

## Lincoln Middle School - Notes from the Office

Week of May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021

### At-Home Remote Learning Continues:

As announced Thursday by the Government of Manitoba, due to high COVID numbers and an encumbered healthcare system, at-home learning will **continue for the week of May 31-June 4th, 2021** with all current arrangements and schedules in place. We anticipate direction from the Manitoba Government to return to in-class learning on June 7th, 2021. Your child's schedules and weekly assignment information can all be found on Microsoft Teams.

\*Attendance does count. If you know your child will be unable to attend online, please use the school messenger app to excuse them from their classes for illness, appointment or otherwise. Attendance will be consolidated at the end of each day and parents will receive notification of an absence on the following morning by a school staff member.

### Picture Day

Due to the continuation of At-Home Remote learning, Lifetouch Picture Day scheduled for May 31<sup>st</sup> and June 1<sup>st</sup> are **cancelled**. Stay tuned for any further news on Spring photos in the coming days.

### Early Dismissal on Tuesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>

Though we are currently on remote learning, our next early dismissal schedule will continue. Those at school and those online will be dismissed at 2:50 pm on Tuesday, May 18<sup>th</sup>. Busses will run accordingly. Stay up to date with all upcoming early dismissal and in-service days with our divisional calendar found at the following link:

[SchoolDayCalendar2020\\_21\\_REVISED\\_12\\_10\\_20\\_VERSION\\_4.pdf \(sjasd.ca\)](#)

Vaccinations are now open to all children from ages 12-17:

All Manitobans 12 and older can now book covid-19 vaccine appointments. Online bookings can be made at the following link: [Patient \(petalmd.com\)](https://petalmd.com)

### **Lincoln Arts and Athletics Scholarships:**

Participation and instruction in the areas of the arts and athletics has been a challenge throughout the covid-19 health pandemic. Recognizing these challenges, we are hoping to support some of our current Lincoln Lions with a contribution towards an upcoming summer camp that focuses on skill development for their desired sport or artistic form of choice. A limited amount of funds is available, and priority will be given to grade 8 students given their lengthy disruption during their time at the school.

Once application forms are collected, the final scholarship selections will be completed by our Lincoln staff. The parents/guardians of the students selected to receive the athletic scholarships will be notified first and students will receive recognition of this scholarship at our year end awards ceremony.

All scholarship requests must be submitted no later than Wednesday, June 9<sup>th</sup>.

Link to Arts Scholarship Request Form: <https://forms.gle/DqmhabVP92PA+GnN7>

Link to Athletics Scholarship Request Form: <https://forms.gle/gx3wi7CSfkC465qm9>

### **High 5 Community Run Race Information**

#### **NEW FOR 2021!!**

Since this year we are running a virtual event there is no specific race course. The loops listed are just two examples of courses that would fit the 2.5km and 5km distances. Check out <https://highfiverun.wordpress.com/about/> to see the suggested loops and for more information. You are encouraged to pick a route that you like to run and map your distance with a watch, phone app or by using a website. Remember to maintain physical distancing when running and follow all MB health orders when participating.

**Who:** Originally this race was started as an event for students, staff and families from our High 5 community of schools (École Robert Browning, Sansome School, Phoenix School, Lincoln Middle School and Westwood Collegiate, however, over the past year we've expanded it to welcome participants from all schools (students, staff and families) in the St. James - Assiniboia school division.

**What:** A 5km fun run held in our community (a 2.5km loop will also be an option)

**Where:** ANYWHERE!

**When:** Monday, May 31st, 2021 and the entire week following (deadline to submit times is June 6th).

**Why:** To build a strong community relationship between our five schools, be active and have fun!

Runners have the option of completing either a 2.5km or a 5km loop. The start and finish line are both located at École Robert Browning in the northeast school yard.

**So you want to race?**

There is no race registration this year. Just get outside and put in your best time for a 2.5km or 5km run. Be sure to submit a photo or video of you running along with your run stats when you complete the race.

Submit results to [bryan.vermeylen@sjasd.ca](mailto:bryan.vermeylen@sjasd.ca) by Midnight on June 6th, 2021

**Lincoln Parent Council:**

Our AGM for the upcoming 2021-22 school year has been scheduled for Tuesday, September 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 pm. We will be looking for more parents to join our active parent council group at that time. *Questions of our LMS PAC?* Ask them! [lincolnmiddlepac@gmail.com](mailto:lincolnmiddlepac@gmail.com)

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**Covid-19 Developments and Communication:**

Please see the attached information for updated COVID-19 as a reminder for all families. [COVID Safety Protocols to help keep our Schools Safe.pdf](#)

Public Health is reminding all school communities that communication of positive COVID -19 cases are forwarded to families when contact tracing is required at a school. **Public Health will involve the school if the COVID-19 positive individual(s) attended school in their communicable period.** Should the COVID-19 positive person(s) not attend school within 48 hours of onset of illness or an asymptomatic test date, schools are not included in public health's contact tracing and notification processes.

Lincoln Middle School requires all students and staff to self-screen for COVID-19 symptoms every day prior to entering school. <https://sharedhealthmb.ca/covid19/screening-tool/>

Should you have any questions about COVID-19 protocols, please check <https://www.gov.mb.ca/covid19/test-index.html> or call Health Links for clarification at 204-788-8200.

Covid-19 Variant Fundamentals:

<https://gov.mb.ca/covid19/fundamentals/variants.html>

For the most up-to-date information on the definition of "Close Contacts" and the "Requirements for Self-Isolation and Household Isolation":

<http://www.gov.mb.ca/covid19/testing/monitoring/close-contacts.html#what-to-do>

Lincoln Middle School values your diligence and support in adhering to these protocols.