



# LINCOLN MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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Monday, September 30: Day of non-attendance NO SCHOOL

## Principal's Message . . .

Hello Lincoln Families!

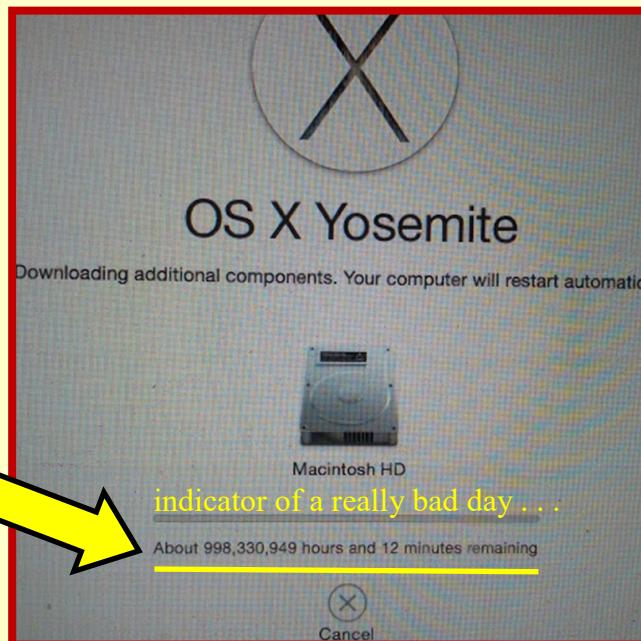
**Please check the backpack:**

**Today was picture day. Students were told to bring home the information card the photographers provided because parents will need the card to order pictures.**

October 1 is around the corner, and I want to make sure to let you know that Lincoln students and staff are enjoying a great start to the school year! The students are in the swing of things and our hallways are teeming with energy everyday! We have a terrific student body! The commitment, cooperation, and support of our parents is key to continuing on with a great school year. Communication between home and school is vital to be sure that accurate information is being shared and understood. Please don't hesitate to email or call the office or your child's teachers if you have any questions throughout the school year.

No school on Monday! Have a nice three-day weekend,

Paul Suminski



**PICTURE DAY  
WAS TODAY!  
RETAKES 11/6/19**

MAKE A NOTE ON  
YOUR CALENDAR!



**Friday, October 11**  
Half Day 11:15am Dismissal  
**Monday, October 14**  
Columbus Day Holiday  
NO SCHOOL

## US FLAG CEREMONY

**October 8, 2019**  
**7:00 am**

Representatives from the American Legion will lead us in retiring the US Flag that flies front of the school. The Lincoln Band will perform at this brief ceremony.



**All are welcome to attend.**

# FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE

Attendance is critical to your child's success in school. While some absences are not avoidable (students should stay home from school for 24 hours after an episode of fever over 100 degrees, vomiting or diarrhea), a student is considered chronically absent if they miss only **two days of school per month**, whether the absences are excused or unexcused. Research shows that even one year of chronic absences can cause a child to fall behind academically and decrease a child's chances of graduating from high school, which can have long-term consequences on their financial independence, physical well-being and mental health.

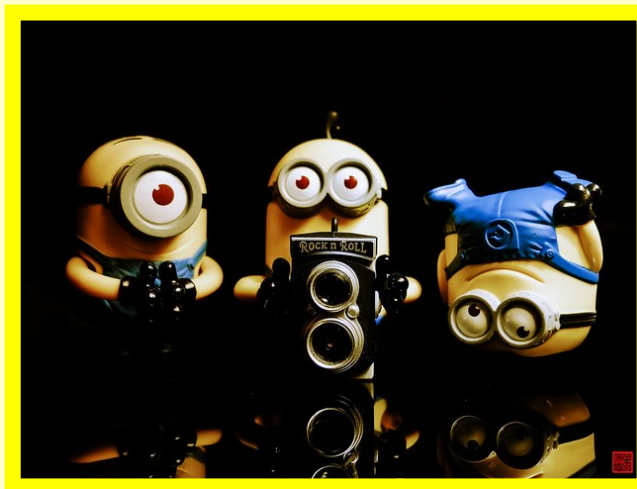
If your child is missing school on a frequent basis, talk to your child's teachers or the school nurse about how to support more consistent attendance.



