The Communicator

LINCOLN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS | WINTER 2017

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MEETING SCHEDULE

All Board meetings are held
at the Community Center and begin
at 6:00 pm (unless otherwise noted)

November 13

November 27

December 11

SUPERINTENDENT'S LETTER

During the 2015-16 school year, we increased our efforts to improve student attendance. I wish to thank everyone for their support. Below is the previous three school years of the number of students that were chronically absent. Chronically absent is defined by missing 10% of a school year. I wish to congratulate everyone –staff, students and parents within our school district that worked to improve student attendance throughout the school year. We asked parents to have students' dentist, haircuts and doctor appointments after school. Posters were displayed within buildings, website and student folders. It was a conscious effort of our community and the payoff was beyond significant but monumental. Due to a problem retrieving the High School data, we are still working to identify that data for the previous years.

Chronic Absences			
Building	**2014-15**	**2015-16**	**2016-17**
Bishop	165	251	49
Brick	170	346	86
Childs	148	238	26
LMS	384	241	86
LHS	-	-	301

Parent Teacher Conferences have just concluded, and there's no reason for the communication to stop there. The conferences are intended to inform parents of their student's progress. Here are some tips to follow a successful conference:

1. Ask your children about their classes and how they are doing.
2. Reach out to each teacher of your children.
3. Seek information about upcoming major projects or field trips.
4. Ask teachers what is the best method to communicate if you have any questions after the conference.

We understand that you are the first teacher in your child's life and we wish to work collaboratively with you to better understand how we can meet the needs of your child.

Our staff and I are very open to your questions and feedback, as we are here to serve the Lincoln families. Please do not hesitate to contact me at mcnatts@lincolnk12.org. I make every effort to get with everyone within one business day. I can also be reached at 734-484-7001.

Sincerely,

Sean R. McNatt, Superintendent

Communication is vital in all organizations and ours is no different. To keep the communication lines open, Superintendent McNatt has established the following opportunities during the 2017-2018 School year to keep in touch with community members. Please feel free to attend any of the locations that fit your schedule.

Event	Date & Time	Location
Coffee with the Superintendent	November 14th at 6:30 pm	Lincoln Middle School Media Center
Annual State of the District	January 16th at 6:30 pm	Performing Arts Center
Senior Citizen Valentine's Day Luncheon	February 14th at Noon	Brick Elementary Community Center

Your Vote Counts November 7th for Kids & Seniors!

The Ballot will read...

LINCOLN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO OPERATE A SYSTEM OF PUBLIC RECREATION AND PLAYGROUNDS

This proposal will allow the school district to continue to levy public recreation millage previously approved by the electors that will expire with the 2018 levy.

Shall the currently authorized millage rate limitation of 0.0986 mill ($0.0986 on each $1,000 of taxable valuation) on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in Lincoln Consolidated School District, Washtenaw and Wayne Counties, Michigan, be renewed for a period of 6 years, 2019 to 2024, inclusive, for the purpose of providing funds for operating a system of public recreation and playgrounds; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect for such recreation program if the millage is approved and levied in 2019 is approximately $79,816 (this is a renewal of millage that will expire with the 2018 tax levy)?

FAQ: Frequently Asked Questions

What is this millage?

This millage renewal will raise funds for continued support of Lincoln Community Programs, including Lincoln Golden Ages Seniors, Lincoln Community Education, and Lincoln Recreation programs.

How much will the millage cost?

If approved, homeowners will not see an increase in mills collected. This is not a new tax. The proposed millage renewal is .0986 mill ($0.986 on each $1,000.00 of taxable valuation) for a period of 5 years and will cost the homeowner of a $200,000 home **$9.86 per year.**

How will this millage be used?

This millage will cover administrative, facilities maintenance, and operational costs for community recreation programs, including senior citizens. The passing of this millage will support the expansion of programs and help ensure that the participation fees are kept affordable.

When are the polls open?

The polls are open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on November 7, 2017. If you are unsure of your polling location, contact your township clerk.

The Ballot will read...

OPERATING MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL

This proposal will allow the school district to continue to levy the statutory rate of not to exceed 18 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, required for the school district to receive its revenue per pupil foundation allowance and renews millage that will expire with the 2018 tax levy.

Shall the currently authorized millage rate limitation of 18.2105 mills ($18.2105 on each $1,000 of taxable valuation) on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, in Lincoln Consolidated School District, Washtenaw and Wayne Counties, Michigan, be renewed for a period of 6 years, 2019 to 2024, inclusive, to provide funds for operating purposes; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage is approved and 18 mills are levied in 2019 is approximately $2,566,000 (this is a renewal of millage that will expire with the 2018 tax levy)?

FAQ: Frequently Asked Questions

What is this millage?

This proposal will allow the school district to levy the statutory rate of 18 mills on all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, required for the school district to receive its revenue per pupil foundation allowance and renews millage that will expire with the 2013 tax levy.

How much will the millage cost homeowners?

If approved, **homeowners will not see an increase** in their property taxes on their primary residence. This is not a new tax. It is a proposal to continue the existing 18 mill assessment on non-homestead properties.

How will this millage be used?

The district relies heavily on an 18.2105 non-homestead tax to operate its schools. The 18-mill operational tax is levied on commercial and non-exempt agricultural properties and is projected to generate $2.8 million in 2019.

When are the polls open?

The polls are open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on November 7, 2017. If you are unsure of your polling location, contact your township clerk.

The Ballot will read...

WASHTENAW INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL EDUCATION MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL

This proposal will allow the intermediate school district to continue to levy special education millage previously approved by the electors.

