



# The Lincoln Loop

## *Are you in the Loop?*

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### Important Dates

- Jan 13—Parents' Night Out, 5-10pm
- Jan 16—No School, Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- Jan 17—PTO Meeting, 6:30pm
- Jan 24—Prospective Parent Tour, 9am
- Jan 26—1st Grade Music Program, 6:30pm
- Jan 30—Community Night at Buffalo Wild Wings, 4-9pm
- Feb 3—PK-8th Grade Conferences, 8am-7pm, No School PK-8
- Feb 9—3rd Grade Music Program, 6:30pm
- Feb 10—Spirit Day, Middle School Dance, 6-9pm
- Click on the [Lincoln Calendar](#) for more calendar information

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## *A Midsummer Night's Dream*



(Pictured above) Fifth grade students performed Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream* for their families as well as the fourth grade classes this week.

**Parents Night OUT** Tonight! Lincoln Academy alumni, 11th Grade Ambassador Girl Scout Troop #1630 will host the next Parents' Night Out in the LA Student Center **tonight, January 13** from 5-10 p.m.

- \$15 per child
- Ages 3 years-5th grade (children must be potty trained)
- Includes up to 5 hours of babysitting, dinner, crafts and activities Red Cross First Aid/CPR trained
- RSVP to Monica Drye at [m.drye@comcast.net](mailto:m.drye@comcast.net) or 303-815-7962
- Mark your calendar.... The next Parents' Night Out will be Friday, March 3.

## 2017-2018 First Round Enrollment

**Now Enrolling!** The first round of Choice Enrollment for the 2017-2018 is taking place now! [Go to page 4 for enrollment details.](#)

## Lincoln Academy to Celebrate National School Choice Week

Lincoln Academy Charter School will hold a special event on Monday, January 23, 2017 at 7:45 a.m. during our Monday morning announcements to celebrate National School Choice Week. This event will feature students celebrating school choice! Parents are welcome to attend. LA is one of more than 13,000 schools participating in **National School Choice Week (January 22-28, 2017)**. The goal of the Week is to shine a positive spotlight on all types of education options for children— from traditional public schools to public charter schools, magnet schools, private schools, online learning and homeschooling. The event

will be held at our school.

"We are thrilled to have LA participate in National School Choice Week by holding this special event," said Andrew Campanella, National School Choice Week president. "The Week provides an opportunity for families in communities across America to discover more about the education options available to children. We salute the students, teachers and staff at LA for their dedication to providing a quality education for children, and for their involvement in this nationwide celebration."

For more information about National School Choice Week, visit [schoolchoiceweek.com](http://schoolchoiceweek.com).



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## Middle School Athletics



### Girls Basketball

#### January

17	LA vs. Two Roads @ Home	4:15pm
19	LA vs. Excel @ Home	4:15pm
24	LA vs. ECD @ Home	4:15pm
25	LA vs. WWA @ Home	4:15pm
31	LA vs. Global Village @ Home	4:15pm

Go to [MS Athletics](#) for more information about games and practice schedules. Go Leopards!

#### February

1	LA vs. WWA @ WWA	4:15pm
2	LA vs. Beth Eden @ Home	4:15pm
7	LA vs. Excel @ Excel	4:15pm
9	LA vs. Beth Eden @ Beth Eden	4:15pm
23	LA vs. Two Roads @ Two Roads	4:15pm
27	B Team Tournament @ Home	TBA
28	A Team Tournament @ WWA	TBA

## Order Your Yearbook Before Prices Go Up in February



Don't miss out on the memories from this year! Purchase your yearbook online at

[Jostens.com](http://Jostens.com) before prices go up in February.

- Softcover Elementary book (Pre-K through 5th Grade) is \$20
- Full Hardcover book (Pre-K through 8th Grade) is \$35



## Geography Bee Winner

Congratulations to Shane A. (4th grade, pictured below, center), winner of the school wide Geography Bee held on Tuesday! Lucas L. (6th grade, pictured below, far left) finished in 2nd place, and Aiden B. (5th grade, pictured below, left) took 3rd place in the school competition. Shane will now take a

written test to qualify for the state competition; if he gets one of the top 100 scores in the state, he will proceed to the State Geography Bee. Congratulations on your achievement, Shane, and we wish you the best of the luck in the next round!

## Middle School 'Snapshot'

Every week, click on the [Middle School 'Snapshot'](#) link to see a weekly list of assignments, projects, and upcoming events taking place in middle school!

What projects and assignments are coming up next week in Middle School? [Click now](#) to find out!



