



Lincoln Bulletin

September 23, 2016

Monday, September 26	Color Portraits – Re-Takes Student Photographs and Classroom Pictures taken
Tuesday, September 27	Beginner Orchestra Rehearsals Begin 7:30-8:30 AM Lincoln Gym
Wednesday, September 28	Advanced Orchestra Rehearsals Begin 7:30-8:30 AM Lincoln Gym
Thursday, September 29	Band Rehearsals Begin 7:30-8:30 AM Lincoln Gym
Friday, September 30	STCE Homecoming Parade (Grades 3-5 only) 12:45-2:00 PM
Tuesday, October 4	Walk to School Day
Wednesday, October 5	Run-A-Thon
Friday, October 7	School Improvement Day NO CLASS FOR STUDENTS
Monday, October 10	Columbus Day Holiday NO SCHOOL

From the Principal

CHAMPs

Throughout the day, students move to different areas of the building and participate in a variety of learning experiences. One structure that we use so that there is consistency in expectations and language is the “CHAMPs” structure. This structure defines the **C**onversation expectations, how to get **H**elp, the **A**ctivity students should be focused on, what type of **M**ovement is appropriate, and how they show they are **P**articipating in the experience. Ask your child about one time of their day in which they use CHAMPs in order to be successful.

Pokemon Cards

Many of our students have been caught up in the fun of Pokemon trading cards. While it can be fun talking about the cards and trading, it has started to impact learning across the day. Based on the following language in the Lincoln handbook, we are asking students to leave their cards at home starting on Monday.

“One of the goals of Lincoln School is to bring children together to form a respectful and caring community. Children have the opportunity to interact and get to know one another during unstructured times such as recess. To foster the socialization of our students, we ask that students leave trading cards, hand-held electronic video games, iPods, CD players and all other toys and electronics at home. Problems directly related to the presence of these items in our school have increased over the past several years. Lincoln staff will hold onto any of these items if found at school. Students/parents may collect them at the end of the school day.”

Introducing...our new Lincoln Administrative Assistant

Hi. My name is Diane Eageny and I am the new Administrative Assistant. I have been in District 303 for over 12 years and it has been a “Homecoming” for me to be here since I spent my first 6 years at Lincoln! I adore this school and the wonderful staff working here.

I have lived in St. Charles for over 19 years with my husband and daughter. My husband also went to school in this district. We also have in our family a rescued Australian Cattle dog named Sammy, who is quite possibly the cutest dog in St. Charles!

I love my job because I get to help out in so many different ways. I enjoy talking to the families, many that are already familiar to me, as well as interacting with the children and staff. Every day my job is a little bit the same and a little bit different, which keeps it interesting! If I haven't had the pleasure of meeting you yet, please stop in to introduce yourself.

Self-Directed Learners

This week's self-directed learner trait is "Willing to take risks". Students who are risk-takers are curious and willing to try new things even if they are challenging. They see failure as a learning opportunity rather than an indicator that they are not capable of success. Students who are risk-takers realize that it may take multiple attempts at something in order to be successful. One way you can support your child in being a risk-taker is to praise their willingness to try something new, even when it seems to be a challenging task for them. Focus more on their willingness to make an attempt rather than whether they got a "right" answer. Think of some tasks at home that you have typically done for your child (laundry, packing lunch, etc.). What's one task you could encourage your child to take a risk and try?

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

Mrs. Balaskovits, Principal

From the Secretary

- **Please note:** The office hours are from 7:30 am – 4:00 pm. Please do not ring the bell any time beyond those hours. If you are picking your child up from an event, the event coordinator will bring your child back out to you as soon as it is finished.
- It is assumed all eligible bus riders will be riding the bus home UNLESS we are notified in writing. *Many times children can get confused with dismissal plans and unless we have it in writing the children are to go home their usual way.* Please refrain from last minute changes (except in emergencies). The office can be extremely busy, and voicemail messages left may not be heard before dismissal.
- Students received their lunch cards at school. Parents will use PushCoin to make payments to lunch accounts. Please visit www.PushCoin.com to set-up a lunch account for your child.
- All money sent to school must be put into an envelope, and clearly marked with your student's name, classroom, and purpose (i.e. Emily Smith, 2K, lunch money).
- Aramark Lunch Menus will be on the Lincoln School website. There are also some copies of the menu in the magazine rack in the main lobby.
- If you plan on volunteering in the school (i.e. Copy Cats, classroom parties, AVIC, etc.) you must complete a Volunteer Information and Waiver of Liability form. If you would like a copy sent home with your child, please call the office.

From the Nurse

As we are approaching cold and flu season please make sure that you let the school know what symptoms your child is experiencing when calling your child out for the day; i.e. fever over 100, sore throat and/or cough, etc. Please remember that your child should be fever free (without meds) for 24 hours before returning to school.

Pre-Arranged Absence Forms

*Absences (other than sick days or doctor appointments) during the school year are considered **UNEXCUSED** unless a pre-arranged absence form is completed. This form allows students to make-up homework missed during the absence when they return. Forms must be received at least two school days prior to the absence. Prearranged (Excused) absences shall be limited to five per year.*

Prearranged absence forms are available in the main lobby in the magazine rack and on the Lincoln School website. Thank you for your cooperation



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.

Art Volunteers In the Classroom

Updated info!!!

We are short volunteers for a few of our classrooms.

