

#### LINCOLN MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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Lincoln Middle School

#### NO SCHOOL MONDAY—OCTOBER 8 2018!

#### Principal's Message . . .

Dear Lincoln Families.

Lincoln's Parent/Teacher Conferences are scheduled for October 29 and November 5 and 8. In the next few weeks, I will email parents regarding conferences. Lincoln provides a wide variety of opportunities for communication and information regarding their child's progress at school. For example, Back-to-School Night, team meetings, parent emails, teacher websites, Parent Portal, and our school newsletter are venues that help keep parents in touch with what is happening at school. Teams will review your child's individual progress and determine whether they feel a conference is necessary at this time. Please watch for my email in the weeks ahead regarding conference recommendations for your children.

Lincoln's home/school communication is vital throughout the entire school year and we are committed to open communication with parents and guardians. Although some Lincoln families may be comfortable not scheduling a conference, we hope all families feel welcome to do so.

Have a nice three (and a half!) day weekend. See you Tuesday,

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

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 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.



The Jaguar team recognized the following students as Jaguar of the month for showing Leadership:



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It's not too late to become a member of the Lincoln PTO. There is a membership form included in this newsletter. Remember ... to get this year's directory, you need to become a member of the PTO so please get your membership form and fee returned. If you have any questions, please contact us at <a href="mailto:Info.LincolnPTO@gmail.com">Info.LincolnPTO@gmail.com</a>.

#### 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.





Dynamite Night moving to January, 25.

Additional details will be sent out December and January.



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 nstruments, 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.

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 7 meeting. Please contact the Ed Foundation at

d57edfoundation@gmail.com with any questions. Thank you for your continuous support of the D57 Education Foundation.

According to the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH), most people who get the flu recover completely in 1 to 2 weeks, but some people develop serious and potentially lifethreatening medical complications. During most flu seasons, which typically run from October through May, between 10 percent and 20 percent of the

population is infected with influenza viruses. More than 200,000 people are hospitalized from flu complications each year in the U.S.



Talk to your doctor about getting a flu shot. <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/flu/index.htm">https://www.cdc.gov/flu/index.htm</a>

### from the Nurse



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, (<u>ssmith@d57.org</u>) with the date of your child's last eye examination.

Please call the health office with any questions or concerns.

# 2018-2019 LINCOLN LIONS BASKETBALL TRYOUTS



#### 7th Grade Boys Basketball Tryouts:

When: October 15, 16, 17 All dates are from 3 - 4:30pm

Location: Busse Gym



When: October 15, 16, 17 All dates are from 4:30 – 6pm

Location: Busse Gym



#### 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls Basketball Tryouts:

When: October 15, 16, 17 October 15 – 4:30 – 6pm October 16 – 3 – 4:30pm October 17 – 4:30 – 6pm Location: West Gym



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Players must sign-up in the commons and have the Interscholastic packet filled out and a current physical on file with the nurse in order to tryout. Physical forms are available in the office.



#### **Questions? Contact the coach!**

Devin Johnston - 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls: djohnston@d57.org
Rebecca Pollard - 7<sup>th</sup> grade girls: rpollard@d57.org
Seth Parker - 7<sup>th</sup> grade boys: sparker@d57.org
Steve Shaffer - 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys: sshaffer@d57.org



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#### **A Message from Your Superintendent**

The School Board has passed a balanced 2018-19 budget with a surplus of approximately \$2.5 million this year, which will be used to maintain staffing and programs, as outlined during the referendum campaign. We've also set aside \$4 million for 2019 to address deferred maintenance and overcrowding in the schools. The District dealt with inadequate funding for years and was repeatedly forced to limit repairs and safety/security upgrades, so there are now many issues that must be addressed. We are in the process of determining which ones are highest priority. We're developing a prioritized list of recommended projects for next summer, using the longstanding Master Facility Plan as a guide. We will present our recommendations to the School Board at its meeting on Thursday, Oct. 18 (7 p.m., Fairview). In the meantime, we hope to get some input from the public at the Community Forum next Thursday, Oct. 11. Please join us at 7 p.m. at Westbrook for this conversation about the District's finances and the allocation of referendum tax dollars.

