



# LINCOLN MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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## GOOD LUCK AT STATE ! Lincoln Cross Country !

### Principal's Message . . .



### CROSS COUNTRY! GOOD LUCK AT STATE !!!

Dear Lincoln Families,

Please join me in wishing our girls the best of luck as they compete at State! We are so fortunate to be able to offer our students extra curricular activities! Right now Cross Country is winding down and Basketball is gearing up! Ultimate Frisbee, Boys Intramural Volleyball, Floor Hockey, Indoor Soccer, Creative Writing, Computer Science Club, Amazing Amigo/Peer Partners and Student Council are up and running! Please encourage your children to try a new activity while they are at Lincoln.

The conference sign-up will be posted on the website on Monday, October 15. We look forward to seeing parents during conferences and appreciate your continued confidence and support.

Paul Suminski

PARENTS and GUARDIANS  
are invited to  
"Connect with Mr. Suminski"

Stop in the Lincoln LRC between  
6 and 7pm on Thursday, October 18, 2018.

Enjoy some casual conversation  
with the principal.

Door #8 and Door #21 will be open. See you then!

### LINCOLN CONFERENCES OCTOBER 29, 2018 NOVEMBER 5, 2018 NOVEMBER 8, 2018 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

**(Emails were sent on October 11, 2018.)**

***On Monday, October 15, 2018, 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 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.**



**EDUCATION FOUNDATION**  
*Share the Dream*

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, 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 computers, iPads, ELMO projectors, Smartboards, musical instruments, art supplies, fitness equipment, 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://57edfoundation.org>. **Grant requests for this cycle are due by Oct 19 to the Ed Foundation at [grants@57edfoundation.org](mailto:grants@57edfoundation.org).**

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 November meeting. Please contact the Ed Foundation at [d57edfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:d57edfoundation@gmail.com) with any questions. Thank you for your continuous support of the D57 Education Foundation.

The following students will represent  
Lincoln this weekend in  
Bloomington/Normal at the  
IESA State Cross Country meet!  
***Good Luck !!***



Abby D  
Alyssa D  
Fiona C  
Julia V

Kaitlin S  
Kate P  
Lily G

Marina M  
Rebecca P  
Sophia A  
Reese C  
Bella T



## Let's Talk Tech!

Next week is Digital Citizenship Week (Oct. 15-19). Here are some resources to help you reinforce the importance of digital citizenship with your child at home.

### District 57 Resources

[Digital Citizenship webpage](#)

### Common Sense Media Resources

[Family Media Agreement](#)

Advice for Parents: [Cellphone Parenting](#)

Advice for Parents: [Screen Time](#)

Advice for Parents: [Privacy and Online Safety](#)

Advice for Parents: [Social Media](#)

Advice for Parents: [Cyberbullying](#)

Advice for Parents: [Technology Addiction](#)

### Family Online Safety Institute

[Good Digital Parenting](#)

### Google

[Be Internet Awesome Pledge](#)

[Family Link: A Guide for Setting Digital](#)

[Ground Rules for your Family](#)

### Connect Safely

[Parent Guides](#)

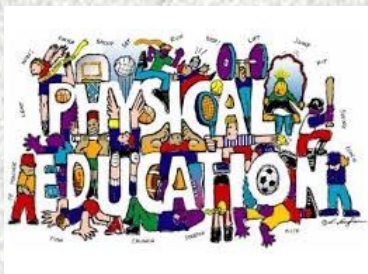
[Safety Tips & Advice](#)

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM MR. STEEN

### Parent/Doctor Note for PE

A dated parent note requesting a student not participate in PE is good for only one day. A parent may write a daily note for up to 3 consecutive days, but a new parent note must be written and dated for each additional day. After 3 consecutive days, a doctor's note is required for a student to be out of PE. In addition, if several daily notes are being written throughout the year, administration reserves the right to meet with a parent to determine if further notes will be honored.

If a student has a parent's or doctor's note to be out of PE, then the student can not be physically active at recess. If a student with a PE note is seen being physically active during recess, the student will be asked to stop the activity.



## REMINDER

PARENTS MAY **NOT** USE  
THE WEST PARKING LOT  
FOR STUDENT DROP OFF  
OR PICK UP.

THE WEST LOT IS FOR  
STAFF PARKING AND BUS  
TRAFFIC ONLY.

## Attention Parents! Photos Needed!



As the Yearbook Advisor, Mr. Ruggiero is always looking for pictures. So if you'd like to submit a photo/s of Lincoln events or activities please do so by emailing them to Mr. Ruggiero at [Bruggiero@d57.org](mailto:Bruggiero@d57.org). If you have any questions feel free to contact Mr. Ruggiero.



Lincoln's annual **Vision and Hearing Screening** will take place on Thursday, November 1. 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](mailto:ssmith@d57.org)) with the date of your child's last eye examination. Please call the health office with any questions or concerns.

Dynamite Night  
moving to  
January, 25.



Additional details  
will be sent out  
December and  
January.

**STUDENT  
PICTURE DAY  
RETAKE  
NOVEMBER 7, 2018**

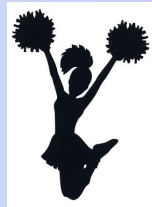
- *Proof sheets were distributed today.*
- *Follow order instructions on the envelope.*
- *Plan a retake if you were absent or are dissatisfied with your original proofs.*



# LINCOLN MIDDLE SCHOOL 2018-2019 Poms Squad Congratulations!

Abby B  
Brooke B  
Sofia G  
Mia H  
Brooke I  
Maggie L  
Caroline L  
Marina M  
Sarah M  
Maggie M  
Brooke M  
Alyssa M  
Karolina N  
Maddie P  
Anna P  
Victoria P  
Natalie P  
Brooke P  
Joey R  
Brooke R  
Hannah S  
Emily S  
Clover W

HAVE  
A  
GREAT  
SEASON!



