

# LEWIS' LEDGER

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## Next Generation Academy

"The mission of Next Generation Academy is to inspire students to become productive 21st century literate citizens."

## Upcoming Events

**Monday, January 7<sup>th</sup>**  
Class Picture Day  
Parent Curriculum Night (6:30pm-7:45pm)  
**Thursday, January 10<sup>th</sup>**  
Chuck-e-Cheese Night (3pm-9pm)  
**Monday, January 14<sup>th</sup>**  
Teacher Workday  
**Monday, January 21<sup>st</sup>**  
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday  
**Thursday, January 31<sup>st</sup>**  
Report Cards Go Home

Welcome Back!!!



Want to Raise a  
Strong Reader?



*Make Time to  
Read for 20  
Minutes Every*



Dear NGA Parents/Guardians:

Happy New Year! What an exciting time of year this is at NGA! This is when we see many students take giant leaps in their learning. With the New Year comes hope and excitement. At a school it means checking students' progress and making necessary adjustments to help improve their learning. Starting January 7<sup>th</sup>, we will be giving our whole school DIBELS and TRC assessments. These are language arts and comprehension assessments to help us measure how our students are progressing. We will be sharing these results and what intervention and extension activities we will be providing your students at our next Parent-Teacher Conferences. As always, if you have any question on how your child or children are progressing please contact their teacher or myself at the school.

So, let's keep the positive growth going with the coordinated efforts between home and school. Remember, you can/should read with your child each night. Students need to read with you for (1) a fluent model of what reading sounds like, (2) seeing that you value the practice needed to grow as a reader, (3) continued practice of strategies and skills learned at school, and (4) quality time for you and your child.

Thank you for your continued support at home!

Fondly,  
Dr. S. Lewis, Principal



The instructional day starts at **8:00am**. Children enter the building at this time and then the doors are locked immediately for security reasons. Children who arrive after this time need to enter through the main office for a tardy pass. To ensure that your child is not tardy for school, please try to arrive 5-10 minutes prior to the start of the school day to account for traffic. We know that it is very congested at drop off time and we appreciate your patience.

Please remember to let your child's teacher know when your child is absent. The length of the absence and a reason for the absence should be in written form when child returns to school.

# NGA Sports Program News Update

## January 3rd

- Please join us to discuss NGA's partnership with the YMCA at 5:30pm. A representative from the YMCA will be at the school to help formulate ideas and plans as we continue to create safe, fun and healthy activities for our students.
- NGA's very first basketball practice will also take place January 3rd in the school's gymnasium from 5:30-6:30pm. All basketball practices will be every Tuesday and Thursday from 5:30- 6:30pm in the NGA Gymnasium.

## January 12th

- NGA's first basketball game will be January 12th at the Hayes-Taylor YMCA.
- All basketball games will be at the Hayes-Taylor YMCA on Saturdays, (times may vary).
- NGA will play a total of 6 games.

# PTSO

Our next PTSO Meeting will be on Monday, January 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm at NGA starting in the gym. This meeting will be our "Parent Curriculum Night". The teachers and administrative team will discuss thoroughly the state mandated assessment and each content area that is being taught daily.

The next JomoWorks Parent training is Monday, February 4<sup>th</sup> (5:30 pm- 7:30 pm) in the gym.

Thank you so much for your support,

Your Co-Presidents,  
LaPortia McKinley and Leah Dula Brown

*...when in doubt,  
choose the kids.  
there will be  
plenty of time  
later to choose  
work... ANNA QUINDLEN*

# Parent Corner

*It's not only children who grow.  
Parents do too. As much as we  
watch to see what our children  
do with their lives, they are  
watching us to see what we do  
with ours. I can't tell my children  
to reach for the sun. All I can do  
is reach for it, myself.*

*~Joyce Maynard*

## Eagles Always SOAR....

**S**

**TRIVE for Excellence**

**O**

**VERCOME any Obstacle**

**A**

**CT with Integrity**

**R**

**ESPECT Yourself and Others**

### **IMPORTANT MESSAGE:**

#### **Cafeteria Lunch Prices**

Full Price Breakfast (1.00) and Lunch (2.85)

Reduced Price Breakfast (.00) and Lunch (.40)

If your child has not turned in his/her lunch application, he/she is charged daily for breakfast/lunch. So, it is imperative that you send in the money for your child's breakfast/lunch daily.