

Lincoln Loop April 4, 2025

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Upcoming Events



2024-2025 calendar details

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Mark Your Calendars!

April Events

8 CMAS Testing Begins, Grades 3-8

PTO Community Night: Renegade Burrito

11 PTO Silent Auction Closes! Evening Event 6:30-9:00 pm, Colorado Tap House

Purchase event tickets here! auctria.events/LincolnArvada

15-17 Volunteer Appreciation

15 Board Meeting 6:30 pm, Conference Room

16 2nd Grade Concert 6:00 pm, Gym

22 PTO Meeting 6:30 pm, Library

23 1st Grade Concert, 6:00 pm, Gym

24 PreK-4th Assessment Day (by appointment only for PreK-4th)

Regular school day for 5th-8th

PreK Family BBQ 5:00-6:45 pm, Little Leopards playground

25 No School

Board Information



Board of Directors Elections

Board of Directors Elections are happening in April

- Board applications are due by 5pm on April 10th.
 - The membership requirements and application form can be found here
 - Please email completed forms to Micah Gilbreath at MicahGilbreath@lincolnacademv.net
- The board welcomes qualified applicants to speak at the April 15th Board of Directors meeting
- Voting will open to the community April 16th-21st and will occur via email
 - Eligible voters include each parent or legal guardian of currently enrolled students, as well as all employees of Lincoln Academy

School Information



Butter Braid Fundraiser

Lincoln Academy will be hosting a Butter Braid Fundraiser from March 24 - April 8. These sales will help lessen the cost of next year's Outdoor Lab Experience for all current 5th grade students. Please <u>click on this link</u> if you would like to order Butter Braids to help support students attending Outdoor Lab next year (the name of the seller will show up as Maria J for this group fund).

Students in grades 5-7 will also be given the chance to raise funds for their individual accounts, for either Outdoor Lab or the optional Washington D.C. Trip. These students and

their families have already received an email from Miss Jelinek with information on how to set up their own fundraising.

Thank you for supporting our students!



Lincoln Leopard Choir

This spring, Mrs. Newsom will lead the Lincoln Leopard Choir. This is an after school choir for any student in **3rd or 4th grade**. Students in Leopard Choir will be singing and putting on a performance on 5/14/25 at 6:00 pm. Leopard Choir will meet two times per week on Monday and Thursday afternoons from 3:00 - 3:45 pm. The first day will be 4/7/25 and will continue until 5/14/25. There will be no Leopard Choir on 4/24/25 or 5/5/25. Because students will be putting on a performance, attendance at all rehearsals (except in the cases of emergencies or illness) is required. The cost of participation in Leopard Choir is \$40. This cost includes the cost of music, as well as a Leopard Choir t-shirt. Due to the acoustics of the gym, Leopard Choir will only take place if 15 or more students sign up. Leopard Choir's enrollment is capped at 45 students. The first 45 students signed up will be able to participate. If you would like to sign your child up for Leopard Choir please click this link and fill out the form.



Lincoln Academy CMAS Testing Window April 8-April 18

What is CMAS?

Colorado Measures of Academic Success (CMAS) assessments in English Language Arts, math, and science align with the Colorado Academic Standards and measure complex critical thinking and problem-solving.

What is the purpose?

- Teachers, schools, and districts use the information to determine the next steps in instructions and changes in programming to support learning.
- CMAS tests are one indicator used along with report cards, classroom performance, and teacher feedback to provide a complete picture of student progress.
- Knowing if students are meeting Colorado grade-level expectations give parents and teachers time to better prepare students for college and jobs after high school.
- Growth from CMAS results provides another dimension of performance beyond just achievement. Growth data helps identify areas of strength and areas that may need more attention and support.

Click to learn more about CMAS, see assessment results, and find practice resources.

Lincoln Academy Testing Schedule (detailed schedule with times linked here)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7	8 4th 5th 6th 8th Science	9 4th 5th 6th 8th Science	10 4th 5th 6th	11
7th Social Studies	15 3rd 5th Science 7th 8th	16 3rd 5th Science 7th 8th	17 3rd 4th Social Studies 7th 8th	18

Reminders during this testing window:

- Cell phones are not allowed during testing. Students are encouraged to leave them at home. If they bring a phone, it needs to stay in their backpacks outside of the classroom or in their locker.
- Please get your students to school on time, so they do not miss the start of any test. Also, please avoid scheduling any appointments during these testing days.
- Students who arrive after their test session begins will wait in the office until the session is over and will make up the test later.
- Please have your child get a good night's sleep and eat a healthy breakfast in the morning to help with their stamina and energy.
- Review these other Healthy Tips for Testing



8th Grade Baby/Toddler Pictures Needed

Attention, 8th grade families! We need one baby/toddler picture of your child for the 8th grade graduation video (no newborn pictures, please!). It is much better if the photo of your child **does not** include other family members. Digital photos are preferred and can be emailed to Mr. Nishida at martin.nishida@jeffco.k12.co.us.

