

Lincoln Loop April 11, 2025

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Upcoming Events



2024-2025 calendar details

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April Events

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

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School Information



Welcome to Lincoln Academy, Dr. Lequeri

Please meet Dr. Terrill Legueri, the new Assistant Principal for the 2025-26 school year:

Dr. Legueri was born and raised in Denver, attending The Denver Waldorf School from preschool to 12th grade. From a young age she loved school and dreamed of becoming a teacher, just like her hero, Anne of Green Gables! Her earliest teaching experience was in high school, instructing 4-6 year olds at her Tae Kwon Do studio. She attended Grinnell College in Iowa for its mission to educate students who could "change the world," majoring in Political Science with the plan to take her passion and skills to the non-profit or governmental realms. Upon graduation, however, she realized that she lacked a deep knowledge of the origins of the current political and social situation. Thus she pursued a graduate degree in the Great Books from St. John's College in New Mexico. While at St. John's, she learned that she wanted to change the world not through participation in government, but through education. To complete her studies of the roots of political philosophy, she enrolled in a PhD program at the University of Dallas. She finished her coursework early to re-engage with the community, feeling the need to leave the quiet rooms of the library and serve others again. She took a job at a charter school in Arizona, where she taught 6th graders US History and Latin, and 9th and 10th graders Literature and European History. When she and her husband married, they moved home to Colorado to raise their children near grandparents. There she began her career at Golden View Classical Academy, teaching a wide variety of classes to 5th through 11th graders-Composition, Rhetoric, History, Literature, Philosophy, and even a course in Home Economics. Three years ago she took on the role of the Dean of Upper School, working closely with teachers on their pedagogy and improving student's academic outcomes. In addition to working in the classroom and with teachers, Dr. Legueri started the volleyball program and Ambassador Program. She is thrilled to join Lincoln Academy as an Assistant Principal, bringing her passion for content-rich education to your thriving



Midterm grades in Infinite Campus

knitting project, or getting lost in a good book.

Midterm grades for trimester 3 are now available in Infinite Campus for grades 1-8. Please check your student's account to see the grades and email the teacher with any questions.

and wonderfully friendly community. When she isn't at school, you can find her exploring Colorado with her family (husband Kane, kids Benii (7) and William (5)), working on a new



Butter Braids - Volunteers Needed

We need your help! Our current 5th, 6th, and 7th Grade students have been hard at work fundraising Butter Braids for next year's trips to Outdoor Lab and Washington DC. For this volunteer opportunity, we need helping hands to sort & distribute Butter Braid orders to the students for delivery and also help with moving coolers for storage. Butter Braids will be arriving next Thursday, April 17th and we will need help with different shifts and duties. If you are able to help, please sign up on <u>Track It Forward here</u>. Thank you!



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
14 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 <u>Healthy Tips for Testing</u>



Jeffco Art Shows

Congratulations to the following students who will have artwork on display as part of the Jeffco Middle School Art show:

6th Grade	7th Grade	8th Grade
Hannah I.	Elizabeth K. Maxim D. Noah C. Amelia G.	Brecken R. Megan A. (she won an Honorable Mention)

The Art Show will run from April 2nd-May 4th at the Lakewood Cultural Center, with an Artists' Celebration on Thursday, April 17 from 5-7 pm.

Congratulations to the following students who will have artwork on display as part of the Jeffco Elementary Art show:

1st Grade				
Blake A. Ben P. Azalea Z. Alina S. Charlie J.	Payton H. Roman K. Elizabeth W. Reese W. Gianna M.	Oliver D. Penelope V. Mara J. Wyatt B. Reese L.		
2nd Grade	3rd Grade	4th Grade		
Amane F.	Emmy O. Snizhana S.	Brooklyn S.		
Lincoln D.	Tristan S.	5th Grade		
		Ayden S.		

This Art Show will run from April 2nd-April 20th at Red Rocks Community College, Lakewood campus, with an Artists' Celebration on Friday, April 11 from 5-8 pm.



Volunteer Appreciation April 15-17

Lincoln Academy is so fortunate to have many volunteers willing to give their time and energy to support our school. To say 'Thank You,' the office will be handing out a thank you snack to our volunteers on Tuesday, April 15, Wednesday, April 16, and Thursday, April 17. If you have given your time to the school this year, please stop by to get your gift!

We want to send out a special thank you to the following families who have gone above and beyond by donating their time and energy to our students and community. These families have donated over 50 hours so far this school year!

Dickerson, Tien, Lehr, Plummer, Hankins, Veronesi, C. Miller, Pantano, Stavlo, Williams-Jensen, Gilbreath, E. Johnson, Arlen, Harrison, McCready and Aseltine

As a school community, we have over **5,800 hours** of donated time from over **280 families** so far this year! Just think of what a difference that has made in our students' lives and educational experiences. This is what makes Lincoln excellent and hard working!



