



Lincoln Bulletin

January 19, 2017

Friday, January 20

**Teacher Institute Day
NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS**

January 23 – February 3

**After School Enrichment
No daily parent notes needed!**

Monday, January 23

**Drama Club
3:15 – 4:00 PM**

Monday, January 30

**Drama Club
3:15 – 4:00 PM**

Wednesday, February 1

**2017-2018 Kindergarten Registration
9:30 AM – 2:30 PM Lincoln School**

Friday, February 3

Smile Illinois Dental Program

Saturday, February 4

**Lincoln PTO Family Night at Chicago Wolves
7:00 PM**

Monday, February 6

**Drama Club
3:15 – 4:00 PM**

Monday, February 6

Group Pictures for Yearbook

Monday, February 13

**Drama Club
3:15 – 4:00 PM**

Wednesday, February 15

**Lincoln Reads Family Book Club
6:30 – 8:00 PM**



Monday, February 20

**President's Day
SCHOOL CLOSED**

From the Principal

January 20th Institute Day

This Friday, our staff will be engaged in a day of learning together. Our morning will be spent on literacy instruction, with a specific focus on “read alouds” and how to best use them to support student learning. In the afternoon classroom teachers will meet in grade level groups across the district. Their learning will be focused on the implementation of our new Science curriculum, Project Lead the Way (PLTW). There are already so many wonderful things going on instructionally at Lincoln. Teachers appreciate these professional learning days so that they can reflect on and hone their practices.

Kindergarten registration

Please spread the word in your neighborhood about kindergarten registration on February 1st. Our elementary schools like to get kindergarten numbers as early as possible so that we can begin planning for the upcoming school year. We will have staff on hand from 9:30 – 2:30 that day to assist incoming parents with the registration process. If your neighbors have any questions, please feel free to pass on our contact information and encourage them to call either Mrs. Eageny or Mrs. Balaskovits.

Self Directed Learner Interviews

In last week’s bulletin, I started to share some responses from the student interviews that were conducted earlier this year. This week, I’d like to share an overview of the responses to the question, “*What do you do when learning is challenging for you?*”. One thing I’ve noticed during my years as an educator is that students think being challenged is a negative thing. They think it means that they aren’t “smart”. Self-directed learners understand that in order to learn, their brain needs to be challenged – that’s what makes it grow.

When students were asked this question, most of the responses were that they ask others to help them when they get “stuck”. While this is a strategy that often works, we like to encourage students to look within themselves to problem-solve before going to others. What strategies do they have that might help? What resources could they look to? Students who typically do this responded with answers such as; “I look around the room to find resources I can use.”, “I think about everything we’ve learned and try to figure it out.”, “I try different ways to figure it out.”, and “I break it down into steps.”. All of these are great examples of how students can become more self-directed in their learning!

Erin’s Law

Starting at the end of January, students will be participating in three separate lessons related to Erin’s Law. A letter was sent home via ParentLink in late September describing the law and giving an overview of the content that will be covered. I have attached that letter to the bulletin this week. Please let me know if you have any questions about the lessons.

As always, please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Mrs. Balaskovits

From the Secretary

Attendance

Thank you for helping our nurses keep track of the symptoms that your child has been experiencing over these past few weeks and months. This is very helpful during cold and flu season. Please continue to call our attendance line and be as specific as possible with the symptoms your child is experiencing when they are ill. Our attendance line is open 24 hours a day to leave your message but please call before 9:00 am each day that your child will not be attending school.

After School Enrichment

There is no need to send/email a note to your teacher or the office saying that your child will be attending After School Enrichment that day. The staff has a listing of the children and what class they will be attending each day.

From the Nurse

We are fortunate to have Smile Illinois Dental Program returning to Lincoln again this year! Our school has joined with Smile Illinois, a mobile dental program to bring dental check-ups to children, free of charge, both to insured and uninsured. This is a great opportunity for those that have not yet had a dental evaluation to have their dental exam done right here at Lincoln school by licensed dentists in our school's health office! No child will be turned away. All will be seen for a basic check-up.

RECENT STATE LEGISLATION REQUIRES THAT ALL ILLINOIS CHILDREN IN KINDERGARTEN, SECOND, AND SIXTH GRADE HAVE A DENTAL EXAM. Each child must present proof of a dental exam by a dentist prior to May 15th of their school year in the above school grade levels.

Note to parents of 5th graders: This dental exam will count as your required 6th grade dental exam for next year!

To register for this free service:

1. Complete the Smile Illinois application, making sure that there is a parent signature and date on the form.
2. Return the completed form to the school with your child. **Note: Forms are due by 1/23/17.**
3. Nurses will submit the Smile Illinois applications to the dental program coordinator on 1/24/17.