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in Washtenaw Intermediate School District, Michigan, be increased by .9719 mill ($0.9719 on each $1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 8 years, 2018 to 2025, inclusive, to provide funds for the education of students with a disability; the estimate of the revenue the intermediate school district will collect if the millage is approved and levied in 2018 is approximately $15,200,000 from local property taxes authorized herein (this is a renewal of millage that expired with the 2017 tax levy)?

FAQ: Frequently Asked Questions

What is the question before voters?

Whether to renew the special education millage approved by voters in 2011, currently at 0.9719 mill.

How many students receive special education services in Washtenaw County?

Over 6,500 students, or 1-in-7, receive services.

What type of disabilities qualify for services in our county?

There are 13 eligibility categories covered under the current Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). The list includes: autism, deaf/hearing impairment, blind/visual impairments, cognitive impairments, early childhood developmental delays, emotional impairments, physical impairments, speech & language impairments, severe multiple impairments, traumatic brain injury, other health impairments (chronic or acute conditions).

Special Education Millage Renewal Proposal

Is this a new tax?

No, this millage was approved by voters in 2011 which will expire in 2025.

What is the annual cost of providing special education services in the county?
Approximately $124 million. These costs have steadily increased and funding from the state has not kept pace with expenses. The special education funding being voted on can only be used to cover the eligible special education costs not currently reimbursed by federal and state funding, as well as by the existing special education millage. Local districts and public charter schools divert general fund dollars to cover unfunded special education costs.

Can special education millage tax dollars be used for other school expenditures?
No. Funding designated for special education services can only be used for costs related to educating students with Individualized Education Plans (IEPs).

Does WISD make the decision on how special education funds will be spent in each district?

Washtenaw ISD does not have authority or control over the spending of local districts and public charter schools (each have their own school boards). Special Education spending is determined by the governing boards of education and school administration at each district. Funding received from the special education millage is used by Washtenaw ISD to reimburse local public schools for a portion of their eligible special education costs and to operate some special education programs, services, and supports on behalf of the local public schools.

When are the polls open?

The polls are open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on November 7, 2017. If you are unsure of your polling location, contact your township clerk.

ONLINE ENROLLMENT

Enrollments for grades K-12 are taken online at www.lincolnk12.org. Once you've completed the online enrollment, you will need to visit our Business Office located at Brick Elementary (west entrance), 8970 Whittaker Road, Ypsilanti with the required documentation to complete your student's registration.

STUDENT ENROLLMENT DOCUMENTS

Please bring with you:

- Driver's license with CURRENT ADDRESS
- PLUS - One of the following in your name at your current address:
  - Tax Bill
  - Rental Agreement or Receipt
  - Mortgage statement
  - Utility Bill
- Child's Immunization Record with Doctor's Signature
- Child's ORIGINAL Birth Certificate
- Previous Report Card or Transcripts
- School of Choice Approval Letter (if applicable)
- Individualized Education Plan (IEP) and METS (if applicable)

You can contact the Lincoln Business Office staff at 734-484-7042 with questions.

2017/2018 School Hours

Elementary - Bishop/Brick

8:50 am	to	3:41 pm	
8:50 am	to	11:41 am	half-day am only
8:50 am	to	1:26 pm	early release

Elementary - Childs

8:35 am	to	3:26 pm	
8:35 am	to	11:26 am	half-day am only
8:35 am	to	1:11 pm	early release

Middle School/High School

7:40 am	to	2:36 pm	
7:40 am	to	10:36 am	half-day am only
7:40 am	to	12:23 pm	early release

THIRD GRADE READING LAW:
A Parent Guide to Public Act 306

What Is The Law All About?

In an effort to boost reading achievement, Michigan lawmakers passed Public Act 306 in October 2016.

- Michigan's test scores on both the Michigan-based M-STEP ELA assessment and the NAEP (National Assessment of Educational Progress) reading assessment have shown a need for attention to early reading and literacy.
- On the 2015 NAEP Michigan was 41st in the nation for 4th grade reading achievement.
- To help more students be proficient by the end of 3rd grade, the law requires extra support for K-3 students who are not at grade level in reading.
- The law also states that a child may be retained in 3rd grade if he/she is one or more grade levels behind in reading at the end of 3rd grade.

What Do I Need To Know As A Parent?

- Your child's reading progress will be closely monitored.
- If your child is not reading where expected, a plan to improve reading will be created. This includes:
  - Extra instruction or support in areas of need
  - Ongoing checks on reading progress
  - A Read at Home plan

If you are notified your child may be retained, you have the right to meet with school officials and to request an exemption if in the best interest of your child. You have the right and are encouraged to be involved every step of the way!

What Can I Do To Support My Child?

Read at home with your child daily with books they enjoy-- even in the summer. Some ways to do this:

- Read out loud to your child.
- Listen to your child read.
- Read together at the same time.
- Reread or retell favorite stories.
- Talk to your child about the reading.
- Echo read (You read a line, then they repeat).

As you read:

- Ask your child to share what they remember.
- Ask questions about the reading.
- Talk about your favorite parts, what you've learned, or who is in the book and what they do.
- Talk about the pictures in the book how they connect to the words on the page.
- Help connect the stories to your child's life or other books you've read

Talk to and with your kids a lot- knowing more words helps kids to understand the words they read better.

Encourage writing- Let children write the sounds they hear, spelling is developmental and a work in progress.

Be involved in your child's education and support the reading plan if your child has one.

A Parent's Guide For

Communicating With Your Child's School

BOARD POLICY 9130: PUBLIC COMPLAINTS

(See full Board Policy at www.lincolnk12. org)

Any person or group, having a legitimate interest in the operations of this District shall have the right to present a request, suggestion, or complaint concerning District personnel, the program, or the operations of the District. At the same time, the Board of Education has a duty to protect its staff from unnecessary harassment. It is the intent of this policy to provide the means for judging each public complaint in a fair and impartial manner and to seek a remedy where appropriate.

