

Lincoln Link

Back to school
SCHOOL

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BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

The 2018-19 school year is nearly upon us! We know it will be great! Families can plan to visit the classroom, meet the teacher, and bring supplies on the evening of **Thursday, August 30**, at the open house style event from **5:00-6:30 pm**.

Parents and students will engage in Personalized Learning (PL) components already this first evening. Classroom redesign with alternative seating and designated zones for specific learning styles will be clearly visible in our classrooms. Visitors this evening will feel comfortable as they participate in a common PL "Must Do / May Do" activity to meet the objectives of the event.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

The first day of school is **Tuesday, September 4***. Students should **arrive no earlier than 8:05 am** and will wait outside at specific doors all around the perimeter of the school with their classmates, entering at **the 8:15 bell**. Our kindergarten parents are invited to a special welcome the first morning. All other parents (and kindergarten parents after the first day) will be expected to say their good-byes outside the door each day. School **dismisses at 3:08 pm**.

On this first day, students interact with the Personalized Learning feature, developing Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) for specific areas in the classroom and places frequented throughout the school. They will begin to feel empowered by the "voice and choice" provided them, as students in the Personalized Learning structure at Lincoln.

*Please see information on next page about students with Staggered Start..

LINCOLN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Lincoln Elementary School ■ 1821 Conde St, Janesville, WI ■ September 2018
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10 THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW



Need more information? It's probably on our website in [Lincoln's 10 Things You Need to Know](#). Also, feel even more engaged in your child's school by checking out our district-wide [Elementary Parent Handbook](#).

LINCOLN CLOTHING CLOSET

We would like to invite you to the Lincoln Closet! The Closet is a resource for Lincoln families to add to a child's wardrobe **free of charge**. Clothing and shoes are new or gently used, and come in a variety of children's sizes.

If you are interested in visiting the Lincoln Closet, complete the [Visit Request Form](#). If you prefer to print a paper version, use the [Paper Version Visit Request Form](#). You may also use these request forms to schedule a visit later in the year, or contact the office or Elyse Dean edean@janesville.k12.wi.us or at (608) 743-6761. Visits are held as private, one family events.

STAGGERED START

There is a staggered start for our students in kindergarten and those with Intellectual Disabilities (I.D.) program. Half the students are assigned to attend Tuesday 9/4 and the other half Wednesday 9/5. These students come for a full day on their assigned day. If you are unsure of the assigned staggered start day of your kindergarten student or your student with ID, please contact the office at wnelson@janesville.k12.wi.us or 608-743-6700.

SCHOOL HOURS

Adult supervision is provided on school grounds from **8:05 a.m.** until the first bell rings at **8:15 a.m.** Students should not be arriving at school earlier than 8:05 a.m. unless they are participating in a special activity (i.e. Safety Patrol, Choir, Student Council, etc.) Also, please note, students will not be allowed in the building during inclement weather until 8:05 a.m.

For the purpose of safety, we are emphasizing the expectation this year that parents say goodbye to their children outside at the car or outside the exterior door. By doing this, you are helping to develop your child's independence as a learner. Of course if you have any specific school business, after you drop your child at the outside door, you can use Door 2 to check in at the office.

Students should leave school and playground when dismissed at 3:08 p.m. or go immediately to after school activities.

- 8:05** Student drop-off
- 8:15** Students enter (upon bell)
- 8:20** School day begins
Breakfast in Classroom
- 10:00** Recess for Grades K-3
- 1:30** Recess for Grades 4-5
- 3:08** Students dismissed



INFINITE CAMPUS PARENT PORTAL

You can access much information on the Infinite Campus Parent Portal, such as your child's attendance and grades. You can keep your contact information current, update your emergency contacts, and pay fees. Here's instructions to a few specific tasks. Click links at right.



- ◆ [Managing Family Member Information](#)
- ◆ [Managing Preferences](#)
- ◆ [Managing Payment Information](#)
- ◆ [Making an Online Payment](#)



Stay Connected

There are several ways for you to stay connected with Lincoln events.