Contact Lincoln health nurses for questions and/or assistance at: 331-228-2504.

If your children are having a hard time concentrating in class, perhaps there is a tooth that is distracting them! Take advantage of this great dental health opportunity. Turn in your application today!

Here's to a beautiful smile,
Carol Moshier RN

Chick Chat by HGNA

Attention 4th, 5th and 6th graders!

Spend a day learning about what makes you unique -- and learning how you can build positive friendships!

Chick Chat is a full-day workshop where fourth- through sixth-grade girls can explore their interests, address common challenges facing young girls today, build interpersonal skills, and have fun - all within a safe and nurturing environment.



Workshop Includes:

- Small group break-out Chat rooms
- Relaxing and invigorating yoga session
- Dynamic team-building exercises
- Healthy lunch and snacks
- 2017 event t-shirt
- Take-home tips and tools

Throughout the day, girls break into small groups — unique to each grade level — with professional facilitators to discuss topics such as understanding feelings, coping with stress, dealing with drama, cultivating inner beauty, and developing healthy family and peer relationships.

Two Workshop Options:

Saturday, Feb. 11, 2017 at: Geneva Middle School SOUTH 1415 Viking Drive, Geneva
or
Saturday, March 18, 2017 at: Wredling Middle School 1200 Dunham Rd., St. Charles

Time: 8:30 AM to 3:15 PM *Check-In from 8:30 to 9:00 AM

Mom & Dad Chat:

"How Letting Children Fail Today Leads Them to Lifelong Success"

Adam Russo, LCSW, Founder, Chairman, & CEO of Edgewood Clinical Services
Presentation: 9:00 – 10:30 AM

REGISTER or Learn More: www.TriCityFamilyServices.org

Questions? Call Michelle Clark at TCFS: 630-232-1070 ext. 336

Chick Chat by HGNA

is brought to you by:



Family Services



Geneva Coalition for Youth

with the support of the Geneva, St. Charles, Batavia, Kaneland, and Central school districts.

Win a Prize!

Register online: Dec. 15th - Jan. 30th for Feb. 11th Workshop. Register by Jan. 15th to be entered in a raffle for prizes!

Register online: Dec. 15th to March 6th for March 18th Workshop. Register by Feb. 19th to be entered in a raffle for prizes!

"Chick Chat by HGNA" was created by Helping Girls Navigate Adolescence a non-profit organization dedicated to creating change for adolescent girls by challenging the negative images and information bombarding girls today. For more information on HGNA go to hgna.org.

2017-2018 CUSD 303 Community Preschool Program Lottery

General Information

For the 2017-2018 school year, District 303 will offer a five-day-a-week, ½ day, morning or afternoon preschool program. You will have the option to choose from the following locations: Fox Ridge, Ferson Creek or Norton Creek School.

The program will be open to 3-5 year old children who reside within the D303 school boundaries and who are 3 years old by September 1, 2017. Children who are 5 years old by September 1, 2017 will not be eligible for enrollment.

The tuition cost for the program is \$285 per month. A \$100 annual non-refundable registration and materials fee will also be required.*

*Tuition and registration and materials fee pending board approval

Tours

Come see our classrooms in action! Observational tours will be offered to all D303 community parents prior to registration.

Norton Creek tour: Monday, January 9, 2017 from 930-1030 AM
(2033 Smith Road, West Chicago)

Fox Ridge tour: Tuesday, January 10, 2017 from 1-2 PM
(1905 Tyler Road, St. Charles)

Ferson Creek tour: Wednesday, January 11, 2017 from 930-1030 AM
(38W160 Bolcum Road, St. Charles)

Enrollment Procedure

Since space is limited, an enrollment lottery for new preschool students will be held. The enrollment lottery will be offered online on the district website (www.D303.org) from Friday, January 13, 2017 through Monday, January 23, 2017.

Names will be drawn on Tuesday, January 24 and parents will be notified by email that day if their child was randomly selected. Registrants not chosen will be placed on a waiting list and will be notified when a space becomes available.



Kindergarten Enrollment February 1, 2017



If your child will be 5-years old on or before September 1, 2017
it's time to register for kindergarten.

DO NOT WAIT until summer to enroll your new kindergarten student. Kindergarten enrollment for the 2017-2018 school year will be at all Community Unit School District 303 elementary schools on **February 1**. Enroll at the elementary school where children in your area currently attend.

