



## Isn't it a "MAY"zing!

Sometimes you feel like the year will never draw to a close, and then May arrives! May is full of events...track meets, baseball games, softball games, prom, field trips, graduations, Grandparent's Day, field days. In addition, the weather changes and everyone is excited to spend more time outdoors. The anticipation of summer is upon us!

May is an exciting time as we really start to see the growth in our students and their readiness for the next level. It is exciting to see our kindergarteners turn into first graders, which is a huge transition. It is awesome to see our seniors pursuing their futures, whether it is going into the world of work or continuing their education in some capacity. Each transition brings new opportunities and changes for our students. May reminds us what education is all about! As the end of the year comes to a closure, we are wishing success to our high school graduates. That they find their way in the world, pursue their dreams as productive citizens.

May you cherish this last month of the school year with your children. Time goes fast, and the month of May reminds us of such! This will be our final newsletter of the school year. Please be on the lookout for updates mid-summer.

Thank you,

*Mrs. Johnson & Mrs. Leffelman*

### Important Notice for May 28-31

School will dismiss at 2 PM the week of May 28-31.



### Important Dates to Note

- 5/7: Jr. High Sports Awards Program, 6 PM, LJSH Cafeteria
- 5/ 8: Dual Credit Meeting, LJSH Library, 5 PM
- 5/ 8: HS Sports Awards Program, 6 PM, LJSH Cafeteria
- 5/9: Grandparents' Day @ Allen, 11:30 AM
- 5/9: Senior Class Trip
- 5/10: HS Awards Assembly, 2:00 PM
- 5/13: Baccalaureate, 6:30 PM, Community United Methodist Church
- 5/14: 8th Grade Class Trip
- 5/15: Last Day of ACC Attendance
- 5/15: School Board Meeting, 7 PM
- 5/16: 8th Grade Graduation, 7 PM
- 5/17: HS Graduation, 7 PM
- 5/19: FFA Banquet, 1 PM, Lion's Club
- 5/21: LJHS Fun Day
- 5/22: PTO Meeting 3:30 @LJHS
- 5/23: Jr/Sr Trip to Echo Bluff
- 5/27: No School - Memorial Day
- 5/30: Allen Fun Day
- 5/31: Last Day of Attendance

### From the Counselor's Desk

If your child has signed up to take a Dual Credit Class next year, you are required to attend the Dual Credit Meeting on May 8th at 5:00P.M. The meeting will be held in the High School Library. Illinois Valley Community College Dual Credit Coordinator will be available to answer all of your questions and complete the registration forms.

Please feel free to contact with any questions or concerns you may have at [shevokas@lamoilleschools.org](mailto:shevokas@lamoilleschools.org)



# La Moille Principals' ROAR - K-12 Newsletter May 7, 2024

## La Moille Jr./Sr. High School Updates

The last month has gone by quickly. Students in 7th and 8th grade had a field trip to Princeton, IL. Students were able to bowl at Pin Splitters, followed by a tour of the Owen Lovejoy Homestead. We are very fortunate to have such great history selections in our local area.

The students and staff also had the opportunity to experience the Solar Eclipse, a true learning experience.



Our Ag Math class has been busy learning about angles of vision of animals, ending with a visit to the sheep farm in La Moille. Thank you to Mr. Slutz for the visit!

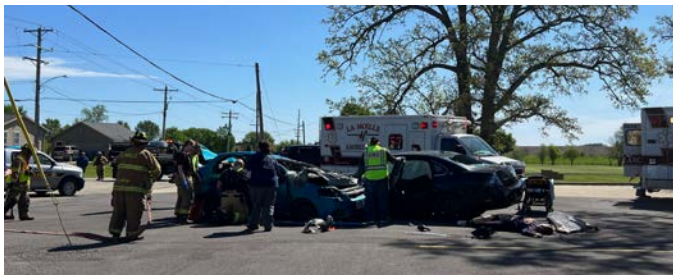


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## Mock Prom

On May 1st, 2024, La Moille High School, in conjunction with local emergency services and responders, hosted a Mock Prom Experience and Assembly. Students learned about driving safety and the impacts of driving under the influence. It is our hope that this event helped to educate our students on driving risks in general, the dangers of driving under the influence, and the effects of those around them.



## Staff Professional Development

The 7-12 staff has continued to work with ROE 28 and ROE 47 for targeted professional development. ROE 28 came in two times to work with staff in preparation for the PSAT/SAT and one time with junior students to prepare for the SAT test. ROE 47 worked on ELA Reading Standards on 4/17/24 with 7-12 staff and will be returning in May to plan writing across the curriculum for the 24-25 SY.

