



# The Lincoln Loop

*Are you in the Loop?*

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## Important Dates

- March 3—Spirit Day, Parents' Night Out, 5-10pm
- March 8—Spring Picture Day
- March 10—PTO Movie Night, 6:30PM
- March 13—Board Meeting, 6:30pm
- March 16—8th Grade Capstone, 6:30pm
- March 20—5th Grade Ameritowne
- March 21—PTO Meeting, 6:30pm
- March 23-27—Washington DC Trip
- March 27-31—Spring Break
- Click on the [Lincoln Calendar](#) for more calendar information

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## Feelin' Groovy

Eighth grade students in Mrs. Hall's history class dressed like hippies this Tuesday. Students have been studying the civil rights movement of the 1960's and how this decade of change played an important role in our nation's history.

## 2nd Trimester Report Cards Now Available Online, Grades 2-8

- Log on to [Jeffco Connect](#) with your username and password
- Click on 'Campus Portal'
- If you have more than one student in Jeffco, click on 'Select a Student' at the top of the page
- Click on 'Reports' > '2nd Trimester Report Card'
- Note: If your student is in grades 2-5, click on 'Elementary Report Card'; if your student is in grades 6-8, click on 'Middle School Report Card'
- Forgot your password for JeffcoConnect? Click on 'Forgot password' and it will be emailed to you.
- Elementary Report Cards, grades 1-5, will go home in Monday folders on Monday, March 6

## Spring Picture Day, March 8

Mark your calendar! Picture Day for Spring portraits is Wednesday, March 8. Order forms went home in Monday folders last week.

Additional order forms are available in the front office.



- Select your favorite background for individual portraits on the flyer and return to the photographer on Picture Day.
- No need to send money now. After Spring Picture Day, you will receive a portrait package to review and purchase.
- Questions? Please call 1-866-955-8342 or email [Colorado@lifetouch.com](mailto:Colorado@lifetouch.com)

## Parents' Night Out

Lincoln Academy alumni, 11th Grade Ambassador Girl Scout Troop #1630 will host the next Parents' Night Out in the LA Student Center **tonight, March 3 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, April 21.

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## Middle School Athletics



### Boys Volleyball

#### March

9	Parent & Player Meeting	3:45pm
22	LA vs. WWA & Excel @ LA	4:15pm, 6:15pm



### Girls Soccer

#### March

20	Parent & Player Meeting	3:45pm
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Go to [MS Athletics](#) for more information about games and practice schedules. Go Leopards!

### 2017 Spring Sports Season

If you are planning on playing Girls Soccer or Boys Volleyball this spring, please visit the middle school [Athletics page](#) for details about upcoming practice and game schedules and be sure to turn in your sports fees and athletic forms. Contact Mr. Martin at [lincolnathletics1@gmail.com](mailto:lincolnathletics1@gmail.com) if you have any questions

### 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!



(Pictured above and right) The Girls A team celebrate their championship win on Wednesday night.

(Pictured far right) The B team at the semi-finals at Woodrow Wilson on Tuesday.



### Girls Basketball

#### **A Team Undefeated League Champs!**

The A team swept the semifinals on Tuesday against WWA, winning 34-8, and on Wednesday the girls attained their dream season status with a victory against Excel, 32-11, for the league championship! The A Team finished **11-0** as league champs for an unbelievable season. Congratulations!

On Monday, the B team beat Beth Eden 17-13 but lost to Excel in the B team championship game. The B team finished the season 2nd place in the league. Well done, ladies!



Three eighth graders, Jenny K., Ruth N. and Rachel M., represented Lincoln in the All-Star game at Woodrow on Thursday. Congratulations, Lady Leopards, on a fantastic season!

### LA MS Science Dept Goes 3-D

The middle school science department was presented with a new 3-D printer last week, purchased from the proceeds from the LA Foundation's Fall Tech Trek. This piece of technology is just one of the ways the Tech Trek funds will be used to benefit the students of Lincoln Academy. Mr. Niemiec and his students are thrilled to have this new addition in the science lab and are already designing projects for classes such as the solar car elective.



Thanks to all of the Tech Trek sponsors and participants who made this possible!



## PTO Movie Night, March 10



Join us for our next family movie night on Friday, March 10!

Our feature presentation will be:

### Moana

- Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and the movie starts at 6:30 p.m.
- Concession items for sale
- Come enjoy a FREE movie with friends and family!
- Can you help with set-up or

concessions for the night? [Click here to sign up!](#)

### Please Note:

- All children through 5th grade **must be accompanied by an adult.** We will check at the door when you enter.
- We would like to remind you that all kids must sit quietly during the movie and may not be running around or playing.
- Middle School students are welcome to attend (we'd love to see you), but will not be allowed to leave the gym.
- Thank you for your cooperation.

## Thank You!

Thank you for joining us for a fun time with family, friends and teachers!

(Pictured top right) Mitchell C., Ms. Jelinek, Mrs. Roberts, Mrs. Trelease, and Blake C. (Pictured right) Charlie M. and Ellianna J.



(Pictured left) The Lyons family enjoy their night out with Lincoln friends.

## Save the Date for our Upcoming FIESTA!

Friday, April 7th, from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. in the Student Center and Gym



- Dance lessons
- Salsa challenge
- Pie eating contest
- Cake walk
- Family games and lots of FUN!