9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.			
Bell-Graham Elementary	(331) 228-2100	Munhall Elementary	(331) 228-2600
Corron Elementary	(331) 228-6900	Norton Creek Elementary	(331) 228-2700
Ferson Creek Elementary	(331) 228-2300	Wasco Elementary	(331) 228-2900
Lincoln Elementary	(331) 228-2500	Wild Rose Elementary	(331) 228-3000
9:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m.			
	Fox Ridge Elementary	(331) 228-2400	
9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.			
Anderson Elementary	(331) 228-3300	Davis Primary	(331) 228-2200

Community Unit School District 303 offers both Half Day and All Day Kindergarten programs. All Day Kindergarten is a tuition-based program for the additional 1/2 day of instruction. Information regarding All Day Kindergarten tuition can be found on the District website at d303.org/all-day-kindergarten.

The following information is **required** when enrolling for kindergarten*:

- Reliable proof of child's identity and age (*birth certificate+, passport, visa, etc.*)
- Verification of Parent/Guardian Identity
- Two documents as proof of residency
- Parcel Identification Number (PIN)

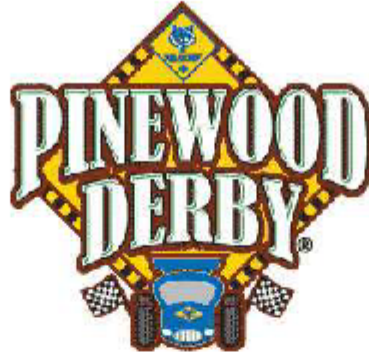
*New student residency and enrollment information, including links to required notices and kindergarten enrollment forms, can be found on the District 303 web site (district.d303.org/enrollment-and-registration).

+Required to comply with the Missing Children Records Act [325 ILCS 50/5]

Complete information about physical examinations, dental examinations and immunizations will be available at the February enrollment event. Students are expected to have all requirements completed by the first day of school. Student assignments will be available in August.

Enroll on February 1.

Your cooperation will enable the school to better serve your child.



Cub Scout Pack 113 will be holding their annual Pinewood Derby on Friday, January 27th in the Lincoln School Gym. If you're interested in checking out cub Scouts, come check out one of our biggest events!!

Car check-in begins at 6pm. We will have extra cars if you want to come and join the race! Please RSVP to joinpack113@gmail.com by 1/20. We will also have snacks and treats to share!



LINCOLN SCHOOL PTO
 FAMILY NIGHT
 SATURDAY, FEB. 4, AT 7 PM
 VS ROCKFORD ICEHOGS

RECEIVE A FREE WOLVES HAT WITH EACH TICKET
 PURCHASED THROUGH THIS OFFER.

ALL LINCOLN SCHOOL FAMILY AND FRIENDS WILL BE
 SEATED TOGETHER IN THE SAME SECTION.

BOOKING FORM

NUMBER OF TICKETS

_____ of tickets @ \$14.00 each
 # _____ of food vouchers at \$6 (hot dog and medium soda)

Total Enclosed \$

PERSONAL DETAILS

Parents Name: _____
 Students Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City, State, Zip: _____
 Phone: _____
 Email: _____

PAYMENT DETAILS

Check number: _____
 Cash Enclosed: _____

HOW TO ORDER:

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM ALONG WITH PAYMENT VIA
 CASH OR CHECK TO THE OFFICE BY JANUARY 20TH.

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO LINCOLN PTO.

CONTACT LISA MOLINE AT STCLINCOLNPTO@GMAIL.COM
 FOR MORE INFORMATION OR QUESTIONS.

***THERE IS ALSO A CONCERT BY JULIANNA ZOBRIST
 SCHEDULED FOR THIS NIGHT***



Community Unit School District 303

Donald D. Schlomann, Ph.D. - Superintendent of Schools - (331) 228-2000

September 30, 2016

Dear Lincoln Families,

Erin's Law, named after sexual abuse survivor Erin Merryn, requires public schools to provide a prevention-oriented child sexual abuse program in grades Pre K- 12. This year, all schools in District 303 will continue to implement Erin's Law, utilizing the Child Protection Unit of the *Second Step* resource.

Between now and the end of the school year, several lessons will be facilitated by our school social worker and/or school psychologist, along with the classroom teacher. The lessons will address identifying safe and unsafe touch, private body part rules, and learning ways to stay safe.

For more information about Erin's Law, you can access a short video at the link below:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-nxPcB8sWBk>

If you have any questions, please contact me at 331-228-2500.

Thank you for your support,

Christine Balaskovits
Principal

"Empowering and Inspiring ALL"

Below are the Emotional Wellness Programs for Winter/Spring 2017 at Tri City Family Services

Please call 630.232.1070 to register for these programs.