It is the desire of the Board to rectify any misunderstandings between the public and the District by direct discussions of an informal type among the interested parties. It is only when such informal meetings fail to resolve the differences, shall more formal procedures be employed.

Any requests, suggestions, or complaints reaching the Board, Board members, and the administration shall be referred to the Superintendent for consideration.

Problem Solving:
A Two-Way Process

Get Started

- Establish your goal.
- Agree to discussion guidelines.
  - Listen without interrupting.
  - Be honest in your discussions.

Listen and Define the Concern

- What is the problem or concern?
- Is there more than one perspective from which to view the problem?
- Is the information each person has about the problem accurate?

Identify Solutions

- Each person suggests at least one solution to the problem.
- All parties evaluate each possible solution:
  - Can all parties agree with the solution?
  - Is everyone committed to working on the suggested solution?
  - Will the solution work now and in the future?
  - Is everyone willing to share equal responsibility for making the solution work?
  - Does the solution tell who, when and how?

Move Forward

- Agree upon a proposed solution and the role each party will have in implementing it.
- Set a date for checking in with each other.

Whom Should You Contact?

To ask a question, share a concern, or discuss an issue, follow the chain of command outlined below.

On Matters Involving Instruction/Curriculum

1. Classroom Teacher
2. Principal
3. Executive Director of Curriculum
4. Superintendent
5. Board of Education

On Matters Involving Special Education

1. Classroom Teacher
2. Principal
3. Student Services Supervisor
4. Superintendent
5. Board of Education

On Matters Involving Athletics

1. Coach
2. Athletic Director
3. Building Principal
4. Superintendent
5. Board of Education

On Matters Involving Student Discipline

1. Classroom Teacher
2. Assistant Principal/Dean of Students
3. Principal
4. Superintendent
5. Board of Education

On Matters Involving Facilities/Grounds/Buildings

1. Principal
2. Director for Facilities
3. Superintendent
4. Board of Education

On Matters Involving Transportation

1. Bus Driver
2. Transportation Director
3. Director of Human Resources
4. Superintendent
5. Board of Education

LINCOLN EARLY CHILDHOOD SERVICES

The Lincoln Early Childhood Center, located in Model Elementary School, offers a range of comprehensive services for children from birth through age five. The center utilizes a model that emphasizes that parents are a child's first, best, and most influential teachers.

The Early Childhood Center includes classrooms for Great Start Readiness Program, Early Childhood Special Education, and Lincoln's Early On Program. The goal of the center is to establish a primary prevention community available to families living in the Lincoln community. Through strong parental involvement, the Early Childhood Center is an avenue promoting the improved social, cognitive, and physical growth of young children in our community.

Pre-School

Lincoln offers two different pre-school programs. Students for these programs must be four years old by September 1st and reside in the Lincoln School District. Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP) is a grant-funded pre-school program. Eligibility for this program is based on household income and a child's "risk factors." For more information on this program please call 484-7045.

ATTENTION: PARENTS OF CHILDREN BIRTH – AGE FIVE

If you have any concerns about your child's development, the staff at the Lincoln Early Childhood Center at Model Elementary is ready to work with you. We can provide free developmental screenings. When screening results indicate a need for more in-depth information, we can provide evaluation services to determine if a child/family is eligible to receive the following services that our center provides:

- Social Work Services
- Services of School Psychologist
- Speech and Language Services
- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy

For more information, contact 484-7070 or 484-6054.

Lincoln also offers a tuition-based pre-school run by Bemis Farms, and located at Model Elementary. For more information on this program please call 484-7000, ext. 7308 or 994-1709.

BEMIS FARMS AT LINCOLN: WHERE FRIENDS MEET FRIENDS

Bemis Farms CHILDCARE & PRESCHOOL

Bemis Farms is pleased to provide Preschool and Extended Care Programs for the children of Lincoln Consolidated Schools. We are proud and excited to be a part of this wonderful school district.

Programs are located inside Model and Childs Elementary Schools. Model, Bishop, and Brick Elementary students go to Model Elementary for Extended Care.

Our theme for Lincoln is "Where Friends Meet Friends." Our program provides a safe and friendly place where children can have the opportunity to relax and play with their friends after a long school day. Children learn many important social skills to succeed in life through play, and the Bemis Farms staff will help with conflict management skills, talking through problems, and using manners with friends - all important life skills for today and the future.

The children in the Bemis Farms Lincoln program have daily opportunities to engage in activities to help them both scholastically and socially. Teachers are available to help with homework, and all children will have the opportunity to play alone or in a group. Some of the favorite activities have been silent seatball, tag, fuse beads, large puzzles, science experiments, board and card games, sports, and art projects. Bemis Farms offers a variety of programs to meet your needs. Meeting friends in a relaxed environment makes this program special. For more information on this program please call 944-1709.

ONLINE LUNCH ACCOUNTS

Parents may make online credit card deposits to student food service accounts using our secure food service website. Please note that there is a $2.00 fee per transaction to cover processing costs. One deposit may be split among more than one family member without incurring an additional $2.00 fee. Visa, MasterCard, and Discover cards are accepted.

A parent username and password are needed to review your student's account and to process a credit card deposit. To request a login and password please email thomask@lincolnK12.org. Include student name(s), parent name(s), and home address. Please allow approximately 48 hours for a reply. Your username and password carry over to the current school year and will continue to give you access to your child's lunch account.

2017 - 2018 LUNCH PRICES

Elementary	$2.55
Middle School	$2.80
High School	$2.80
Milk (purchased separately)	$ .50
Breakfast	$1.20

Please direct questions and comments about the lunch program to Karen Thomas, Director of Food Service, at (734) 484-7072.