- All digital photos must be in a standard image format jpg, png, bmp, etc. (no PDFs)
- If a digital photo is not available, please have your child bring in a regular picture to Mr. Nishida to be scanned.
- To ensure the correct resolution and image format, please **do not scan the picture yourself.** All pictures will be scanned and returned to the students to take back home.

All pictures are **due to Mr. Nishida by Friday, April 25th** so that he can begin creating the video. Please email Mr. Nishida if you have any questions.



Limited Yearbook Copies Left

There are only 30 copies left for our Lincoln Academy 2024/2025 Yearbook. Click here to purchase. You don't want to miss out on this opportunity to save this year's memories! We will not have any extras this year, so order your copy now!

If you can't remember if you already purchased a yearbook, you can check your student fee payment history by going to Infinite Campus, clicking "More," and then "Jeffco Student Fee Payment." The fee statement (a paper icon) will show you your purchases this year.



Staff Changes for 2025/2026 School Year

Saying Goodbye					
Mallory Kirkland	7th Grade ELA				
Jennifer Spahn	7th Grade Science				
Ellie Gothard	In-House Sub				
Jennifer Brozovich	Assistant Principal				
Kassie Spring	4th Grade Teacher				
Jane Lawlor	6th Grade Science				
Rose Hasz	5/6 Social Studies				
Open Positions for 25/26					
7th Grade Science					

In-House Sub		
4th Grade Teacher		
5th Grade Teacher		
6th Grade Social Studies		
Educational Assistants		



Enrollment for 2025/2026 School Year

If you know that your student will <u>not</u> be returning to Lincoln Academy next year, please let Maren Nadvornik know (<u>maren.nadvornik@jeffco.k12.co.us</u>). This information helps us plan our class sizes and enrollment for next year.

Athletics



Upcoming Games/Meets

Girls Soccer	Boys Volleyball	Cross Country
All games at 4:15 pm	All games at 4:15 pm	All meets at 4:15 pm
4/7 vs Excel @ Lincoln	4/24 @ Lincoln	4/23 @ Lincoln/Majestic View Park
4/9 vs Excel @ Stenger	4/30 Playoffs @ Lincoln	4/30 @ Woodrow Wilson
4/22 vs Woodrow Wilson @ Long Lake Regional Park	5/1 Championship @ Woodrow Wilson	

Girls Flag Football

Later this spring, there will be a brief introduction camp to the sport of girls flag football. This camp will be run by Lincoln alumni students who played for the A-West state championship flag football team. The camp will run May 1, 5, 6, 7 and 8 after school on the Lincoln field. Any girls in grades 6-8 who are interested in attending this camp, please indicate your interest on this <u>Google form</u> (this is for interest only, not a commitment, and more information will follow).

Summer Information



Summer Band Camp

Mrs. Newsom will be running a Summer Band camp this July. The camp will run July 21-25 from 9 am until noon with a performance on the 25th from 12:45-1:15 pm. Any students who have played in Band this school year are encouraged to attend. Register by May 12th to claim your spot! See this <u>flyer for more details</u> and the link to sign up.

If your incoming 5th or 6th grade student is planning to participate in Beginning Band next year, Mrs. Newsom encourages them to come to Beginning Band Jump Start this summer! The Jump Start is a four day class where students learn the basics of their instrument, including instrument assembly, proper sound production and basic music theory, setting them up for success during Beginning Band. Students will partake in an hour of instruction each day. Jump Start will be July 21-24 from 1-2 pm for Woodwinds and 2:10-3:10 pm for Brass/Percussion. See this flyer for more information and the link to register.



Camp Invention

Camp Invention is back at Lincoln Academy! This camp is available for students going into grades K-6. Give your child a summer experience that builds confidence, imagination and STEM learning! See this flyer for more information.

Lincoln Academy is running one week of camp this year: June 2-6. Register here to secure your student's spot!

PTO News



Spring Silent Auction

Auction Like It's 1999! Lincoln Academy PTO's Spring Silent Auction All auction items are viewable on Auctria and bidding is well underway!

Now's the time to purchase tickets to our Parent & Staff Mixer on Friday, April 11, at Colorado Tap House in West Arvada (6:30-9 pm). We only have a limited number of tickets available, so don't delay!

