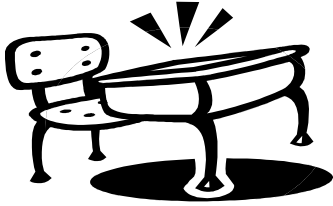


LINCOLN NEWS

Lincoln Elementary School, Zeeland Public Schools

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Student Placement 2016-2017 School Year



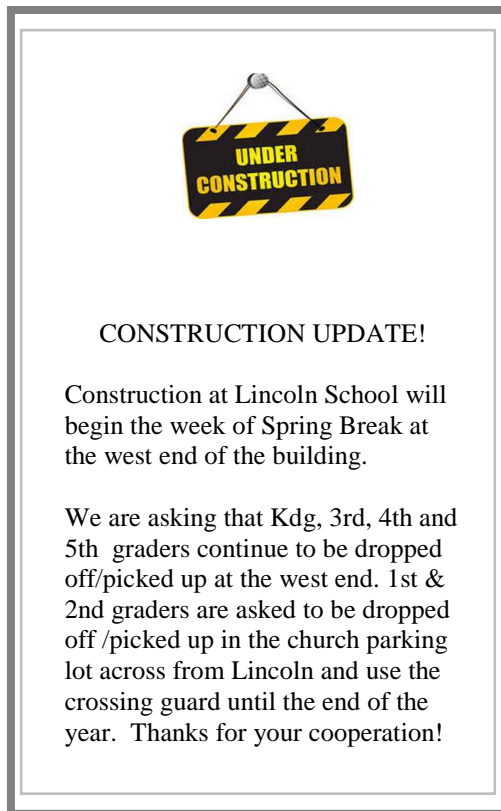
Parents, if you have information that you think might be relevant to your child's classroom assignment for the upcoming school year, please stop in to pick up a placement form.

Our primary responsibility is to create classes that will maximize learning for all students. Each year the teachers and principal give a lot of time and thought to balancing the class lists for the next year. We consider factors such as:

- balance of boys and girls
- matching teaching style with children's learning styles
- avoiding disruptive student combinations
- distributing and clustering students who need special services
- friendship patterns
- class size
- information from parents

We will use the information you provide to help us make the best possible placement for your child. We ask that you **not request a specific teacher**, but allow us the discretion to make our best professional judgment. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding in making these important decisions.

**Deadline for any requests
will be April 15**



Spring Break "Staycation" Ideas

If you are staying home for Spring Break, you are not alone! There are many fun things to do right here at home! Here are some ideas:

- ▶ Camp out in your living room! Get out the flashlights and tell stories, play games by candlelight and don't forget the s'mores!
- ▶ Play Video Game Olympics...choose short games like tennis, bowling...give prizes for winners and set up "fueling stations" with sports drinks and fruit.
- ▶ Plan a day at the movies! Pick out a good video, spread a red vinyl tablecloth out...take "red carpet" pictures and "toast" the start of the movie with sparkling juice. Don't forget the popcorn!
- ▶ Act like a tourist! Visit the chamber office for ideas and explore your own town! Check out the local museums and historical sites.
- ▶ Go on a home safari...make your home into an African Safari...cut paper grocery bags in threes, twist into "vines" and hang green paper leaves from them. Serve dried cranberries or raisins (dried ants), grapes (snake eggs), chips (beetle wings), and "jungle juice." Make beaded jewelry or color pictures of elephants, giraffes, lions and other animals.
- ▶ Organize a scavenger hunt. Leave clues and little treats along the way!
- ▶ Organize a "family feast" night....have a secret ingredient and have teams make the feast. It could be "cheese" and kids could make a cheeseball with crackers or even grilled cheese dinner. Vote on the favorite and hand out a first prize!
- ▶ Spring Clean Challenge....give everyone a box and a garbage bag, set a time limit and send them to their rooms...box unused toys, books, and clothes to sell and items to toss. Set a garage sale date and let the kids keep the cash! Or donate and use as a lesson in giving!
- ▶ Plant an indoor container garden...let each child choose their own seeds. Kids will love watching vegetables and flowers grow!