FREE & REDUCED LUNCH

FOR QUICKER SERVICE, APPLICATIONS CAN BE COMPLETED ONLINE!

Free and reduced-price meals are available to qualified families. Eligibility is based on family income and size. If you think you may qualify, please fill out **one application per family** and return to any school office, or mail to Lincoln Consolidated Schools, 8970 Whittaker Road, Ypsilanti, MI 48197. Applications are also available on our website at www.lincolnK12.org. Applications will be accepted at any school building, but please mark **Food Service** on the envelope to ensure prompt delivery.

If you received benefits at another school district, you will not be eligible for free or reduced meals at Lincoln Schools until an application has been processed and approved. You may apply for free and reduced-priced meals at any time during the school year. If you are not eligible now but have a later change such as a decrease in household income or an increase in household size, you may complete an application at that time.

New applications must be completed every school year. You are responsible to purchase meals or send a lunch until your application is approved.

WHAT IS A REGULAR LUNCH MEAL??

A regular lunch meal is the meal at the regular meal price or can qualify for the free or reduced meal price. It consists of an entree item (including bread and protein), a fruit, a vegetable, and milk. Students must take three of these items; one of which MUST be a fruit or vegetable for the meal to qualify as a "regular meal". If they take less than three components or more than the five, they will be charged the a la carte price for each item regardless of free or reduced status.

Milk-only purchase price is $0.50. Milk alone is not free or discounted for eligible students.

At the middle school and high school chips, cookies, bottled drinks, etc. are NOT included in the regular lunch meal. These items are available for purchase separately.

Breakfast @ Lincoln!

If there is a way to be less hurried in the morning, would you take advantage of it? If there is a way to improve your child's grades, would you consider it worthwhile? Breakfast at school could be the answer!

Finding the time to fit a healthy breakfast into your child's daily routine is probably just as difficult as fitting it into your own. Studies show that children who acquire the breakfast habit early are less likely to develop illness, while successful in maintaining a healthy weight, good grades, solid attendance, and overall performance.

Breakfast is available at all buildings within Lincoln's district. The price is $1.20 and menus can be found at each school or on our website at lincolnk12.org. If your children qualify for free or reduced-priced lunch, they also qualify for free or reduced-priced breakfast!

What Multiage is and isn't…

Multiage classrooms are classrooms with students from more than one grade level. They are created because of a pedagogical choice of a school or school district. They are different from split classes which are formed when there are too many students for one class - but not enough to form two classes of the same grade level.

Some Advantages of Multiage Practices

The school should fit the child….

Rather than grouping students by grade level, we can group and regroup students based on developmental needs, interests, skills, and learning styles. We value the process of learning and lay the ground work for lifelong learning.

It is an efficient and effective learning environment….

A multi-year placement encourages friendships, trust, bonding, and a sense of belonging. Knowing a child over time increases a teacher's understanding of that child's needs and how he/she learns best. At the start of a year, the teacher knows a majority of the class, and the students know each other.

Multiage classrooms promote collaboration, cooperation, self-esteem, and a caring community….

Younger children get a preview of what they will eventually be able to do. Students can work with children who possess a similar skill level but a different chronological age. There is an opportunity for all children to be both the younger and older members of a peer group. A child can reinforce a newly learned skill by teaching it to someone else. It brings out older children's willingness to help younger ones, and older children accept the responsibility of being role models.

TRANSPORTATION

For your convenience the transportation hotline is updated twice a day. The line will inform you of any school closings, school delays, road closures, or late buses during the school year.

Transportation Hotline:
(734) 484-7000 ext. 6041

If you do not require bus service, please contact 734-484-7044.

Kindergarten Busing

For your child's safety, a parent/guardian or appointed emergency contact person (must be on the emergency card) **must be at the bus stop to pick up your kindergarten student every day.**

Childcare Arrangement Forms

Childcare Arrangement Forms are available at the Transportation Department or in your child's school office. Forms can be completed and/or dropped off at the Transportation Department between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:00 pm. There could be up to a two (2) week delay in processing the forms at the start of the school year.

Bus Stop Change Request

Requests for a bus stop change can be made on a Concern/Complaint Form available in the Transportation Office. All requests will be researched and you will be notified of the results within thirty days of the request Please be aware that all requests must meet the criteria for change and are not automatically honored.

Bus Stop Criteria

For more information on Public Act 187, the list of criteria used to establish bus stops, or frequently asked questions and answers, please visit the Michigan Department of Education website at www.michigan.gov/mde.

HOLIDAYS! FUN, FOOD, FAMILY!

But for some people this is difficult time; everyone is supposed to be happy but they're not. Maybe your family has suffered too many losses this last year, maybe everyone is just tired. How will you get through these "happy" holiday times? Here are some thoughts:

- **Schedule your happy time.** Whether it's being outside, listening to your favorite music, or reading a mystery novel make time each week to re-energized yourself before tackling those holiday tasks.
- **Down-size.** Maybe it's time to choose just a few of those holiday traditions OR to change to some that aren't so labor intensive.
- **Talk**. Grieving over a loss? Tell someone! It can really help.
- **Don't forget the basics;** Sleep and exercise. Check in with yourself daily to make sure you don't ignore these important needs.
- **Sunlight.** Okay, it's Michigan. But grab anytime out in the sun you can get.
- **Gratitude as your attitude.** Sometimes you can't change the bad stuff BUT if you take time to think of five things that you are grateful for, each and every day, you may find the strength to carry on.
- **Get Help!** Pay attention, if your mind/body/soul is saying it just can't do it, NOW is the time to seek out professional help.