Take Your Child to Work Day

This year, Take Your Child to Work Day is on Thursday, April 24th. This is also our Assessment Day for grades PreK-4. PreK-4 students will not have class this day but will come by appointment only. Grades 5-8 will have a regular school day on the 24th.

If you plan to take your 5th-8th grade student out of school for this day to attend work with you, please either call the attendance line to excuse their absence or enter the request on your Campus account under "More" and then "Absence Requests."



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 25 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.



Student Benefits Application Still Open

Although the school year is winding down, the <u>Student Benefits Application</u> through Jeffco is still open! This application, formerly known as 'free and reduced' or 'meal application' plays a critical role in determining many benefits for your student. **If approved, the Student Benefit Application may allow waived school-related fees and field trip costs.** By completing the application, you may also help Lincoln Academy secure additional state and federal funding, which can be used for supplemental literacy and math resources, hiring additional staff based on the school's needs, and professional development and training for staff.

Families must submit a new Student Benefits Application every year. Please go to SchoolCafe.com to sign in to your account or create a new account. Once logged in, select "Apply for Benefits" and it will take you from there! If you have any questions regarding the application process, please reach out to Food Services at 303-982-6916 or freeandreduced@jeffco.k12.co.us.



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	

Ashlyn Helm	1st Grade Teacher	
Open Positions for 25/26		
7th Grade Science		
In-House Sub		
4th Grade Teacher		
5th Grade Teacher		
6th Grade Social Studies		
1st 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 (<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
4/22 vs Woodrow Wilson @ Long Lake Regional Park 4/29 Semifinals @ Lincoln 4/30 Championship @ Lincoln	4/24 @ Lincoln 4/30 Playoffs @ Lincoln 5/1 Championship @ Woodrow Wilson	4/23 @ Lincoln/Majestic View Park 4/30 @ 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 Today is the LAST day to bid in the <u>silent auction</u>. We hope to see many of you tonight at our Parent & Staff Mixer on Friday, April 11, at Colorado Tap House in West Arvada (6:30-9 pm).

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 students. Don't miss out on these! Check out the full list here.

If you haven't registered to bid, you can do that here. Grandparents and friends are also encouraged to 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!

After the auction is over at 8:30pm on Friday night, LA PTO will be reaching out to notify all winners over the weekend. If you won a physical item or gift card, pickup will be April 17 and April 21 from 3:00-4:00pm in the NORTH Lincoln Parking lot. If your item is an e-gift certificate, we will be emailing you with that attachment within a few days.

A huge THANK YOU to all the Lincoln families and our Arvada Community for donating items for the auction. We are so close to our goal of \$15,000 to update our front lobby!



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



Parent Training

The Mental Health Team at Ralston Valley High School will be hosting a parent training called *Parenting in a Changing World - Teens, Tech, and Tough Topics* on April 16th from 5:30-6:30 pm in the RV Library. This presentation is ideal for parents of students in grades 4-8, though not suitable for students themselves due to the nature of the topics discussed. See this flier for more information and to RSVP.

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!

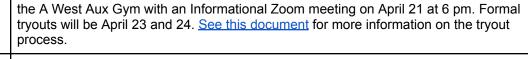


Parent Training

The A-West PTSA is hosting a parent training called *Digital Safety for Parents of Teens* on April 17th at 6:00 pm in the A-West Library. This informative training is available to any interested parents/guardians. <u>See this flier</u> 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





Pomona Summer Camps

Pomona is hosting a lifting/speed camp Tuesdays and Thursdays, May 29-July 10 from 11 am-12:30 pm. Here is the <u>link to register</u>. This 6-week camp is a good opportunity for incoming 5th-8th grade athletes to learn the mechanics of proper weight training and to also get faster and become a better athlete for their upcoming sports seasons.

They also have a youth football contact camp July 14-17 from 6:30-8:00 pm. This camp is a great opportunity to learn what it means to be a part of the Big Black Panthers and learn how to become a better football player on both sides of the ball. Part of this camp will be full contact. This camp is open to incoming 3rd-8th graders. Here is the link to register.



Colorado School of Mines: Spring Into Physics

On Saturday, April 26th from 9am-12pm, the Colorado School of Mines Society of Physics Students will be hosting their annual Spring Into Physics in the CoorsTek Center for Applied Science and Engineering (1523 Illinois St, Golden, CO 80401). They will be presenting a variety of family friendly physics demos and other interactive science displays for kids of all ages with a spring theme! Attendance is completely free for all! See this flier for 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.