Smart Choices K-5: Anger Management for Children & their Families

Smart Choices Kindergarten-5th Grade is a four or six-session group workshop for children and their parents that teaches the necessary skills to effectively communicate needs, manage anger, and resolve conflicts at home, in the community, and at school. Child-friendly activities provide opportunities to practice using "I" statements, understanding other points of view, compromising and sharing, calming techniques, and responding to teasing.

- For Kindergarten through 2nd Grade: Six Saturdays, 9:00-10:00am: Jan. 28, Feb. 4, (Skip Feb. 11), Feb. 18, Feb. 25, March 4, 11 Fee: \$90 per family/per six-hour series. Registration is required. Fee reductions are available based on need. Location: TCFS, 1120 Randall Court, Geneva
- For 3rd through 5th Grade: Six Saturdays, 10:00-11:00am: Jan. 28, Feb. 4, (Skip Feb. 11), Feb. 18, Feb. 25, March 4, 11 Fee: \$90 per family/per six-hour series. Registration is required. Fee reductions are available based on need. Location: TCFS, 1120 Randall Court, Geneva

Smart Choices Middle School-High School: Anger Management for Teens & their Families

Smart Choices Middle School/High School is a four-session workshop for teens and their parents that teaches participants conflict-resolution skills, anger-management tools, and alternatives to a potential cycle of violent behavior. In some cases, the program can be used as an alternative to school suspension. Dates: Four sessions of 1.5 hours each, scheduled directly with each family (not a group). Fee: \$90 per family. Registration is required. Fee reductions are available based on need. Location: TCFS, 1120 Randall Court, Geneva

Bridges: Divorce Adjustment Workshop for Ages 7-11

This six-session workshop is for children, ages 7-11, struggling to cope with issues related to their parents' separation and/or divorce. The workshop sessions include discussions and group activities that help children find answers to commonly asked questions, deal with the struggles of their changing families, and better understand their feelings in a safe and supportive environment. Parents attend the fifth group session with their child/children. Six Mondays, 4:00-5:30pm: March 20, April 3 & 10, and May 1, 15, & 22 Fee: \$50 for one child or \$75 for two or more children from the same family per series. Fee reductions are available based on need. Registration is required. Location: TCFS, 1120 Randall Court, Geneva

Project Self-Compassion: for HS Girls

This skill-building group is designed for high school girls interested in cultivating inner strength, improving emotional resiliency, increasing self-awareness, and learning how to better manage relationships. Supportive meetings will challenge participants to grow through activities and discussions. Six Wednesdays, 7:00-8:30pm: March 8, 15, 22, (Skip March 30), April 5, 12, & 19 Fee: \$90 per family/per six-hour series. Registration is required. Fee reductions are available based on need. Location: TCFS, 1120 Randall Court, Geneva

Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Support Group

This ongoing group provides support for dealing with the unique challenges associated with being primary caregivers to grandchildren. Last Tuesday of each month, 7:00-8:30pm Fee: Free to attend, but registration is required before attending. Please call TCFS at 630-232-1070 for the meeting location.

Single Moms Support Group

Single moms often struggle to balance the many roles that have been thrust upon them. The Single Moms group offers education and support to help single moms reduce their stress, manage multiple demands, develop better coping skills, and provide effective guidance for children. 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month, 6:30-8:00pm Fee: \$5 per group session. Fee reductions are available based on need. Registration is required, and free childcare is provided. Please call TCFS at 630-232-1070 for the meeting location.

Chick Chat by HGNA – TWO Options to Attend

Chick Chat by HGNA is a spectacular full-day workshop/retreat for all 4th, 5th, and 6th grade girls. Attend in all three grades to experience the full curriculum. This program is offered in collaboration with local school districts and the Geneva Coalition for Youth. Join us for the Mom and Dad Chat presentation on each date, too.

Date: Saturday February 11, 2017 from 9:00am-3:15pm (Check-In 8:30-9:00am) Location: Geneva Middle School South, 1415 Viking Drive, Geneva Fee: \$35 per girl (includes t-shirt, snacks, and lunch). Registration is required. Fee reductions are available based on need. Register Online: Go to www.tricityfamilyservices.org and click on “Chick Chat by HGNA” in “Upcoming Events & Programs” Registration Ends: January 30, 2017 –OR

Date: Saturday March 18, 2017 from 9:00am-3:15pm (Check-In 8:30-9:00am) Location: Wredling Middle School, 1200 Dunham Road, St. Charles Fee: \$35 per girl (includes t-shirt, snacks, and lunch). Registration is required. Fee reductions are available based on need. Register Online: Go to www.tricityfamilyservices.org and click on “Chick Chat by HGNA” in “Upcoming Events & Programs” Registration Ends: March 6, 2017