Wishing you all the best in the holidays ahead,

Your RAHS Health Center

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UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

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RAHS

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Quality Physical, Emotional, and Preventive Health Care

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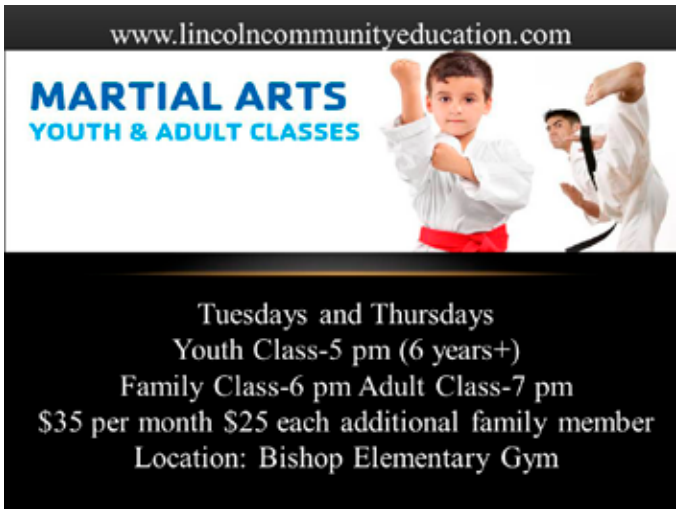

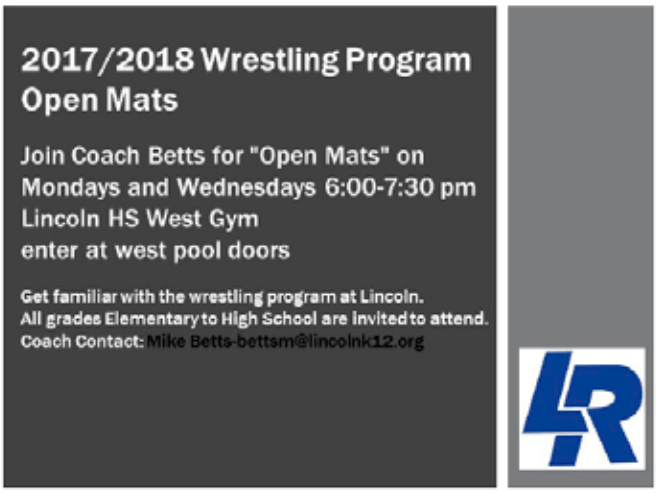

SCHOOL CLOSING PROCEDURE

Any time there is inclement weather in the forecast, our Transportation Director and one of our mechanics check road conditions between 3:30 and 4:30 am The school closing relay is then activated and the media and school personnel are notified. Check the following media outlets for up-to-date school closing information:

Local TV Broadcast	**Channels 2, 4, 7**
Local Radio Stations	**WWJ/WJR**
Lincoln Website	**www.LincolnK12.org**
Facebook/Twitter	

COMMUNICATING WITH THE LINCOLN COMMUNITY

For your convenience Lincoln posts school and sport schedules, school board agendas/meeting minutes, dates for important events, and much more in a variety of formats.

- **www.lincolnK12.org**
- ***The Communicator* Newsletter**
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- **Twitter - *@GoSplitters***

If you have any suggestions, comments, or questions feel free to contact Vicki Coury at 734-484-7095 or couryv@lincolnK12.org.

ATTENTION KROGER SHOPPERS!

We need your help. It's free and easy. Kroger will give a donation each time you scan your Kroger Plus card or use your phone number at the register. Several Lincoln organizations participate in the Kroger Community Rewards Program.

You must re-register your card each April. Take a few minutes to make sure you're signed up.

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Lincoln Middle School	83684
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Brick Elementary	83681
Childs Elementary	83521
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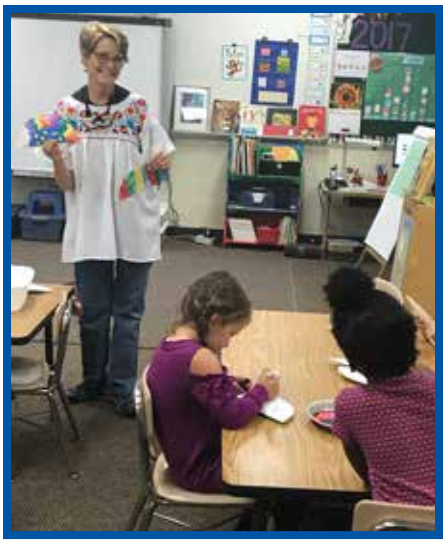


BISHOP CELEBRATES HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

Hispanic Heritage Month is an annual event celebrating the richness of Latino culture and honoring the Hispanic heritage. Each year from September 15 through October 15, Latino heritage is recognized, along with the achievements of Latinos in history. It's a wonderful time to pass on the beauty of Latino culture to children and expose them to learning about a diverse group of people and new cultures. In honor of Hispanic Heritage Month, Lower House students at Bishop Elementary completed great activities through workshops. The students really enjoyed learning about a new culture and language through crafts, music, and stories!

APPLE TIME!

Students from the Young Fives class at Childs Elementary enjoyed a lovely fall day at the local apple orchard. Wasem Fruit Farm was the place to be for apple picking. Following a presentation by "Farmer John" on how apples grow, there was a tour of the walk-in refrigerator, and how cider is made. The best part of the day was the yummy treat of cider and donuts.

MRS. BERECZ'S CLASS STEM

As part of the Sept. 11 remembrance, Mrs. Berecz's class focused on the rebuilding of the twin towers. Using the STEM approach, the students discussed architecture, designed towers, then improved on their designs after talking about building structure.

ALL SMILES!

Everyone looks forward to School Picture Day, especially these two students showing their beautiful smiles. They are from the Young Fives class at Childs Elementary.

