Dear Parents and Guardians,

William Shakespeare in one of his many sonnets noted "April hath put a spirit of youth in everything" and I think he got it right. With tempting temperatures in the 70's followed by blossoming flowers, green grass, and baseball, the month makes us all feel rejuvenated. Combine those elements with the knowledge of Easter and we all should revel in the new life that accompanies our risen Savior. **He is risen—indeed**.

Please find enclosed the third quarter grades. We are in the homestretch and need to continue to encourage academic achievement. Weather aside, this is a time of the school year that is very distracting. With athletics, proms, and the allure of summer activities, students and teachers alike can lose focus. We all know the academic formation of our children is crucial to future success, so let us plan on working together to finish the year on a positive note. Please feel free to contact teachers or me over any academic concerns.

After a successful music tour our students will experience Prom on Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup> at the Nelson-Atkins Museum in Kansas City. We will be having an early dismissal at 11:30 a.m. The prom runs from 7-11 p.m. Students must arrive by 8 o'clock or they will not be allowed into the prom. Proms can be great experiences, but they can also be fraught with undesired consequences. Please do not be afraid to ask your children the hard questions about the evening. We supervise them from 7 to 11 p.m. and then we turn them over to the night. I pray our students reflect their Lord and Savior as they enjoy the evening.

"The play's the thing." Don't forget. *The 39 Steps* performed by the LHS drama students on Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. and Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. **AND** the **Affair of the Heart Auction** on Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup> . . . get your tickets today!

Yes, there is Hope . . .

Matthew 28:6 "He is not here, He is risen, just as He said." Live with this knowledge, grow within His grace, serve Him with gladness.

In His Service,

Dr. Cary Stelmachowicz

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