

LINCOLN MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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NO SCHOOL MONDAY—OCTOBER 14 2019

Principal's Message . . .











Thank you Samantha S., Ryan M., and Thomas H. for joining us as Scout representatives as we retired our Lincoln US Flag earlier this week. A special thanks to Mr. Fudala and the band for enhancing our ceremony with patriotic music. Also, a special acknowledgement to the men of the American Legion and VFW for being an important part of this respectful Lincoln event.

Casual Conversation with the Principal Thursday, October 17, 2019
6—6:45pm in the LRC

November 5, 7, 13 A BRIEF OVERVIEW

Lincoln parents will receive notification of conferences in one of the following ways:

- Personal phone call to arrange a conference
- Email sent home suggesting a conference
- Email sent home explaining a conference is not considered necessary at this time due to our satisfaction with the child's progress or recent communications with parents

On Monday, October 21, 2019, at 8:00am, the conference sign-up link will appear on the front page of the Lincoln website.

After a team is chosen on the screen, the next screen will display options for available appointments on the conference days. Conferences start at 3:30pm and end at 7:30pm. Once you click on a time, you will fill out a form, and then be sent an email confirmation.

During the time you select, you will have the opportunity to meet with your child's core teachers (Language Arts, Social Studies, Science, and Math). Teachers are seated within the same room (room assignments will be determined closer to conferences and posted at school on the day of conferences) and parents will have the opportunity to meet with teachers individually for several minutes. The other teachers your child sees (music program, broad experience, physical education, foreign language) will all be present on conference days as well and are available on a drop-in basis.

Tuesday, October 15, 2019 7PM COME TO THE PTO MEETING!!

Meet the 2019/20 Board Members and find out what's happening for this year! Lincoln Office Conference Room



Lincoln's annual Vision and Hearing Screening will take place on Thursday, November 7. Please remind your child to bring their glasses to school on that day.

Please note that **not all** students are screened, this is determined by state mandates. Also, vision screening is not a substitute for a complete eye exam by an eye doctor.

Attention 8th Grade Parents of students who wear glasses or contacts: Please email Mrs. Smith, RN, (ssmith@d57.org) with the date of your child's last eye examination.

Please call the health office with any questions or concerns.



Important dates:

- D214 high school online enrollment opened October 2. Parents/guardians should enroll now so D214 can start the placement process and parents/guardians will receive information about parent nights and spring registration. Another part of online enrollment is to choose the PSAT 8/9 test date. Parents should go to their high school's website, click Trending and click 8th Grade Testing and Enrollment to find the online enrollment link. The enrollment site works best on computers and laptops. Parents may have trouble if using a mobile device or Chromebook.
- October 26, 8am-12pm: PSAT 8/9 testing at all 6 high schools
- November 2: 8am-12pm: Makeup PSAT 8/9 testing at all 6 high schools

The parent mailing can be downloaded here, https://www.d214.org/departments/gr8testing-enrollment/.

D214 often gets questions about how students can prepare for the PSAT 8/9. College Board provides some sample questions and information about the PSAT 8/9 on their website: https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-8-9.

LINCOLN MIDDLE SCHOOL CLASS OF 2020 GRADUATION DATE

MONDAY, JUNE 1, 2020 PHS FIELD HOUSE 7 PM

PTO MEETINGS

October 15 February 18
November 19 March 17
December 17 April 21
January 21 May 19

All are welcome
7PM / Lincoln Office Conference Room

Charging:

- Q. Are Chromebooks to be fully charged at the beginning of the school day?
- A. Yes.
- Q. Is the charge cord to be left at home?
- A. Yes.
- Q. Is there the ability to charge at school?
- A. Technically, but there are only 20 charging slots and over 750 students with Chromebooks. It is expected that the Chromebook will be charged at home. Charging chromebooks at school should be a last resort. The charging station, located in the LRC, is not in place of responsibly charging the Chromebook at home each night. Using the charging station disrupts the students ability to participate in class while the Chromebook is charging.

Lincoln Chromebook Q and A

Loaners:

- Q. Are loaner Chromebooks available when a student's Chromebook is out for repair?
- A. Yes. BUT the loaners are first used for those students with a Chromebook hardware issue and not a misuse issue. There are a limited number of loaners available.
- **Q**. Are the loaner Chromebooks available for students who forget theirs at home or have an uncharged Chromebook?
- A. No. Loaners are only used for Chromebooks that are in need of repair. There are a limited number of loaners available.

Chromebook and Case Handling:

- Q. Should anything besides the Chromebook be put inside the secure case?

 No!! Even small headphones should not be left or placed in the Chromebook case.

 This has caused cracked screens.
- Q. Should the Chromebook be put inside a backpack or other bag?
- A. No. This can easily cause a cracked screen.
- Q. Should the Chromebook be taken out of the secure case?
- A. No. This can also cause a cracked screen or other damage to the Chromebook. The Chromebook should always stay in the case.
- Q. Can I decorate the Chromebook with stickers or anything else?
- A. No. Do not put any stickers on the Chromebook and do not remove any of the stickers or labels already on the Chromebook. Do not write or mark on the Chromebook.

