



# The Lincoln Loop

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## Important Dates

- Jan 30—Community Night at Buffalo Wild Wings, 4-9pm
- Jan 31 - Last Day for First Round Choice Enrollment
- 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, 6:30-9pm
- Feb 13—Board Meeting, 6:30pm
- Feb 14—MS Fine Arts Assembly, 8:15-9:15am, Valentine's Day Parties
- Feb 17—No School, Teacher Development
- Feb 20—No School, President's Day
- Click on the [Lincoln Calendar](#) for more calendar information

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## LA Cheers for School Choice!

Lincoln Academy held a rally at our Monday pledge ceremony to celebrate National School Choice Week, January 22-28, 2017. National School Choice Week is a non-partisan, non-political effort that raises public awareness and shines a positive light on the effective education options for students. These options include traditional public schools, public charter schools, magnet schools, online learning, private schools, and homeschooling.

School choice means empowering parents with the freedom to choose the best educational environments for their children. We recognize that parents *do* have a choice on where to send their children for a quality education, and we are thankful to our families for choosing Lincoln Academy to prepare their students for academic and lifelong success!



(Pictured above) Chase S., Ashley N. and Bella V. (Pictured below, left) The MS Dance and Cheer team performed a dance and cheers for the student body at the pledge ceremony on Monday.



## 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. Computers in the library will be available for taking the survey during Parent/Teacher Conferences on Friday, February 3rd.

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

## First Round Enrollment Ends January 31!

Go to [page 4](#) for enrollment details.



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## Middle School Athletics



### Girls Basketball

#### January

|    |   |        |
|----|---|--------|
| 23 | LA vs. ECD @ Home                         | 4:15pm |
|    | <i>A team won 31-14! Way to go!</i>       |        |
| 25 | LA vs. WWA @ Home                         | 4:15pm |
|    | <i>A team won 40-12! B team won 30-4!</i> |        |
| 31 | LA vs. Global Village @ Home              | 4:15pm |



(Pictured left) The Girls A team was all smiles after a hard fought win against their long time rival Excel Academy last Thursday. The A team is now 4-0 for the season.

#### 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    |

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

### 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!

### Middle School Dance

We will be hosting a dance for the middle school students on Friday, February 10.

- **Friday, February 10, 6:30-9 p.m. in the LA gym**
- Tickets are \$5 in advance, \$10 at the door
- Tickets will be sold in the middle school hallway before school each day
- There are many ways families can help with the event! Please click on the signup link below to bring

food items for the dance, or to volunteer to clean up after the dance.

- Signup Link: [LA Middle School Dance](#)
- Please note that due to the dance on February 10, there will not be a Valentine's Day celebration during the school day February 14 for middle school students.

Save the Date

### Burritos are Back February 9

Your favorite way to start a Thursday! The breakfast burritos middle school trip fundraiser will resume on Thursday mornings, beginning February 9. Watch for more details next week.



### Chocolate Roses for Sale

Would you like to send a valentine to your child or teacher to make their day extra special? Student Government will be hosting a Chocolate Rose sale beginning January 30.

- Chocolate roses will be available to purchase each day before school January 30- February 10 in the Leopard Lobby
- \$3 each, payable to Lincoln Academy
- Come order a rose and write a special note, and StuGo will deliver them on Friday, February 10 to your valentine.
- Buy one for your child, a friend, a parent or a favorite teacher!
- Proceeds from the Chocolate Roses sale will be used towards the Middle School Dance on February 10.
- Questions? Please contact Amy Lucero at [Amy.Lucero@jeffco.k12.co.us](mailto:Amy.Lucero@jeffco.k12.co.us).

### Yearbook Prices Go Up February 1- Order Now!

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



## 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
- Join [Scrip Presto Pay](#), and LA benefits twice!
- Enjoy some great food, hot wings and a fun night supporting Lincoln!