PSAT 8/9 testing will take place from 8:00 am - 12:00 pm at all six high schools in District 214 on Saturday, October 26 and the make-up test date will be Saturday, November 2, 2019. Students should test at the high school they will attend in the fall of 2020-21, based on attendance boundaries. A map with the District 214 high school boundaries can be found on our website at <http://www.d214.org/about-district-214/map/>. District 214 will mail/email more information to 8th grade parents/guardians the first week in October.

## 2020 Graduate Parent Info

**ATTENTION PARENTS! PHOTOS WELCOME!**



As the Yearbook Advisor, Mr. Ruggiero is always looking for pictures. If you would like to submit a photo taken at a Lincoln event or activity, please do so by emailing it to Mr. Ruggiero at: [bruggiero@d57.org](mailto:bruggiero@d57.org). If you have any questions feel free to contact Mr. Ruggiero.

## ASK THE OFFICE LADIES . . .



### Question:

**Where is my child's lunch bag, it never makes it home?**

**Answer:** If your child is missing his or her lunch bag, be sure to remind him or her to check the cafeteria or the Lincoln Lost and Found. Lunch bags, unfortunately, can not remain in the Lost and Found cubbies for too long. Because of food debris left in lunch bags, we have to dispose of unclaimed lunch bags in about a week's time. Look for your lunch bag right away. Parents are welcome to check the Lost and Found as well. **PUT YOUR NAME ON YOUR LUNCH BAG** and it stands a much better chance of being returned to you.

### Question:

**Speaking of Lost and Found, what do you do with all that stuff?**

**Answer:** Our Lost and Found will be overflowing by the end of each quarter. In the week or so following the close of a quarter, items in the Lost and Found are donated to charity. Every effort is made to return those items labelled with a student name. Announcements are made to remind students that items in the Lost and Found will be donated to charity. Reminders are also included in the parent newsletter.

### Question:

**How come the office will not deliver an item to my child when I drop it off?**

### Answer:

The school office gets dozens of items dropped off every day and the front office staff is expected to keep classroom interruptions to a minimum. Often, students have contacted home, usually via text, and are aware that the item is being dropped off.

Students are instructed to check the office table in between passing periods for any items they might expect from home. More often than not, parents and students have communicated and the items are picked up quickly.

Eyeglasses, contacts, etc., will be delivered as soon as possible.

### Dropping off a lunch?

Label it with your child's name and grade then drop it in the grade-level lunch bin in the office. Lunches will be brought down at the appropriate lunch period.

**Please note: Fast food (i.e., Jimmy Johns) should not be ordered for delivery as a student lunch. We can not manage fast food deliveries in the school office. Parents may drop off fast food items, label the lunch, and place the items in the lunch bin. Fountain drinks will not be delivered to the cafeteria.**

