



# *Lincoln Bulletin*

*January 12, 2018*

**Monday, January 15**

**Martin Luther King Holiday  
SCHOOL CLOSED**

**Thursday, January 18**

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade Exploratory/Elective Forms due**

**Friday, January 19**

**Teacher's Institute Day  
NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS**

**Tuesday, January 23**

**Jump Rope for Heart Event**

**Thursday, January 25**

**PTO Meeting  
4:00 PM in LRC (new date)**

**Friday, January 26**

**Lincoln School Family Dance  
6:30 – 8:00 PM**

**Wednesday, January 31**

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

**January 29 – February 9**

**After School Enrichment**

**Friday, February 9**

**PTO Father/Son Night  
6:30 – 8:30 PM**

## *From the Principal*

On Monday evening, Lincoln hosted the D303 Board of Education meeting. We were able to take some time to share what our writing instruction looks like across the building as well as have some students share their writing. We had six first grade students volunteer to come in and have a mini “publishing party”, sharing their published pieces with our board members and a few district administrators. The students did an amazing job representing Lincoln School! The board members were very impressed with what they had published and enjoyed spending time with our students. It was a great opportunity to showcase just one of the many wonderful things about our Lincoln community of learners!

Our second Parent Coffee was on Thursday. During this time, I was able to share some information about the workshop model of instruction that is used in reading and writing here at Lincoln. This approach is quite different from what we experienced during our own education years ago, and parents shared that they have seen a positive impact on learning in their own homes. If you were not able to attend and would like more information about the workshop model, feel free to contact me at any time. I’d love to sit down and chat about instruction with you!

Next Thursday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, the district will be hosting a community meeting to share proposed changes for next school year. A message was sent out to parents about the need for these changes last Monday. If you did not receive this email, please let me know. I encourage parents to stay informed throughout the next few months by attending meetings if possible, reading communications that are sent, and asking questions as needed. Change can be challenging, but understanding the “why” behind the decisions can help make the process go more smoothly. Thursday’s meeting will be held at 5:30 at the Thompson 6<sup>th</sup> grade building.

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

*Stay warm!*

*Mrs. Balaskovits*

## *From the Secretary*

**SNOW!** Now that we have officially begun the snow season, please make sure of the following Lincoln recess rules:

- Snow boots need to be worn in order to *walk* in the snow.
- Snow pants and snow boots need to be worn in order to *play* in the snow.
- All winter items need to be worn that came with your child to school that day (hats, gloves, scarf, etc.).

**Please label your child's personal belongings.** Even initials are helpful in gloves and hats to help locate their owner! This extra step is so helpful for keeping items out of our Lost & Found.

**Attendance Mailbox:** Please remember to call in your child's absence or late arrival prior to 9:00 am. Our Attendance Mailbox is always available 24 hours to leave your message for the office.

## *From the Music Teacher*

ATTN: CONCERT INFO! 1st through 4th Grade Families! Please read the attached PDF for concert dates, times, and changes for the 2018 school year! Contact Mrs. Beetstra directly with any questions.



We're just 11 days away from our Jump Rope For Heart event. Our students are learning how to be heart healthy by eating more fruits and veggies. Please help us keep others healthy and save lives by asking for donations.

Go to [www.heart.org/jump](http://www.heart.org/jump) to join our school and take a healthy pledge. Then, share your heart-healthy pledge by sending 10 emails or Ecards to your family and friends and ask them to pass it on.

We are getting close to our school goal of \$5000, which means we will have saved 100 lives! When we reach that goal, any student who raised at least \$50 will have an opportunity to throw a pie at my face! The date of which, is yet to be determined, but will happen sometime this spring!

Together we can do this!

Thank you!

**Upcoming Parent University brought to you by Centennial Counseling:**

**January 15, 2018**

***Ways to Initiate Conversations with your Children on Challenging Topics***

Are you looking for ways to talk to your children about challenging topics such as natural disasters, the current political climate and violence in our society?

"Difficult conversations are a normal part of being a parent of an adolescent. 2017 seemed to up this ante with the tense political climate, prolific sexual scandals, heart-breaking racial division, mass acts of violence and devastating natural disasters," noted Ashley Nolan, Associate Licensed Marriage & Family Therapist at Centennial Counseling Center. The session, led by Nolan, will address how to engage in helpful conversations with adolescents when tackling these issues.

Please join us for an empowering and hope-filled evening on January 15 at The Office, in St. Charles, from 6-8 p.m. Register for the event by [clicking here](#).

You can also learn about other upcoming Parent University and Centennial Counseling offerings and register for them by [clicking here](#).

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## 2018 Concert Information and Changes!



Dear Families of Fox Ridge, Lincoln, and Norton Creek 1<sup>st</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> Grade students!

The concert programming is going to be unique this year due to calendar space, curricular goals, and individual building schedules and needs. As our district evolves, we strive to continue to provide the best and most high-quality, holistic education for each D303 student.

As always, thank you for your continued support of the Fine Arts programs here in D303. Your students deserve the very best!

### 2018 CONCERT DATES:

Fox Ridge: Tuesday, April 24<sup>th</sup>

Lincoln: Thursday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>

Norton Creek: Friday, May 4<sup>th</sup>

### CONCERT TIMES:

This year, there will be TWO programs on each of the nights listed on the left.

1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Grades will perform together at 6pm

3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Grade students will perform together at 7pm

Each program will be approximately 25-30 minutes to accommodate this programming schedule.

