

Lincoln Academy

Principal's Report to the Board

August 2018

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.



The following is a list of dates in which Board Attendance is welcomed:

- ☐ August 10th
 - ☐ Board Pictures 7:30am
 - ☐ Lunch at noon
- ☐ August 11
 - ☐ New Family Night Welcome 9:00 a.m.
- ☐ August 13th
 - ☐ PreK, Kinder & 1st Parent Academy 6:00 p.m.
 - ☐ 6th Grade Orientation
- ☐ August 14th
 - ☐ BBQ & Supply Drop off 5:00pm-8:00pm
- ☐ August 16th
 - ☐ First Day of school K-8 8:00am
- ☐ August 20th
 - ☐ Parent Academy Grades 6, 7, 8 6:00pm
- ☐ August 21st
 - ☐ Dr. Glass Visit 5:00 p.m.
- ☐ August 22nd
 - ☐ 2nd-5th Grade Parent Academy 6:00pm

Preliminary State Standardized Test results are embargoed (can not be released in any public form) until August 16th

Click [here](#) for access to the Administrative Team Roles and Responsibilities

Believe!

This is the theme for the 2018-19 academic school year. The word *believe* is full of hope, possibilities, and truth. This year's theme is wrapped up in the idea of collective teacher efficacy. Collective teacher efficacy is the collective *belief* that Lincoln has the ability to positively affect students. Collective teacher efficacy has been found to be strongly and positively correlated with student achievement. A school's staff that *believes* it can collectively accomplish great things is vital for the health of a school and students. If you *believe* you can make a positive difference then you likely will.

Emergency Principal Succession Plan

In the unforeseen event that I was not able to complete my duties and responsibilities as acting principal, Andrew Weir and Lindsey Tomsick would take over the roles and responsibilities as the interim principals of Lincoln Academy until the Board of Directors were able to duly appoint or hire a new principal.

Food Service Update

After much consideration and intense review, Food and Nutrition Service of Jeffco has determined the best path forward is to serve all schools in basically the same manner without differentiating between the type of school. The District reports, "If it is determined that Jeffco Food and Nutrition Services (FNS) will act as the School Food Authority (SFA) to provide meal service to a charter school, the District will provide free and reduced price meals to qualifying students in a manner determined by the District and in accordance with School Board policy, applicable federal and state law, as well as all SFA rules, policies and procedures pertaining thereto. All district schools, including charter schools, will be handled in the same manner in regard to cost and services provided. Individuals administering federal meal programs must be employed by the SFA, whom is responsible for ensuring their compliance and training."

Welcome New Lincoln Staff

PreK & PT Elementary Music

- Samantha Jandro

Kinder AM Teacher

- Amy Jenkins

6th Grade Teacher

- Katherine Brassington

8th Grade Math Teacher

- Peter Chapman

Front Office

- Jessica Alley

1st Grade EAs

- Brenda Guenther
- Kathryn Burns
- Alyssa Clark

4th Grade EA

- Liz Fallon

6th Grade EA

- Shannon Conner

MS Elective Dance Teacher

- Michelle Sims

Counselor

- Matt Trowbridge

**Please welcome the new members of the
Lincoln Academy team!**

New Community

Superintendent-Charter Schools

Tom McMillen, will be taking Tim Matlick's place as Community Superintendent for Charter Schools. Tom was on the founding board of Jefferson Academy and all his kids attended charter, magnet, alternative and neighborhood schools in Jeffco. He is a 30 year Jeffco resident, having previously worked in a similar position in Douglas County and before that at the Charter School Institute. He will be at our school on August 21st when Dr. Glass comes to visit.

Learning from Group Wizardry

My Summer training with Michael Grinder-

I completed five days of training this summer with Michael Grinder, a master of, and world renown expert in, the power of influence — the science of nonverbal communication, nonverbal leadership, group dynamics, advanced relationship building skills and presentation skills.

It is difficult to summarize the learning that took place while I was in training. We discussed different aspects of charisma, presentation skills, how to present negative information without getting shot, the importance of being aware of your breathing and how it influence your speech patterns and those listening to you just to name a few topics that were covered. On the last day, I gave a presentation that was videotaped and Michael Grinder critiqued my presentation and gave me feedback based on the learning that happened during the week. This training was very helpful and I look forward to using my new set of skills this year.

Jeffco Charter Schools Consortium Meeting

August 15th

5:30-7:00

@ Golden Compass Montessori

4441 Salvia St., Golden

**Lincoln Academy board presence is always
welcomed and encouraged.**