**Parents may not bring items such as pizzas or birthday cakes for students to share during their lunch period.**

# 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

**October 22 - 4:30 - 6:00PM**

**October 23 - 3:00 - 4:30PM**

**October 24 - If Needed**

**Location: West Gym**



## 7th Grade Boys Basketball Tryouts

**October 22**

**October 23 (1st Cut)**

**October 24 (Final Cut)**

**All dates are from 3:00 - 4:30PM**

**Location: Busse Gym**



## 8th Grade Boys Basketball Tryouts

**October 22**

**October 23 (1st Cut)**

**October 24 (Final Cut)**

**All dates are from 4:30 - 6:00PM**

**Location: Busse Gym**



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



# Parent Academy

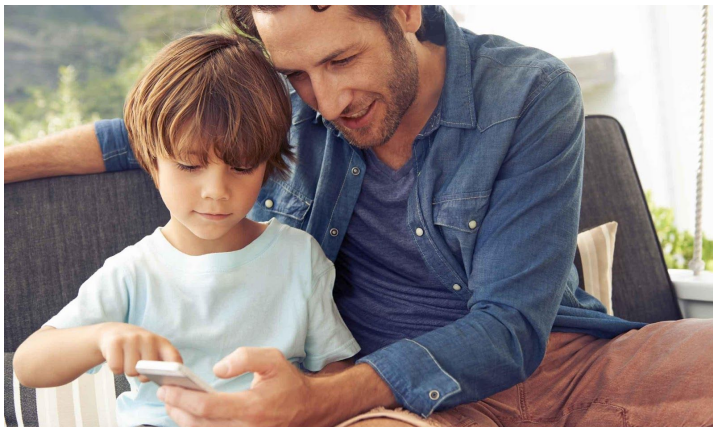
**Mark your calendars!**

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**



**Plugged-in Parents:  
Grades K-8**  
Keeping kids safe, happy, and  
healthy in the digital age.

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# Lincoln Middle School PTO of Mount Prospect Membership Form 2019-2020

Check out the benefits of being a member of the Lincoln Middle School PTO!

Research has shown that the most important indication on how well a child does 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 is always welcome) or be at school all day. First, is the paid **\$10 membership in the PTO** which allows for all current PTO sponsored activities to stay in place. Your membership alone in the Lincoln School PTO shows your support...thank you. Second, pick one activity where you can lend a hand in any capacity.

You can also support Lincoln PTO programs and activities with our **only** fundraising event. We simply ask that you make one donation for the year to our "No Stress" fundraiser. Without your support we would not be able to provide engaging all school cultural assemblies, Dynamite night, winter ski trip, 8<sup>th</sup> grade activities and more!

You can write one check, payable to Lincoln Middle School PTO of Mount Prospect, for both PTO membership dues and the No Stress Fundraiser. Please complete the information below (please print clearly).

Student Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
(PLEASE PRINT)

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ \$10

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ \$10

Yes! I would also like to support Lincoln's PTO "No Stress" fundraiser. \$25 \$30 \$40 \$50 other amount  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Enclosed** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## Lincoln Middle School PTO of Mount Prospect Volunteer Sign-up

As noted above, Lincoln's PTO and the programs it supports require the help of great parents like you! Your volunteered time ensures that the quality/fun events we offer will continue to benefit all our students.

Please check your area(s) of interest and volunteer today! Both Moms & Dads are welcome!

Volunteer Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
(PLEASE PRINT)

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to help (check as many as you wish) – see descriptions on the back

\_\_\_\_\_ **Cultural Arts Assemblies**  
\_\_\_\_\_ **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Activities**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Dynamite Night**  
\_\_\_\_\_ **7<sup>th</sup> Grade Activity**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Winter Activities**  
\_\_\_\_\_ **Staff Appreciation**

**Student Name -** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grade** 6 7 8

# Lincoln Middle School PTO of Mount Prospect Committees

## **Cultural Arts**

Plans assemblies and programs for students which complement the school curriculum

## **Dynamite Night**

This is an annual 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 school event sponsored by the Lincoln PTO.

## **Eighth Grade Activities**

These are end of the year events for the eighth graders including 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.

## **Seventh Grade Activity**

This activity is an off campus event. In recent years the seventh graders have enjoyed an evening of YMCA fun, roller skating, and the trampoline park. This committee plans the event, orders food (if necessary) and schedules volunteers.

## **Staff Appreciation**

This committee plans activities to recognize Lincoln's Staff. This includes providing meals during fall conferences and during staff appreciation week in May. The committee determines theme, events, food, raffle prizes, other activities and coordinates the volunteers.

