

LOTTIE Line-Up

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Welcome to the 2024-2025 School Year!

We hope everyone had a relaxing and enjoyable

Summer break. We look forward to the exciting year ahead. This Line Up will be short and sweet with a little procedural information you may need to know. We will send out newsletters every week with information on what's going on in our school so everyone can be kept in the loop.

We would like to welcome our new office staff. Kristi Weber is our new Data Para and is a familiar face in the building as she has been the building parapro for the last 3 years as well as a member of the PTO and a Lottie Parent. We also have a new Office Manager Shelly Whitehead. She comes to us from Middle School South just down the road. We are excited to have our new additions, they are working hard learning the ropes. Mrs. Quiglys' room has a new Para and that is Matika Berry. Matika has worked in Las Vegas as well as other districts around the state, she is very experienced and we are thrilled to have her here at Lottie.

SAFTEY PROTOCALS

For the safety of all our students as well as to comply with district rules we will continue our security system for signing in/out your child as well as dropping off things they may have forgotten. We ask that you come in door #1 and ring the bell. If you are signing out your student please do so on the sheet on the clipboard and be prepared to show ID.

If you are dropping something off for your child please label it with a post-it (provided) and leave it on the table in the vestibule and we will see that your child gets it.

We are an extremely busy office and our priority is the safety of everyone in our building, so only parents/guardians will be allowed in the building with a prearranged appointment.

FOOD SERVICE

Thanks to the Michigan Healthy School Meals Program, Anchor Bay is excited to offer 1 FREE breakfast and 1 FREE lunch each school day, to all students during the 2024-2025 School Year! All smart snacks and extra entrees will remain at cost. Although meals are free this school year, it is important for families to still fill out the Free/Reduced Meal Application! This information is still used for important state funding that helps support educational programs within your school and also helps qualify students for Summer EBT benefits. To apply for free/reduced meals for the 2024-2025 school year, please visit our online site at anchorbay.familyportal.cloud and click on the benefit tab. If you do not have access to the application online, paper copies will be available in the school office. If you need further assistance, please contact the Food & Nutrition Office at 586-598-7663

LOTTIE PTO

The Lottie PTO is a network of parents, families, teachers and staff that work together to create a supportive community for the children in our school and make a lasting impact on our students' growth and development. Why join? **STUDENTS BENEFIT** - Research shows that participating in your child's school and showing engagement helps them to perform better academically.

SCHOOLS BENEFIT - The PTO supports our school's teachers and administration which, in turn, creates a positive and caring atmosphere in our school community. MAKE

CONNECTIONS - Get to know the teachers and staff better and make life-long friends with other parents at the school. Come learn how you can support our students and staff by volunteering for one of the many Lottie-hosted events this school year! The first meeting is Monday September 9th at 6:00 pm here at the school.

The PTO can also be reached by email at LOTTIEPTO@gmail.com

ANCHOR BAY SCHOOL DISTRICT - School Messenger for District and Lottie Info: If you would like to receive text messages from the School District notifying you of cancellations or other issues, you can sign up by following the instructions below. Recently we checked the reports that are issued by "School Messenger" and found that many of the text messages (SMS) were being reported as BLOCKED. This means that when you received a text message from School Messenger (number: 67587) during the initial set up, no response was sent back. School Messenger assumes that you DO NOT want text messages if they do not receive a response. To correct this, please do the following: If you would like to receive text messages from Anchor Bay School District, send a text message to (67587) with the words "opt in" or "subscribe" as the message. If you are already receiving text message from Anchor Bay School District no further action is required. For more information you can visit www. schoolmessenger.com/txtmsg/

We look forward to a happy, healthy, safe school year 😊





Lottie M. Schmidt Elementary

THE POSITIVITY PROJECT FAMILY INFORMATION LETTER

"I can sum up positive psychology in just three words — other people matter. Period. Anything that builds relationships between and among people is going to make you happy." – Dr. Chris Peterson

What is The Positivity Project?

The Positivity Project (P2) is an organization whose mission is to empower students to build positive relationships and become their best selves (NOTE: Watch the P2 founding story video here). Positive psychology's 24-character strengths serve as its foundation. Ranging from bravery and perseverance to integrity and gratitude, the character strengths are classified and described in the 800-page book *Character Strengths and Virtues*. These strengths aren't about ignoring the negative. Instead, they help us overcome life's inevitable adversities.

To achieve its mission, P2 partners with Pre-K–12 schools and equips educators with the resources, training, and strategy to teach their students about character strengths and positive relationships. P2 is a school-wide endeavor grounded in the consistency of daily classroom instruction. P2 Partner Schools dedicate one week to each strength and students learn through daily 15-minute classroom lessons that are different for every grade level. These lessons help students understand character through definitions, examples, discussions, and exercises. P2's model is holistic, incorporating students, educators, and parents through regular interaction with character strengths vocabulary and concepts.