At the Community Forum, we will also talk about enrollment projections and how they figure into our long-term planning. I presented our enrollment study at the Board meeting last week. Here are a few highlights:

- There has been a steady five-year enrollment increase that should stabilize next year. But we expect to see an overall increase of approximately 93 students by 2023.
- Fairview reached capacity last year and this year with 23 sections and is expected to do the same next year, with class ranges of 21-24 students. We do not think it's wise to count on a leveling of enrollment, as we often see unexpected and last-minute increases. That's why we'll likely ask the Board to approve construction that would increase classroom space.
- Lions Park enrollment for next year is expected to require 21 sections with ranges of 23-25 students. The school has capacity for 23 sections.
- Lincoln will continue to be very full but should have adequate space for the next three years. Beyond that, projections indicate serious space issues, with enrollments exceeding 800. To accommodate the growth, doubling up of classrooms may be required.

There is a lot of new housing development planned for Mount Prospect in the coming years, which could mean even more District 57 students. We have been in close communication with the Village and also have been talking to other towns that have experienced similar growth. These conversations will help us prepare and plan as our community continues to change, and we will share more information as it's available.

There are potential challenges in our future. But we are fortunate to now have the resources that enable a balanced budget and give us the ability to better prepare our buildings. Thank you for supporting these efforts. I hope to see you at the Community Forum and hear any thoughts you have about our next steps.

Dr. Elaine Aumiller



## SCHOOL BOARD TO HOST COMMUNITY FORUM ABOUT DISTRICT FINANCES, FACILITIES AND REFERENDUM FUNDS

THURSDAY, OCT. 11, 2018
7-8 P.M.
WESTBROOK SCHOOL, 103 BUSSE RD.

Members of the community are invited to take part in this conversation about District 57's budget and finances, potential plans for facility projects and the allocation of additional tax dollars from the successful referendum. Board members and administrators will provide information, and participants will have an opportunity to ask questions, discuss the topics and share their thoughts and ideas.

D57 PARENTS AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.

COME LEARN AND SHARE YOUR FEEDBACK!

#### Lincoln Middle School PTO of Mount Prospect Membership Form 2018-2019

Become a member of the Lincoln Middle School PTO of Mount Prospect! Research has shown that the most important indication on how well a child will do in school is the level of parental involvement in that child's education. This does not mean that you have to perpetually volunteer for PTO programs (although that certainly would be nice) or be at school all day. Just being a member of the Lincoln Middle School PTO offers support for the organization. ANNUAL DUES ARE \$6 PER MEMBER AND INCLUDE A SCHOOL DIRECTORY. If you do not want your student's information in the directory, please submit a written request to Lynn Atkinson at <a href="mailto:latkinson@d57.org">latkinson@d57.org</a> by September 25, 2018.

You can also support Lincoln PTO Programs with our <u>only</u> fundraising event. We simply ask each family to make one donation for the year to our 'No Stress' fundraiser. *No selling anything!* Without your support we would not be able to provide engaging all school cultural assemblies, Dynamite night, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Activities and other activities.

You can write one check, payable to Lincoln Middle School PTO of Mount Prospect, for both PTO membership dues

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#### **Lincoln Middle School PTO of Mount Prospect Committees**

<u>Cultural Arts</u> plans assemblies and programs for the students which complement the school curriculum.

**Dynamite Night** is an annual fall event of games, prizes, food, music and dancing. Sixth graders attend in the late afternoon and seventh/eighth graders in the evening. This committee hires the game vendor and DJ, purchases food and schedules volunteers. This is the biggest social event sponsored by the Lincoln PTO.

<u>Eighth Grade Activities</u> are end of year events for the eighth graders that include a dance, picnic, baby picture contest, and production of a video. It's a great way to send off our eighth graders and provide wonderful memories to take with them to high school.

