



Lincoln Bulletin

January 27, 2017

January 23 – February 3

After School Enrichment

No daily parent notes needed!

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

Wednesday, February 22

Jump Rope for Heart Event

Donations due

Save the Date:

Wednesday, March 1

3rd & 4th Grade Music Concert

6:30 – 7:00 PM

Wednesday April 26

1st & 2nd Grade Music Concert

From the Principal

Parent Satisfaction Survey

Our building results are in for the Parent Satisfaction survey. Responses were positive - Lincoln is well loved by parents, student and staff members! I want to thank parents for also sharing their concerns, as it gives us a chance to think about how we can do things differently. If you would like more information about the survey results, please feel free to contact me. I would be happy to talk on the phone or set up a face to face meeting.

Self-Directed Learning Interviews

Last week I shared a summary of responses from students about what they do when learning is challenging for them. The follow-up question to that was, *“How does it make you feel when learning is challenging for you?”*. This question had the most diverse answers of all of the questions we asked. Responses ranged from “bad”, “mad”, “upset”, and “frustrated” to “good – because I’m trying”, “fine”, and “happy, because it will help me”. In looking at the total responses, just 22% of the students responded in a positive frame of mind, while the other 78% responded negatively about facing learning challenges. Almost all of the positive responses were in kindergarten and first grade. What does this tell us? Student tend to view challenges as a negative thing, especially as they get older. As adults, we need to reinforce the idea that being challenged is a good thing. If you’re getting things right on the first try, odds are you aren’t really learning! This is where confidence and resilience are really helpful for students. As my daughter likes to say, “Fall down 7 times, get up 8!”.

Scholarship Opportunity

D303 elementary schools were contacted by a local business about a scholarship contest. Students between the ages of 10-19 are eligible to enter “The Road” song contest. If you would like more information, please use the link below to learn more about the contest.

<http://www.thejankguitarstore.com/the-road-contest.html>

Drop-off/Pick-up

If you are dropping off your child or picking them up, I would like to ask you to make sure they are exiting and entering the car on the sidewalk side of the street. We have quite a few students who get out of the car on the driver’s side, entering traffic as they exit the car. Illinois Avenue is quite busy at arrival and dismissal, and we want to keep our students safe.

Have a fabulous weekend!

Mrs. Balaskovits

From the Secretary

Box Tops for Education

Lincoln School collects the labels for *Box Tops for Education* that has benefitted our school for many years. We recently received a check for over \$259 to help us provide Birthday Books and recess equipment for our students! Please consider donating any labels from items already purchased in your house. Thank you to everyone who has helped out our school by donating to this program. Every label counts and our collection is conveniently placed inside the main hallway by the front doors.

Kindergarten Registration

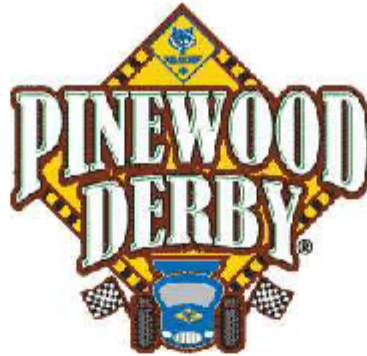
Mrs. Dainko has updated Lincoln's website to conveniently link to all of the incoming kindergarten registration forms. This improved site will give you access to all the forms necessary to bring to the February 1st registration. There is also a helpful "All Day Kindergarten FAQ" on this Enrollment and Registration site as well. Please pass this information on to any incoming kindergarten families.

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.

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.



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!



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.

2ND ANNUAL FOX VALLEY SUMMER ACTIVITIES FAIR

Proudly Hosted by Wredling Middle School PTO

*Monday, February 13
5:30 to 8:30 pm
Wredling Middle School
1200 Dunham Road, Saint Charles*



GET A JUMP START ON YOUR CHILD'S SUMMER PLANS!

THIS FREE EVENT IS THE ONLY ONE-STOP-SHOP TO LEARN ABOUT
SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMS IN THE FOX VALLEY AREA & BEYOND

FOR STUDENTS IN PRESCHOOL THRU HIGH SCHOOL

Over 75 Local and Regional Organizations

Academic, Sports, Enrichment, Volunteering, Overnight Camps, and More

FUN ONSITE ACTIVITIES

Art Projects

Face and Arm Painting

Tuition Raffles

Give-Aways

Fun Physical Challenges

More at facebook.com/fvsaf and wredlingmspto.membershiptoolkit.com
Questions? activitiesfair@wredlingpto.org

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
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.

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