
LINCOLN NEWS

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Magazine/Cookie Dough Report

Our annual Cookie Dough/Magazine/Gift Sales Fundraiser was a huge success! Our students did a terrific job selling this year. We brought in a total around **\$20,102**. Lincoln School receives 40% profit, so our profit is around **\$8,000.00**. **Thank you all for your generous support.**

Early Dismissal

Wednesday, Nov. 8th, is our next early dismissal day. Please pick up your children promptly at 1:00 pm as our teachers need to report for their meetings soon after the bell rings.

No School

Nov. 22, 23, & 24 -- Thanksgiving Break!

Dec. 21 – Jan. 3 -- Winter Break!

School resumes on Thurs., Jan. 4, 2018.

Need Christmas Ideas...

How about a Lincoln T-Shirt?

We still have Lincoln spirit shirts available for \$7.00. T-shirt sizes available include Youth: S and L and Adult: S, M, XL. Great stocking stuffers for the holidays! Stop by the Lincoln office to pick up your shirts or call to reserve at 623-2500.

School Fundraising Events

Lincoln will have two **McTeacher Nights at the North McDonalds Nov. 6th and Mar. 5th from 5:00-8:00 pm.** Come and enjoy some great food and visit with Lincoln staff that will be selling "2 for \$1.00 chocolate chip cookies". A percentage of all food/drink sales will go to Lincoln and all cookie sale proceeds go to support Lincoln.

Dillon's Community Rewards

Lincoln received \$381.51 in Dillon's rewards from community shoppers showing their support towards Lincoln. Thanks for your ongoing support, we greatly appreciate it!!!

Veteran's Day Lunch

Lincoln would like to extend an invitation to any relative of a Lincoln student who is a veteran or presently serving in the military, to come and have lunch with your child on **Friday, Nov. 10th**, to celebrate **Veteran's Day**. Please call the office by 9:00 am to make a reservation 623-2500.

Cafeteria Notice

Our annual student Thanksgiving Dinner will be served on **Thurs. Nov. 16th**. Due to the limited amount of turkey available, parents **CANNOT** eat lunch with their children on this day. You are welcome to have lunch with your child any other time, but we ask that you please **call the office before 9:00 am on the morning you want to eat**. Thank you for understanding.

Orchestra Parent Days

Fifth grade orchestra students will be hosting our fourth annual **Parent Days**. We invite parents and guardians to come on either **Thursday, Nov. 16th or Monday, Nov. 20th** to find out what your kids have been learning this year. These Parent Days will take place during regular class times which are: **Thurs. 3:02 – 3:45 pm and Mon. 7:25 – 7:54 am**. Hope to see you on one of these days!

Winter Sing & KMEA Choir

Our Winter Sing is scheduled for **Thurs., Dec. 7th, 6:00-7:00 p.m. at the 12th St. Auditorium, 323 W. 12th St.** **Because of our increased enrollment, only 3rd, 4th, 5th grade and Special Choir will perform at the Winter Sing. Kdg, 1st, 2nd grade & Special Choir will perform at the Spring Sing in April.** Thank you for understanding.

Six students have been selected to be in the District KMEA Choir. They are: **Dayvean Koshiol, Bryton Unsworth, Alek Yaseen, Bailee Herrmann, Brett Luetters and Shelly Martinez.** The choir will perform on **Sat. Dec. 2nd** at the annual KMEA District convention at FHSU with a concert including students in grades 5 & 6 from the northwest district. These students will practice every Thursday morning from 7:30 – 7:54 a.m. and some Wednesday from 3:02-3:30 p.m. from now until Nov. 30th to get ready for their performance.

