



Carnival 101

Join us for the 65th annual Lamplighter Carnival on Friday, October 12th, 2018. The Lamplighter Parents' Association hosts this fun-filled family event. Along with favorite attractions and midway games, there will be pony rides, a petting zoo, face painting, salon activities, and a horse drawn hayride around the ring road. Visit the barn for some spooky fun, wander down the haunted trail, paint a pumpkin to take home, and stop by the photo booth to snap a fun pic! Plus, don't miss out on the spooky souvenirs at the Souvenir Booth, and a trip to the Mock ER for a cast and ER training.

The Carnival heavily depends on parent participation; therefore, every family is required to sign-up for a volunteer shift. After September 30th, all families who have not signed-up to volunteer will be assigned a Carnival shift time and location, so sign-up early to ensure that you get the shift that best suits your family. Please log onto [Sign-Up Genius](#) on the Parent Portal to view available options and to sign-up.

Please take a few moments to read about purchasing Carnival items, mandatory volunteer assignments, attractions, food and items needed for the big day. Also, be sure to read the instructions for Carnival Carpool and complete a Carnival Carpool Form for each child.

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Carnival FAQs

What is Carnival?

The Lamplighter Carnival is a wonderful, annual tradition that your child and family will remember fondly for a lifetime. Lamplighter families are encouraged to attend. This afternoon is planned by parent volunteers and includes games, attractions, food, dancing, a bake sale, and much more.

When is the Carnival?

Mark your calendars! This year's The Great Lamplighter Carnival is Friday, October 12th from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Lamplighter's campus. Parents are welcome to arrive beginning at 2:40 p.m. to park in the North Field and make their way to the hill on the playground to watch the "Parade of Grades" (Kindergarten through fourth grades). The parade begins at 2:50 p.m. All students should be picked up in their classrooms following the Parade, between 3:00-3:15 p.m. (Pre-K students may be picked up at 2:45 p.m. to watch the Parade.)

Can Non-Lamplighter Friends Attend?

Absolutely! Want to invite that special cousin in town from Jersey or your child's best friend from another school? The more the merrier! They'll just need to purchase a Midway Pass Band or Ticket Band(s) & Meal Band(s) from the Ticket Booth on Carnival Day. Or plan ahead, and pre-purchase for them during Intake Conferences or online through the [Spirit Store](#).

What is the Bake Sale?

Bake Sale treats are baked by our very own Lamplighter parents and grandparents. Cupcakes, cakes, brownies, cookies, you name it! Everyone will find something delicious to eat at the Carnival or to take home. Gluten and nut free items will also be available.

Sign up through [Sign-Up Genius](#) on the Parent Portal to make your Bake Sale donation. Not much of a baker? Show your crafty side by donating a painted pumpkin! You can also sign-up to contribute store-bought goodies or even donate cash! If you have any questions, please feel free to email [Claire Gordon](#) or [Rita Han](#).

Remember to stop by the Bake Sale on the day of Carnival. This is a great way to support the school and the Carnival and to satisfy your sweet tooth!

How do I obtain Carnival Merchandise?

Wristbands, T-shirts, and all other Carnival essentials will be available for purchase during Intake Conferences on August 20th and 21st and online at the [Spirit Store](#). Every child should plan on wearing their Carnival T-shirt to school the day of the event so that friends and teachers can sign their tees.

What are the Carnival currency options?

To enjoy Carnival attractions and food, you will need to purchase some of the options below. While you are able to purchase the following options prior to Carnival, there will also be ticket booths available at the Carnival to purchase these currency options during the event.

\$75 All-Inclusive “Zombie” Package

#1 Seller! This popular option bundles ALL the Carnival essentials! The All-Inclusive “Zombie” Package includes the following:

- **All Access Carnival Band**
 - Unlimited rides, attractions and Midway games
 - One visit to the Salon
 - One “Paint Your Own Pumpkin”
 - One Snow Cone
 - One visit to the Mock ER
 - One visit to the Photo Booth
- **Carnival T-Shirt**
 - Wear on Carnival Day
- **A Carnival Logo Bag**
 - Use on Carnival Day or even on Halloween for trick or treating
- **One Meal Band**
 - This includes an entrée, one side of chips or fruit, and a drink

Please note that additional ticket bands may be required depending on what your child wants to experience and/or purchase during the Carnival. Souvenirs, additional Snow Cones, additional “Paint Your Own Pumpkins,” additional Photo Booth visits, additional Salon visits, & additional visits to the Mock ER all require tickets. See below for more information.