Some of the most exciting auction items this year are the STAFF EXPERIENCES! There are so many amazing items, but we'd especially like to highlight that the Lincoln Academy Staff has brought some truly spectacular & creative experiences for you to bid on for your student/s. Don't miss out on these! Check out the full list here.

If you haven't registered to bid, you can do that <u>here</u>. Anyone can bid -- and you will not be charged until you win! We have tons of items under \$50 and some really fun family getaways, too. Check it out!

If you haven't bought tickets for the event on April 11, do that <u>here</u>. Tickets are \$25 and include food and a drink. Don't miss out on this fun Lincoln event. 90s-themed dress is suggested, but not required -- but there will be prizes for the best costumes!

We look forward to seeing you there!



Community Night: Renegade Burrito

April 8th 7 am-9 pm

Grab some grub at this delicious spot for this month's community night meal and 20% will be given back to PTO!



AFW Store Rally for Lincoln

You can purchase anytime of the year at American Furniture Warehouse to support our school...but, coming soon, you are invited to shop at AFW's Store Rally from Friday, April 11 through Saturday, April 19. Any purchases made during this time will help maximize our next annual donation that we will receive soon afterwards. Purchases during the Store Rally earn a chance to win a \$500 Gift Card. All details are included in this flyer.



Leadership Roles for 2025-2026 School Year

PTO is looking to fill this leadership role for the next school year. If you're excited about getting more involved, please check out the following position on Track It Forward:

Watch DOGS leads (we have one new lead but would love a second person to partner with him): approx 1-2 hr per month, depending on number of volunteers. This volunteer serves as a contact for anyone who signs up for Watch DOGS; coordinates volunteers with the front office; helps lead a kick-off meeting in September; and emails Watch DOGS volunteers when the school has specific needs (Grandparents' Day, Fall Fest, shoveling, etc.)



Staff Appreciation

Posters Wanted

PTO would love to start collecting posters and signs that we can put up around the school for Staff Appreciation week which is coming up in May. If you'd like to make a sign/poster or two, our theme is "Our Teacher's & Staff are The Best in the West!" (think western/rodeo/cowboy vibes!) Drop off posters in the Front Office for PTO to collect. Thank you! Sign up on Track It Forward here.

Questions? Email Lauren at ptoleopards.secretary@gmail.com.

Volunteering

We are beginning to add ways you can volunteer for Staff Appreciation Week (May 4th-9th!). Opportunities include signing up to purchase & donate food items, making posters, decorating our school campus on Sunday May 4th, and supporting set-up & clean up of activities the week of. Continue to check back to Track It Forward for ways you can sign up to help out with this school-wide week long event!



Box Tops for Education

Did you know? Lincoln Academy PTO is a proud participant in Box Top\$ for Education. Box Tops is an easy way for Lincoln families to raise money for our school. Here's how it works:

- 1. Download the Box Tops app, register, and select Lincoln Academy as your school to support. Click here to get started today!
- 2. Shop for Box Tops products and submit your digital or paper receipt within 14 days of purchase.

It's that simple - no clipping required! Join Box Tops today and help us reach our annual goal.

Area School Information



Mustang Soccer Academy

Registration is now open for Ralston Valley's Mustang Soccer Academy Summer Camp 2025. The fundamental intent of this camp is to contribute to positive growth of boys and girls as soccer players. This camp is open to players ages 5-14 and runs June 23-26. See this flyer for more information and click here to register!



Holy Family Presents: The Wizard of Oz!

The theater program at Holy Family invites all families to attend their 2025 Spring Musical, The Wizard of Oz! The students in the program have worked very hard to put together this amazing show, and they want to extend tickets to kids in the area who are interested in the performing arts, whether at Holy Family or other high schools. Please see this flyer with a link to purchase tickets to the shows April 4, 5, 11, and 12.



Arvada West Prospective Athletes

Arvada West is hosting an Athletics and Activities Showcase Night on Monday, April 7 at 7:00 pm in the A-West gym. This evening is for incoming 9th grade students who will be new to Arvada West in the fall. Anyone interested in learning more about the sports, activities and clubs that Arvada West has to offer is welcome to join. See this flyer for more information.

Arvada West Dance Team Tryouts

Arvada West will be hosting dance team tryouts in April for their Varsity and Junior Varsity teams. Tryout clinics (optional but recommended) will occur April 14 and 16 from 6-8 pm in the A West Aux Gym with an Informational Zoom meeting on April 21 at 6 pm. Formal tryouts will be April 23 and 24. See this document for more information on the tryout

process. The Dance Team coaches will also be at the Athletics and Activities Showcase Night mentioned above, if you have any questions or want more information.

Mission and Vision



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

Our **Vision** is to prepare all students for their future endeavors by providing a comprehensive Core Knowledge education.