5th Grade STEM Pals

By: Monica Dreiling, 5th Gr. Teacher

In September, I was the recipient of a \$3,000 Westar Energy STEM Curriculum Innovation Award. Three of these awards are granted to teachers in Kansas each school year. My proposal, "STEM Pals: An Intergenerational Learning Partnership" focuses on 5th graders engaging in science activities with residents at the Cedar View Assisted Living facility on a monthly basis. The funds will be utilized to purchase materials for engineering challenges, global challenges, as well as, multiple kits to teach electrical engineering and sustainable energy concepts. The engineering challenges will include designing pencil box alarm circuits, solar cookers, hot air balloons, Bess Beetle penny pulls, electric boats to race in water, and holiday trees made from circuits for each resident to display in his/her room. Global challenges will include: (1) exploring alternatives to fossil fuels by using solar cells to create a seven-inch house and a solar panel system that collects, stores, and uses solar energy; (2) creating and building a working solar still to desalinate water to address water shortages; and (3) building and testing a working oil containment boom to clean up an oil spill. Students and their intergenerational pals will also research famous inventors and then will build and test inventions: (1) Samuel Morse and a working telegraph; (2) Alexander Graham Bell and a working telephone system; and (3) Thomas Edison and a working motion picture viewer to enjoy filmstrips together. Our first trip to Cedar View will be November 14th. We are excited to meet our new science partners at Cedar View!

Wonder League

A group of eight 4th and 5th grade students meet every Tuesday and Thursday before school to participate in Wonder League Robotics competition. They are learning to code the robots, Dot and Dash while completing three missions. While having fun the students learn critical skills, like teamwork and persistence. They are learning lifelong skills by developing computer science skills needed today. Wonder League is sponsored by Tech Teacher Mrs. Regina Hammerschmidt.

STUCO Activities

STUCO members met regularly every other week to plan activities for Lincoln and the student body. In October to celebrate Red Ribbon Week STUCO sponsored daily activities to celebrate and encourage being drug free: Oct. 23rd students wore RED to be Red-Y to live a Drug Free Life, Oct. 24th students wore their favorite teams jersey/shirt to Team Up Against Drugs, Oct. 25th students wore their favorite color to show Our School is Colorful and Drug-Free, Oct. 30th students received twizzlers and a

reminder to Don't let Drugs Twist your Mind and Oct. 31st students celebrated with a Halloween party and parade Don't be Trick Drugs are No Treat! STUCO will be planning a Hide the Reindeer activity for December which we are anxiously waiting! Great job STUCO members!!! Mrs. Eva Junk, School Counselor is the STUCO Sponsor.

36 Years of Dedication Ending

By: Jolene Hoover, Nutrition Manager

I had a small day care in my home and I lost the kids I had due to the families relocating. My youngest child was 4 and I thought I needed to become a working mom, I guess I thought I wasn't working while I stayed home with my own kids and the day-care kids. I applied for a district job with food services and was hired as an assistant at Lincoln. My manager at the time decided to end her employment with Lincoln at the end of the first semester and I was able to train to do her job. I interviewed for the manager position and was hired beginning Aug. 1982. This was a perfect job for me. I had young children and the hours were wonderful. I could pick them up from school; I had the same days off for the various holidays, and the summer to spend the entire time with them. Boy was I ever ready to go back to work when school started!

I have loved this job. To be honest there were some days I did not like to prepare the entrée, but I would guess that 98% of my work days going into work was a joy, and I was happy to do the work required. I love the elementary school ages, they smile, say please and thank you and want to give hugs occasionally. I cannot even imagine doing any other type of work. I don't think there is another job where I would have felt so needed and appreciated as I have over the past 36.5 years. I truly believe that in this profession we are feeding our future.

I have been blessed with a job I have loved. I will miss my co-workers, my boss, Jessica Younker, her assistant Jamie Clark, and Mrs. Rohleder, the non-food service staff from my school, nutrition staff in the other district kitchens AND THE STUDENTS.

I also was the crossing guard on Fort Street after school for 22 years. Even with the wind, the rain, the ice and snow, I really liked doing this. I had a chance to talk to the kids in a different environment other than the cafeteria. And another benefit was seeing the parents as they came to get their students. I thoroughly enjoyed this part of my day.

The past 36.5 years have passed so quickly, it is hard to believe it is time for me to retire. I know my retirement will be a difficult transition. I have been told by friends who have already retired that I would know when the time is right for me to take this step, and I now feel it is time for someone younger to step into this job. They will have new ideas, a different "box" to work from. I know "my" kitchen will be in good hands and I sincerely hope they will feel as blessed as I have.

Again, I have been blessed.

Thank You!!!

Jolene Hoover