What are the benefits of implementing The Positivity Project?

By consistently teaching students about the character strengths that people possess, they see themselves and other people based on the content of their character. This ability enhances their self-awareness and self-confidence, understanding and appreciation of others, and interpersonal relationships – which, in the long-term, will positively influence students across their lifespans. In the near team, it leads to more positive interactions and positive relationships within classrooms and schools — ultimately leading to a more positive school culture that supports teachers' ability to teach and students' ability to learn.

P2 evolves throughout a student's entire school career. As students grow and understand character through instruction and experience, the strengths gain more meaning. They become a part of a student's vocabulary and how they see themselves and the people around them — including characters in books and movies.

P2 empowers students by acknowledging that the 24-character strengths are already part of who they are as people. It helps them realize that each and every one of them can tap into these strengths — and not just as students, but for the rest of their lives.

How can you help?

Family involvement is an integral part of student success, and we would love for you to take an active role in your student's character strength education. P2 for Families provides an easy, accessible way to reiterate the character strengths vocabulary and have meaningful discussions about the importance of relationships at home. Additionally, you can follow P2 on Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn, and YouTube to stay up to date on all things P2.



CHARACTER STRENGTH & OPM DEFINITIONS

PKU	PROJECT					
*	Appreciation of Beauty & Excellence You notice and value the world's beauty and people's skills. You don't take things for granted.		Leadership You value each member of your group and inspire people to do their best.			
©	Bravery You act with mental, moral, or physical strength even when you know things are difficult or scary.	•	Love You value close relationships with others and being close to people.			
•	Creativity You come up with new and original ways to think about and do things.		Love of Learning You master new skills and topics on your own or in school.			
<u>Q</u>	Curiosity You like exploration and discovery. You ask lots of questions because you want to learn more about anything and everything.	A	Open-Mindedness You like to consider new ideas and try new things. You examine things from all sides and don't jump to conclusions.			
4	Enthusiasm You approach life with excitement and energy. You energize people around you.	*	Optimism You expect the best from the future and work to achieve it.			
<u>ব্</u> রুত	Fairness You believe that all people have value. You approach situations with an unbiased mindset and treat everyone with respect.		Perseverance You complete what you start despite obstacles. You never give up.			
**	Forgiveness You forgive those who have done wrong. You accept that people make mistakes.	o	Perspective You appreciate that people see things in different ways. You have the ability to understand the world from multiple points of view.			
	Gratitude You are aware of and thankful for good things that happen.	E	Prudence You plan for the future and achieve your goals by making careful everyday choices.			
Ø	Humility You do not seek the spotlight. You let your actions speak for themselves.	*	Purpose You have beliefs about the meaning of life and your life's purpose. You seek to be part of something greater than yourself.			
<u> </u>	Humor You like to laugh and bring smiles to other people.	<u>((v)</u>	Self-Control You have the ability to control your emotions and behaviors. You think before you act.			
<u> </u>	Integrity You are honest and speak the truth. You present yourself genuinely and sincerely.		Social Intelligence You are aware of other people's thoughts and feelings. You understand why they do things.			
	Kindness You are generous to others, and you are never too busy to help out. You enjoy doing good deeds for other people.		Teamwork You work well as a member of a group or team. You are loyal, reliable, and dedicated to helping your team achieve its goals.			



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63	OPM – Being Present and Giving Others My Attention: When you're with other people, you are present and give them your full attention.		OPM – Cheering Others' Successes: When other people succeed, you are happy for them and cheer them on.
Q	OPM – Identifying and Appreciating the Good in Others: You deliberately work to identify and appreciate others' character strengths.	8-8	OPM – Supporting Others When They Struggle: When other people are struggling, you do your best to help them out.
3.8	OPM – Knowing My Words and Actions Affect Others: Everything you say and do can affect others – and your relationships with them.		



WHO WE ARE

The Lottie PTO is a group of parents, guardians, staff, and community members who work together to help promote community involvement and educational opportunities for Lottie Schmidt Elementary.

Meet Your Lottie PTO Board!

Emily Seal: President Patty McWain: Vice President Stephanie Halicki: Secretary **Beverley Stankiewicz: Treasurer**

Meetings will be held on the 2nd Monday of the month & will be at 6pm in the library at Lottie

Child care will be available at all meetings

Raffle prize giveaway at each meetina!!

2024-2025 Meeting Dates

Sep. 9 Feb. 10

Oct. 14 Mar. 10

Nov. 11 Apr. 14

Dec. 9 May 12

Jan. 13

CONTACT US

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Lottie Home Page: PTO Tab

Facebook: Lottie PTO

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WAYS TO SUPPORT US!

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2. Click this link after logging into your Kroger account: https://www.kroger.com/account/communityreward s/enroll

3. In the search bar, enter our name (Lottie M Schmidt Elementary School) or our Organization number (RH545) and click enroll."

