



Lincoln Bulletin

October 21, 2016

Friday, October 21

**All School Movie Night
"Zootopia"**

6:30 – 8:30 PM Gym



**Monday, October 24 -
Wednesday, November 16**

Parent/Teacher Conference Sign-Up
www.pickatime.com

Monday, October 31

**Halloween Parade followed by classroom parties
1:30 – 2:50 PM**



Thursday, November 3

**Bike Safety Program
Grades 1 & 5**

Tuesday, November 8

**PTO Meeting at Lincoln
6:30 – 7:30 PM**

Friday, November 11

End of First Trimester

**Tuesday – Thursday,
November 15 – 17**

Book Fair in LRC



Thursday, November 17

**Family Night at the Book Fair
6:00 – 8:00 PM**

Monday, November 21

**Parent/Teacher Conferences
8:00 AM – 8:00 PM**

Tuesday, November 22

**Parent/Teacher Conferences
8:00 AM – 12:00 PM**

From the Principal

Representative Andersson Visit

On Tuesday, Lincoln had the privilege of hosting Representative Steve Andersson from Geneva. He spent the morning with staff and students, participating in lessons, reading books to students, and talking to them about their learning. It was a positive visit for him, and the students were able to show him what it means to be a Lincoln Leopard. Check out our Twitter site and Facebook site for some pictures!

Halloween parties

Students are excited about the upcoming Halloween festivities. As always, parents are welcome to spectate around the outside of the school as classes parade around. We ask that only those parents that have signed up to help with the parties join us afterwards. Our classrooms get crowded quickly, and we want to make sure our room parents are able to manage the activities they have so carefully planned for students.

Introducing...our new band director

Hello Lincoln! My name is Phillip Carter and I am the Band teacher here at Lincoln. I am an Alumni of D303 as I went to school at Richmond, Haines, and St Charles North High school. This is my 4th year teaching in District 303. This year I teach at Lincoln, Anderson, Wild Rose, and just finished coaching 8th grade football at Haines. My primary instrument is Clarinet but I also love learning any instrument I can. Currently I also play guitar, banjo, Mandolin, and Ukulele! When I am not at school I am usually playing football/Frisbee with friends, relaxing with family, or cheering on the Pittsburgh Steelers! I have taught at many buildings in my short D303 career so far including Anderson, Haines, Munhall, Norton Creek, Thompson, St Charles East, and Wild Rose. While I have been in a lot of places across the district I am happy to call Lincoln one of my homes

Self-Directed Learners

The definition of **persistent** is “continuing firmly or obstinately in a course of action in spite of difficulty or opposition”. Self-directed learners realize and understand that learning can be difficult and they are prepared for that. They don’t view difficulties as an indication that something is wrong. They take on that difficulty by working even harder in order to accomplish their goal. As teachers, we do our best to build an understanding for students that hard work, not talent, is what leads to learning. One way you can support this outlook for students is to notice when they are working hard at something, whether they are getting results or not. The phrase “yet” can be a powerful tool in building this mindset. Saying that they haven’t found success “yet” implies that it will come to them if they just show persistence and keep at it. Try this out at home – whether the task is school-related or not!

As always, please call or email me if you have questions or concerns

Mrs. Balaskovits

From the Secretary

Parent Teacher Conferences

CUSD 303 has chosen an online system for parents to sign up for Parent Teacher Conferences. It is called **Pick A Time**. Parents will sign up for Parent Teacher Conferences through a link in Home Access Center starting on October 24th. You will have until midnight on November 16th to sign-up.

Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on Monday, November 21st 8:00 am - 8:00 pm, and Tuesday, November 22nd 8:00 am - noon. Conferences are scheduled at 20 minute intervals.

We are hopeful parents will find this a convenient and helpful system. If you do not have internet capability, I can schedule a conference for you over the telephone. Please don’t hesitate to call the office at 331-228-2500 if you have any questions.

Instructions on how to schedule a conference are attached to this email.

Cooler Weather

Please remember to have your child dress appropriately for the daily changing temperatures. Also, many children are not in the habit of remembering to bring their jacket home with them and already our Lost & Found has many treasures in it! Please have your child check our Lost & Found if you notice any missing items at home.

Halloween Parade and Party Information

On Monday, October 31st, Lincoln will once again host the annual Halloween Costume Parade at 1:30 PM for grades 1-5 (the AM Kindergarten class will parade through school during the morning). Only Kindergarten students will arrive to school in their costumes. All other students will bring their costumes to school and change into them before the parade. In the event of rain, the parade will be held indoors.

For those parents who wish to have their children participate in the parade, please follow the guidelines below:



- Students must be able to put their own costume/make-up on without assistance.
- No masks may be worn by students.
- No costumes and/or make-up may be worn that depicts blood and violence.
- Students are not to bring anything that resembles a weapon of any fashion, even if it part of a costume.
- No bare midriffs or scant clothing.
- Costumes must be appropriate for school and not distract students from the learning environment.
- Due to recent events, we are asking that students NOT dress in clown costumes.
- Students will be asked to remove any parts of the costume that are not within the guidelines.

If you do not wish for your child to participate in the costume parade, please contact your child's teacher or the main office. Lincoln will offer an alternative activity to those students which may include watching a movie or playing games.

Classroom parties will begin following the costume parade for grades 1-5. The AM Kindergarten party will start at 10:15 AM. For parents dressing in a costume, please make sure that you also follow the above guidelines. As always, we appreciate your continued support.



Lincoln Lunchroom Supervisors

Lunch/Recess Supervisors are needed. Students have lunch/recess starting at 11:35 am until 12:30 pm. Applications are in the main office. If you have any further questions, please call either Nicole Grosh at 331-228-5028 or Patricia Burton at 331-228-5242.



Tonight in the gym!!

We will be showing Zootopia beginning promptly at 6:30. Doors will open at 6pm. Please bring camp chairs, blankets, pillows, blankets and water bottles to enjoy the movie. We have been asked if pajamas are allowed. You are welcome to wear your pjs as long as they are appropriate for school.

PTO will be providing popcorn for all. See you tonight!