BISHOP LOWER HOUSE VISITS WASEM FRUIT FARM!

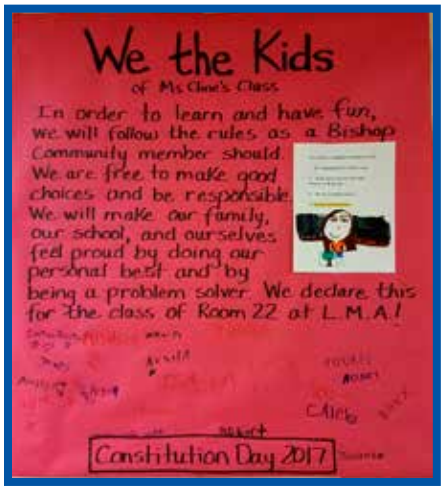
Our Lower House students had a great educational experience touring the farm! The tour consisted of:

- Taste testing of three varieties of apples
- A visit to the walk-in refrigerator
- A view of apples being sorted on our apple grader or a view of cider being made
- A snack time consisting of a yummy donut and a cup of cider
- A trip to the orchard where students got first-hand experience picking apples

It was a great day at Wasem's!

BISHOP PROJECT GREEN MAKE BREAKFAST BAGS

Members of Project Green at Bishop Elementary are making bags out of recycled t-shirts that will become “breakfast bags”. These bags will soon be replacing the Styrofoam trays used at Bishop that hold breakfast items from the cafeteria. Keep watching Bishop Go Green!



CONSTITUTION DAY AT BISHOP ELEMENTARY

The students at Bishop Elementary learned about our country's constitution on Constitution Day. The students in Ms. Cline's class wrote their own classroom constitution which incorporated the Bishop Community Member's standards of behavior.

CHILDS SECOND GRADERS MEET ORCHID

Second graders from Childs Elementary got to meet Orchid, a service dog in training from Paws With a Cause, a non-profit organization. Students got to learn a dog's journey in becoming a service dog.

I AM WHO I AM

The Middle House (2/3) students at Bishop Elementary completed projects entitled "I am Who I am!" This active learning assignment helped students get to know each other a bit better. We all have a lot of things in common with one another!

RHYTHMS OF INDIA ASSEMBLY

On Thursday, September 21st, Brick students were fortunate to attend a concert featuring world renowned percussionist, Pundit Samar Saha from Kolkata, India. We learned about composing musical compositions using rhythmic language, the importance of practice and how important our teachers are. We also simply enjoyed the music!

LMS CHOIR

Middle School eigth grade choir students,Tavien Cochran and Zachary Lily preparing for their Fall Concert, were delighted when Principal Green stopped in to join in with singing "Walk Dem Bones!"

MRS. RANKINS' CLASSROOM CONSTITUTION

On Constitution Day, September 18, Brick Kindergarten classes explored the US Constitution. The class then wrote their own "Classroom Constitution" promising to be safe, respectful, and responsible! The students then collected signatures

MASTER MAKER SESSION:

Families enjoyed building triangular prism swings and their own creations using principles of engineering.

THANK YOU LINCOLN COMMUNITY!

Your donations to the citizens of Puerto Rico are much appreciated! It was incredible to see the love and support from our community!

CHILDS ACTIVE DAY

Childs Elementary students recently participated in Childs Active Day. This day consisted of two active events that promoted healthy activity. All students enjoyed raising money for the PTO and participating in the Fun Run. There was a Zumba Warm-Up provided by parent, Mrs. Bolton and noon supervisor, Mrs. Mauder. Students then ran, walked, galloped and skipped to fun music! The second event was an evening Family Fitness Night. Families were put into teams and played the game "Mission Impossible" where they had to complete various fitness stations. It was a great ACTIVE DAY!

LHS INDUCTS 38 NHS MEMBERS

The National Honor Society members at Lincoln have had an exciting and productive fall. The chapter inducted 38 members into our chapter on October 10. Since then the members have participated in several individual service projects throughout the school and community. The group worked with Key Club members to paint the Lincoln Coat of Arms located on the grassy hill off Willis Road.

LHS BANDS

The LHS Bands have been quite busy since the start of the 2017 school year. The marching band has performed all four home football games with new shows each game. In addition to learning four different halftime shows and our traditional pre game show, the band participated in the fourth annual March-a-thon visiting nearby Green Farms neighborhood raising funds for new marching band uniforms while marching five miles! The band is appreciative of all our sponsors and donors during this campaign.

The band made our annual trip around the district touring the elementary schools and showing our school spirit for Homecoming. LHS Bands also celebrated our seniors at the September 29th home game. The jazz band was invited to perform in Detroit at Cliff Bell's. We enjoyed the experience and the growth the program experienced in such a great venue. Thank you to Sean Dobbins (Lincoln parent) for the invitation! The band program entertained the Lincoln Community with the Second Annual Halloween Concert and Pancake dinner on October 22nd. We concluded our marching season with a crowd favorite on October 24th with our Fall Concert in the Performing Arts Center.

The bands are looking forward to a successful winter season beginning with our Winter Concert on December 13th at 7:30 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center. The bands will also be actively involved in preparing for the Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association events which include Solo and Ensemble in February and Band Festival in March.

If you wish to contribute to our uniform campaign please send donations to:
Director of Bands
Leslie Schwegler
Lincoln High School
7425 Willis Rd
Ypsilanti, MI 48197

ATTENTION LINCOLN FIFTH GRADE STUDENTS!

Be a part of the band! Learn an instrument, learn with friends, meet new friends, and join a legacy of great students at Lincoln Schools in performance and fantastic opportunities. Our FIRST meeting will be December 5 at 5:30 in the high school band room. Marshall Music will also be in attendance for an opportunity to rent instruments.

