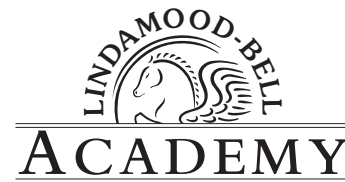


Academy Magic Newsletter



'Tis the season!

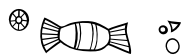
It's time to deck the halls, light the candles, and bid farewell to the wild and crazy ride of 2020! It is my hope that all of you – staff, students, and families – get to relax and celebrate these upcoming holidays with a few of your favorite things... and people, of course!

Perhaps this year's celebrations will look a little different than in the past, but I believe this year provides us with opportunities to get creative and start new traditions!

I hope you all have a healthy, safe, and joyous December.

With warm winter wishes,

Emily Jayne
Director of Lindamood-Bell Academy



Center Stage

Andrew in Tampa

Andrew is an eighth grader in our Tampa Academy Learning Center. We asked him to write a few sentences about his experience with Academy, and he went above and well beyond four-five sentences... Andrew writes:

"Three years ago, when I first entered Lindamood-Bell, I was very nervous about having to leave my school and entering a new space that I'm unaware of. I got to know the teachers, and all were very nice and fun to play with! I learned how to air-write and how to use the vocab box. I had ADHD and CAPD, like many others.

"I decided that my old school was too hard and did not function the way I learned. Since I knew many teachers and [was] used to the climate at Lindamood-Bell, I decided to spend my final year before high school at Academy.

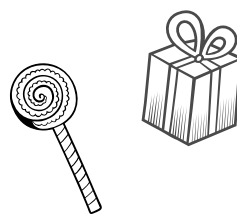
"I got to meet a lot of new [teachers] and familiar teachers that I had before. I made friends with the other students and enjoyed being a part of it.

"My favorite part of all is that I don't feel alone or concerned about my future anymore because I have teachers and friends that I didn't have before. I'm thankful to have the opportunity to be a part of Academy."

Upcoming Events

DECEMBER

- 2** Wacky Wednesday / Music Day
- 9** Wacky Wednesday / Favorite Holiday Shirt Day
- 16** Wacky Wednesday / Rainbow Day
- 17** Pajama Book Day
- 18** Holiday Hoopla
- 12/21 to 1/1** NO SCHOOL Winter Break



A Parent's Perspective

Andrew's mom, Heidi, offered her thoughts on Andrew's experience in Academy. She shared the following with Andrew's team in Tampa:

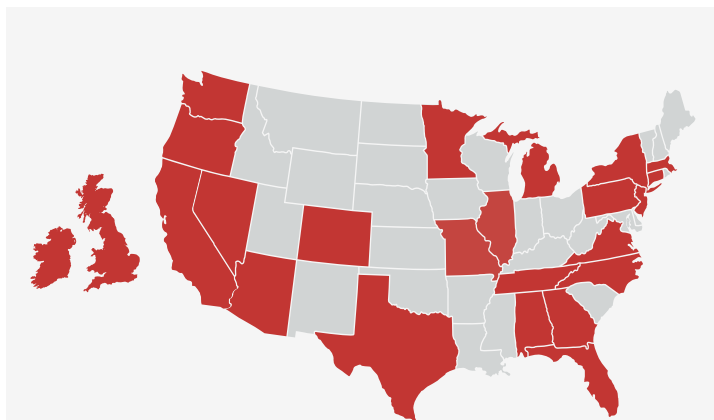
"Andrew is so happy. He told me he doesn't feel any pressure anymore! He likes his teachers and does his extra work at lunch sometimes. He seems very focused and determined; honestly he is a different kid with school.

"He couldn't wait to tell me he had an 89 in Language Arts, something he never had before. It's been a great experience."

Holiday Tech Disconnect

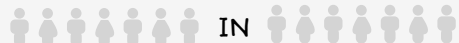
Now more than ever, our kids are connected to technology for much of their day. Let's use the upcoming Winter Break to disconnect and enjoy the simple things: build a blanket fort, enjoy a family reading circle, create a family neighborhood scavenger hunt, break out those old board games, or start some new family traditions. Have a wonderful time together and happy holidays!

Our Academy Community



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A Few Questions

We asked Andrew a few questions:



Q: When did you feel most proud of yourself this semester?

A: I usually did not do well in Language Arts, because I was not the best reader and forever will not be, but I learned how to maintain the issues and found ways to get better at this subject. My grades have been improving and I am very happy about it.

Q: What are you looking forward to for the rest of the year?

A: I am looking forward to finding out more about Science. Science has many wonders that I am excited to find out by using experiments and observation skills.

Q: What is the best part of school at LBA?

A: My favorite part is I get to have fun and learn more with ease. Before, it was a challenge to learn fast, but I learned that it's okay to take it at a slow pace at Lindamood-Bell.

Q: What do you most like about your teachers?

A: I love making the teachers laugh like crazy, and they always respond with a positive comment. Whenever I feel sad, they make me happy. Even when they do not make a joke, I laugh otherwise.

Q: What's the biggest difference between this year and last year?

A: This year is different because I'm in a smaller space, and there are less students around the area. However, even though it sounds bad, I love it a lot.

Good to Know

Lindamood-Bell is committed to being an active and engaged member of each community it belongs to. Every holiday season, our Lindamood-Bell Learning Centers host community outreach projects to support a local cause. Contact your local Learning Center to find out how you can be part of this year's community outreach project in your area!