THE LEXINGTON SCHOOL BULLETIN

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FINE ARTS FESTIVAL

The Lexington School will celebrate its first annual Fine Arts Festival during the week of March 15-19. The week's program has been designed to afford each student the opportunity to express his or her creative abilities in the arts, as well as to augment all students' understanding and appreciation of the arts within the community.

Planning for the event has been shared by a parents' committee of more than fifty volunteers, headed by Mrs. Robert S. Miller and Mrs. Robert P. Belin, and a faculty committee of eleven, under the leadership of Mrs. Judy Apple, Head of the Fine Arts Department. The Faculty Fine Arts Committee has been divided into the following sub-committees: Mrs. Apple, Mrs. Connie Freeman, Ms. Jennifer Stith and Mrs. Isabelle Kasperbauer in charge of Visual Arts; Miss Margaret Cowling, Mr. Don Noderer, Mrs. Penny Lastinger and Mrs. Mary Lee Nichols, Speech and Drama; Mrs. Cheryl Anderson, Mrs. Martha Anderson and Mr. Jack Brost, Music; and Mrs. Nichols, Literary Arts.

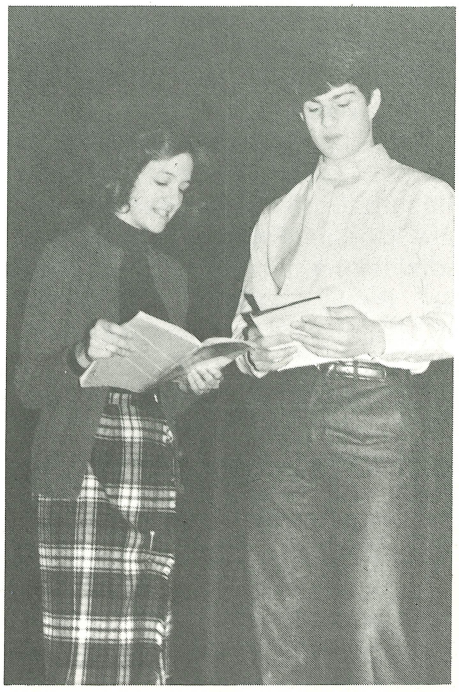
Work submitted by students in both the visual and literary arts will be on display in the school during the festival, with special recognition for those pieces selected by the juries as exceptional. In addition to the student art exhibit, there will be a section of work submitted by faculty and parents as well.

During the first period each morning of the festival week, visiting artists will meet with Middle and Upper School students in the assembly area. Artists will demonstrate and discuss their work so that students will gain an added insight into the mechanics of various artistic endeavors and a further knowledge of opportunities in the arts in Kentucky.

The Lower School will meet in the assembly area during the remainder of each morning for a widely varied program of student performances, as well as workshops and presentations by visiting artists.

Each afternoon will be devoted to Middle and Upper School student performances in speech, drama, dance, vocal and instrumental music. Students for these programs were selected by the Faculty Fine Arts Committee at auditions held the week of February 17-22. The committee will have the difficult task of determining the most outstanding afternoon performers, who will then present evening programs Thursday, March 18, and Friday, March 19, at 7:30 p.m.

Creative activities are flourishing in all divisions of The Lexington School as everyone puts finishing touches on their Festival projects. Through the cooperative efforts of students, faculty and parents, the Fine Arts Festival indeed promises to be a memorable celebration of the arts and certainly a gala welcome to spring!



CREATIVE AWARDS

As part of the Fine Arts Festival, students are being encouraged to submit their work in the Visual Arts and/or Literary Arts competition. The Parents' Fine Arts Committee has established explicit guidelines for entries and standards for evaluation.

All entries, which must be submitted by March 2, will be evaluated by a jury of well-qualified members of the community. Each entrant will receive a certificate of recognition, and pieces judged outstanding will receive, in addition, a certificate of special commendation. Entries recognized for special commendation will be displayed together in the school during Festival week.

Categories in the Visual Arts are:

- Drawing—pencil, ink, pastels
- Watercolor
- Tempura
- Acrylics
- Oils
- Three-dimensional work—sculpture, clay, paper, fiber, wood
- Photography

Categories in the Literary Arts are:

- Short story
- Poetry
- Drama
- Autobiography
- Essay

NAIS CONFERENCE

The 1982 Annual Conference of the National Association of Independent Schools is being held February 25-27 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

The Lexington School is represented at the conference by Richard O. Schwab, Headmaster, Mrs. Connie Freeman, Director of Admissions, and faculty members Mrs. Penny Lastinger, Mrs. Marijo Foster, and Mrs. Jacquie Woodward.