## ASK THOSE OFFICE LADIES . . .



### Question:

**Can my child "hang-out" after school?**

**Answer:** Not really. Students may only stay after school, on school property, to participate in clubs, athletics, extra-curricular activities, or as assigned by a staff member. No student may remain after school unless he or she is supervised by a staff member. After-school help sessions must be arranged in advance with teachers.

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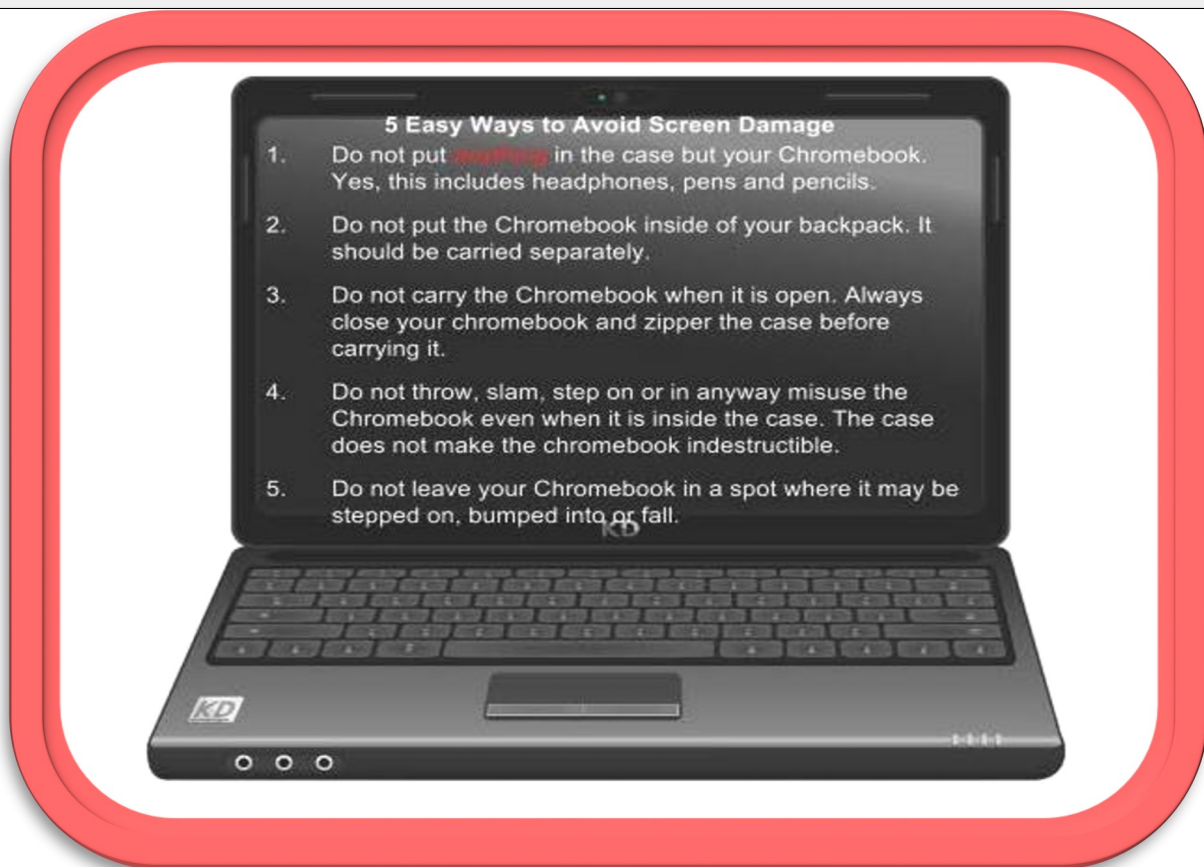
**What if my child wants to attend sporting events at school as a spectator?**

**Answer:** Students are welcome to attend Lincoln home athletic events. Unsupervised students must leave school property after school and return later to attend a sporting event as a spectator. Generally, athletic competitions (i.e., basketball games) are scheduled to start at about 4 p.m. Students attending sporting events must remain in the gymnasium during the event.



## A REMINDER ABOUT SHARING FOOD AT SCHOOL

Illinois School Code requires that schools address life-threatening food allergies with specific guidelines for management and student safety. Therefore, we can not allow students to bring food to share with other students. The District feels this is helpful in addressing food allergies. Thank you for your cooperation.



## Let's Talk Tech!

We want all Lincoln students to be safe, legal, and responsible users of technology.

Please take a moment to review our [Acceptable Use Policy](#) and the [Lincoln Chromebook Code](#) with your student.

Want to take the conversation even further? Discuss the [impact of a digital footprint](#) and the importance of practicing digital citizenship.

You'll find additional talking points on our [1:1 website](#).

## LINCOLN'S CHROMEBOOK CODE

### BE SAFE.

- Keep your passwords to yourself.
- Think before you post - leave off personal/identifying information.
- Immediately report any suspicious activity.

### BE RESPECTFUL.

- Think before you post - be KIND online.
- Follow teacher directions for Chromebook use.
- Leave other students' Chromebooks alone.

### BE RESPONSIBLE.

- Treat your Chromebook with care & charge every night.
- Immediately report Chromebook issues.
- CITE sources & use copyright-free media.