\$45 Midway Pass Band

Designed for siblings, alumni, or non-Lamplighter friends attending Carnival who do not need a t-shirt but want to enjoy the fun. The Midway Pass Band includes:

- Unlimited rides, attractions & Midway games
- One Salon visit
- One Photo Booth visit

Please note that Souvenirs, Snow Cones, “Paint Your Own Pumpkin,” a visit to the Mock ER, & additional visits to the Salon & Photo Booth will require additional ticket band(s). See below for more information.

\$10 or \$20 Ticket Band

You can enjoy attractions and games by purchasing ticket bands that can be punched for use at each attraction. This is an a la carte option for rides, attractions, and Midway Games for those families who have elected NOT to purchase the All-Inclusive “Zombie” Package or Midway Pass Band.

Ticket bands are also needed if you want to buy anything from the Souvenir Booth, enjoy a Snow Cone, “Paint Your Own Pumpkin,” visit the Photo Booth & Salon, or experience the Mock ER.
Note: Ticket Bands cannot be used to purchase meals. Only the Meal Band can be used for meal purchases.

\$18 Carnival T-Shirt

Make sure your child is ready for Carnival Day with “The Great Lamplighter Carnival” T-Shirt. Each grade will have a different color. All students should plan on wearing the T-Shirt to school on Carnival Day. It’s tradition for students and teachers to sign one another’s shirts on Carnival Day so be sure your student is wearing their shirt on the big day!

NEW this year ... 4th Graders T-shirts will be black and glow in the dark markers will be handed out for shirt signing on Carnival Day.

2018 Carnival T-Shirt Colors

4 th Grade	Black
3 rd Grade	Heather Maroon
2 nd Grade	Vintage Orange
1 st Grade	Heather Purple
TI	Heather Military Green
K	Heather Irish Green
Pre-K	Yellow

\$8 Meal Band

Use this wristband to purchase your dinner at the food area, which includes one entrée, a side of either chips or fruit, and a soft drink. This is great for parents, siblings or anyone else who does not purchase the All-Inclusive “Zombie” Package but needs a meal.

Note: 4th Graders and their families will have a separate food pavilion in the Senior Area! Parent volunteers will be serving up tasty meals for seniors and their families. Meal Bands are required.

\$1 Drink Ticket

These individual tickets are available should you need an extra drink.

Note: One drink is included with the Meal Band and unlimited water is available throughout Carnival.

What are Carnival Pick Up Forms and when are they due?

There is no afternoon (3:15 p.m.) carpool on Carnival Day. Instead, we ask parents to complete the Carnival Day Pick Up Form for each student (except Pre-K AM students). If you have more than one child at Lamplighter, please complete a form for each child. All Kindergarten – fourth grade students will participate in the Parade of Grades at 2:50 p.m. Parents should pick up their child(ren) in their classrooms between 3:00 and 3:15 p.m. following the Parade. Pre-K students may be picked up at 2:45 p.m. if they would like to watch the Parade with a parent.

Please complete the Carnival Day Pick Up Form and return it to your child’s teacher by Friday, October 5. If you are volunteering for a 2:30 p.m. Carnival shift, please make arrangements for your child to be signed out by another adult between 3:00 and 3:15 p.m. in the classroom.

What kind of food will be available?

The Food Pavilion is the place to eat! Trade in your meal band for a mouth-watering hamburger, hotdog, veggie burger or grilled cheese from Mooyah with a side of chips or fruit.

Are you a 4th Grade Family? Trade in your meal band at the all new Dad's Diner! Parent volunteers will be serving up burgers, grilled chicken, brisket, & pulled pork sandwiches, and veggie burgers to seniors and their families in the Reserved Senior Area. Meals come with a side of chips and fruit.

Central Market is also sponsoring a SNACK SHACK, where you can grab a free healthy snack to tide you over until dinnertime. Free popcorn and bottled water will be available around the Carnival grounds to keep everyone hydrated!

