Lincoln Middle School - Notes from the Office Week of September 8th, 2023

Upcoming Dates:

Monday, Sept. 11th - Picture Day in the morning for all Lincoln Students

Tuesday, Sept. 19th - Early dismissal. All students are dismissed at 2:50 pm.

Tuesday, Sept. 19th - Grade 6 First Lesson Night 6:30-8:00 pm & Parent Council AGM

Tuesday, Sept. 20th - Terry Fox Run (Donations Link):

https://schools.terryfox.ca/LincolnMiddle

<u>Lincoln Lion School Clothing Store Now Open:</u>

The store will remain open until Friday, September 24th midnight. https://lincoln2fall.itemorder.com/

Any students who ordered clothing in June, orders have arrived and will be distributed on Monday, September 11, 2023.

<u>Lincoln Middle School - Terry Fox Run 2023</u>

Did you know that Lincoln Middle School's annual Terry Fox Run has been recognized by the Terry Fox Foundation as one of the longest and most successful school campaigns in the province? It's true. We have been involved for an incredible 34 years! Last year, Lincoln Middle School raised \$1,330.00 for groundbreaking cancer research. We are proud and grateful to have such a dedicated community in pursuit of Terry's dream of a world without cancer.

This year's Terry Fox Run at Lincoln will happen on Wednesday, September 20th at 9:30 am. On that day, all students will take part in a special presentation from a Terry Fox ambassador followed by a walk/run through the back field of the school. Students may walk/run the 1-kilometre course as many times as they wish in the time allotted.

Sadly, many students, families and staff members have a connection to someone who has cancer. This run often serves as a personal dedication to a friend or relative, as well as a means to raise funds. Students will have the opportunity to discuss the heroic efforts of Terry in the days leading up to the event and are encouraged to raise much-needed funds in support of cancer research.

We are requesting that all donations from our Lincoln families be submitted using our online pledge form which can be found at the following link: https://schools.terryfox.ca/35233

<u>Picture Day:</u>

Lifetouch Photography will be here on Monday, September 11th for our annual fall picture day. All students will have their school photos taken on this day.

School Fees:

As of September 1st, all families can go online and pay for their child's student fees. Please follow the link below to make your payment. <u>Student fees</u> describes the school fees for the 2023-24 school year. <u>School Cash Online</u>

Lunch Supervisors Needed:

Looking for a way to be a part of Lincoln Middle School? We are looking for additional paid lunch supervisors to join our dedicated team. Full and part time positions are available. For more information about hourly rates and terms of employment, please contact our Vice Principal, Ms. Connie Lowe by email at connie.lowe@sjasd.ca or by calling the school at 204-837-8397.

Lincoln Parent Council AGM - Tuesday, Sept. 19th at 6:30 PM:

We have had a strong tradition of maintaining an active and supportive parent council for over 20 years. We are always looking for new members and need your support for the upcoming 2023-24 school year.

Our parent council AGM happens on Tuesday, Sept. 19th at 6:30 pm. This meeting can be attended in person in our school library or online using Teams through the comfort of your own home. We require a minimum of 17 parents to attend this meeting to reach 5% quorum and ensure the tradition of our parent council continues.

Those in attendance are welcome to put their name forward to be a member of our executive or can simply listen and join in on the conversation with no further commitment.

Please support our Lincoln Parent Council by following the link below to help us prepare for the event.

Student Pick-Up and Drop-Off Locations:

Just a friendly reminder that the school bus loop and staff parking lot are not suitable locations for student drop off and pick up. If a ride is being provided, please ensure that the following locations are used:

Grade 6: Community Streets located West of the School (Kirkfield, Shelley and the Westwood Church parking lot). Please avoid using the Voyage Funeral Home parking lot.

Grade 7: Community Streets located North of the School (Kirkfield, Banting and Daer streets)

Grade 8: Community Streets located East of the School (Golf, Greenacre, and Country Club Blvd)

Our bike cage is located on the south side of the school near the KWCC baseball field and hockey rinks. Students are encouraged to use active transportation and walk, bike, or wheel their way to school as much as possible. Though the bike cage is locked throughout the day, bike locks are still encouraged.

Lincoln Middle School Indigenous Planning Team

To increase community connections and partnerships, we are offering all the opportunity to be a member of our Lincoln Indigenous Planning Team at Lincoln Middle School. The goal of this planning team is to strengthen our ability to provide meaningful and authentic Indigenous perspectives, teachings, stories, and practices to ensure our school is increasingly inclusive for all.

Who is invited and how do I join? Parents, community members, students, staff, and/or anyone who is passionate about this topic are welcome to join. There is strength in diversity. If interested, please send an email to lincoln@sjasd.ca and request to receive future messages from the planning team.