Who:	Current Lincoln fifth grade students
Where:	Lincoln High School Band room in the Arts and Recreation Center.
When:	Mondays from December 5, 2017 - April 2018
Time:	6:00-7:30 pm
Cost:	The cost is $70 (less than $5 per class!) Cost includes 15 classes, instructor, book, and finale concert. Students must provide own instrument
Format:	Rehearsals will be divided into homogeneous instruments, sectionals and full group.
Instrument Offerings:	Flute, oboe, clarinet, alto and tenor saxophone, trumpet, French horn, trombone, and baritone.

There will be a director and high school band students to help teach the fundamentals of instrumental music to your child. Register online at www.lincolnk12.org-onlinepayment

AUGUSTA TWP FIRE VISITS GSRP

The students from Mr. Clarke's Great Start Readiness Program classroom were visited by the Augusta Twp fire department.

THE LIBERATOR
Lincoln High School Yearbook

Class of 2018
SENIOR PICTURE INFO & DATES TO REMEMBER

Endorsed School Photographer:
Prestige Portraits
11458 Telegraph Rd.
Taylor, MI 48180
734.287.6606

LAST DAY TO BE PHOTOGRAPHED: January 6th, 2018
If you go to Prestige, they will handle the rest!

If you choose another studio, you must follow these instructions for the YEARBOOK ONLY:

Where to turn in photos: Submit a picture to the yearbook teacher, Mr. Pryce. To ensure good quality, a digital format is preferred via email or disc with appropriate labeling/name. Images that do not meet the requirements listed below will be returned to the student and will not appear in the yearbook.

Yearbook Photo size and specifications: Must be a 2" x 3" color photo (no props or soft focus) or in a digital format with a traditional blue background; one and a half-inch head size from top of head to bottom of chin with bust showing!

Dress Code: NO printed shirts with words or numbers allowed. NO hats.

Gentlemen: dress shirt with collar (tie preferred)
Ladies: dressy attire, shoulders covered, and no low necklines

*__Date yearbook photos must be turned in: February 9th, 2018 by 3 p.m__.
(No late or incorrect sized photos will appear in the yearbook.)

**NOTE TO ALL SENIORS:

Composite Photo (Entire Senior Class): The yearbook does not handle this optional service and assumes no responsibility if you do not follow the directions. Every senior who wishes to appear along with his/her classmates on the class photo must make a single pose appointment at Prestige. This photo may also be used in the yearbook if the appointment is made prior to January 6th, 2018. For a one-time fee of $30, you get both – the yearbook photo and the composite photo – as well as a copy of the entire senior class photo on graduation day. You may not submit a photo from a competing photographer. Photos taken by schoolpictures.com during orientation/picture day are not accepted.

(The $30 covers the labor involved and is charged by Prestige, not Lincoln, for this service.)
You want to appear in this picture!

Only those students who have 19 or more credits after their 7th semester will be included in the senior portrait section. Students who have below 19 credits will NOT appear in the senior section.

LHS Performing Arts Department Presents: The Boy Friend

"An heiress' quest to land a boyfriend is the heart of this 1920s jazz-inspired spoof. The Jazz Age lives on in Sandy Wilson's "The Boy Friend," a light romantic spoof of 1920s musical comedy. Written in the fifties as "a new musical of the twenties," this is still considered the most successful and witty of the send-up musicals. Set against the backdrop of the French Riviera, this romantic spoof of 1920s musical comedies tells the story of English heiress, Polly, who is longing for only one thing: a boy friend. "The Boy Friend" is an essential Golden Age musical. Filled to the brim with tongue-in-cheek moments that both parents and grandparents will love…" (http://www.mtishows.com/sandy-wilsons-the-boy-friend)

The LHS Performing Arts Department will be presenting Sandy Wilson's "The Boy Friend" as the fall musical. The show features a cast of about 30 high school and middle school students including Olivia Phillips as Polly Brown, Marlene Goss as Maisie, Emily Koch as Dulcie, Chelsea Moore-Currier as Nancy, Natalie Simon as Fay, Rachel Jones as Madame Dubonnet, Erica Richter as Hortense, Drew Bos as Bobby Van Husen, Daniel Isley as Percival Browne, Seth Klima as Tony, Lukas Roark as Lord Brockhurst, and Peyton Wolfenbarger as Lady Brockhurst. "The Boy Friend," directed by Mr. Martin Jacobs, will be accompanied by the LHS Pit Orchestra directed by Ms. Leslie Schwegler, with choreography by Ms. Robin Myrick, and Vocal Directing by Mr. Paul Bowling.

Show times are November 16, 17, 18 at 7 pm, and November 19 at 1 pm. All shows will be performed at the LHS Performing Arts Center. Tickets are $12 for adults, $5 for children and students, with additional discounts available at the online ticket office. Tickets are ON SALE NOW at www.LincolnTheatreBoosters.org/tickets. Remaining tickets will be available at the box office starting 30 minutes before the show.

There will be a bottle drive fund raiser for each show – bring bags or boxes of returnable bottles and cans and put them in the trailer that will be parked near the entrance to the PAC.

LHS Theatre 2017 – 2018 Season	
Fall Musical: "The Boy Friend"	November 16 – 19, 2017
Traveling Show: "The Glass Menagerie"	Public Performance: Feb 9, 2018
	MIFA Jan 27/Feb 10, 2018
	Mid-Michigan: Feb 2-3, 2018
	In-school: Feb 8, 2018
	MIFA State: Feb 16-17, 2018
The Children's Show: "Curious George" (tentative)	April, 2018
Spring Play: "A Comedy of Errors" (Auditions in February)	May 10-13, 2017

Like us on Facebook to keep track of booster meetings and future productions: www.facebook.com/LincolnTheatreBoosters.