Watch for more information to come home in Monday folders soon. Want to help? Email us at [PTOLEopards@gmail.com](mailto:PTOLEopards@gmail.com).

## Volunteer of the Month

Lincoln Academy PTO would like to congratulate **Sarah Wasinger**, our volunteer of the month!

Sarah can be seen using her time to help with math group support, caring for our landscaping and assisting teachers whenever possible. She also heads up our PTO Sunshine Committee and serves on our School Accountability Committee.

Sarah believes that volunteering is an excellent way to show our kids how working together builds a stronger community. There is always a way to use your unique interests and skills to volunteer. Sarah loves gardening and has stepped up to take care of the flowers you see around the campus (as a side note, if you are able to work on sprinklers, she would love to talk to you before summer starts!). Sarah also recommends volunteering in the classrooms; whether by helping with costumes, feasts or science demonstrations, there is always a need you can fill. The PTO has many after-hours events and activities as well to help meet scheduling needs. Sarah suggests simply asking a teacher or PTO member how they need help and plugging in there. At Lincoln Academy, we know that volunteers make a tremendous impact and difference for our students. Thank you, Sarah! We appreciate all that you do!



## Staff Appreciation, March 14

Calling all chefs, bakers and pi(e) enthusiasts!

We are treating our lovely staff to a *Pot O' Luck* potluck and pie for Pi Day on Tuesday, March 14.

Do you have an all time favorite recipe that's all the RAVE at parties? Then please sign up!!

We encourage variety, especially with our dessert of the day- pie! It is Pi Day after all!

If you are able to bring a favorite dish or pie, or if you are able to help with either set up or clean up, it would be greatly appreciated.

[Click here to sign up!](#)



## Jeffco Night with the Denver Nuggets



Get your discounted tickets to watch the Denver Nuggets take on the Houston Rockets!

- **Saturday, March 18 at 7:30p.m. at the Pepsi Center**
- Tickets: Upper Level \$20 (regularly \$34) Lower/Club Level \$45 (regularly up to \$108) No taxes or fees!
- A portion of every ticket purchased will benefit the Jeffco Schools Foundation
- To purchase tickets, [click here](#). (Follow the link and select our school)
- Contact Lyndsay Marchbanks at 303.405.7635 or [Lyndsay.Marchbanks@TeamKSE.com](mailto:Lyndsay.Marchbanks@TeamKSE.com) with questions
- Can't make the Community Night? Use the same link to purchase tickets for upcoming games!

## Total Eclipse Trip— Last Day to Register!



The deadline has been extended through today, March 3, 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



## LA PRIDE

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. Nikki Canty-Jones, Occupational Therapist

*"Mrs. Canty-Jones is always on time to check in with my kiddos and determined to see them succeed. She tries so many different strategies and my kids feel cared for."*

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: March 3, with final payment due April 1**
- Questions about the trip? Contact Mr. Niemiec at [Lawrence.Niemiec@jeffco.k12.co.us](mailto:Lawrence.Niemiec@jeffco.k12.co.us).



**Camp invention®**  
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**Camp Invention,  
June 5-9, 2017**

In partnership with Invent Now, Lincoln Academy Charter School is pleased to offer the nationally-acclaimed Camp Invention program to children entering grades K through six, June 5-9 right here at Lincoln Academy! This exciting, weeklong summer adventure in creativity immerses children in imaginative play that reinforces and supplements school-year learning in the subjects of science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM). Children will work together to seek innovative solutions to real-world problems and sharpen critical 21<sup>st</sup> century learning skills such as teamwork and creative problem solving as they rotate through four modules each day that disguise learning as fun.

Local educators will facilitate program modules, and enthusiastic high school and college students will serve as Leadership Interns – ensuring that one staff member is in place for every eight children.

Registration is \$225 for this week-long camp. Sign up by March 20<sup>th</sup> to save \$25. Every registration includes a free Camp Invention t-shirt. This year will be offering Extended Camp to accommodate working families. Extended Camp hours are 7:30 to 5:30 PM and will cost an additional \$80. Availability is limited, so visit [www.campinvention.org](http://www.campinvention.org) or call 800.968.4332 to reserve your child's spot today! Contact Kim McKinney at [kmckinne@jeffco.k12.co.us](mailto:kmckinne@jeffco.k12.co.us) for more information and to find out about discount opportunities.

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## LA Board of Directors Elections



### Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Building C

A ribbon cutting ceremony was held Monday morning to celebrate the completion of our new building. Students, teachers and parents looked on as Mr. Weir and the fifth grade team- Mrs. Schettone, Mrs. Welsh, and Mrs. Voris – cut the ribbon and welcomed the classes for a brief tour of the new building.

The Lincoln Academy Board of Directors will be holding an election in April to fill 3 vacancies – 2 left by term limits of Doug Neely and Kristi Geisz and an additional existing vacancy.

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. *"Any parent/legal guardian who wishes to apply for a Board vacancy must have served a minimum of one school year in one of the following committees with an attendance rate of fifty percent or better: Board committees, PTO, Building Corporation Board, or other capacity approved by the Board."* (Lincoln Academy Charter School Bylaws)
- 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.
- Applications must be given to Board President, [Doug Neely](#), or turned in to the front office by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 3.
- Applicants will be asked to address the Board at the regular business meeting on Monday, April 10.

### Board of Directors

We invite all families to attend our next regular Board meeting on Monday, March 13, 2017, at 6:30 p.m.