All K-12 staff also recently completed a Seizure and Epilepsy Training.

Learning never stops, even within the educational profession!

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**Interview Spotlight**

Mrs. Johnson, 7-12 Agriculture

**What do you love most about your job?**

I like seeing the students gain many experiences and meeting new friends at events and conferences.

**What are you looking forward to in the upcoming school year?**

I am looking forward to some new curriculum, new field trips and experiences for the kids.

**Can you share with us why you love working for La Moille CUSD #303?**

I like the small town vibe and how you gain that student/teacher connection that you wouldn't be able to in a big school district.

**Interview Spotlight**

Mrs. Troyan, 4th Grade

**What do you love most about your job?**

I love the students and the ability to give them individual attention, due to the small class sizes.

**What are you looking forward to this spring in our district?**

I am looking forward to getting my class outside in the nice weather. I also look forward to all the special events that take place in the Spring.

**Can you share with us why you love working for La Moille CUSD #303?**

I enjoy the small community and the family feel within the district. I love that I have a Principal that is very supportive.

**Interview Spotlight**

Mr. Biederstedt, HS Science

**What do you love most about your job?**

Having a higher purpose in my career as a teacher is a fulfilling experience, as compared to previous jobs that I've had. Every day brings a new opportunity to try to improve in helping students achieve a greater understanding of science.

**What are you looking forward to this spring in our district?**

Like most people, I'm looking forward to the nicer weather, and we'll take advantage of it for some outdoor lab activities. Probably, I will spend my free time getting a head start on summer errands, in the hopes of having a little more time to relax when we're out of school.

**Can you share with us why you love working for La Moille CUSD #303?**

Motivated by the sense of community in our small school district, I find satisfaction in working with supportive colleagues and in interacting with spirited students who, every now and then, are able to break through my wall and make me laugh. Engaging with fun-loving people makes every day an interesting experience.

**PTO Updates**

**Upcoming Meetings:**

Wednesday, May 22 - 3:30 PM - LJHS/LHS

*The flamingo flocking will soon return! Be on the look-out for more information!*





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## La Moille Co-Op Track - 2024

Date	Location	Meet Time
5/ 8-10	Girls Sectionals TBA	TBA
5/15-17	Boys Sectionals TBA	TBA

## La Moille Co-Op Softball- 2024

Date	Location	Time
5/6	@Sterling Newman	4:30
5/9	Home	4:30
5/10	Home	4:30
5/13	Regionals TBA	TBA

## Jr. High Track - 2024

5/10-11	State (East Peoria)
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## Congratulations to our State Qualifiers!

4x100 8th Girls Relay Team: Alexis, Kijah, Jena, Olivea G, Claire, Olivia M

8th Girls Shot Put - Olivea G.

8th Girls 4x100 Hurdles - Olivea G

8th Boys Disc - Gage S.

8th Boys Shot - Gage S.



Great season all!

## Substitute Art Teacher Announcement

We would like to notify students and parents that Mrs. Lindenmier is serving as a long-term substitute for Mr. Roemer at this time.

She has been previously serving as a paraprofessional this school year and an internal substitute teacher, as well. We are thankful to have her transition into this role.

Above & below you will see some artwork from Allen and LJHS that has been completed during her time as the long-term Art Teacher.

Should you need to contact her, her email is:

[elindenmier@lamoilleschools.org](mailto:elindenmier@lamoilleschools.org)



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## Allen Updates

Allen has been a flurry of activity over the past month!

All students went to the Gamma Phi Circus at Illinois State University. What a great experience for our students to see a fantastic show as well as visit a college campus.

We had our annual Book Blast, which was a huge success. About 80% of our students participated, Lily Petersen won the IPAD drawing, each participating teacher won cash for their classroom to purchase new materials, and every student will end the year with a minimum of 5 new books to add to their personal libraries. What a success!!

5th Grade went on their annual field trip to Warneke Woods sponsored by the Soil and Water Conservation Service. The weather was perfect for this trip, and students reported it was a success!

Students have been preparing for Grandparent's Day on Thursday, May 9! This event is always greatly anticipated, and the school has a special performance just for this occasion.

Ms. Jeanne is currently hosting a Book Tasting for all grade levels, where they are going to also leave with a new book. We are thankful for her constant commitment to supporting reading at Allen.

Allen Grade School is a special place! We are thankful for small class sizes that allow us so many opportunities!

