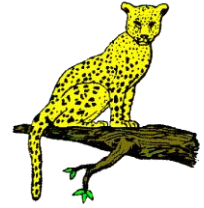


Lincoln Elementary School Newsletter

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Principal's Corner

Dear Parents,

Thank you to the Lincoln students, staff, families, and the Lincoln PTO for an amazing start to the school year! We have an incredible team of teachers and staff members and we are excited to work with your child. The teachers and students have been working on many interesting learning activities during the first week of school! On Friday, September 6, we will host a school potluck dinner starting at 6:00 p.m. We look forward to this event and we will enjoy delicious food and games! Please sign up on the PTBoard site to bring an item to share.

On Thursday, September 12, we will provide and serve a meal at Tree of Life in Purcellville at 5:15 p.m. If you are able to help with this event, please sign up online using the Lincoln ptboard site. Thank you to our volunteers for helping local families!

Our next PTO meeting will be held on Monday, September 9 at 8:30 a.m. All parents are invited to attend! Please contact me at (540) 751-2430 if you have any questions. I encourage each family to follow Lincoln on Twitter @Lincoln_ES.

On Friday, September 27, we will celebrate Grandparents Day by hosting Lincoln grandparents during our lunch time. Lifetouch will also be at Lincoln on September 27 to take pictures. Thank you for supporting this special event.

We have had many school days already this year with 100% attendance and no tardies! Thank you to families, students, and staff for your help with supporting arriving to school on time. Students enjoy the time socializing with friends and getting started with the school day on time makes a significant difference for each class and the entire school.

Thank you for your continued support of our school lunch and breakfast programs! We have a hot breakfast each morning that Lincoln students can enjoy in the multipurpose room. If a bus is running late, students still may get breakfast.

Sincerely,

Dave Michener

Upcoming Events

- 8/30 Student Holiday No School
- 9/2 Labor Day Holiday No School
- 9/4 Lock Down Drill 10:00 a.m.
- 9/6 Spirit Day Favorite Team Day
Wear a Hat or Shirt for Your Favorite Team
- 9/6 Lincoln Potluck Dinner 6:00 p.m.
- 9/8 Lincoln Community League Ice Cream Social 6:00 p.m.
- 9/9 PTO Meeting 8:30 a.m.
- 9/9 Lock Down Drill 1:00 p.m.
- 9/10 MOD Pizza Spirit Day
- 9/12 Tree of Life Dinner 5:15 p.m.
- 9/13 Joe Corbi Orders Due
- 9/13 Spirit Wear Orders Due
- 9/17 Picture Day
- 9/17 After School Tennis Club 2:45-4:00
- 9/20 Banking Day
- 9/24 After School Tennis Club 2:45-4:00
- 9/27 Grandparent's Day Lunch 11:10-12:00
- 10/1 After School Tennis Club 2:45-4:00
- 10/1 Monk's Spirit Night
- 10/4 Spirit Day Dress as Your Parents
- 10/4 Career Day
- 10/4 Reading Under the Stars 6:00 p.m.

PTO News

Wow! Can you believe school is back in swing and the kids are back to their routines? We hope you had a fun summer full of many wonderful memories.

You may have seen some of the changes on the grounds. The Matthews family as part of an Eagle Scout project updated the butterfly garden. Abernathy and Spencer donated many plants to beautify the grounds and a crew of parents helped weed and plant. Thank you to all the families who participated in watering this summer to keep these gardens growing and beautiful.

Now, you may wonder, who is on the PTO again? Before school ended, we had our PTO elections and here are the current officers:

- President: Katie Speegle
- Vice President: Annie Hewatt
- Treasurer: Kate Pendleton
- Secretary: Krista Ramey
- Director of Fundraising: Lori Erdman
- Committee Leads
 - Directory Coordinator: Krista Ramey
 - Publicity Coordinator: Christi Porter
 - Science Fair Coordinator: Ms. Silver
 - Teacher/Staff Liaison: Julie Reiter
 - Spirit wear Coordinator: Erin May
 - After School Program Coordinator: Harriet Wegmeyer
 - School Board Liaison: Sara Brown
 - Landscaping Coordinator/Garden Development: Sara Brown
 - Yearbook Coordinator: Deanne Iverson/Dania Hye
 - LCL Liaison: Christi Porter
 - Fundraising Coordinator (Passive) Kelly Berry

PTO meetings are monthly on the second Monday of each month except for holidays and will alternate between morning meetings and evening meetings. **The first PTO meeting will be on Monday, September 9th at 8:30 am. Everyone is welcome! The meetings are held in the multipurpose room of the school.**

If you have not signed up for PT Board already, please do. PT Board helps us go paperless and keep all the announcements from the PTO and room parents in one spot.