## Food Signup for Teacher Conferences

If you are able to provide snack items for our fabulous teachers on our Parent/Teacher Conference Day on February 3, please click on the signup link: [Teacher Conference Snacks](#)

Thank you for supporting our teachers!



## Lincoln Academy Skate Night at Skate City, February 2

Bring your friends and family for this private event just for the students, staff, family, and friends from Lincoln Academy! Come out for a great night!

- Thursday, February 2 from 6-8 p.m.
- Skate City, 5353 W. 64th Ave. Arvada (corner of Sheridan Blvd. and 64th Ave.) 303-423-0616
- Admission \$4.50
- Skate rental (traditional skates) is \$2.50
- Dinner Special! Hot dog, chips & drink or 2 slices of pizza & drink for only \$3.00!



## Spring Event Planning Meeting, January 31

Join us as we choose a theme and plan this year's Spring Event. Bring a friend and some great ideas!

- Planning Meeting, Tuesday, January 31
- 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. at Silver Vines Winery in Olde Town Arvada
- Please email [PTOLEopards@gmail.com](mailto:PTOLEopards@gmail.com) with any questions



## Pizza Palz are BACK!

Old Chicago Pizza Palz are now available for purchase through the Lincoln Academy PTO. 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!



Make sure you log your volunteer hours! It's easy- just click here: [Volunteer Log](#)

There are MANY great ways to get involved here at Lincoln Academy!

Visit our [Committees webpage](#), check out our [current events](#), or review our [Ways to Volunteer list](#) to find a volunteer opportunity that's just right for you and your schedule.

Thanks for making Lincoln Academy GREAT!



## 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@jefco.k12.co.us](mailto:Barbara.Robinson@jefco.k12.co.us).



## Choice Enrollment 2017-2018

**First Round Choice Enrollment ends Tuesday, January 31.**

Now  
Enrolling!



Current Lincoln families who wish to enroll their kindergarten student for the fall of 2017 **must** turn in a First Round Choice Enrollment form by January 31 in order to ensure placement in the kindergarten program for next year.

### 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.

## SAC Meeting, February 28

Please note that the next School Accountability Committee (SAC) meeting has been rescheduled to Tuesday, February 28 at 6:30 p.m. in Room 221 (ALP room).



## 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. Jeanne Coyle, DSS Director**

*"Thank you, Mrs. Coyle, for all you do for Lincoln students. You make all of us better educators. You're always there to bounce ideas off of or to provide suggestions in grey-area situations. Thanks for your wit, candor and mentorship!"*

All current 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.



## ALP Math Winners

Congratulations to some of our fantastic Math ALP students! Our 6th grade ALP students and some of our 7th grade ALP students participated in the National Noetic Learning Math Contest. All of them did a terrific job on a very challenging test!

- Congratulations to our Team Winner from 7th grade, Mitch W.
- The following students joined Mitch in receiving an National Honorable Mention: Chloe C., Noah J., and Anthony S.
- Well done, students!

## Don't Forget!

The Lost and Found is collected every Wednesday at 3:30 p.m.

- Any unclaimed items are donated to a local charity
- Please have your student stop by the Lost and Found to see if they are missing any belongings.
- *Helpful tip: write your student's name on coats, lunch boxes, water bottles, etc. Items with names are returned back to students!*

## Total Eclipse Trip Deadline Extended



Interested in the solar eclipse trip but missed the registration deadline? You are in luck!

The deadline has been extended through February 28 to join the Total Solar Eclipse Trip on August 21, 2017. LA Middle School science teacher, Mr. Niemiec, is hosting a Lincoln Academy school trip to Glendo, WY to view the total solar eclipse on August 21, 2017, and there is limited space for family members and our Lincoln community to join the trip for this special phenomenon. This total solar eclipse will be the first time in nearly four decades that such an event will be visible so close to home. Don't miss it!