If no one volunteers for your child's class, then your child will be missing out on these fun and educational experiences!!!!

We particularly need volunteers for **1st grade Boone, 3rd grade Miller and 5th grade Kelly.**

You do not need to be an artist to help teach the children about art! For each print, there is a resource packet full of information and ideas for presentations and projects.

Our kick-off meeting will be Tuesday, September 27 at 10am in the teachers' lounge at Lincoln. This is geared toward new volunteers so please attend if you can. I will try to set up an alternate date/time.

Please RSVP to me about the meeting!

Jaime Andersen

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Be a part of the "heart and soul" of the annual Scarecrow Fest...the Scarecrow Contest! With 100,000+ attendees, this nationally recognized, award-winning festival is **ALL about the Scarecrows!**

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Entries received by September 15th will receive a pair of limited edition Scarecrow Fest puppets!

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Mechanical Category

1st Place \$550 2nd Place \$400 3rd Place \$300

Mega Scarecrows Category

1st Place \$450 2nd Place \$300 3rd Place \$200

Clubs, Not-for-profit, Individual's Category

1st \$300 2nd \$225 3rd \$175 4th 125 5th \$100 6th 75 7th \$75

Family Category – ages 12 and under

1st \$200 2nd \$150 3rd \$100

Greater St. Charles Business Category

1st Place Free ½ page ad in Kane County Chronicle
2nd Place Free ¼ page ad in Kane County Chronicle

Lincoln Park Categories

1. Mechanical – limit 9 entries – Open to All*
2. MEGA Scarecrows – limit 12 entries - Open to All*
3. Clubs, Not-for-profits, Individuals – Open to All*
4. Family Category - entries to be created by children 12 and under with limited 13+ assistance*

James Martin Lot Business Category

Cedar & Third Streets

5. Greater St. Charles Business Category – Limit 50 entries – 6 x 6 spaces - Entries accepted ONLY from businesses located within the Greater St. Charles service area: City of St. Charles, Villages of Campton Hills & Elburn, Townships of Campton & St. Charles. All business scarecrows must be "free standing" as they will be displayed on black top – NOT staked into GRASS/GROUND!

*Categories 1-5 are open to all 2016 sponsors and vendors. Categories 1,2,5 are open to businesses in the Greater St. Charles CVB service area (St. Charles, Campton Hills, Elburn, St. Charles & Campton Townships). With the exception of entries from businesses OUTSIDE the Greater St. Charles service area, categories 1-4 are open to anyone from anywhere!

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE ALL INFORMATION

Business/Organization/Individual Name: _____ If a business, are you a sponsor? _____

Contact Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email Address: _____ (to send receipt notification & check-in information)

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

ENTRY SIZES: Mechanical and Mega Categories will receive an 8'x 8' space. All other categories – NO EXCEPTIONS – will receive a 4' WIDE X 6' DEEP SPACE.

IMPORTANT: For voting purposes & accuracy, please provide a name for your entry on this application or email it by Sept 30, 2016!

Category: _____ Name of scarecrow: _____

By signing this entry form, I hereby agree to the contest rules as listed on the back of this application. I release/hold harmless the Greater St. Charles CVB, its employees, officers & agents from any & all claims for loss, damage or injury incurred by Scarecrow Contest participation.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Greetings from our National Executive Director

Since our beginnings in 1959 in Waterbury, Connecticut, the Young Marines of the Marine Corps League has grown to become a recognized youth organization in over 300 communities across the country and in Japan. In 1965 the Young Marines were chartered by the Marine Corps League as a subsidiary, and so began the Young Marines as we know them today. Shortly thereafter, girls were included and our non-profit, 501(c)3 status was provided.



Drug Demand Reduction and Education is a focal point of Young Marines. In 2015 we continued that with our "Closing the Gate on Drugs" materials for training and education wherein the Young Marines teach each other and their peers about that importance. Our close relationship with the Drug Enforcement Administration helps in achieving that goal. Further, our work with and for American's veterans is unsurpassed by any other youth organization. Our goal is to preserve the legacy of our veterans through education and patriotic volunteerism. Structure and discipline are our foundation but our focus is preparing today's youth for the challenges of being tomorrow's leaders.

Semper Fidelis,

Col Bill Davis USMC (Ret)
National Executive Director/CEO

Vision

To earn and preserve a reputation as a leader in youth development and drug demand reduction.

supporters

Official Celebrity Spokesperson R. Lee Ermy

The Young Marines are honored to have actor R. Lee Ermy as its official celebrity spokesperson. Mr. Ermy garnered worldwide acclaim for his portrayal of Drill Instructor Gunnery Sergeant Hartman in Stanley Kubrik's film Full Metal Jacket (1987)



In 2014, the Young Marines formed a partnership with Madison Rising, America's most patriotic rock band. Both the Young Marines and Madison Rising are committed to honoring America's veterans.

Partners & Affiliates

We are proud of our affiliation with the following organizations:



Marine Corps League
Marine Corps Association & Foundation
Drug Enforcement Administration
American Legion, Child Welfare Foundation
American Veterans Association
Combined Federal Campaign
Navy Sea Cadets



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Mission

The mission of the Young Marines is to positively impact America's future by providing quality youth development programs for boys and girls that nurtures and develops its members into responsible citizens who enjoy and promote a healthy, drug-free lifestyle.

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