## National Western Stock Show, January 7-22, 2017

Grab your boots and cowboy hat and come join in the stock show fun! NWSS is offering discounted tickets to Jeffco Schools, and for every discount ticket purchased, a portion goes back to Jeffco Schools Foundation. The 16-day extravaganza offers teachers, students and families a glimpse into our state's agriculture industry. The NWSS is the world's largest stock show with more than 15,000 animals, rodeo performances, horse shows, livestock competitions, mutton busting, petting stalls and a trade show that includes over 900 vendors.

[Click here to order discount tickets](#) (use promo code : JEFFCO) and save up to \$4 per ticket plus up to \$4.50 per ticket in service charges. NWSS will donate \$2 from each ticket to Jeffco Schools Foundation.

Questions? Email [acashel@nationalwestern.com](mailto:acashel@nationalwestern.com).



Big ideas. Bright futures.

## Community Night at Buffalo Wild Wings, January 30

Mark your calendar for our next Lincoln Academy Community Night!

- Monday, January 30, from 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- Buffalo Wild Wings, 15570 West 64th Ave, Arvada, 303.467.2999
- BW3 will donate 15% of all pre-taxed food sales to LA PTO when families present their fundraising tickets (paper copies or on your smart phones) to their server
- Watch for the fundraiser flyers to go home in Monday folders and electronically on Monday, January 16
- Enjoy some great food, hot wings and a fun night supporting Lincoln!



## PTO Meeting, January 17

Please join us on January 17 to help plan the next part of our school year.

- Don't forget your required 20-hours of volunteer time. We can help you figure out how to make it happen AND have fun while doing it!
- 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. In the Student Center
- FREE child watch by Champions!



## Volunteer of the Month



The PTO at Lincoln Academy is excited to congratulate Erin Johansen, our volunteer of the month! She is the mother of two Lincoln Academy students. Erin likes how her children are challenged at our school and how Specials (Art, Music, Library, Technology, P.E. and Spanish) are integrated with classroom studies.

Erin has helped out a ton by making weekly changes to our old Oak Street sign. She can also be found volunteering in the classroom and pitching in during special events. If parents are wondering how to get more involved, Erin suggests asking your student's teachers what they need help with and jumping in. She has found that volunteering is an

excellent way to meet people and make friends. Thank you, Erin, for all that you do! Our school thrives with volunteers like you!

## January Spirit Day Winners



Congratulations to this month's Spirit Day winners:

- From Middle School, we are proud to announce that **8th grade** won with the most students in spirit gear or school colors. Way to go!
- For Elementary classes, **Mrs. Bennett's AM Kindergarten** class had the most participation and showed great LA pride by sporting their school colors.
- All Spirit Day winners will receive an extra recess!

## Pizza Palz Gift Cards



Get a great deal on a pizza, and support our scholarship program at Lincoln! Each Pizza Palz gift card is good for any Old Chicago pizza up to \$22 and costs only \$11 each! All proceeds from Pizza Palz fund the Dr. Carlton Scholarship that Lincoln graduates are eligible to receive.

Fill out the [order form](#) and return with payment (payable to LA PTO) to the red LA PTO mailbox in the front office. Limited quantities available!

## Don't Forget!

- Lost and Found is collected every Wednesday at 3:30 p.m.
- Please have your student stop by to see if he or she is missing any belongings
- Unclaimed items will be donated to a local charity



## Lincoln Academy Annual Parent Survey

The Lincoln Academy Board of Directors and the School Accountability Committee invite you to participate in the annual **Lincoln Academy Parent Survey**. Your honest and constructive responses provide helpful feedback on how well our school is doing at carrying out its mission and on areas that may need improvement.

This year, the survey format has been revised. *Participants will take only one survey* (unlike the multiple surveys in past years). On **Monday, January 30**, an email will be sent out to parents with a link to the survey. Math homework passes will also be sent home in elementary Monday folders or by middle school math teachers. These passes will contain additional information and a QR code for optional smartphone or tablet access to the survey. Upon parent completion of the survey, students may use the homework pass for one math homework assignment.

Thank you in advance for taking time to participate in our survey!



## LA Staff P.R.I.D.E.

Each week, we'd like to highlight some of the ways, big or small, that teachers and staff at Lincoln Academy go above and beyond to make Lincoln special. This week, we recognize.....

### Mrs. Leyva, 6th Grade Educational Assistant

*"Mrs. Leyva is a natural working one on one with kids who find both academics and organization challenging! Thank you for helping our students to be successful!"*

## Choice Enrollment 2017-2018

### 2017-2018 Pre-K Enrollment

Lincoln Academy's Pre-K program is now accepting enrollment for the 2017-2018 school year.