When and where do we meet? We will be meeting frequently throughout the school year. Generally, these meetings will happen at the school, and during the school day. There will also be opportunities to join us outside of regular school hours, virtually or contribute via email, surveys or whatever your schedule allows. No commitment is too small! We value whatever contribution you can make.

Indigenous Planning Team Goals:

- 1. Richer Learning: We'll blend Indigenous ideas, teachings, and perspectives into our learning spaces and lessons, for richer learning experiences.
- 2. Special Events: We will plan ways to honour Truth and Reconciliation Week, Orange Shirt Day, Red Dress Day, seasonal changes and more.
- 3. Community Connections: Linking our school with families, Elders, Knowledge Keepers, and community members to learn from each other.
- 4. Useful Resources: Sourcing relevant and appropriate tools for teachers and students to explore, learn about, and celebrate Indigenous cultures.
- 5. Culturally Aware: sharing wisdom to help everyone respect and understand a variety of cultures within our school community and beyond.

Physical Education News:

<u>Volleyball Tryouts</u>: All students are welcome to try out for our Lincoln volleyball teams. There are 3 levels of play, Tier 1 is our highest levelled team, Tier 2 is our moderate levelled team, and Atomic volleyball is our entry level team in which all can play regardless of skill level. No tryout is required to play on the Atomic level team. Each level of play competes in inter-school play. Tier 1 and Tier 2 levels will have after school games and weekend tournaments. Tryouts are as follows:

Monday, September 11: Tier 1/2 Boys 3:30 pm - 4:45 pm

Tuesday, September 12: Tier 1/2 Boys 7:15 am

Grade 6 Boys 12:00 pm

Tier 1/2 Girls 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm

September 13: Grade 6 Girls 12:00 pm

September 14: Tier 1/2 Boys 7:15 am

Tier 1/2 Girls 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm

September 15: Tier 1/2 Girls 7:15 am

<u>Cross Country Running</u>: All students are encouraged to join our cross-country running teams. We receive points for numbers of participants as well as race placings as we compete against all middle years schools in the division. Our first meetings and practices are as follows.

Tuesday, September 12: Meeting 12:00 pm
Wednesday, September 13: Practice 3:30 - 4:15 pm
Thursday, September 14: Practice 3:30 - 4:15 pm

<u>Ultimate</u>: All students are encouraged to come out for Ultimate Frisbee. We will be creating two fall teams to compete in the Hold Back the Snow tournament as well as a few exhibition games.

Tuesday, September 12: Ultimate Practice/First Tryout 3:30 -5:00 pm

Message from Mr. Bradshaw: Woodshop

Students arriving to the woodshop for the first time please bring a Duo-tang, a pencil and wear the proper footwear. Slippers, sandals, crocs, or any open toed shoes are **prohibited** in the woodshop. Some form of laced up shoe is preferred. (Gym shoes are great) A hair tie is also required while using machines (not first class), if your hair is touching your shoulders or longer. Thank you and see you in the woodshop.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Raising Digitally Responsible Youth - Complimentary Parent's Guide

Safer Schools Together is an organization that connects with schools throughout the year to provide resources to school communities on a variety of relevant and current topics. The following link provides our families with complimentary access to download: Raising Digitally Responsible Youth - A Parent's Guide. This guide is designed to help introduce Parents and Caregivers to leading social media platforms, video games, and relevant trends that are either being used already or have the potential to be used by their children. This guide is full of tips, how-to's, and definitions for the most widely used apps - including

TikTok, Snapchat, Instagram and more.

LOOKING TO BE A PAID MIDDLE YEARS VOLLEYBALL REFEREE?

Anyone (former students, current student (12 or older), staff, adult, parent) that is interested in refereeing and making some money!

The 2023 St. James Assiniboia Volleyball Referee Clinic

When: September 20 2023 4:30pm-8:00pm

Where: Ness Middle School

Cost: Free

Register: https://forms.office.com/r/qFGALOMOL6

Deadline: September 19 2023

Questions? Contact jj.ross@sjasd.ca

Big Sand Volleyball Camp:

For the next **3 Sundays** Big Sand Volleyball will be holding a small camp from 1:00-3:00 each day for girls 13 and under. A great chance for girls to be introduced to the game of volleyball.

Sunday, September 10	1:00-3:00	Sturgeon Heights Community Club
Sunday, September 17	1:00-3:00	Sturgeon Heights Community Club
Sunday, September 24	1:00-3:00	Sturgeon Heights Community Club

Cost only \$30.00 (for all three sessions)

Please email Peter Roadley at proadley60@gmail.com if you are interested.

More fall camps will be offered in October for girls 13 and under as well as 14-17. Stay tuned for more information.