To satisfy your sweet tooth, use your ticket bands for a snow cone at the Snowball Express or select from the many offerings to be had the Bake Sale! The Bake Sale accepts Cash and Credit Cards! So, plan to stock the pantry full of mouthwatering goodies and help support the Carnival and Lamplighter.

What's new this year?

In addition to some new and exciting games and attractions be on the lookout for:

- New Carnival Bands!
 - The All-Access Carnival Band found in the All-Inclusive "Zombie" Package has tabs for each additional attraction that is normally a la carte. So, instead of needing an additional ticket band to mark off items like the Mock ER or Snow Cone, each band will have a tab to use for those items.
- Paint Your Own Pumpkin
 - Your student can decorate and take home his/her own pumpkin. Run out of time to decorate your own? Purchase a pre-painted pumpkin from the Bake Sale!
- Spooky Barn and Haunted Trail
 - Visit the barn for some spooky fun and take a walk through the Haunted Trail!
- Horse Drawn Hayride
 - In lieu of the trackless train, enjoy a festive horse drawn hayride around ring road!
- Food Pavilion
 - Be on the lookout for the new area for the Food Pavilion by the North Carpool Porte Cochere. By moving the food pavilion, we will be able to utilize the soccer field for more attractions! Smaller tented areas will be located throughout the grounds to offer additional shade.
- Senior Food & Reserved Area
 - Seniors will have a special area by the wooden picnic tables just for them! Parent Volunteers will be serving up tasty meals to seniors and their families. Meal bands will still be required. **Available ONLY for 4th Grade Students and their families.*
- Salon
 - Looking for an alternative to spray paint for your child's locks? Try colorful and/or light up extensions!
- T-Shirt Signing
 - Like last year, students will be provided markers in the classroom on Carnival Day to sign their friends' t-shirts. New for 4th Grade this year: 4th Grade Students will receive glow in the dark markers for their t-shirt signing.
- T-Shirt Sizing
 - An email went out in June requesting student t-shirt sizes for the 2018-2019 school year. To ensure order accuracy we used this information when ordering this year's Carnival T-shirts.

What do parents need to do?

First of all, don't delay... order your Carnival essentials online today! The All-Inclusive "Zombie" Package, Midway Pass Bands, T-shirts, Tickets, and all other Carnival essentials are available online at the [Spirit Store](#). The Carnival T-shirts have been pre-ordered. We attempt to order as accurately as possible to limit over ordering and incorrect sizing by using the completed t-shirt forms for the 2018-2019 school year. Because all sizing forms were not completed by the time we were required to place this year's order, we cannot guarantee your child's desired size will be available. To ensure you get the t-shirt size your child desires, make sure to purchase your shirt as soon as possible!

Please note, with the exception of the Bake Sale; Carnival Bands, Ticket Bands, Drink Coupons, and Meal Bands are the only "currency" accepted at the Carnival. Merchandise purchased prior to and during Intake Conference can be picked up AT Intake Conferences. If you purchase after Intake, your Carnival items (t-shirts, bands, etc.) will be sent home with your child by October 10th.

VOLUNTEER! Sign-up early for your family's volunteer shift to ensure that you get the shift that best suits your family's schedule. Please log onto the [Sign-Up Genius](#) on the Parent Portal to view available options and to sign-up.

How can I help?

Carnival is a parent-run event, so please note every family must have one adult family member volunteer for one hour to ensure the success of the Carnival. It only takes a few minutes to sign up, and the sooner you make your choice, the better your chances are to get the shift time and booth you prefer. Visit the Parent Portal and click on the [Sign-Up Genius](#) button. Families not signed up by September 30th will be assigned a shift. The staffing committee will send you a reminder of your shift the week before Carnival.

Alumni Volunteers needed! Have a recent Lamplighter Grad who'd like to volunteer at this year's Carnival? We'd love their help! Contact: [Monica Eastin](#) or [Gela Gallardo](#).

If you have any questions concerning parent volunteering, please contact Staffing Chairs: [Louise Vigeant](#) or [Melissa Lackey](#).

Interested in helping out in another way? Or just have general Carnival questions? Contact Carnival Chairs: [Lori Bennett](#) or [Heather Deskins](#).

Where is parking for Carnival?

Parking will be in the North Field. Overflow parking will be in The Hockaday School parking lots off of Forest Lane that are closest to Lamplighter. Shuttle buses will be provided to get you to and from the overflow lots.