1. Visit the [Lincoln website](#) for current events, staff contact info, calendar, newsletter and much information. Our page is part of the [School District of Janesville website](#) which all even more valuable information.
2. View the [Lincoln calendar](#) on the website. Events are added as soon as we schedule them, so you can plan ahead. You can even add this Google calendar to your own set of calendars and set reminders for yourself.
3. Share your email address and phone number(s) with us and set your preferences through [Infinite Campus](#) to receive general notifications via email and phone.. Lincoln staff as well as district level staff send periodic messages regarding featured events and opportunities.
4. Like us on [Facebook](#). We often send out reminders of events and share photos and highlights of activities at school.

RIDING BICYCLES

Riding bikes is a fun way to get to school and get exercise at the same time. Please send a lock with your child to secure the bicycle to the racks provided. Students must walk bikes on school grounds to keep everyone safe.

LUNCH SCHEDULE

This year we gave priority to our scheduling needs during the instructional day and got a little creative with our lunch schedules. Thus, lunch times are scheduled by individual classroom, not necessarily by the whole grade level. Students will have a 15 minute lunch immediately followed by a 15 minute recess.

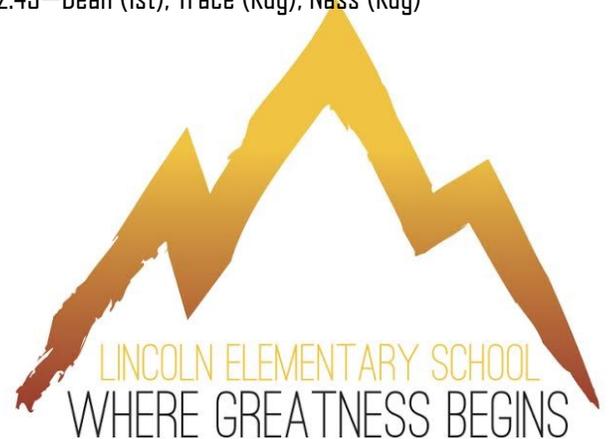
11:45—Eckels (3rd), Arnold (5th)

12:00—Radtke (3rd), Mau (3rd), Bynum (4th), Palumbo (5th)

12:15—Hendrickson (2nd), Slowiak (2nd), Hoag (4th), Healey (4th)

12:30—Graves (Kdg), Johnson (1st), Jewell (1st)

12:45—Dean (1st), Trace (Kdg), Nass (Kdg)





BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

You can clip Box Tops for Education from various household and food products then submit them to Lincoln. We receive ten cents for every label we send in. This will raise a lot of money for our students, so please join in this valuable fundraiser and tell your family and friends!



PBIS KICKOFF

Lincoln students will participate in our annual Kickoff for Positive Behavior Interventions and Support (PBIS) in early September. Students will discuss and explicitly learn appropriate behaviors for each key location around the school. Our youngest learners will travel to each of these specific locations as they participate in this event.



TELEPHONE MESSAGES

Thank you, parents, for the wonderful job you do in communicating with your child regarding after school plans. We realize that emergencies, or simple change of plans happen. If you need to call the office to leave a message for your child, please call the office prior to 2:30 p.m. After that time, it becomes increasingly difficult to locate the class to give messages.

LINCOLN PARENT+ TEACHER ASSOCIATION (PTA)

You can get actively involved in your child's school by becoming a member of the PTA. You are not obligated to volunteer, although there are plenty of opportunities to help out if you'd like. You will never be called to volunteer unless you sign up to help. Lincoln Parent Teacher Association sponsors many school events:

*Fall Carnival
*Holiday Fair
*Ice Cream Social
*Book Fairs
*Fifth Grade Party
*Family Fun Nights. We also provide funding to create opportunities for all Lincoln students. We assist with Teacher Appreciation week, Yearbooks, School pictures, Spirit wear, and field trip money to EVERY student! Please help us make this a great year for our children! We invite you to make a wonderful difference in our school. Join PTA!

Regular PTA meetings are generally the 3rd Monday of the month unless it conflicts with an event. They are held at 4:30 p.m. in the Lincoln LMC. Everyone is encouraged to attend whether they are members of the PTA or not. The first meeting is September 17.

PTA OFFICERS

President Jessica Hable (608) 314-5583

1st Vice President Vacant

2nd Vice President Vacant

Secretary Terra Helmer (608) 359-6406

Treasurer: Amanda Bailey (608) 931-5424

