



LBA Newsletter

December 2018



DECEMBER

- 13 Christmas Piano Recital
- 17-19 Semester Exams
- 20 Christmas Parties (Half Day)
- 21 Christmas Break Begins

JANUARY

- 7 School Resumes
Parent/Teacher Meeting
Report Cards Issued
- 21 No School - MLK Jr. Day
- 25 Re-enrollment Begins

For more calendar information, view our website calendar at lbatheodore.com/calendar.

When we use the word value, we expect a number to follow, putting a price tag on an item to communicate its worth. Data from our school demonstrating student success, growth, and achievement would show you the value of having your child at Lighthouse Baptist Academy and suggest a return on your investment. Educational excellence is important to us because doing our best brings glory and honor to God. Our desire is to prepare our students well to respond to God's call in their lives, careers, service, and other pursuits. Showing the value of a Christian education is not as easy as looking at the price tag. How do you put a number on the intangible? Take the feedback we hear from graduates and their parents that say how they felt prepared for college as well as life, and they attribute this preparedness to their education at LBA.

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What we experience at a place like LBA shows the ETERNAL value of Christian education. The amount of time our children spend in school from Kindergarten through 12th Grade is a staggering 16,000 hours. During that time, they have the opportunity to be in church roughly 700 hours. We will leave the formal calculation to you to prove how much time our children spend with their teachers compared to when they are awake with us as their parents. Certainly, the role of parents and churches is critical in the development of our children and youth, but the undeniable truth is that education helps define your child's world-view. The truth is, we cannot possibly do it alone as parents. These hours spent in the classroom with teachers will undoubtedly have a huge impact on our children.

Although LBA has the least expensive tuition in Mobile County, we realize that a Christian education is an expensive venture, and paying private school tuition is a sacrifice. We desire to make LBA education as accessible to as many families as possible. You may be asking yourself, is the sacrifice worth it? It is worth it – every single penny!

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FOR NEW AND PROSPECTIVE FAMILIES

OPEN HOUSE

CANDY SALE

Our annual candy sale is quickly approaching! Our Fundraisers help to improve our school in many areas both academically and otherwise. We are already seeing some of the benefits of our fundraisers with our re-sealed and re-striped parking lot! Also, our plan is to get brand new playground equipment for our students! Your diligent hard work is helping to make all of this possible. In an effort to keep you informed, here is a reminder of this year's fundraising prize breakdown:

- \$250: Pump it up and Chick-fil-A ^(K3-6)
- \$250: Altitude Trampoline Park and a cookout ⁽⁷⁻¹²⁾
- \$350: OWA Trip and all previous prizes
- \$650: Atlanta Trip and all previous prizes

This is a large change in the structure and awards for our students. This has been a great addition to our school and provides flexibility to our students and parents in the way they raise funds. It is important to note that we do not have a "box total" but a minimum of \$220 for everyone

participating in fundraising. Each box of candy will bring in \$30 profit. With this in mind, if your child has \$90 left to reach their fundraising goal, they would need to sell 3 boxes of candy to reach that goal. Once you have taken a box of candy home, it may not be returned to the school, and you will be responsible for the value of the box of candy (\$60/box). The value of any unsold boxes will be added to your school bill. This has been a great year of fundraising so far, and we are anticipating a productive candy sale!



Senior Spotlight

Berenice Rodriguez

Berenice has been a student at LBA throughout her time in high school. She has greatly enjoyed high school choir and Spanish classes with her favorite teacher, Bro. Shirk.

"I love being at LBA because it's a good school that teaches the truth. The teachers are always looking for ways to help each student develop a strong faith in God."

Her favorite verse, Psalm 27:1, reminds us of the strength and security that we find in God. "The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?"



Staff Spotlight

Sarah Byrd

Miss Byrd is in the middle of her second year here at LBA. One of the motivating factors of her work is the opportunity and privilege to pass on a Christian education and values to her students.

"Christian education is important because every subject is centered around Christ and a Biblical worldview. This challenges our students both academically and spiritually."

One of the great joys of her Christian life is being reminded by Lamentations 3:21-23 that God will never fail us. "It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are new every morning; great is thy faithfulness." (22-23)

Ambassador Sports Center

Upcoming Basketball Schedule

- 12/11 vs Santa Rosa | 4/5 (MS/JV)
- 12/14 vs LEADS | 6 (V)
- 12/17 @ Calvary | 5/6 (JV/V)
- 12/18 vs Walker Springs | 5/6 (JV/V)
- 12/21 @ Oak Park Tournament | (V)
- 1/3 @ Hattiesburg Forerunners | 5/6 (JV/V)
- 1/8 @ West Florida | 4:30/5:30 (JV/V)
- 1/11 vs Central Hattiesburg | 5/6 (JV/V)
- 1/18 vs LEADS | 6 (V)
- 1/22 vs East Hill | 5:30/6:30 (JV/V)
- 1/28 vs Aletheia | 5/6 (JV/V)
- 1/29 @ Ocean Springs | 6 (V)

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CHURCH CONNECTION

Christmas is often one of the most wonderful times of the year as we take time to celebrate the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Sunday, December 16, will be a day filled with fantastic Christmas music that will highlight that celebration. In the morning service at 11 a.m., our church choir, orchestra, and ensembles will perform several Christmas songs. At 6 p.m., our evening service will feature a Christmas concert by the Ben Everson family. As you plan out your Christmas season, we hope December 16 at Lighthouse will be a big part!