Here are the instructions:

1. Parents or school members browse Lincoln.ptboard.com
2. Click: Sign up
3. Fill out Sign In Information
4. On “join school” pop-up screen, enter your school code **TS63GP**
5. Please navigate to “forms and Payments”
 - a. “Free Membership and School Directory for the Year”
 - i. Fill out all your student/s and parent information. This also allows you to “opt out” of your information showing in the directory should you choose.

The PTO has some great fundraisers coming your way.

- Spirit Wear is HERE! Get your orders now- it can be a great holiday gift for family members or for yourself. <https://lincoln-leopards19.itemorder.com/sale>

- Joe Corbi's Gourmet Pizza and More Fundraiser is going until September 13, 2019- order forms were sent home with the back to school packets.
- Custom Tablet/Chrome Book Decals are available for purchase- such a fun gift for the kids or adults. Please have your orders in by September 20th. For examples, please check out the information on PT Board or have your child/children check out the board in the multipurpose room. For \$10, you get an image (soccer ball, paw print, tennis racket for example) and name and color choice. The 2 decals are separate, so they can be put on different spots of the tablet/chrome book.
- Mod Pizza Spirit Day (the first of the year) will be on Tuesday, September 10, 2019 all day. Be sure to mention Lincoln Elementary and show the digital flyer and we will get 20% of the proceeds!
- Monks Spirit Night: October 1, 2019

Some other ways that you can help the school include:

- Box Tops- now, box tops get scanned directly onto an app. Please see PT board for further instructions. *If you still have some boxes that have the box tops on them, please bring them into school attention to Kelly Berry. https://lincoln.ptboard.com/annlist?ann=AVd0TZ7pSVe-tBaUY8iE0gfkf_-kzDypiE=&group=
- Shoparoo: an app to earn from everyday purchases. https://lincoln.ptboard.com/annlist?ann=AVd0TZ7pSVe-tBaUY8iE0gfkf_-k3SuSio=&group=
- Linking your shopping card at Harris Teeter. This does need to be done yearly in August. The school code is: 1601

Volunteers Needed and Upcoming Events:

So, what is coming up?

- September 6th: Lincoln Elementary School is hosting a Potluck from 6-7 pm https://lincoln.ptboard.com/sgnvw?group=&signup=fIO6R3w_RUqNNVbPwKm9PHN_6T254z8n_pNk3Ofi
- September 10th: Mod Pizza Spirit Day
- September 12th: Tree of Life Service Dinner <https://lincoln.ptboard.com/sgnvw>
- September 13th: Joe Corbi orders due
- September 13th: Spirit Wear orders due
- September 20th: Custom Tablet/Chrome Book Decal orders due
- October 1st: Monks Spirit Night

The PTO also helps with different events throughout the year and we ALWAYS need volunteers! Some of the events that are coming up include the Fall Festival, Cookies/Photos with Santa, Spaghetti and Bingo night to name a few. We will send out requests for help as the time nears, but if you already know you want to help out, please reach out!

We hope each of you and your child/children have a great year!

MSACC Seeks Delegates

The Loudoun County School Board is seeking one parent delegate from each school for the Minority Student Achievement Advisory Committee (MSAAC). **The next MSAAC meeting is Wednesday, September 18 at 7:00 p.m. at the Loudoun County Public School administration building.** For information about how to become a delegate from your school, call the office of the Assistant Superintendent for Instruction at 571- 252-1300 or the Office of Instructional Services at 571- 252-1060.

The Lincoln Elementary School administration and staff are dedicated to continuous school improvement. A formal school improvement plan is being developed by staff. The plan is reviewed on an ongoing basis. A copy is available in the school office as well as on our school website. You may also call us at 540-751-2430 to have a copy sent home with your child. We welcome your input.

September Birthdays

2	Max C.		20	Patrick P.
4	Mrs. Dillon		21	Danny
7	Eliza		23	Mrs. Mendez
11	Carter		23	Ethan B.
15	Kendall		27	Mrs. Fortenbaugh
17	Colden			

Reminders from the School Health Office

Our school's health clinic specialist is Kathleen Oliver. She works in the health office each day from 7:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. A health clinic specialist (HCS) works under the direction and supervision of a registered nurse (resource nurse). School staff can contact the school resource nurse at any time for advice or emergencies. HCSs are trained in first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), use of an external automatic defibrillator (AED), and medication administration. The resource nurse visits the school regularly. Carol Rothacker, MSN, RN-BC is the resource nurse for Lincoln Elementary School.

Health office personnel (HCSs and nurses) are not allowed to make a medical diagnosis. If you have an urgent medical concern, please take your child to their personal physician or a medical facility.