<u>Grade level activities</u> are held for sixth (typically considered to be Dynamite Night) and seventh grade students. This committee plans the events, orders food (if needed), secures raffle prizes and schedules volunteers.

<u>Staff Appreciation</u> plans activities to recognize Lincoln's staff. This includes providing meals during conferences and during staff appreciation week in May. The committee determines theme, events and coordinates activities and volunteers.

<u>Winter Activities</u> plans for a ski/sledding trip at a local facility during the winter months. The committee collects registration forms, money, secures transportation and orders snacks. (And snow!)



Mount Prospect School District 57
Fairview Kids' Corner Program for
Before/After School Child Care

KC Assistant needed each school day

Hours: 7:00-8:45am and 3:00-5:45pm \$11.00 per hour

This position is available immediately. Applicants may choose to work the morning shift, the afternoon shift or both. Will consider adjusting shift times to accommodate high school/college student schedules. Must be 16 years old or older.

For more information go to our website <u>www.d57.org</u> or call Human Resources at 847-394-7300 x1010.



#### 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.

#### Girls in Aviation Day - Saturday, October 13, 8:30am - 3pm

Sky's the Limit: Interactive Aviation Camp for Middle and High School Girls – FREE but space limited! More info, go to <a href="https://waiskysthelimit.eventbrite.com">https://waiskysthelimit.eventbrite.com</a>

#### Attention all Parents-Cub Scout Pack 154 Now Enrolling New Scouts-Boys & Girls

Grades K-5. Fun activities planned: pinewood derby, Haunted & Klondike Hikes, Campouts, museum overnighters, and more! Learn about nature and STEM! Email <a href="mailto:mppack154@gmail.com">mppack154@gmail.com</a> to learn more.

#### Prospect High School Annual Kid's Dance Clinic

Join the Prospect High School Dance Team on Friday, October 12 for a poms clinic and performance at the football game. Email <a href="mailto:katina.tole@d214.org">katina.tole@d214.org</a> for the flyer and registration form.

#### Run/Walk or Volunteer for the 4th Annual Lemons of Love 5K on Sunday, Oct 7

Help raise funds to build Lemons of Love bags for chemo patients! Please go to <a href="https://www.lemonsoflove.org/pink-lemonade-5k.html">www.lemonsoflove.org/pink-lemonade-5k.html</a> for more information and to register.

#### Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu / Self Defense Classes for Kids

The Brazil-021 Kids Anti-Bullying Program is based on techniques of Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu and Self Defense.

More info, go to <a href="https://www.brazil021arlingtonheights.com">www.brazil021arlingtonheights.com</a>

#### Halloween at the Y

Halloween at the Y on 10/19 for the whole family from 6-8:30pm. \$5 per family by 10/18. \$10 per family on 10/19. More info, go to <a href="https://www.ymcachicago.org/lattof/">https://www.ymcachicago.org/lattof/</a>

#### Volley For The Cure at Prospect High School Thursday, October 11

Girls Volleyball vs Elk Grove at 6PM for Volley For The Cure. Proceeds for NCH Gift A Mammogram

#### Prospect Jr. Knights Girls Feeder Basketball Tryouts

Tryouts for 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades are on Sunday, October 7 and 14, 3:30 to 5:30pm at Prospect HS.

Go to <a href="https://www.juniorknights.com">www.juniorknights.com</a>

#### Holiday for Education Fundraiser at Bob's Gift Baskets & Education Foundation

Take care of holiday gifts with 25% of your purchase donated to District 57 Education Foundation. Go to www.bobsbaskets.com to order. At checkout type D57 in special instruction box. More info, 847-581-0302.

#### **Turn OCTOBER into "ART" TOBER**

Sign up for art classes at The Studio, 326 W. Central Road, Mt. Prospect. Ages 3 thru Adult. Holiday offerings also available. Visit <a href="https://www.mppd.org">www.mppd.org</a> for class listings and more information.

#### PACK 151 IS LOOKING FOR NEW SCOUTS!

If you have a child attending Westbrook or Fairview, then we are looking for you! We've a lot of fun planned.,

October 5, 2018