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Use the Box Top for Education App:

- Download the app on your device
- Create an account
- Click "Find a School" and type in Lottie.
- Select our school!
- Click "Scan" to take a picture of your receipt each time you shop. This includes online, pick, and delivery orders!

Sign up for Staples Classroom Rewards.

- I.First download the Staples Connect app on an Apple mobile device, text APP to 555444 or visit app.staplesconnect.com from any browser
- Create an account or sign into the app. 3. Follow the prompts to enroll in Classroom
- Rewards. The school will receive 5% of your purchase total.

Make a donation.

Tired of all the fundralsers? Make a straight donation to support student field trips and the events we plan for students and staff each year The added benefit is that Lattie PTO will receive 100% of your donation instead of a small percentage from selling items. Options include:

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- Send in cash or a check made out to Lottie PTO to the main office.
- From Sept. 6th- Oct. 7th, you can make a donation through https://payforit.net/. Log into your account and select PTO Donation.

Thank you to our 2024-2025 Lottie Shirt sponsors

Brieden Orthodontics Cleaning by Jen

The Hines Team Real Estate Ryan J. Rinke DDS

Bay Point Financial

New Baltimore Optometry Dr. Joseph Lawless



RUN BACK TO SCHOOL





Today begins a very important fun and healthy way to raise money for students of

Lottie M. Schmidt Elementary

Please help us reach our fundraising goal by supporting the Run Back to School. We have teamed up with *Get Movin'®* to make this event fun and profitable with online mobile friendly technology! The Run Back to School is a Glow Party, Obstacle Course, & Fun Run all in ONE action packed school day! This event will be held during school on **Friday, September 20**th.

Lottie PTO fills our school year with **FUN, FREE, FAMILY** events that bring our school together promoting community, safety, and an inclusive sense of belonging. We also provide field trips, appreciation gifts, assemblies and more! Help us keep it going!

Follow these 3 Simple Steps to get to goal fast!

- 1. First Register or re-Login to your parent dashboard and complete your child's student webpage with a PICTURE at getmovinfundhub.com. School Identifier: 66cf05568015c
- 2. Make an online donation using the red Donate button right away
- 3. Share with friends and family, they want to help!
 - Send 10-15 emails and/or text messages
 - Post Facebook or Twitter
 - Help your child reach their goal in 24/48 hours

Student Goals!

- Our goal is to have 100% of all students registered online! It's easy, FREE, takes a few quick minutes, and gets them a **PARTICIPATION GIFT!**
- Each student is encouraged to raise \$200.00
- Be an Overachiever Superstar by raising \$500.00
- Win our ULTIMATE PRIZE of a Nintendo Switch by raising \$1,000.00

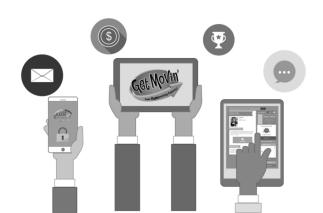
OUR TOTAL SCHOOL GOAL is \$20,000.00

Event Details:

- Event Date: 09/20/2024
- Final Donation due date: 10/02/2024 11:59 PM
 - Donations in the form of cash & checks (in-school donations), should be turned in to the school.
 - Please make checks payable to: Lottie Schmidt Elementary









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Lottie M. Schmidt Elementary Student Rewards & Incentives

Lottie M. Schmidt Elementary has fantastic STUDENT INCENTIVES for all students to earn!

To check out all the Rewards and Incentives, please visit our School Webpage, then click the orange View Incentives button.

We're offering Rewards and Incentives for individuals AND classrooms! Incentives were created to reward all students! Here are a few of our schoolwide incentives based on hitting overall raised amounts.

WHEN YOU RAISE:



\$10 **Candy Grab Bag**



Fidget Grab Bag





\$100 **Lab Backpack Stuffie**



\$150 Bus Ride to 7/11 w/ Mrs. White



\$250 **Giant Lottie Lab Stuffie or Lottie Hat**

\$500 \$50 Amazon Gift Card





\$1,000 Nintendo **Switch** Lite



GIFT CARD FUNDRAISING SAVE TIME. SUPPORT LOTTIE KIDS.

Organizations like our Lottie PTO make THOUSANDS yearly simply by making parent's lives easier. Raise Right allows app purchasing of gift cards that give back money to PTO!

How it works



You buy a gift card You get the full value.



The brand gives back

No extra money comes

out of your pocket.



Your organization earns
Impacting what
matters most to you.

Shop 750+ popular brands

Getting your morning coffee. Doing DIY projects around the house. Ordering takeout. Conveniently raise money by doing everyday things.



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"I love Raise Right when we have a birthday party to attend! I didn't have to buy a single present this whole year. I simply used the app to purchase/print gift cards and raised \$15 for PTO"

- Jamie Freeman

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For step-by-step instructions, visit RaiseRight.com/m/StartEarning.

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