Lincoln's Mission Statement

Promoting learning as a lifelong process by challenging students in a positive, secure, and success-orientated environment based upon mutual respect among children, parents, and school personnel

DISCOVER.....

EMPOWER.....

IMPACT.....

Menu for
April 11 - 15



- Mon
- A. Taco's (Meat,Cheese,Shells)
 - B. Mini Corn Dogs
 - C. Soybutter & Jelly Sandwich, String cheese, & Goldfish crackers

Cherry Tomatoes,
Dipping Sauce
Diced Pears

- Tues.
- A. Mac & Cheese
 - B. Ham & Cheese Flatout Wrap
 - C. Yogurt, String Cheese, & Granola

Spinach & Romaine Salad w/
Red Beans
Mandarin Oranges

- Wed.
- A. Blueberry Pancakes, Sausage Links
 - B. Burrito & Taco Sauce
 - C. Soybutter & Jelly Sandwich, String Cheese, & Goldfish crackers

Carrot Sticks
Pineapple Tidbits

- Thurs.
- A. Pepperoni Calzone
 - B. Cheeseburger on Bun
 - C. Yogurt, String Cheese, & Tortilla Chips

French Fries
Diced Peaches

- Fri.
- A. Pizza Stick & Marinara
 - B. Chicken Tender & Choc Chip Muffin
 - C. Soybutter & Jelly Sandwich, String Cheese, & Goldfish crackers

Red Beans & Rice
Fresh Apple

LINCOLN'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS

For the full calendar, please visit our website at www.zps.org
Lincoln's calendar of events is online!

Apr 1-8		NO SCHOOL—SPRING BREAK
April 13		1st Grade Fieldtrip - See Teacher for details
April 15		Popcorn Friday 3rd Grade Fieldtrip - See Teacher for details
April 18	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	5th Grade Transition Night @ Cityside Middle School's Lokers Auditorium for students attending in 2016-2017
April 19	5:30 pm - 6:30 pm 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm	5th Grade Parent Meeting @ Creekside Middle School for students attending in 2016-2017
April 23	10:00 am - 1:30 pm	Day of the Young Child - Cityside Middle School
Apr 26 - 29	TBA	BOGO Book Fair
May 4		2nd Grade Fieldtrip - See Teacher for details
May 11 May 12 May 13	1/2 day of School DISMISSAL AT NOON!	Tulip Time Tulip Time Professional Development Day for Teachers
May 13	8:45 am -11:30 am	Field Day (rain day May 20)
May 17		Kindergarten Fieldtrip - See Teacher for details 3rd Grade Fieldtrip - See Teacher for details
May 25		4th Grade Fieldtrip - See Teacher for details
May 27		2nd Grade Field trip - See Teacher for details

Señora Darrow's
Spanish Summary #21

The Spanish Immersion Kindergarten class will be learning farm animal names and sentences using animal toys, flashcards and songs. The 1st grade Spanish Immersion class will be learning verbs using puppets, songs and motions (TPR). The other Kindergarten classes will learn colors using their own cubes and they will be practicing how to describe objects. The other 1st graders will learn direction words, parts of the body and school materials. Second graders will learn drink names and they will work on a project using food vocabulary that they have been learning. The 3rd grade Spanish Immersion will begin to learn how to conjugate 16 "ir" verbs using songs and games. The other 3rd graders will begin a project about the body parts they have been learning about. Fourth graders will learn phrases about sports using posters and BINGO. 5th graders will review directions and community words through songs and games.

Señora Darrow

**CHECK OUT
LINCOLN'S ART NEWSLETTER!**



Every month Miss Butler will have a newsletter on our website showing and telling you what Lincoln students are learning in Art class.

Go to www.zps.org, click on Our Schools, choose Lincoln, go to Newsletters.

For student opportunities and events in the area, click here:

<http://www.zps.org/community-page/>