

Lincoln Middle School - Notes from the Office

Week of January 19th, 2024

Upcoming Early Dismissal Dates:

- Tuesday, January 23rd - Early Dismissal @2:50 pm.
- Friday, February 6th - No school (professional development day)
- Tuesday, February 5th - Early Dismissal @ 2:50 pm
- Monday, February 19th - No School (Louis Riel Day)
- Thursday, February 29th - Student-Led Conferences (4:00 pm - 7:00 pm)

Lincoln Registration Information for the 2024-25 School Year:

Middle Years student registration forms for next year's grades 6, 7 and 8 will be sent home on Friday, January 26th. They will also be made available on our school's website beginning on January 26th, 2024 meant for all in-catchment families who currently attending a SJASD school. The registration process is described in greater detail below.

Middle Years In-Catchment Registration - January 26th, 2024:

Grade 6 registrations and students new to SJASD: Families will determine their catchment area school via [School Locator](#) and visit the corresponding school website to access the registration forms. Grade 5 students currently attending a SJASD school will be provided their Grade 6 Middle Years registration form by their current school.

Registration forms are to be submitted back by these students to their current Early Years school by **February 9th, 2024**. Families new to SJASD and who are in our catchment area can bring these forms directly to our school office during school hours.

Senior Years In-Catchment Registration - February 9, 2024:

Grade 9 registrations and students new to SJASD: Families will determine their catchment area school via [School Locator](#) and visit the corresponding school website to access the registration forms. **Grade 8 students** currently attending a SJASD school will be provided their Grade 9 Senior Years registration form by their current school.

Registration forms are to be submitted by the students to their current Middle Years school by **February 23rd, 2024**. Families new to SJASD and who are in our catchment area can bring these forms directly to our school office during school hours.

Online Out-of-Catchment and Out-of-Division Requests - February 16th, 2024

All SJASD school webpages will have a link for an **online waitlist** for students who wish to apply for schools of choice for the 2024-25 school year. All students on this waitlist should be registered first at their catchment school. This waitlist will close on May 15th, 2024. Families on the waitlist will be notified of the status of their request on or before June 14th, 2024.

To find out more about all that Lincoln Middle School has to offer, please visit our website at the following link: [Lincoln Middle School Home Page](#)

Grade 6 and 9 Information Events: Students and their families who are new to each school will have the opportunity to engage in an in-person school information event which is scheduled after the registration deadline. Lincoln Middle School's information evening happens on Tuesday, April 17th from 6:00-7:00 pm.

Student Drop-Off and Pick-Up

The staff parking lot is meant for visitors to the school and staff parking. We do have several open stalls as you enter when available. When dropping off your child or picking them up at the end of the day, please use Daer Blvd., Banting Dr., Kirkfield St. and/or the parking lot of the Westwood Church located at the corner of McBey and Westwood Dr. Making U-Turns in our parking lot and scramble parking is creating unsafe conditions for our students and staff.

Mental Health Awareness Week - Jan 22nd - 26th

During the week of Jan. 22nd - 26th, all students and staff will be participating in a variety of activities and discussions about personal resilience, seeking and providing support to others, and remaining in a positive mindset during times of challenge.

On Friday, January 26th we will welcome guest speaker Kelli Sommerfield, a registered counselor from Colorful Roots Winnipeg. She will be speaking with each of the grade 7 classes about mental wellness and emotional regulation. Kelli is a mom of 3 teenage boys and has been doing work with Valour Football Club, Sport Manitoba, and Winnipeg School Division.

More to be shared on Instagram, daily announcements, and during literacy time throughout the week.

Grade 8 Students - M.A.D.D. Presentation:

During the afternoon of Monday, February 5th, Grade 8 students in attendance at Lincoln will be participating in a live presentation from MADD Canada (Mothers Against Drinking and Driving) in our school gym. Please follow the link below to find out more about the school presentation and why we would be providing Grade 8 students in this presentation: [School Program – MADD Youth](#)

Parent Council News:

- Our Next Pizza Day happens on **Friday, January 26th**. Students can purchase slices for \$2.50 a slice in support of our Lincoln Parent Council. No preordering is required.
- Our next parent council meeting is scheduled for March 5th at 6:00 pm in the Lincoln library. All are welcome to attend.

News from the Phys. Ed. Department

Snowshoeing Information for Gym Class:

- Starting on Wednesday, January 24th gym classes will be taking turns rotating outside for snowshoeing. Please dress for the weather and please bring boots for outdoor gym class. Crocs and running shoes do not work well with the snowshoes.
- Stay informed of all Lincoln athletic team schedules and practices using the following link to our December Athletic calendar.

[Gym Calendar - January 2024](#)

Community News:

St. James Public Library:

The St. James Public Library located at 1910 Portage Avenue is running a fun program that will be taking place on Sat. Jan 27th. It's called Save the Heroes, based on the some of the books in the [Rick Riordan Presents](#) collection. The activities include a fun quiz to discover more about the heroes, solving a code and making and playing games to take home. The program is for tweens aged 9 -12 and it's free to attend. Registration is required.

Please open the attached [Poster](#) with more detailed information.

Mood Disorders Youth Programs

Kennedy Huckerby is the new Youth Program Coordinator at Mood Disorders Association of Manitoba. This association provides programming catered to all ages who are affected by mood disorders or mental health issues in general. Kennedy would like to reach out to families and let them know about the M.A.D Mondays program. This program runs every Monday with the first session starting on February 5th, 2024. Students ages 12-17 will engage in music, art, dance, and drama, while having access to peer support workers and mental health resources and strategies. Link to flyer is [here](#).

If anyone has any further questions, they can feel free to contact Kennedy either by phone 204-890-4316 or via email at youthprogram@moodmb.ca