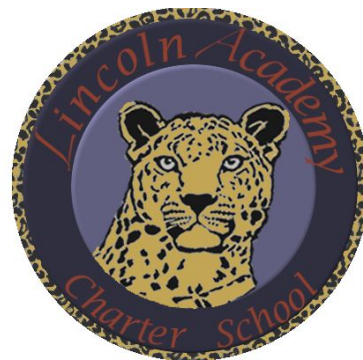


Lincoln Academy Principal's Report to the Board January 2019

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



Open Enrollment

The Jefferson County School District open enrollment process begins on Tuesday, January 22 and continues until February 8th. The process is completed online this year and is called EnrollJeffco.

"EnrollJeffco is the digital replacement for choice enrollment. It has been expanded to capture all students to make school information easier for families to access, streamline processes, ensure the same timeline for all schools, and give schools more time to plan for the next school year." [EnrollJeffco Website](#)

During this time, at Lincoln Academy K-8 grade applications are given priority based on staff, sibling, in-district, and out-of-district. In each category, a lottery number is assigned to each applicant at the end of the open enrollment period. All of this will be automated via the new Jeffco system.

On February 25th, emails will be auto generated and sent to the first open positions in our kindergarten classes.. All other grade level applicants as well as the remaining kindergarten families will be notified by email as space becomes available.

Second round enrollment begins February 9th. At this time all applications that are accepted are placed after the first round applications and are first come, first served.

Our PreK will not be using the EnrollJeffco system and will be continuing to follow the paper enrollment practices as they have done in the past which is a first come, first served process. Enrollment for PreK opens January 14th.

We will be hosting an informational night on Thursday, January 24th for prospective parents. Additionally, once a month from February through May we will be hosting prospective parent tours during the school day.

School Choice Week - January 20-26

We will be participating in the 8th annual National School Choice Week. National School Choice Week is America's largest annual celebration of educational reform that provides an array of educational option and gives parents the power to choose the educational environments that are best for their children. National School Choice Week shines a positive spotlight on effective education options for children.

On, Monday January 21st we will celebrate School Choice Week during our Monday pledge ceremony. Students will be performing the school choice dance and we will watch clips from the national organization.

To learn more visit the [School Choice Website](#)

Enrollment History

Academic Year	Total Number of Students
2012-2013	556
2013-2014	643*
2014-2015	656
2015-2016	694
2016-2017	736
2017-2018	772
2018-2019	797

Numbers include PreK

*Year of the move to our current site

We have increased our student population by 241 since leaving the Pierce Street location

5A Process

This year we have \$263,800 additional funds due to the passage of the mill levy, 5A. It is not yet been communicated when these funds will be dispersed to the schools. However, as the board voted in December those funds are sitting in a contingency line item on our budget. These funds may be used for compensation, curriculum/classroom materials, technology, increasing school safety and security, increasing mental health supports and counseling, expanding career/technical education & STEM options, and expanding full-day early childhood education.

Since the money is coming to us mid-year, the focus of these funds this spring will be on updating out of print curriculum/classroom materials, updating and improving technology (which may include a server upgrade) and school safety and security. All of these items, which are on our budget priority list, are currently, being priced. As we have the specifics of pricing, this will be presented to the finance committee and then the board. In the fall, we will plan for a large majority of the mill levy funds to increase compensation to stay competitive with the district, as well as adding a STEM program in middle school and expanding our ALP program.

Update on Staffing

Mrs. Roberts, one of our full day kindergarten teachers, has made a difficult personal decision to not return to Lincoln Academy this year. This will allow her to spend time assisting her husband during his long recovery from a ruptured brain aneurysm and subsequent complications.

To ensure a smooth transition for the children, we have been fortunate to have a wonderful former Lincoln teacher, Ms. McKinney, taking over for the rest of this school year. Ms. McKinney was a first grade teacher at Lincoln Academy for 18 years before recently retiring.

My Professional Goals for 2018

Based on feedback from the board of directors after my fall evaluation, I will be attending a seminar on January 16th presented by the Colorado League of Charter Schools on the topic "Eliminate Leader Burnout with Innovative Leadership Models." In this session, I should learn how different schools are approaching distributive leadership models.