## **Winter Activity**

This committee plans for a ski/sledding trip at a local facility during the winter months. This open to all grade levels. The committee collects registration forms, money, secures transportation, and orders snacks/food (if needed).

# PEPS Mini Meeting

## Developing an IEP Binder

The IEP binder is an organizational system to help you prepare for IEP meetings and support communication with your child's school team. **Please bring a 3-ring binder, dividers, your child's IEP, report cards, work samples, outside evaluations, etc.** Additional resources and support in developing the binder will also be provided. Our PEPS Parent Ambassadors will be available to help you organize.



Coffee and light snacks will be provided.

## Conversation with Mount Prospect Public Library

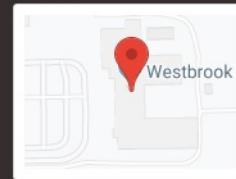
The library would like to learn more about your experiences in the community as a parent of a child with special education services. They want to know your thoughts about how to strengthen their programming or if there are any concerns. Please come with your insights!

### WHEN

Tuesday, Oct. 8th, 10am

### WHERE

103 Busse Road  
Mount Prospect, IL



[Get Directions](#)



## Agenda

10:00-10:10 Learn how to create an IEP binder

10:10-10:45 Time to develop the IEP binder

10:45-11:15 Conversations with Mount Prospect Public Library

## What is PEPS?

Facebook

PEPS (Partnering with Educators and Parents to Support student needs) is a networking group for parents of children with special needs in any of the District 57 schools. At our meetings we will support each other by sharing our experiences, discussing topics of interest and addressing questions and concerns. We will gather information from other parents and/or professionals so that we can better support our children in their education and community.

<http://www.d57.org/StudentServices.aspx>





# D57 EDUCATION FOUNDATION

\$35 PER PERSON

OCTOBER 18, 2019  
8-11 PM

**FALL EVENT**

**STATION 34  
PIZZA & PUB**

\*\$35 PER PERSON INCLUDES  
BEER, WINE & APPETIZERS

RAFFLE, MUSIC & FUN!  
proceeds benefit grants for  
all D57 schools

[www.57edfoundation.org](http://www.57edfoundation.org)

\*tickets are \$35, after 10/10/19 \$40



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.

**Mount Prospect Fire Department Open House – Saturday, September 28**

Come 10am to 2pm to Fire Station 13 (112 E. Northwest Hwy.) and meet Sparky! See Fire Dept. equipment, fire sprinkler demonstrations, slide down a fire pole, and much more. Free lunch.

**Mount Prospect Fire Department Poster Contest**

Grades K-5 are encouraged to design a poster using the NFPA Theme: "Not Every Hero Wears a Cape. Plan and Practice your Escape!" Deadline is October 9.

**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](http://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 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Please contact: [pack151mtprospect@gmail.com](mailto:pack151mtprospect@gmail.com) or visit our website at <http://pack151mtprospect.org/>

**Hi-Five Sports Camp – September 30<sup>th</sup> from 9 AM to 3 PM**

Treat your child to a day full of sports and FUN! For ages 4-13. Whiffle ball, kickball, football, dodgeball and more. For more information, go to <https://gal.re/e/iCHFjTFUY>

**KIDS WORKSHOPS + CELEBRATE YOUR BIRTHDAY AT GATHERED!**

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 11<sup>th</sup>. Please email [Katina.Frericks@d214.org](mailto:Katina.Frericks@d214.org) for the registration form

**Run/Walk or Volunteer at the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Lemons of Love 5K on Sunday, October 6**

Join us at this fun, family event featuring a DJ, medals, raffles and a coloring table. Funds raised support programming at our Cancer Resource Center. More info / to register, go to: [TinyURL.com/y4w3qxzz](http://TinyURL.com/y4w3qxzz)

**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](http://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-5<sup>th</sup> grade. More info, <https://www.ymcachicago.org/lattof/programs/school-age>

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