We appreciate your support as we move through these changes and if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Many thanks,

Mrs. Beetstra

K-5 General Music

Norton Creek, Fox Ridge and Lincoln Schools

5<sup>th</sup> Grade East Side Choir Director

[adrienne.gallaugh-beetstra@d303.org](mailto:adrienne.gallaugh-beetstra@d303.org)



## After School Enrichment

### After-School Enrichment Sign Up is now open!

After School Enrichment is back! The classes and registration are now open! Please log in to your [Community Pass account](#) and select the orange button that says "View Activities". All classes have a limit and will close once that limit is reached. If payment for classes is not received before the start of class on January 22nd, your child will be removed from that class. Thank you to all the local businesses and especially parent volunteers who have come together to bring this selection of classes to your students.

[LOG IN TO COMMUNITY PASS](#)

These classes will not run without the help of our parent volunteers. We need parents in each class to assist the teacher as well as check students in and out. It's a great way to participate in the program, especially if you are new to Lincoln School and After School Enrichment. Please consider sharing some of your time to help our program run smoothly!

[Sign up to volunteer here!](#)



## Father/Son Derby Racing, Friday, February 9th ~ 6:30-8:30 PM!

This year, kids and dads (or grandpas, uncles, friends) will have a chance to race head to head in a pinewood derby race using cars they make themselves at home!

- Each participant can enter a car in the race!
- Awards will be given for fastest car, best design, most creative, etc.
- Each participant will receive an event patch
- Snacks and beverages will be served
- Awards will be given for best design and fastest cars

### Registration and Costs

Please register each person participating in the event. Cost per person is \$3. Cost for each car kit is \$5. If you are a Cub Scout and already have a car or have a car from another event, you may use it. Only cars similar to the [official BSA car kit](#) will fit our race track. Please email [stclincolnpto@gmail.com](mailto:stclincolnpto@gmail.com) if you have any questions. **\*\*If you sign up for the After School Enrichment class to make a car for Father/Son night, the child making the car will attend the event for FREE\*\***

### Watch a race before the big night!

This year's event is being run with the help of Cub Scout Pack 113 from Lincoln School. They invite you to come see a Pinewood Derby Race before Father/Son Night! The Pack 113 Pinewood Derby is February 2nd at 6:30 pm in the Lincoln School Gym.

\*For rules on how to build the most effective car, check: [www.pinewoodderby.org/rules](http://www.pinewoodderby.org/rules)

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### Registration for Father/Son Night

Name of oldest attending child \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Number of participants x \$3 = \_\_\_\_\_  
(including children and adults)

Number of car kits x \$5 = \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL ENCLOSED = \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE RETURN REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT TO SCHOOL NO LATER THAN JANUARY 22<sup>nd</sup>. Car kits will be delivered to the oldest child on January 23<sup>rd</sup>.**



# Fox Valley Summer Activities Fair

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5**

**5:30 - 8:00 PM**

**WREDLING MIDDLE SCHOOL**

One child will win up to \$500 toward the summer program of their choice!

**STEM-Sports-Enrichment-Volunteering-Overnight Camps**

Over 75 Organizations: Preschool-High School

FREE TO PUBLIC

More info at [WredlingPTO.org](http://WredlingPTO.org)

**YOU'RE INVITED!**

**TEAM POLARIS & ST. CHARLES NORTH PRESENT:**

# **PROJECT — — DANCE** *United*

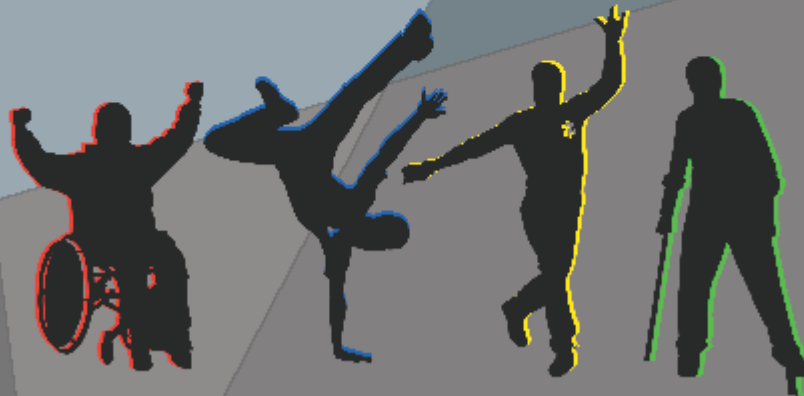
**February 24th 2018, 1-5 P.M.**

**St Charles North High School  
Main Gym**

**Entrance fee \$5  
Families of 3 or more are \$15**



**An awesome dance party in a safe and comfortable  
environment. All money raised will support local charities that  
benefit individuals with special needs.**





## Kindergarten Enrollment February 28, 2018



If your child will be 5-years old on or before September 1, 2018  
it's time to register for kindergarten.

**DO NOT WAIT** until summer to enroll your new kindergarten student. Kindergarten enrollment for the 2018-2019 school year will be at all Community Unit School District 303 elementary schools on **February 28**. Enroll at the elementary school where children in your area currently attend.

<b>9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.</b>			
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
<b>9:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m.</b>			
	Fox Ridge Elementary	(331) 228-2400	
<b>9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.</b>			
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](http://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](http://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 28.**

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



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\* NOTE: This job is posted as "General Utility Worker"

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