
- USC Band Day - Columbia

## Concert Band:

- EXCELLENT Rating Overall, SUPERIOR Rating in Sight-reading - SCBDA Concert Festival - Lexington High School
- 1<sup>st</sup> year performing for the schools *911 Ceremony*, *Veterans Day* program and *Black History Program*

### **Honor Band Participants: (students participated in)**

- Winthrop Invitational Honor Band Clinic - Winthrop
- Limestone University Honor Band Clinic - Limestone
- USC Girls Jazz Day - Columbia
- USC Jazz Jam Session - Columbia

### **All-State Jazz:**

- Brody Hinson - first LHS to participate in All-State Jazz Auditions

### **Jazz Band:**

- EXCELLENT Rating Overall, Brody Hinson (Best Soloist) - SCBDA Jazz Performance Assessment - Newberry College
- USC Jazz Festival Participants, Devaughn Robinson (Best Soloist) - Columbia
- Professors Dr. Colleen Clark and Lauren Meccia from USC visited LHS to assist with JPA
- Invited to perform for the CCSD Awards and Recognition banquet (2 years)

### **Marching Arts: Indoor Percussion**

- Promoted to class PSCA
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place CWEA - Indian Land HS
- Qualified for CWEA Championships - Dorman HS

### **Winter Guard**

- Inaugural year for the LMS Cub Cadet Spin Club
- CWEA Recognition
- Layla Tindell - Student Spotlight (April) CWEA

### **Solo and Ensemble Festival:**

Rayna Foster - clarinet solo - SUPERIOR rating \*with Distinction Perfect Score (2 consecutive years)

Brody Hinson - flute solo - SUPERIOR rating

Asher McCrorey - flute solo - SUPERIOR rating

Neely Simpson - clarinet solo - SUPERIOR rating

Ansley Cassels - alto saxophone solo - SUPERIOR rating

Kaylee Minard - marimba solo -SUPERIOR rating

Knox McBrayer & Ansley Cassels - mixed duet - SUPERIOR rating

Page McWhirter & Anna Burris - trumpet duet - SUPERIOR rating

Neely Simpson & Serina Sizemore - woodwind duet - EXCELLENT rating

[Ensemble 1] Brody Hinson, Abby Carter, Rayna Foster, Ryan Duffen, Devaughn Robinson, Amare Wilks, Jacob Duffen - SUPERIOR rating

[Ensemble 2] Rayna Foster, Alexis Tindell, Emily Hinson, Ashlynn Etheredge, Knox McBrayer, Ryan Duffen - EXCELLENT rating

**Miscellaneous:**

- The LHS Band and Abby Carter received grants from the Cindie Mackey Foundation

**Class Rep Pageant**

We brought back the Class Rep Pageant this year and awarded scholarships to several of our winners! The following students will receive \$300 scholarships!

Winners:

Mr.LHS- Reggie Harris

Miss.LHS- Lauren Bolton

Mr. Lions Tale- Rueben Boulware

Miss.Lions Tale- Mariah Wallace

Mr.Senior- Jad Wessinger

Miss. Senior- Emma Dorsey

**GiTi Rollercoaster Challenge**

The GiTi math and science team took another first-place finish in the GiTi engineering challenge this year. Zan Wallace, Madeline Grant, Sam Crouch, and Skylar Smith, along with sponsor Amy Kortheuer created a rollercoaster for this year's challenge. The theme of their coast was "Down the Rabbit Hole," inspired from Alice in Wonderland. Their first place design won their program \$1,000 and a trip to Virginia to the National competition.

**JROTC**

**Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC)** is the premier leadership program for high school students. JROTC's mission is to "Motivate Young People to be Better Citizens". We pride ourselves in shaping the Corps of Cadets by instilling in them a sense of Duty, Honor, Family and Country through Volunteerism, Community Service and the enjoyment of belonging to something bigger than themselves. The LHS JROTC Program enrollment for SY 2023-2024 was 113 cadets, which equates to 26.6% of the LHS student body.

**Community Service/Service Learning** are critical areas of our JROTC program and the cadets play a vital role in facilitating this support to our local communities. These programs teach cadets that giving back to their communities through volunteerism is a meaningful way to help others. Our primary support areas are the Richburg, Fort Lawn, Edgemoor and Lando communities. We provide annual support to the Richburg Fall and Fort Lawn Fall Festivals. We also support the Fort Lawn Community Center by assisting in their monthly Food/Share initiative. Our cadets also participate in the Junior Achievement Program as part of our annual Service Learning Project. Cadets prepare classes and then present the material to Lewisville Elementary School students each 9-week quarter.

**The Corps of Cadets** met great success when it competed in the JROTC Leadership & Academic Bowl (JLAB). The JROTC Cadet Leadership Team and the Academic Team both advanced to Phase II of the JLAB competition. More than 3,200 teams representing Army JROTC programs from high schools across the United States and from around the world compete in this annual contest.

**The JROTC Archery Team** has earned an invitation to compete in The National Archery in the Schools Program (NASP) Eastern National Championship in Louisville, KY. This is our third year in a row earning this fantastic opportunity to compete against JROTC Archery teams from within the eastern half of our country. Hundreds, if not thousands, of archery athletes compete in this prestigious championship tournament. Our team placed overall 8<sup>th</sup> place in last year’s JROTC Division competition. This year, the team broke their own LHS record by scoring 1586 points, 55 points higher than the previous record. The Archery team also earned bid into the 4<sup>th</sup> ROTC Brigade Championship Tournament and placed 3<sup>rd</sup> overall. We are extremely proud of the dedication of the cadets and the support of our parents.

**The JROTC Air Rifle Marksmanship Team** has been hard at practice and competed in a fall and spring league this year. The team finished 18<sup>th</sup> out of 300 air rifle teams in the 4<sup>th</sup> ROTC Brigade Air Rifle Championship. We are postured to participate in the 4<sup>th</sup> ROTC Brigade’s Best of the Best Air Rifle Competition next year which will be held in December 2025. The goal is to finish in 5<sup>th</sup> place or higher and earn a bid to the National Championship to be held at Camp Perry, Ohio.

**JROTC Cadet Leadership Camp (JCLC)** is a premier leadership camp for high school JROTC cadets. Cadets earn a selection to attend the camp through their hard work. The summer camp is a one week in duration and is held at Fort Jackson, SC. JCLC is designed to place each cadet in challenging leadership positions that require the cadet to apply their problem solving skills and working together as a team. The camp is both physically and mentally challenging. Cadets are taken out of their “comfy-zone” daily where they will have to apply their critical thinking skills to be successful.

**Increased JROTC capabilities:** As LHS continues to grow, we believe the JROTC program must grow with it. Therefore, we are expanding our capabilities by adding new and exciting opportunities in Robotics and Drone familiarization. We have great hopes in expanding these capabilities further into the competitive realm by creating a Robotics Team and a Drone Team.

<b>Academic Challenge</b>	<b>Beta Club</b>
The Academic Challenge team had a stellar season. Even though the majority of our matches were against schools in the “big school” division, we were ranked #2 for regular season matches. The Academic Challenge Team also	Beta Club was reorganized and revived this year. In the fall semester, they adopted local foster kids to provide them with a good Christmas. In the spring semester, they organized a food drive to help refill a local food

made it to the final round of the regional tournament—losing by only 2 points.

pantry. Beta Club also welcomed a large group of new Betas during Spring induction ceremony. The club has earned two national awards, as a “School of Merit” and a “School of Distinction” this year.