

Special points of interest:

- Check out the Reading Link on the LAS website
- Meet with Patricia Antlitz and Mary Durant for end of year annual meeting
- Extended Learning Opportunities Summer Program
- Title I program funded for 2010—2011 school year

End of Year Annual Meeting

Now that we are approaching the final stretch of this academic year, Mrs. Antlitz and Mrs. Durant would like to meet with parents to discuss their child's experience with the Title I program. We would love to have your feedback about your child's personal experiences with the program. In addition, we would like to share our thoughts about how we can work together to maximize success as well as make you aware of resources available to help you have a successful summer. Summertime is for fun, and a break in the regular routine of intense academics. Children, especially those in the lower grades, are particularly susceptible to losing skills over the summer. Our annual meeting will provide an opportunity for us to partner together to have an open discussion about your child's needs and how we can help them continue to meet

our mutual goal for them—success!!

Once you receive this newsletter, we ask that you contact Patricia Antlitz at pantlitz@sau21.org or by phone at 926-2539 to schedule a meeting at your convenience. At the same time, we can discuss our Extended Learning Opportunities summer program.

We hope you take advantage of this opportunity to meet with you to discuss your child's progress and Title I experience.

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Also, please take a moment to check out the Reading link on the LAS Website. It continues to be a work in progress, but offers summer reading lists along with information on how to convert lexile scores (obtained from NWEA testing) into a tool for making good book choices for summer reading.

Summer Programming in the Works

The Title I funding received by Lincoln Akerman School for the 2009-2010 school year is providing us with the flexibility to offer summer programming during the month of July. The program, called Extended Learning Opportunities, will offer small group tutoring instruction 3 times a week from July 6th through July 30th. Mrs. Durant, our Title I instructor, will be providing the tutoring

services. Our hours of operation will be from 8AM to 12PM. Since this is a completely new program at LAS, Mrs. Antlitz, along with Mrs. Durant and the guidance of administration, are working on the details of the program that will be able to meet students' math and reading/language arts needs during the summer while meeting Title I guidelines. We will be contacting each parent of a Title I eligible student to

determine whether or not you would like your child to participate and to develop a schedule for that participation. It is our belief that providing some support outside of the traditional school year will enable our students to maintain their academic gains and set them up for greater success in the fall. We are excited to be able to offer a program that will help your child realize his/her personal academic success.

Next Year's Title I Funding Approved

Our 2010-2011 Title I program was a huge success!! Through the federal funding provided by this grant, we were able to provide students in grades 1 through 5 with support for their language arts and math needs. As a result, our participating students performed better and experienced a greater sense of accomplishment as they tackled personally challenging concepts.

That's the good news - now for the even better news. Our Title I program has received a funding allocation for the 2010-2011 school year, which means that we will be able to provide Title I support to LAS students again next year.

The teaching staff at LAS is very excited about the prospect of continuing this support model for our students next year!!