

CSA Lincoln Newsletter

August 21, 2015

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Principal's Notes and Highlights

Safety is always on my mind. Whether you are volunteering in a classroom, chaperoning a field trip, eating lunch with your student or attending school functions, we want you to feel welcomed as an active member of our school community. Your support is critical to both your student's academic growth and the school's success.

As you know the school day is from 7:45 a.m.-2:45 p.m. During that time we must maintain a secure learning environment and protect instructional time. It is necessary that we have procedures and processes in place to manage this effectively and as a school we need to make a few changes to ensure a high level of student safety.

Starting Monday, August 24th

If your student currently is a car or bus rider or you wait outside the school until dismissal to pick your child up, these changes will not affect you or your student.

Walkers

Parents wanting to pick their child up from school will need to wait outside the building until dismissal rather than inside by the classrooms. All classrooms will send walkers outside by the downstairs doors for parent pick-up. On extremely cold or rainy days, parents can wait in the main office or under the front steps (near the bike racks). We will have a staff member to help with this process.

Early Departure

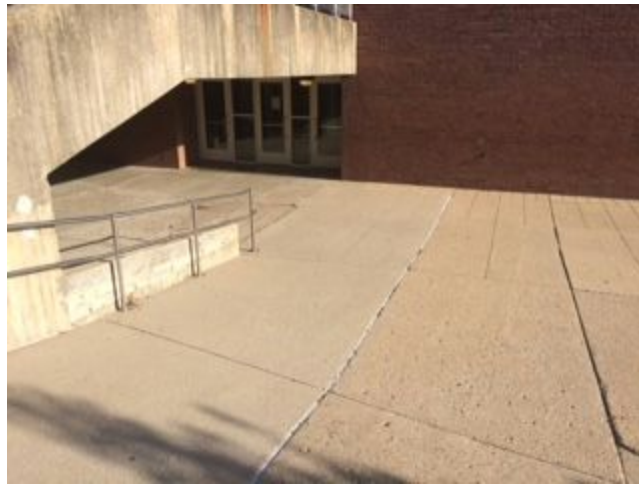
Parents wanting to pick up their child prior to dismissal will need to sign them out in the main office. K-1 grades begin dismissing around 2:35 p.m. to make sure bus and car riders arrive on time. We will call the classroom and have the student come to the office. We will no longer release parents to the classrooms to retrieve students. Any student pick up prior to dismissal will be listed as early departure on their attendance.

Background Checks and name badges

We will continue to welcome parent volunteers into our classrooms, on field trips, and at school functions. You will need to continue to have a completed background check on file in our main office. Mrs. Thompson can help you complete the form. All other visitors to the school will need to wear a name badge.

I met with our Continuous Improvement Council (CIC) on Wednesday and we believe these changes will help ensure a safe and secure learning environment for all of our students.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have questions or concerns. We know that the beginning of next week will be a transition for some and we are committed to making this successful for all involved.



Parents are currently waiting at these two locations to pick up their students. Please plan to meet your child here.

Lunch Menu

Click [here](#) for the lunch menu.

Upcoming Assessment Windows

The district has set assessment windows for mCLASS and Acuity. Grades K-2 test mClass and grades 3-6 test Acuity. You will hear more from your teachers concerning what dates they will test. Please try to schedule doctor’s appointments around these dates.

mCLASS (DIBELS, TRC & Math)	Acuity (E/LA & Math)
Grades K-2	Grades 3-6
August 26 - October 2	August 31 - September 11

Skating Party

Please join us on Thurs, August 27 from 6:00-8:00 at Skateland for our “Back to School” skating party. Entry fee is \$3 & skate rental is \$2. All children must be accompanied by an adult, so parents you can get in on the fun too! Show up, lace up and let’s get the new school year kicked off right!

Our ‘Grand’ Reading Event

On Friday, September 11th, we will be inviting grandparents/special guests to come to school (arriving at 1:30) from 1:45-2:30 to read with their students. This is in celebration of both National Grandparents Day and International Literacy Day.

Parent Portal

Parent Portal Web ID’s and Passwords are now available. Contact Mrs. Thompson in the main office for individual ID and password.

Earn-A-Bike Program

Check out the Earn-A-Bike Program through the [Columbus Bike Co-op](#). Participants in this program get a bike, helmet, light and lock when they complete their hours.

Bully Prevention

CSA Lincoln students will receive bully prevention lessons and activities beginning next week. Students will be engaged in interactive lessons focusing on speaking up against bullying and how the words we use can impact how other's feel. Bullying is defined (IC 20-33-8-0.2) as unwanted, repeated or the potential to be repeated, behavior where there is a real or perceived imbalance of power. Educating students regarding bullying will help empower them to stand up and speak out against bullying issues.

Resource for elementary students: <http://www.pacerkidsagainstbullying.org/#/home>

Husky Gram Drawing Winners

Students who are seen being SAFE, RESPECTFUL, RESPONSIBLE, or a PEACEMAKER earn Husky Grams. The following students were caught following our school-wide expectations during the first two weeks and earned a reward!



We went to Dairy Queen today!

Mackenzie Coy
Maddox Hult
Danni Riley
Klohi Supernovich
Sophia Thomas
Max Mormino
Tonya Seegraves

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns!

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