The program features broad, philosophical meetings and specialized, hands-on training sessions, all focusing on current concerns of independent schools. The 1982 Conference is a special opportunity for TLS faculty to share and gain information which is of particular significance in long-range planning.



FRENCH COMPETITION

Eighth and ninth grade French students, under the tutelage of Mrs. Nicole Charron and Mrs. Betty Mills, will participate in the Grand Concours March 6 at the University of Kentucky.

The Grand Concours, which is national competition, is a written examination on French civilization, oral comprehension, grammar, reading and writing skills. The French faculty recommends this testing experience as a constructive step toward other standardized testing in which TLS students will be participating in the future, such as the SSAT.

The French Department of The Lexington School has established an impressive record in the Grand Concours in previous years. The sixteen entrants for this year are in the midst of diligent preparation, striving to maintain the TLS reputation for excellence.

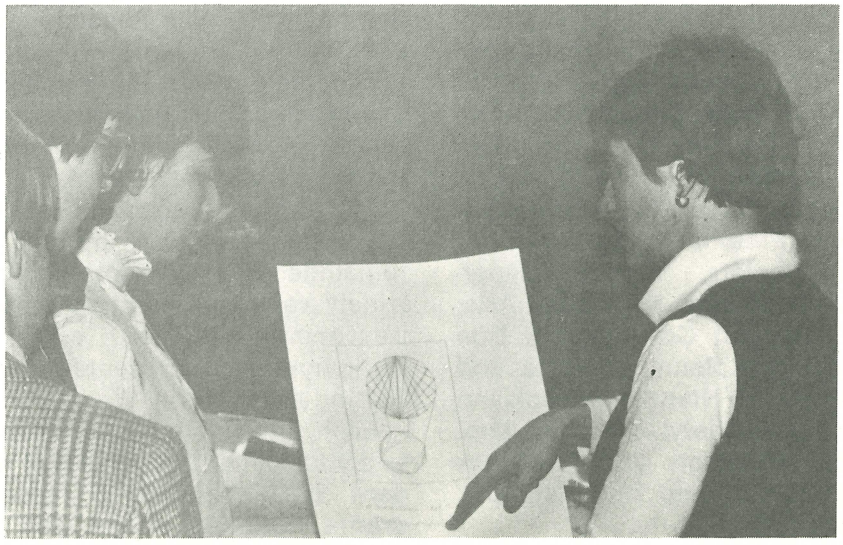
SPEECH AND DRAMA

As a further expansion of the Fine Arts program at The Lexington School, a new speech and drama group, directed by Miss Margaret Cowling and Mr. Don Noderer, has been established. Auditions were held for all students in grades six through nine, from which a beginning group of sixteen was selected.

Enthusiastic about the talent and interest shown by the students and the renovations planned for the present stage, Miss Cowling and Mr. Noderer are looking forward to an exciting season, with the potential for an even larger program next year.

Students in the Speech-Drama Club are: Sixth graders Ruth Belin, Mary Leigh Clay, Scott Morgan, Mark Noderer, Rodgers Palmer and Lucy Vance; Upper School students Paul Apple, Norman Brown, Christopher deMovellan, Christina Eng, Darrell Ludlow, Gerard Lynn, Jennifer Miller, Lisa Morgan, Mary Park and Joe Shepherd.

IF YOU HAVE NOT YET RESERVED YOUR 1982 YEARBOOK, THERE ARE STILL A FEW COPIES AVAILABLE. THE COST OF THE BOOK IS $9.00 - CHECKS MADE PAYABLE TO THE LEXINGTON SCHOOL. PLEASE GET YOUR ORDERS IN TODAY!!



NEW TESTING PROGRAM

Annual aptitude-achievement testing, scheduled for mid-March, will use the new ERB testing program (CTP II) for the first time. This program is a complete revision of CTP I, which has been used at The Lexington School since the early seventies.

The revised program reflects new directions in education and provides a more accurate instrument for defining individual strengths and weaknesses. Moreover, it serves as a special evaluation program for schools with strong academic emphasis.

Beginning this spring, TLS will follow the recommendation of the *ad hoc* committee of the NAIS Academic Committee that achievement testing be limited to every other year. Therefore, tests will be given only to grades three, five and seven. Following another recommendation of the committee, teachers will score the tests so that the results can be more carefully evaluated.

