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News & Updates

April 2026: It Takes a Village

Teacher's Corner

As we step into April, we celebrate you and all you've poured into this school year. Your care and steady presence help students feel safe, supported, and ready to grow, and the relationships you've built truly matter.

With Earth Day this month, we're reminded that growth takes time—the seeds you've planted are blooming in many ways.

As the finish line nears, remember to care for yourselves, too. Take small moments to recharge—we are so grateful for all you do.

Safety Tips for Students

Trust Your Feelings!

If something feels wrong or makes you uncomfortable, tell a safe adult right away. Your feelings matter.

Know Your "Safe Adults"!

Have at least three safe adults you can go to. If one can't help, keep telling until someone listens.

Be Safe Online!

Don't share personal information, passwords, or pictures without asking a safe adult first. If something online makes you feel worried or confused, tell an adult.

Speak Up!

If someone is being hurt or bullied—in person or online—tell a safe adult. We keep our village safe by looking out for one another.

Digital Safety Summit

Join us for the Lieberman Technologies Digital Safety Summit on **April 24th, 5:00–8:00 PM** at Central High School!

Open to all community members, this event focuses on keeping children safe online while connecting you with local service providers who support child safety. Don't miss this opportunity to learn, ask questions, and strengthen our community together.

Remember!
If a student discloses, **STOP** and **contact DCS** immediately at 800-800-5556



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Story & Activity

Lawson the Parrot and the Village Garden

Lawson the Parrot loved flying over the school garden. He liked to watch the bright flowers and the children playing nearby.

One day, Lawson noticed something sad. Some plants were droopy, and one of his favorite flowers was gone. Lawson felt worried. "Oh no," he said. "What can we do?" Then he remembered something important: It takes a village to take care of each other.

Lawson flew down to the children. "Our garden needs help," he said. "When something is hurt or missing, we can work together." The children grabbed watering cans. They picked up leaves. They planted new seeds in the soil. Everyone helped in their own special way.

Slowly, the garden began to grow again. Tiny green sprouts popped up. Bright flowers bloomed. Lawson smiled. He learned that even when something feels sad or lost, caring friends can help make it better.

On Earth Day, Lawson shared a big reminder: When we take care of our world, our garden, and each other, we make our village strong and safe.

Lawson's Village: What Would You Do?

How to Play

1. Read the Story: Share the story of Lawson the Parrot and the school garden.
2. Present Scenarios: Ask students to think about what they would do in each situation, "What would you do"? Encourage them to explain their reasoning and to share their ideas about how working together makes your village grow stronger.

Scenarios:

1. A plant in the garden has been broken. How could you help fix it or make sure it grows again?
2. A friend is upset because something important to them was lost. How could you support them?
3. You notice trash left in the garden or playground. What steps could you take to help clean it up and protect the environment?
4. Someone doesn't know who to ask for help. How could you include them or guide them to a safe adult?