

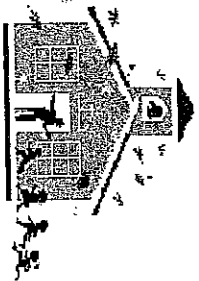


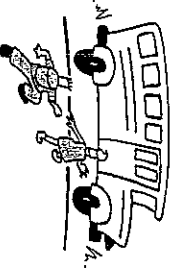


September 2011

| MON | TUES | WED | THURS | FRI |
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| | | | 1 Becoming a 7 th Grader 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. | 2 |
| 5 | 6 Staff Development Day New Student Tours 4-7 p.m. | 7 Staff Development Day | 8 <i>FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL</i>  Day 1 | 9 Day 2 |
| 12 Day 3 | 13 Day 4 | 14 PTA Meeting 6:30 p.m. Day 5 | 15 Day 6 | 16 Day 1 |
| 19 Day 2 | 20 Open House Grades 7-8 Day 3 | 21 Day 4 | 22 Day 5 | 23  Picture Day Day 6 |
| 26 Day 1 | 27 Open House Grades 5/6 Day 2 | 28 Day 3 | 29 Rosh Hashanah NO SCHOOL Report | 30 |



SEPTEMBER 2011



Becoming a Seventh Grader: Thursday, September 1, 6:30 p.m.

Staff Development Day: Tuesday, September 6 & Wednesday, September 7 (*Staff Only*.)

New Student Tours: Lisha Kill PTA will conduct new student tours on Tuesday, September 6, from 4-7 p.m.

First Day of School: Thursday, September 8; doors open at 8:15 a.m.

PTA Meeting: Wednesday, September 14, 6:30 p.m.

Picture Day: School pictures will be taken on Friday, September 23

Open House: Tuesday September 20 – Grades 7/8
Tuesday, September 27 – Grades 5/6

School menus for September, 2011, will be posted on the South Colonie Schools Website in late August.
2011-12 Cafeteria Prices: Breakfast \$1.40 - Lunch \$2.15

Homeroom assignments will be mailed to grade 5-8 students during the last week of August.

DRESS CODE REMINDER: South Colonie Middle School Code of Conduct outlines the high expectations for students in our school.
ACADEMIC STANDARDS: The passing grade for ALL STUDENTS, GRADES 5-8, in all subjects, is 70. Students MUST pass ALL subjects to make honor roll/high honor roll. Students must pass all subjects to be promoted to the next grade. ALSO, 8th grade students MUST Pass ALL classes to participate in June's Graduation Ceremony.
REQUESTS FOR PROGRAM/COURSE CHANGES: Will not be accepted beyond the first two weeks of school unless there are extenuating circumstances. With any request for program/course changes, the Administration will make the FINAL decision.
SCHOOL LUNCH MENU: The school lunch menu can be accessed at www.southcolonieschools.org

August 2011

"The time is always right to do what is right."
Martin Luther King, Jr.

Dear Parents/Guardians:

We look forward to welcoming our new students to school and welcoming our former students back. We have been busy all summer getting ready for the 2011-2012 school year.

We hope your children have been busy as well, not only enjoying the outdoors during the summer months, but completing their summer reading, organizing their school supplies and preparing themselves for the upcoming school year, which will bring many new and exciting opportunities and experiences.

Aside from the many academic opportunities that are available to our students, we also strongly encourage each student to display good character in and outside of the classroom. *"The time is always right to do what is right."* We also encourage students to get involved in the school community through after-school clubs, sports and PTA social events.

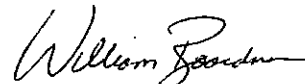
All new students and their families are invited to visit our school for an informal tour of the building conducted by the PTA on Tuesday, September 6, from 4:00-7:00 p.m.

We look forward to seeing all of you on September 8.

Sincerely,



Joseph Guardino
Principal



William Boardman
Associate Principal

LISHA KILL LIAISON

August 2011

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Lisha Kill Middle School 68 Waterman Avenue (518) 456-2306

Dates To Remember

- Sept 6 New Student Tours
4-7PM
- Sept 7 Welcome Back Breakfast
- Sept 8 First Day of Classes
- Sept 8 Entertainment Book
Fundraiser Begins
- Sept 8 Spirit-wear sale begins
- Sept 14 PTA School Spirit Day
- Sept 14 PTA Meeting (6:30)
- Sept 20 Grade 7/8 Open House
- Sept 23 School Pictures
- Sept 26 PTA entertainment
Book Fundraiser
- Sept 27 Grade 5/6 Open House
- Oct 5 PTA Meeting (6:30)
- Oct 6 School Spirit Day
- Oct 14 Grades 5/6 Fall Festival
Fun Event (7-8:30PM)
- Oct 28 Grades 7/8 Halloween
Dance (7-9PM)

