



Lincoln Elementary  
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# *Lincoln Times*

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## Music

3rd and 4th graders will be finishing the year with a unit on recorder playing. If you don't have a recorder, we will be ordering some at school, or you may purchase one at any music store. More information will be sent home with the students.

5th grade is starting a music video project, where they will use ipads to record scenes for the video.

Sunrise Singers are preparing for spring performances. We will be performing May 2 at 7:00 P.M. at the Middle School Auditorium with the Lincoln band and the Middle School intermediate band. A free will donation will be collected. We will also be performing at area care facilities for National Nursing Home Week, May 8-13. Sunrise Singers will be travelling to Adventureland with the Middle School advanced choir to perform on May 23. We are still collecting cans and bottles if you have any to donate.



## NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

### Dismissal Time Change

Lincoln Elementary has changed the dismissal time at the end of the day from 3:20 PM to 3:25 PM. With not having students outside waiting for buses for a long time, we hope to minimize some behavior issues. Our first dismissal bell will ring at 3:25 for early buses and students that get picked up. The second bell will ring at 3:30 for late buses and students that walk. If you have any questions please call the office at 319-653-3691.

## BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Just a reminder to bring all your Box Tops for Education to Lincoln if you have been collecting them. The Lincoln PTG will be sending those in to purchase cool stuff for Lincoln. Thanks to those of you that have already contributed to this project!! We are finishing up our Super Hero Challenge the first week of May, so have your students bring them in and vote for their favorite Super Hero!! The winning Super Hero will make an appearance at Lincoln before the end of the year!



## **Facebook and Twitter**

Please like "Lincoln Elementary School" on Facebook to get updates and see pictures of all the great things happening at our school. You can also follow us on Twitter, @LincolnElemWash. Be sure to use *#washpride* when sharing about events in our school district on Facebook and Twitter.

## **Dates to Remember**

- Monday, May 2 - Sunrise Singer and Band Concert at Middle School - 7:00 PM  
Wed., May 4 - Bike Safety assemblies in AM  
Friday, May 6 - Gum Day  
Friday, May 6 - End of Box Top Competition  
Tuesday, May 10 - Sunrise Singers to nursing homes to perform  
Wed., May 11 - 1:10 Dismissal - Professional Development  
Thurs., May 12 - 3rd Grade field trip  
Thurs., May 12 - Sunrise Singers to nursing homes to perform  
Friday, May 12 - Farm Safety Day for 4th and 5th Grade  
Tuesday, May 17 - 4th Grade field trip  
Monday, May 23 - Sunrise Singers to Adventureland - 8:00 - 6:30  
Tuesday, May 24 - Last Day of Classes - 2:20 Dismissal - Lincoln Cookout!!



**Have a great summer!!**

August 9th - New Student Registration Day  
August 24 - First Day of Classes for 2016-17

## **BOOK TRADE**

**Let's fill Mrs. Steinhart's bathtub with books!**



- Must bring a book to trade a book.
- Start bringing in your books anytime.
- Books must belong to you, are age appropriate and in fair condition.
- Trading begins on the last day of school.

## **NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

The end of the school year is fast approaching. This is a time of changing weather and different activities at school including field trips, concerts and changed schedules. It is also the time of year when students are most likely to lose their focus on getting homework done or following rules. Students sometimes interpret changes in the schedule as the beginning of summer. It is very important that we at school, and you at home remind students to keep working and stay focused until the last bell rings.

Lincoln and Stewart Elementary will be hosting summer school at the Washington Y this summer. The summer school will be called Y Read. Summer school will be by invitation only based on reading scores. More information will be coming to the students that qualify for this program.

The summer lunch program will once again be running from May 31 until July 29, at Lincoln Elementary. Free lunches will be available to all of the children in the Washington Community. Cost for adults to eat lunch is \$3.50. Come and enjoy a meal with your kids this summer!!

At the end of this school year I will be retiring as the Lincoln Elementary Principal. I have been honored to serve as Lincoln's Principal for the past 18 years. I want to wish the families of Lincoln Elementary and Washington Community Schools the best in the future. Mrs. Teresa Beenblossom has been hired to be the next Lincoln Principal. Mrs. Beenblossom returns to Lincoln after serving as principal at St. James Catholic School and Mid-Prairie Schools. Mrs. Beenblossom spent 14 years at Lincoln as a teacher, at-risk coordinator and guidance counselor. Mrs. Beenblossom will do a great job at Lincoln Elementary!

Parent support is the key to a school's success. I would like to thank you as parents for the support that you give to Lincoln Elementary and its staff. We could not be successful without you!

Have a great month!

David Hoffman, Principal  
Lincoln Elementary School

### BLOG SITES

#### 3rd Grade Blog Sites

Mrs. Bailey  
3rd Grade Teacher  
<http://thebaileyblogger3b.blogspot.com/>

Mrs. Bombei  
3rd Grade Teacher  
<http://bombeibulletin.blogspot.com/>

Mrs. Litchfield  
3rd Grade Teacher  
<http://litchfieldlink.blogspot.com/>

Mrs. Rausch  
3rd Grade Teacher  
<http://rausch3rdgradeblog.blogspot.com/>

#### 4th Grade Blog Sites

Mrs. Brokaw  
4th Grade Teacher  
<http://brokawbulletin.blogspot.com/>

Mrs. Conrad  
4th Grade Teacher  
<http://conradcourier.blogspot.com/>

Mr. Hippen  
4th Grade Teacher  
<http://4thgrademrhippen.blogspot.com/>

#### 5th Grade Blog Site

Mrs. Vittetoe  
3rd Grade Teacher  
<http://vittetoesvoyages.blogspot.com/>

Mrs. Bruty, Mr. Berhow, Mr. Green,  
Mrs. Klopfenstein, Mrs Olson  
5th Grade Teachers  
<http://lincoln5thgrade.blogspot.com>

### **Other Blog Sites**

Mrs. Humphreys \_\_\_\_\_  
Art Teacher  
<https://sites.google.com/a/washington.k12.ia.us/lincoln-elementary-art/>

Mrs. Steinhart  
Reading Teacher  
<http://www.steinhartreads.blogspot.com>

Mrs. Sieren  
ELL Teacher  
<http://sierenelp.blogspot.com>

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