- Trip Date: Monday, August 21, 2017
- Time: Approximately 5:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.
- Tour Cost: \$75 per person, includes motor coach transportation and tour activities. Registration is based on availability, first come, first served.
- Special solar eclipse glasses will be provided for each person that signs up for the trip. Bring a breakfast/ morning snack and a sack lunch from home (a school field trip lunch will not be available due to the early departure of the trip)
- Please see the [Total Eclipse 2017 Enrollment Form](#) for more details or go to <https://portal.globaltravelalliance.com/enrollment> to register (Enter your **Group ID: 17088** and **Group Leader: Niemiec**)
- Deadline to register: February 28
- Questions about the trip? Contact Mr. Niemiec at [Lawrence.Niemiec@jeffco.k12.co.us](mailto:Lawrence.Niemiec@jeffco.k12.co.us).

## Board of Directors Vacancies

The Lincoln Academy Board of Directors will soon be losing two members. Doug Neely and Kristi Geisz (who have both served on the Board for 7 years) are term-limited and will be ending their terms in May.

The Board is seeking new members! Please read the following information to learn more about what it means to be a member of the Board:

### WHAT DOES THE BOARD DO?

- The Board governs the school with an emphasis on:
  - ◊ Outward vision rather than internal preoccupation
  - ◊ Encouragement of diversity in viewpoints
  - ◊ Strategic leadership more than administrative detail
  - ◊ Clear distinction of Board and Principal roles
  - ◊ Collective rather than individual decisions
  - ◊ Pro-activity rather than reactivity
- The Board cultivates a sense of group responsibility for excellence in governing,

using the expertise of individual members to enhance the ability of the Board.

- The Board enforces upon itself whatever discipline is needed to govern with excellence.
- The Board sets and monitors the school budget.
- The Board establishes, monitors and evaluates carefully written Board policies.
- The Board governs consistently with respect to the school's mission and vision, charter contract, policies, local, state, and federal laws and other applicable contracts.
- The Board's sole employee is the principal. It is the Board's responsibility to hire, monitor and evaluate the principal.
- Board members must agree to follow the Board Member Code of Conduct.
- Individual Board members also lead Board committees, which advise the Board in fulfilling its duties and report to the Board at monthly meetings: Finance, Governance, Facilities, School Accountability Committee (SAC), and Development.

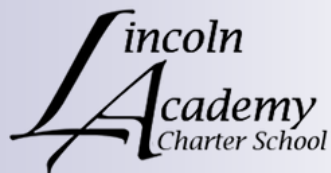
### WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO BE A BOARD

### MEMBER?

- A love of Lincoln Academy and a history of regular involvement or committed volunteer time at our school.
- Be willing to read E.D. Hirsch's book *Cultural Literacy* or *The Schools We Need* and agree with the principles of the Core Knowledge® Curriculum.
- Be willing to attend monthly Board meetings (on the second Monday of the month) as well as other committee meetings and training sessions as necessary. The time commitment is approximately 10-20 hours/month and will easily put you over the 20 hours requested of each school family.

### WHAT SHOULD I DO IF I AM INTERESTED AND HOW DO I APPLY?

- Speak to Board President, Doug Neely, or another member of the Board of Directors.
- Fill out an application. An application can be found on the Board of Directors page of the school website. Send your completed application to Doug Neely, Board President: [dougneely@lincolnacadey.net](mailto:dougneely@lincolnacadey.net).



**LINCOLN ACADEMY VISION  
STATEMENT**

*The vision of Lincoln Academy is to prepare all students for their future endeavors by providing a comprehensive Core Knowledge education.*



**LINCOLN ACADEMY MISSION  
STATEMENT**

*The mission of Lincoln Academy is to help all students attain their highest social and academic potential through an academically rigorous, content-rich education program in a safe, orderly, and caring environment.*

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## Board of Directors

We invite all families to attend our next regular Board meeting on Monday, February 13, 2017, at 6:30 p.m. in the Student Center.

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- ♦ We are now accepting Paid Ads at \$5/week
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