Basketball Tryouts!

7th Grade Girls Basketball Tryouts

October 22 - 3:00 - 4:30PM October 23 - 4:30 - 6:00PM October 24 - If Needed Location: West Gym

8th Grade Girls Basketball Tryouts



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October 24 (Final Cut)
All dates are from 3:00 - 4:30PM
Location: Busse Gym



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Students must sign-up in the commons and have the Interscholastic Packet and a current physical on file in order to tryout.





DISTRICT 57 EDUCATION FOUNDATION

The District 57 Education Foundation is a non-profit organization comprised of Mount Prospect community members whose mission is to raise money to fund grants in the areas of curriculum, wellness, STEM and technology. Grant requests may be written and submitted by district teachers, staff, and parents. The grants enrich the educational experiences of all students, helping them to achieve at their highest potential. Funded grants allow teachers to have access to the resources they need to support teaching and learning at Westbrook, Lions Park, Fairview, and Lincoln schools.

Over the years, the Foundation has funded \$1.5 million in grants used for items such as, computers, iPads, ELMO projectors, Smartboards, musical instruments, art supplies, fitness equipment, flexible classroom seating and supplemental reading material - all to enrich our children's educational experiences. We are currently in the Fall Grant Request Cycle. A description of the grant request submission process and form is located within the Grants section of our website at https://www.57edfoundation.org.

<u>Grant requests for this cycle are due by Nov 1 to the Ed Foundation at d57edfoundationgrants@gmail.com</u>

Parent community members who are interested in submitting a grant request should contact the school principal to which the grant will benefit. The Ed Foundation will review all requests at our Nov meeting. Please contact the Ed Foundation at d57educationfoundation@gmail.com with any questions. Thank you for your continuous support of the D57 Education Foundation.







FAIRVIEW SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

The District 57 community is invited to informally tour the Fairview School addition during an open house prior to the Oct. 17th School Board meeting. Come explore the new space and see how it has enabled the District to better serve the students of today and tomorrow. District administrators and School Board members thank the community for supporting our schools and making this exciting project possible, and they look forward to welcoming all residents who would like to see the finished product!

Thursday, Oct. 17, 2019
6:15 – 7 p.m.
Fairview School, 300 N. Fairview Ave.

The School Board meeting will begin at 7 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room.

Community members are welcome to attend.



Mark your calendars!

Join the District 57 technology coaches for an informational session designed especially for parents/guardians.

Thursday, October 24

6:30-7:30pm

Fairview Multipurpose Room



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Plugged-in Parents: Grades K-8

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ADMINISTRATION BUILDING



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The District 57 Administration Office is pleased to present this information about upcoming events and news from local organizations that serve our community's children.

Register for Fall Dance Classes at the Mt. Prospect Park District

Ballet, Jazz, Tap, Contemporary, Hip Hop and Modern classes for ages 2 through adult. For more information, visit www.mppd.org or call 847-640-1000

Cub Scout Pack 151 Is Looking for Boys & Girls from Westbrook or Fairview Schools!

We start in K but kids can join Cub Scouts up until 5th grade. Please contact: pack151mtprospect@gmail.com or visit our website at http://pack151mtprospect.org/

<u>KIDS WORKSHOPS + CELEBRATE YOUR BIRTHDAY AT GATHERED!</u>

D&D to Sewing, we got your kiddos covered! Visit us online for current workshops and/or to start planning your birthday! Go to https://www.gatheredboutiqueandworkshop.com

Prospect HS Youth Dance Clinic

Prospect HS Youth Dance Clinic is on Friday, October 11th. Please email Katina.Frericks@d214.org for the registration form

Studio Art Classes for Ages 7-14

We're a brick and mortar art studio offering fun, high quality, affordable classes. Just minutes from Fairview. More info, go to www.helloartstudio.com

No School? No Problem! YMCA After School and School Days Out

Our afternoons are filled with climbing, swim, the gym, homework & more. Snack and Bus included. K-5th grade. More info, https://www.ymcachicago.org/lattof/programs/school-age

Illinois Fencer's Club - New Classes Starting Soon!

The Illinois Fencers Club teaches fencing (foil, epee, sabre) to all ages. Contact Ina for more info: ina@ifcfencing.org or go to http://ifcfencing.org/

Lattof YMCA Teen Take Over

November 1st, your teens are taking over the Lattof Y. Sports, Swimming, Crafts, and MakerLab activities will be available. More info, go to https://tinyurl.com/y5nwarjh

Learn About Girl Scouts by Coming to our Cybersecurity 101 Event on Oct. 15

Open to families of girls in K-Grade 5. Takes place at 6:30pm at Westbrook School. Participate in activities and discover how you can be a part of Girl Scouts in your community. Contact nlaspina@girlscoutsgcnwi,org

October 10, 2019