SCHOOL DRESS CODE

The Mothers' Committee and the Board of Trustees have formed a special committee to study possible revisions of The Lexington School dress code.

Committee members are: Mrs. J. Philip Carlile, Mrs. John Garden, Mrs. Clifton Smith, Mrs. Norman Brown, Mrs. George Carey and Mrs. David Parrish.

The group plans to send questionnaires to all parents before recommending any changes in the present code.

John and Cathy Fox would like to extend sincerest thanks to the entire TLS community for its support, concern, generosity and good will during this past month.

HUMAN SEXUALITY COURSE

During ten daily sessions March 19-26, eighth and ninth grade students will have the opportunity to participate in a study program on human sexuality. Recommended by the Education Committee of the Board of Trustees, this optional unit is being presented at The Lexington School for the first time this year.

Under the direction of a committee comprised of Mrs. Sue Orme, Mrs. Roberta Owen, Dr. Glenn I. Moore and Mr. Richard O. Schwab, the course will utilize materials in a format especially developed for use with junior high students.

An introductory meeting for parents of eighth and ninth graders will be held Monday, March 1, at 7:00 p.m. in the assembly area. At that time members of the committee will explain the philosophy and objectives of the course, as well as review materials to be used for instruction. Strongly endorsing the program, the committee encourages all eighth and ninth grade parents to attend "Review Night" to familiarize themselves with the course goals and content.

P.E. SPECIAL EVENTS

The physical education program at TLS, in conjunction with the YWCA, is offering a seven-week survival swimming program for children in the first and second grades. Response to the program, which began February 8, has been excellent. Forty children are meeting once a week for the classes at the YWCA on Cross Keys Road; first graders swim on Mondays and second graders on Thursdays from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Also in cooperation with the YWCA, aerobics classes will be offered to the eighth and ninth grade physical education classes beginning February 23. YWCA instructors will work with the TLS groups for a three-week period.

The first annual TLS Invitational Basketball Tournament was held February 18 and 19. In addition to TLS varsity boys and girls, six other teams competed. Trophies were awarded to winners and runners-up in both the boys' and girls' divisions, as well as to cheerleader squads. In addition, five all-tournament players were named from each division.

OOPS! PARDON OUR ERROR

The school calendar included in the Parents' Directory erroneously states that there will be early dismissal on Friday, March 26. Please note that there will *not* be early dismissal on that date; we will have a full day of school with dismissal time as usual.

Spring vacation is Monday, March 29, through April 11. Classes resume Monday, April 12.

All members of the Middle and Upper School soccer and basketball teams and their parents are cordially invited to a Sports Banquet on March 12, 1982, from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. at The Lexington School.

Please fill out the form below and return it to the school by March 10.

☐ I/We will attend the Sports Banquet Number who will attend _____

☐ I/We will be unable to attend

Signature _____

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

March 1982

1 Parent Review Night for 8th and 9th Grade Human Sexuality Course 7:00 P.M.
2 Mothers' Committee Meeting 8:30 A.M.
5 No Classes - Parent/Teacher Conferences (Lower, Middle & Upper School)
6 SSAT Test administered 9:00 A.M. - 12:00 Noon
12 Fall/Winter Sports Banquet (Middle and Upper School)
13 Entrance Testing for admission to Grades 1 through 9
(Testing for Early School by appointment only - for full information, contact the Director of Admissions 278-0501)
15-19 Festival of the Arts
20 Board of Trustees Meeting
22-26 Comprehensive Testing Grades 3, 5 & 7
March 29-April 11 Spring Vacation

April 1982

12 Classes resume
21 Seventh Grade trip to Cincinnati
22 Deadline for information to be in May/June Bulletin
23 Interims
Early School Parent/Teacher Conferences
26-30 Sixth Grade trip to Pine Mountain
30 Middle School May Day
Lower School - Little Kentucky Derby

May 1982

4 Mothers' Committee Meeting 8:30 A.M.
7 Spring Athletic Awards/Field Day
Lower School excursion (grades 1-3)
11-12 5th Grade in Gratz Park
13 Board of Trustees Meeting
14 Upper School Spring Dance
21 Lower School Picnic (grades 1-3)
22 School Service Day
28 Final Day for Early School
31 Memorial Day - No Classes

June 1982

3 No Classes
4 Awards Ceremony 8:30 A.M. (grades 1-9)
Commencement Exercises 7:30 P.M.

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