PTA Officers 2011-2012

President: Maura Pickett 372-4874
Vice President: Emily Lawyer 452-5575
Vice President: Mara Stephan 372-0892
Treasurer: Christina Paddon 728-2299
Recording Secretary: Janice Comley
728-1619
Corresponding Secretary: Helen Langlois
869-0955

A Message from the PTA President

Another summer is going-- so quickly right before our eyes! We hope everyone is enjoying the beautiful weather with family and friends. The PTA would like to welcome all new students and their families to Lisha Kill Middle School. We are busy planning another year of exciting and fun events, which will consist of 7/8 grade dances and a mix of events for the 5/6 grade students, as well as picture days, a book fair, assemblies and our very unique star parties (details to follow).

Our ONLY Fundraiser will be the Entertainment Book that will be available for sale on September 8. We will also be selling some different styles of Spirit-wear to show your school pride and to show that you shine for Lisha Kill Raiders (see details attached).

Please don't forget to come out for our New student tours on September 6 at 4:00 – 7:00P M, and the Open Houses on September 20 and 27. I hope to see you all at our PTA Meeting on September 14 at 6:30P M(1 hour maximum) to check out the plans and meet new friends, administrators and teachers. Mark your calendars for these dates. We look forward to seeing you there!

Thank you,

Maura Pickett, Lisha Kill PTA President

Lisha Kill Kids are "Out
of this World"



BOX TOPS

We would like to ask you to keep clipping those Box Tops and send them in to help our costs for assemblies and other events for your children. Any questions please feel free to call Mrs. Mara Stephan @ 372-0892.

Don't forget your
Holiday gifts with the
Entertainment Books!
Questions call Tracy
Gentile @ 250-5905!



Lisha Kill Kids are "Out
of this World"



Show your pride of
yourself, your school
and your Community!



STAR PARTIES

Please keep you ears and eyes open for news on our very **unique** Star Parties. We have many of our own Rising Stars with Dudley Observatory that will have telescopes to teach and show you the "craters on the moon" the special constellations in the Lisha Kill universe. Please come and enjoy the skies and learn about the planets and stars with your child. Star Parties are planned suddenly due to the weather conditions. News will be posted on the doors and announced at the end of the day. For more information call Maura Pickett @ 372-4874



Show you shine with

Lisha Kill Pride

wear your garnet and
gold!



Lisha Kill Middle School
68 Waterman Avenue, Albany, NY

every child. one voice.®

Membership

Becoming a member of our PTA takes very little commitment- just \$5 to join! Any adult interested in supporting our Lisha Kill Community is eligible to join; moms, dads, LK students, teachers, aunts, uncles, grandparents, etc. **There is no further obligation after joining our PTA**—we appreciate your financial support. Membership will not only give you a voice in the PTA events and planning but also gives you discounts throughout the school year. Make sure to check membership on the order form! Any questions? Call Linda Ermides at 464-5040.

Back to School Picnic

Look and listen for the weather-permitting *Back to School Star Party Picnic*. It's a great opportunity to see old friends, meet new friends, and view the stars and planets with details from our very own Rising Star Interns,

Entertainment Book Sale will be our only fundraiser, so please get your family members and friends lists ready and save now so you can save later with restaurants, stores and sports games and more all year with the new Entertainment Book offers. The book has over \$5,000 worth of coupons on dining, attractions, shopping and services, a Frequent Values Key Tag & Mobile App, with up to 20% off by showing the card at participating merchants, and online savings too! The sale begins **September 8**, and there will be prizes and pizza parties awarded to the classes with the most sales.

Student Directory

The Student Directory is a phone book for our Lisha Kill Community. It is a great resource when verifying homework, sending party invitations, or looking to support a community business. This year you can purchase a directory for \$5. **PTA members will receive a complimentary copy (one per household.)** There is no cost to be listed in the directory, so please fill out the necessary information on the order form even if you do not wish to receive a copy.

Advertisement in the School Directory

Attention Lisha Kill Business owners: you can now advertise in the Student Directory. Please attach your business card to the order form and we will include your business in the 2011-2012 edition! Advertising fee is just \$10 per card. Call Helen Langlois if you have any questions at 869-0955.

