

Lincoln Loop March 28, 2025

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Upcoming Events



Click here for more 2024-2025 calendar details

Mark Your Calendars!

April Events

- 1-4 Scholastic Book Fair
- 1 PTO Silent Auction Opens!
 - Register to bid for auction items here! <u>auctria.events/LincolnArvada</u>
 SAC Meeting 6:30 pm, Library and Virtual
- 3 Middle School Music Information Meeting 4:30 pm, Music Rooms
- 4 Spirit Day

Coffee with the Principal 7:30-10:00 am, House of J's Coffee

- With special guest, Lori Woods, Lincoln's Operations Director!
- 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! <u>auctria.events/LincolnArvada</u>
- 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



A Message from Mr. Hurst

Please check out a message from Mr. Hurst and a special PTO guest! Principal Message



Family Survey: Final Day!

The Lincoln Academy Family Survey closes tonight!

We want to hear from all of our families. Each year, our School Accountability Committee (SAC) surveys our families to see how our school can grow and improve.

Completing the survey will earn your student(s) a homework pass. One responding family will win a \$50 gift card. The homerooms with the most responses will also get rewards.



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!



Donation Requests

We are running low on some essential supplies for school. We are in need of printer paper and boxes of tissues to get us through these last few months of school. You can drop them off at the front office when you are able. Remember, time spent shopping and delivering donations counts towards volunteer hours for our school! Just log that time on Irrack it Forward!

Cups of Kindness Donations

We love to show Kindness at Lincoln Academy! The wonderful Teachers and Staff of Lincoln Academy would like to help bring reminders of kindness in the way of decorating our community fencing with words and phrases of kindness. For this special project we are asking for donations for Styrofoam cups, we will need 2,000 total. This is a special project for our Lincoln Community, and we really need your help to make this project a success. Please review the available slots below and click on the button to sign up.

We kindly ask that all cup donations be dropped off by Friday, April 4th in the school front office, by 3:30 p.m., to allow us to organize the project. Please click on the link below if you would like to donate. Donations will count towards your volunteer time! https://www.trackitforward.com/site/423485/event/1051187



Book Fair: April 1-3

The Spring Book Fair is almost here!

Book Fair Hours:

- Tuesday 4/1, 7:30-5:00
- Wednesday 4/2, 10:30-5:00
- Thursday 4/3, 7:30-3:30

The online Book Fair is open 3/31-4/13:

https://www.scholastic.com/bf/lincolnacademvcharterschool

Go to the online fair to set up eWallet for your student, a safe cashless way for them to shop at the in-person Book Fair. Anyone can contribute to the eWallet.

Volunteers Needed!

The Spring Book Fair is almost here and we need volunteers! Thank you to everyone who already signed up! We just need one more volunteer on Thursday from 7:30 am-12 pm. Please go to this link to volunteer:

https://www.trackitforward.com/site/lincoln-academy-charter-school

Please contact Kim McKinney with any questions: Kimberly.mckinney@jeffco.k12.co.us



Middle School Music Information

Would you like more information about 5th Grade Music or do you have an older student interested in starting band or choir? Please join Mrs. Newsom and Ms. McMains in the Lincoln Academy Music room on Thursday, April 3 at 4:30 pm for information about the structure of the classes, how to acquire instruments, and information on Beginning Band Jump Start, a week-long camp offered in July. Please RSVP for this event here.

Can't attend Information Night? Email Mrs. Newsom with any questions: iessie.newsom@jeffcoschools.us

*Please note, if you already have a student who is in Band or Choir, you already have this information and do not need to attend.



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



Limited Yearbook Copies Left

There are only 40 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		
Open Positions for 25/26			

7th Grade ELA		
Middle School Science		
In-House Sub		
Assistant Principal		
4th Grade Teacher		
Educational Assistants		



Enrollment for 2025/2026 School Year

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



School Calendar Highlights for 2025-2026
Our Board-approved calendar for next school year is now posted on our <u>website here</u>. See below for important highlights.

Aug. 14	First Day of School (K-8) Kinder students with last name A-L attend 9 am-2 pm on 8/14 Kinder students with last name M-Z attend 9 am-2 pm on 8/15 All Kinder students attend 8 am-3 pm beginning on 8/18	
Aug. 18	First Day of PreK	
Aug. 29	K-4 Assessment Day K-4 to school by appointment only Regular school day for 5th-8th	
Sept. 19	Grandparents' Day/Noon dismissal	
Oct. 8 & 9	Parent/Teacher Conferences	
Oct. 9-14	No School	
Nov. 24-28	Thanksgiving Break	
Dec. 19	Noon Dismissal	
Dec 22-Jan. 6	Winter Break	
Feb.12	Noon Dismissal; Parent/Teacher Conferences	
Feb 13-16	No School	
March 23-30	Spring Break	
April 23	K-4 Assessment Day • K-4 to school by appointment only • Regular school day for 5th-8th	
April 24	No School	
May 15	Last day of school for PreK and 8th Grade	
May 18	Last day of school for Kindergarten	
May 21	Last day of school 1st-7th, Noon dismissal	

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
4/1 vs Woodrow Wilson @ Long Lake Regional Park	4/3 @ Excel 	4/2 @ Excel 4/23 @ Lincoln/Majestic
4/3 vs Jefferson Academy @ Lincoln Academy		View Park 4/30 @ Woodrow Wilson

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.

Information about Beginning Band Jump Start for <u>new</u> band students will be coming soon.



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



Tech Presentation

<u>Click here</u> to see the Tech Presentation given at the last PTO meeting in March. The Tech Team presented on Cyber Security for our students as well as the Technology Education curriculum and the use of Al at Lincoln.



Spring Silent Auction

Auction Like It's 1999! Lincoln Academy PTO's Spring Silent Auction Auction Preview Time is NOW! Check out all of the auction items that our team has been collecting here at auctria.events/LincolnArvada

Also, now's the time to purchase tickets to Parent & Staff Mixer on Friday, April 11, at Colorado Tap House in West Arvada (6:30-9 pm). Register for the auction and/or for event tickets at auctria.events/LincolnArvada. We only have a limited number of tickets available, so don't delay!



Coffee with the Principal

Don't miss FREE COFFEE at House of J's on Friday, April 4th from 7:30-10:00 am. No agenda -- you can listen to feedback from parents or ask questions about anything related to the school. Our Operations Director Lori Woods will be present this time as well.



Leadership Roles for 2025-2026 School Year

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

Community Night Organizer (we want two people in this role): One volunteer is interested in taking on the summer planning for Community Night Organizer but we'd love to find another volunteer who could be the liaison between the restaurant and the school before each monthly event. You'd touch base with the restaurant and make sure all the information and/or flyer is distributed with the front office and PTO. You'll also make sure payment is sent to the school after each event. Approx 1 hour per month. Please reach out to ptoleopards@gmail.com or sign up in Track It Forward if you are interested!

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.

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.

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.