

# Cruiser Chronicle



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Dear Lovejoy Families,

February is upon us, which means we only have four months of school left! Where has the time gone?! This month we will be hosting conferences, please be sure to attend your conference time. This is an important time to discuss your child's progress, areas of strength and ways in which improvement can be shown. This is a time for you to ask questions of your child's teacher and be a partner in education! A note will be sent home with your scheduled time, please plan to arrive 5 minutes early as conferences must remain on schedule. If you arrive late to your conference time, you may have to wait until the teacher has another opening.

**February 20<sup>th</sup>- ELL Conferences**  
**February 22<sup>nd</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>- School Conferences**

**Friendship Celebration-** Classes will be hosting "Friendship Parties" on Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup>. Please check the grade-level newsletters for more information from your student's teacher. If you plan to send a treat with your child, please ensure there is enough for all children in the class. No peanuts or peanut products please. Treats must be store bought.

**Readers are Leaders!** At Lovejoy we believe readers are leaders, please spend 15 minutes every night reading with your child. Don't have time at night? How about 15 minutes every morning?!

**Save-The-Date:**  
March 10<sup>th</sup>- March 20<sup>th</sup>- NO School- Spring Break, Classes resume March 21<sup>st</sup>.  
Thursday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>- Academic Night  
Thursday, April 20<sup>th</sup>- Fine Arts Night  
Thursday, May 11<sup>th</sup>- Culture Fair

## Conferences:

**Feb. 20- ELL Conferences**

**Feb. 22-23- School Conferences**

**Lovejoy Laundry** is open Tuesdays and Thursdays for Lovejoy Parents/Guardians to do laundry at **no cost**. Laundry supplies provided. Call 242.8419 to make an appointment. Parents/guardians will be asked to volunteer while their cycle is running.

**Up-to-date school lunch menus are available at [www.DMSchools.org](http://www.DMSchools.org)**

**"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to **change** the world."** - Nelson Mandela

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### Before & After School-

Metro Kids Care will have spots open for 2<sup>nd</sup> semester. Hours are 6:30am until school starts and after school until 5:45pm. **Child Care Assistance and a Sliding Fee Scale are available.** You can fill out an application online or in person at school!

21<sup>st</sup> Century- There will be **NO 21<sup>st</sup> Century on Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>!** All students will be dismissed at 2pm!

### *Lovejoy Clothing Closet & Resource Fair*

Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup> from 9am-noon @ Lovejoy

\*Free Clothing\*

\*Free Iowa Legal Aid Clinic\*

\*Free Resource Fair\*

\*Light Breakfast Provided\*



### **WE WANT YOU!**

We invite all parents & guardians to get involved at Lovejoy!

**\*Volunteer-** we can always use volunteers- before, during and after school! You don't have to have any special talents- just a willingness to donate your time! [call 515.242.8419 or email [bobbie.sheridan@dmschools.org](mailto:bobbie.sheridan@dmschools.org) for more info.]

**\*Attend Events-** we encourage you to attend any and all events at Lovejoy from conferences to family nights to music concerts. We want you here!

**\*Let Your Voice Be Heard-** attend a parent forum or focus group. In the coming months we will be reaching out to parents/guardians to hear their voice. Please accept this invitation.

**\*Keep the Communication Open-** if you have questions, comments or concerns, be sure to let your classroom teacher or school know. We are stronger together!

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