Back to School Information Order Form

Student Directory Information
 Student Information Required to process form:
 Student's Name _____ Teacher/Grade _____
 Student's Name _____ Teacher/Grade _____
 Student's Name _____ Teacher/Grade _____
 Name of Parent(s)/Guardians: _____
 Address: (if more than one address please attach additional sheet) _____

 Phone Number: _____ Email _____

 YES, include my child in the Student Directory (above information will be printed unless otherwise specified)
 No, do not include my child in the Student Directory
 Parent Signature: _____

TOTAL

| | |
|--|----|
| 2011-2012 PTA Membership (\$5 per member) | \$ |
| Member #1 _____ | |
| Member #2 _____ | |
| Member #3 _____ | |
| Member #4 _____ | |
| Student Directory (1 per household FREE to PTA Members) | \$ |
| Number of Copies _____ x \$5 | |
| Advertisement in the Student Directory (\$10 per business card) | \$ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I am a local business owner and have attached my business card to be included in 2011-2012 Student Directory. | |
| Total Amount Enclosed: \$ | |

Please complete the form above with check* made payable to "Lisha Kill PTA" and mail it to Lisha Kill Middle School, attn: Maura Pickett, 68 Waterman Ave, Albany, NY 12205.

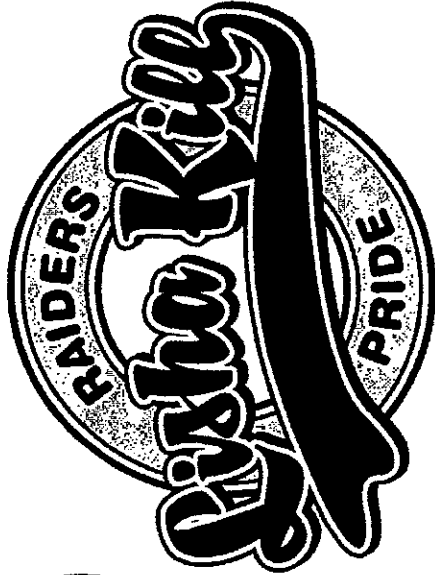
All forms & payments due on or before SEPTEMBER 14th

*There will be a \$25 charge for any returned checks.

ORDER YOUR SPIRITWEAR TODAY!

Sample is on display at school.

- These Top Quality items are great for school events, field trips, and everyday use!
- Remember to include Brothers and Sisters, Moms and Dads!
- Orders will be delivered in 3 - 4 weeks.



ORDERING DEADLINE
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

Order for school "Spirit Days"!

Any questions, please contact:
Janice Comley @ 518 783 1619

(This is your design)

Orders due: FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2011

Checks payable to: LISHA KILL PTA
(include payment with order)

SIZE SUGGESTIONS

| AGE | 4 | 5-6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | TEEN |
|--------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| SHIRTS | Y-S 6'-8" | Y-M 10-12 | Y-L 14-16 | Y-L 14-16 | Y-L 14-16 | ADULT SMALL | ADULT SMALL | ADULT SMALL | ADULT SIZES |
| PANTS | Y-S 6'-8" | Y-S 6'-8" | Y-M 10-12 | Y-M 10-12 | Y-L 14-16 | Y-L 14-16 | Y-L 14-16 | ADULT SMALL | ADULT SIZES |

Because these are custom made items, we cannot accept returns or exchanges for incorrect sizes ordered.

ZIPPER HOOD

YOUTH \$30.00
ADULT \$32.00
XXL \$34.00

ITEM COLOR
GRAY

Blended Polyester and Cotton

Youth Small Size is for Pre-K or very small Kindergarten!

Adult Sizes: S M L XL XXL

Youth Sizes: Y-S Y-M Y-L

Please enter a QUANTITY IN BOXES, NOT "X"

HOODED SWEATSHIRT

YOUTH \$27.00
ADULT \$29.00
XXL \$31.00

ITEM COLOR
MAROON

Blended Polyester and Cotton

Youth Small Size is for Pre-K or very small Kindergarten!

Adult Sizes: S M L XL XXL

Youth Sizes: Y-S Y-M Y-L

Please enter a QUANTITY IN BOXES, NOT "X"

TIE-DYE TEES

YOUTH \$19.00
ADULT \$21.00
XXL \$23.00

ITEM COLOR
RAINBOW SWIRL

100% Cotton Heavy Weight

Please enter a QUANTITY IN BOXES, NOT "X"

TEE SHIRT

YOUTH \$10.00
ADULT \$12.00
XXL \$14.00

ITEM COLOR
MAROON

100% Cotton Heavy Weight

Please enter a QUANTITY IN BOXES, NOT "X"

NAME GRADE HOMEROOM TEACHER

TOTAL NUMBER OF GARMENTS ORDERED TOTAL AMOUNT DUE PHONE NUMBER
(with area code)

