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LINCOLN LEOPARDS

DESTINED FOR GREATNESS



A NOTE FROM PRINCIPAL VEGA

It's hard to believe that we are finishing up the month of October! There was a lot that happened in October.

First of all, thank you SO MUCH for your support with the popcorn fundraiser. We were able to raise a little over $4,500 toward field trips and fun activities for Lincoln Leopards! Field trips provide students with valuable learning experiences that extend beyond the classroom, allow them to make real-world connections to what they are studying, and spark curiosity. Thank you for helping to provide our students with these rich experiences.



Thank you to everyone who came out to Family Fun Night! It was a great evening, the weather was perfect, games were fun, and the food was delicious. My husband and I are former Lincoln Leopards and we were reminiscing about what Family Fun Night was for us when we were younger. Our current Family Fun Night captures the essence of what it has been historically-- a fun evening with family, connecting with other families and with the school community. Thank you to all of you who donated candy and cakes and to everyone who came to enjoy the evening. You helped make it a wonderful event and a great success!

Here comes November! Watch for important information from teachers about Parent Teacher Conferences which will be held November 17th through November 21st.

WHEN WE WORK TOGETHER WE CAN ACHIEVE ANYTHING!

A NOTE FROM OUR LEARNING DIRECTOR: MRS. MONTEJANO

We celebrated our English Learners this October at our English Learner Advisory Council Meeting. Students were recognized for growing by one or two levels of proficiency as measured by the English Language Proficiency Assessment for California given in February each year. 17 students were redesignated as Fluent English Proficient. This means they have also met grade level standards in reading and writing as measured by the state test given in May. Congratulations!



SCHOOL WIDE MONTHLY CHALLENGE

This year at Lincoln we are focusing efforts each month to implement a school wide challenge!

September our focus was on Safety. Kids were able to collect PAWS bucks and or receive points for their classrooms by making sure to work and play safely! Teachers reviewed expectations during class and our Classified staff worked with out kids outside of the classroom. Daily announcements were made reminding students of how to stay safe at school We saw huge success with this challenge and are very proud of our Leopards.

Throughout October we are challenging our students with our Clean Campus Challenge! Students can earn PAWS bucks and/or classroom points by always being responsible and picking up after themselves and others. Our Lincoln staff are supporting the students with daily reminders and modeling responsible behaviors.

P: PERSONAL BEST
A: ALWAYS RESPONSIBLE
W: WORK & PLAY SAFELY
S: SHOW RESPECT



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MAKER SPACE



Makerspace is when we play games, build with Legos, snap circuits and marble runs, make crafts and have fun in the library! It's a chance for us to get to know the students outside of just checking books in and out. We enjoy seeing imaginations at work and team work as well! Makerspace is open on Monday during lunch recess, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday during morning recess and Monday and Wednesday after school. You do have to be in choices or the afterschool program to come after school which is why we opened it during recess time this year. We want everyone to be able to participate if they would like to. There is a schedule posted in the window of the library.

MRS. MONTELONGO



How many years have you been working in education?
I have been working for Dinuba Unified School District since March of 2022 but I have always had an interest in early childhood education. I have been volunteering in classrooms since 2001 when my oldest son started kindergarten.

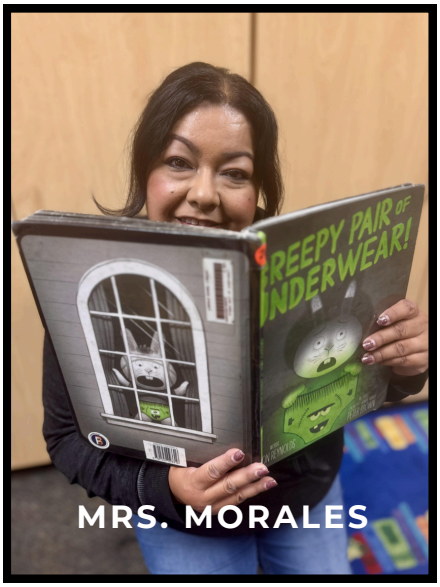
Where do you love to eat and what do you order there?
My favorite place to eat is at my mom's house. My favorite thing to order for my birthday every year is her fried chicken, rice pilaf, her salad with ranch dressing and a yellow cake with chocolate frosting.

What is your favorite color and why?
My favorite color is Tiffany Blue. It's a very calming color.

Where is your favorite place to visit and why?
The mountains are my favorite place to visit. I enjoy camping with my family, swimming in the lake, playing games, early morning walks to watch the sunrise, and night hikes to look at the stars. I also enjoy seeing all the wildlife and smelling the pine trees.

What do you do in your free time?
I enjoy spending time with my family, singing, reading, cooking and watching true crime documentaries.

MRS. MORALES



How many years have you been working in Education? I have been working in education for 14 years.

Where do you love to eat and what do you order there?
I love to eat at Texas roadhouse I order the Salmon.

What is your favorite color and why?
My favorite color is purple cuz go Lakers !!

Where is your favorite place to visit and why?
A place that I like to visit is Lake Tahoe I love the scenery.

What do you do in your free time? In my free time I love to bake but other than that I'm out watching my daughter play softball or Water polo now

THE POSITIVITY PROJECT

We celebrate receiving the Green Shield Status for the 3rd year in a row from Positivity Project!

- Positivity Project was founded in 2015 by two West Point graduates, who sought to answer "What does our country need and how can we help?" after military service. The Positivity Project+1
- Its core mission: to empower students to build positive relationships and become their best selves.
- The underlying belief: positive relationships and strong character are fundamental to flourishing in school, community, and life.
- Lincoln partners with The Positivity Project to receive resources, strategy/training, and support to implement the work. The Positivity Project+1
- A typical implementation: daily, 15-minute lessons (or about that) designed to fit into the school day with minimal prep for the teacher. The Positivity Project+1
- We cover the character strengths over time (one strength per week) and use them to build a shared vocabulary of character and strengths across the whole school.
- Implementation includes teacher training, leadership buy-in, and alignment with school culture/structure so that this isn't just "an add-on," but integrated
- If you are interested in more, please visit the parent portion of the Positivity Project

"EDUCATION IS THE PASSPORT TO THE FUTURE, FOR TOMORROW BELONGS TO THOSE WHO PREPARE FOR IT TODAY."
- MALCOLM X

How can I help?

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