- If your child has any significant medical needs, please notify the HCS/RN even if the school has been notified in previous school years. If your child has asthma, diabetes, seizures, life-threatening allergies, or other medical conditions, you and the physician will need to complete a form so the school can understand and address your child's needs. These forms are available on the Loudoun County Public School (LCPS) website. These forms must be updated each school year.
- **School-Sponsored After-School Activities and Sports**

If your child has diabetes, an epinephrine auto-injector, an inhaler, or other emergency medication at school, please notify the teacher/sponsor that your child has the health concern. Also notify the health clinic specialist/nurse 2 weeks prior to the event. The health office is closed after dismissal and the HCS/RN is not in the building. Arrangements need to be made to have medication available and to train staff.

- **If your child is ill because of a contagious disease such as the flu, strep throat, chickenpox, etc., it would be helpful to note the reason for the absence when you call the absentee call-line. This will help the school take measures to know the extent of the disease and reduce its spread.**
- Students who have fevers should be kept at home until free of fever for 24 hours. Students who do not feel well should stay home. When students come to school ill, they not only are unable to participate fully in class, but they may also infect other students with their illness.
- A parent or guardian must deliver any medication (prescription or non-prescription) to the school office or health office. **Students may not transport any medication to or from school.** Parents are responsible for picking up any unused medication. Medication remaining in the health office at the end of the year will be destroyed according to state law and LCPS guidelines.
- If your child takes a prescription medication and missing a dose would have serious health consequences (seizure medication, insulin, etc.), it is strongly suggested that a 24-hour supply of the medication be left in the school Health Office in case of a prolonged school day. The medication must be in an original pharmacy-labeled bottle and have a physician's order on file in the health office. The order must give the times during the 24-hour period that the medication is to be administered.
- The HCS/RN must have written instructions from the physician in order to administer **prescription medications**. The instructions should include:
 - student's name;
 - name and purpose of the medication;
 - dosage and time of administration;
 - possible side effects and measures to take if those occur;
 - end date for administering the medication;
 - parent/guardian signature giving permission to administer medication and to contact physician, and physician's signature.
 - LCPS will not accept parent/guardian amendments to a physician's order, including any restriction of the principal's designee (HCS/RN) from contacting the physician to clarify the medical order.
 - The "Authorization for Medication Administration" form should be used for physician's orders. Copies of this form as well as other medical forms are available in the school office or at the LCPS website under Student Health Services.
- All prescription medication must be in the original pharmacy bottle with the proper label containing the student's name, medication, dosage, and instructions for administration. Upon request, most pharmacies will

provide an extra labeled bottle with the proper amount of medication for school. **Please do not send more than a 60-day supply of medication.**

- Parents or guardians who prefer to have acetaminophen available at school for their child can complete the Authorization for Medication Administration form and bring the completed form along with a small bottle of acetaminophen to the health office. School Nurses and Health Clinic Specialists should contact parents or guardians prior to the administration of the child's own acetaminophen.
- If the HCS/RN needs to administer **non-prescription medication**:
 - it must be provided by the parent/guardian in an original package with the name of the medication and instructions;
 - she must have a note from the parent regarding when and how much medication to administer;
 - she will only give the amount listed on the package for your child's age and weight and for the recommended length of time the student should receive the medication unless she has doctor's orders on the "Authorization for Medication Administration" form to dispense differently; and
 - she cannot administer medication that is not in its original container.
- Be sure to keep the "Emergency Information" updated so we can reach you if your child is ill or injured. This can easily be done on-line through the ParentVUE on the LCPS website.
- All 3rd, 7th, and 10th grade students and students new to LCPS will be screened for vision and hearing during the first 60 days of school. Kindergarten students who did not have distance vision screening or hearing tests within two months of the beginning of school will also be screened.
- The Commonwealth of Virginia requires that school divisions provide information on scoliosis to parents of students in grades 5-10. The scoliosis flyer on the next two pages is provided by the school at the beginning of each school year.

Lincoln Elementary is routinely inspected in accordance with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA). As required by the Commonwealth of Virginia and the EPA, this notification is to inform you that asbestos-containing material (ACM) is present in several locations in our school. The ACM is inspected semi-annually by qualified LCPS personnel to insure that the material remains in good condition and is not creating an exposure hazard for building occupants.

The Asbestos Management Plan indicates locations where asbestos-containing materials may be present. The plan can be found in the administrative office at the school. In addition, a copy of the Asbestos Management Plan is located in the Loudoun County Public Schools Facilities Services Division office at 1002C Sycolin Road, Leesburg, Virginia.

Please feel free to request information about our Management Plan, the inspection findings and our plan of action. The Plan will be available for your review and inspection during normal office hours.

Note: If, due to a disability, you need assistance to enable you to participate meaningfully in the activities of Lincoln Elementary School, please contact Dave Michener at 540-751-2430 at least FIVE WORKING DAYS prior to the activity.