- Children 4 years old as of October 1 are eligible for enrollment
- Space in our preschool program is offered on a first come, first served basis, and a non-refundable tuition deposit must be included with your enrollment paperwork to guarantee placement for your student. **Spots are filling quickly, so don't delay!**
- Enrollment Forms and deposits may be turned in to the front office
- Please visit the Pre-K webpage for more information about the program or contact Preschool Director, Barbara Robinson, with any questions at [Barbara.Robinson@jeffco.k12.co.us](mailto:Barbara.Robinson@jeffco.k12.co.us).



Applications for the first round of 2017-2018 Choice Enrollment are now being accepted. If you have an incoming kindergartener or an incoming 1st-8th grade student you would like to enroll at Lincoln for the 2017-2018 school year, it is important that you complete a Choice Enrollment Application by January 31, 2017.

#### Documents to provide along with the Choice Enrollment Application:

- Birth certificate for children entering grade K and first
- For families of children who do not have siblings currently enrolled in our K-8 program, please submit a recent utility bill with a parent name and address listed
- If your child is not already a Jeffco student, please add him/her to your Jeffco Connect account
- Offers for kindergarten class placement (AM, PM or Full day) for **siblings of students currently attending Lincoln Academy** will be made when the Choice Enrollment Application is submitted.

- Applications are available via this link [Lincoln Academy.net/Enrollment](http://LincolnAcademy.net/Enrollment) and in the front office.
- If you have a student currently enrolled in grades K-8, you do **not** need to submit this application. Your student(s) will remain enrolled at Lincoln next year.

All Pre-K families wishing to enroll for kindergarten should return the application to the main office by January 31. Lincoln Academy Pre-K students are not automatically rolled into kindergarten and must also follow the established application process. Wait lists will be posted on our web site in early February and available openings will be filled from the wait list.

*Do you have a friend or neighbor that is interested in enrolling their student(s) at Lincoln Academy? Invite them to our next **Prospective Parent Tour on Tuesday, January 24 at 9:00 a.m.** No R.S.V.P. is necessary; just check in at the front office prior to the tour.*



## Jeffco Writing Challenge

Do you have a child who loves to write? Have your student take on the Jeffco Writing Challenge!

Last year, hundreds of Jeffco students wrote stories and poems, and competed for prizes. This year, we hope for even more. This competition engages young authors in creative and authentic writing, and is open to all Jeffco students K-12.

Please see this [flyer and permission form](#) for further information.



Check out our Lincoln Academy Facebook page!  
[www.facebook.com/lincolnacademycharter](http://www.facebook.com/lincolnacademycharter)

## Screenagers Film Screening

Parents and families are invited to an additional screening of the documentary *Screenagers: Growing Up in the Digital Age*, hosted by WarrenTech.

- Wednesday, January 18, 2017
- 6:00 p.m.—7:30 p.m.
- WarrenTech, 13300 West 2nd Pl. Lakewood, CO 80228
- Tickets: \$5.00 each
- For more information call 303.982.8600
- Visit [www.screenagersmovie.com](http://www.screenagersmovie.com) to view the trailer or for more information about this film.

## Love and Logic: Three Essential Rules for Setting Limits

By Dr. Charles Fay

Kids yearn for limits. Limits say, "I love you enough to show you how to have a responsible and happy life." Limits also say, "I love you enough to keep you safe." Limits also help us take good care of ourselves so we can remain loving. They keep us from feeling like doormats; therefore, they prevent us from developing resentment.

So... if limits are so important... why did I title this tip, "Don't Set Too Many Limits"?

When we try to set too many limits over too many things, we spread ourselves thin and lack the time and energy to enforce them.

**Every limit we set, yet fail to enforce, erodes our relationship with our children.**

**Every limit set, yet not enforced, reduces our credibility in the eyes of our kids.**

Yes! The stakes are very high.

This is why Love and Logic teaches three essential rules for setting limits:

**Rule One: Keep your limits simple and general.**

*Every limit we set, yet fail to enforce, erodes our relationship with our children.*

*Every limit set, yet not enforced, reduces our credibility in the eyes of our kids.*

Many parents and educators have enjoyed great success by using just one generic limit in most situations: "I allow \_\_\_\_\_ as long as it doesn't cause a problem."

**Rule Two: Describe what you will do... rather than what your kids must do.**

When we tell someone what they must or must not do, we are trying to control something we cannot.

When we describe what we will do or allow, we are remaining focused on what we can control.

**Rule Three: Never set a limit you aren't willing and able to enforce 200% of the time.**

It only takes a slight bit of inconsistency on our part for our children to begin viewing us like slot machines. If their limit testing pays off even to the slightest degree, they begin to think, "Our parents enforce limits most of the time, but there is hope that if we just keep playing them, they'll slip up and we'll hit the jackpot."

For more Love and Logic tips, visit [www.loveandlogic.com](http://www.loveandlogic.com).





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