For further information, send an email to LincolnHSTheatreBoosters@gmail.com.

LINCOLN COMMUNITY EDUCATION

www.lincolncommunityeducation.com

Class and registration information online

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High School Winter Meet the Team!

Thursday, November 30th
HS East Gym
7:00 pm

Basketball, Competitive Cheer, Pom Team, Swim, and Wrestling

High School Admission: $5
Middle School Admission: $3

Middle School Athletic Information visit
www.lincolnk12.org/Middle School/MS Athletics

SPORTS PASSES

Family Passes are available for $125!

Family Passes include all members of an immediate family. (parents and children) Children under 8 years old accompanied by parent are free.

Contact the Athletic office or purchase online! www.lincolnk12.org-online payments tab

Student Sports Passes are available for Middle and High School Students. The $25 pass is good for all home games. Students must provide ID with admission.

ATHLETIC REGISTRATION

There are two steps that must be completed before participating in ANY tryout/practice for Lincoln 6th –12th grade sports

1. Get a completed physical from a medical doctor, dated after April 15th of 2017
2. Complete and submit to the Athletic Office the "MHSAA Physical Examination Clearance & Consent Form"

High School Athletic Participation – $140
($70 for students receiving free or reduced lunch)

Middle School Athletic Participation -$100
($50 for students receiving free or reduced lunch)

6th, 7th, and 8th Grade

Pay fees online at www.lincolnk12.org

Need a Physical?

The University of Michigan Health System RAHS clinic is available to see your athlete for a physical visit, immunizations and more at the High School or Middle School!
Call MS: 734-714-9509 or HS: 734-714-9600

ATHLETIC OFFICE 734-484-7013

LINCOLN GOLDEN AGES SENIORS INVITE YOU TO A

Fall Fundraiser Sale

NOVEMBER 30 & DECEMBER 1
Senior Citizen Center in Brick Elementary
7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Rummage • Crafts • Baked Goods • Baskets • 50/50 drawing

LINCOLN GOLDEN AGES SENIOR CENTER

Are you 55 years old or older and are looking for something NEW? Then the Lincoln Golden Ages Seniors are looking for YOU! We are a group of area seniors who enjoy being social and LOVE to have fun! Our Center offers a variety of educational, social, and physical activities such as yoga, fitness, cards, bingo, community resource speakers, computer classes, quilting and craft classes, monthly trips, and intergenerational activities with our Lincoln students. We are also involved in community outreach projects. The Center is open Tuesday through Friday. Membership dues are $15.00 per year. A hot lunch is also provided four days a week for a nominal fee. If you are ready for a change, stop by anytime to receive a copy of our newsletter and take some time to visit with us. If you call two days in advance to schedule lunch, your first lunch is our treat to you! Make us your "home away from home." We are located in Brick Elementary, west entrance. You may also contact us at (734) 483-8366 or (734) 484-7000 ext. 7557.

Our members are encouraged to participate in all activities at the Center.

OCTOBER

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Thursdays
10:45 a.m.

ACUPUNCTURE
Tuesdays
12:30 p.m.

NOVEMBER

EMS LIFE LINK
Emergency Medical Alert System Presentation
November 1
10:30 a.m.

ELECTION
Senior Center Closed
November 7
Remember to vote!

MEDICARE INFORMATION SESSION

November 8
10:30 a.m.

DECEMBER

MEMBERS SENIOR HOLIDAY PARTY
December 8
Noon
Purchase tickets soon for this popular Christmas party.

WINTER BREAK
December 25 - January 8
Senior Center CLOSED

LINCOLN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS | 2017-2018 MASTER CALENDAR

approved April 24, 2017

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AUGUST

28 ..... New Teacher Professional Development/Orientation
29 ..... Opening Day-Teacher Work Day
30 ..... Staff Professional Development
31 ..... Staff Professional Development

SEPTEMBER

1-4 ..... No School-Labor Day Recess
5 ..... Opening Day with Students-K-5 Elementary A.M. only; 6-12 Secondary full day
22 ..... Students Released Early; Professional Development P.M. Secondary dismissal 12:23 p.m. Elementary dismissal 1:26 p.m. (Childs 1:11 p.m.)

OCTOBER

25 ..... Students K-12 full day; Parent-Teacher Conferences in the evening
26 ..... Students K-12 a.m. only; Parent-Teacher Conferences in the p.m. & evening
27 ..... No School
31 ..... Students Released Early; Professional Development P.M. Secondary dismissal 12:23 p.m. Elementary dismissal 1:26 p.m. (Childs 1:11 p.m.)

NOVEMBER

3 ..... End of First Quarter-Secondary
17 ..... Students Released Early; Professional Development P.M. Secondary dismissal 12:23 p.m. Elementary dismissal 1:26 p.m. (Childs 1:11 p.m.)
22-24 ..... No School - Thanksgiving Recess – School Resumes November 27th

DECEMBER

1 ..... End of Marking Period - Elementary
15 ..... Students Released Early; Professional Development P.M. Secondary dismissal 12:23 p.m. Elementary dismissal 1:26 p.m. (Childs 1:11 p.m.)
22 ..... Last day of classes - Winter Recess
25-5 ..... No School – Winter Recess-School Resumes January 8th

JANUARY

15 ..... No School - Martin Luther King Day
19 ..... Students Released Early; Professional Development P.M. Secondary dismissal 12:23 p.m. Elementary dismissal 1:26 p.m. (Childs 1:11 p.m.)
24 ..... HS/MS Exams; Secondary students report half day A.M. Elementary students report full day
25 ..... HS/MS Exams; Secondary students report half day A.M. Elementary students report full day
26 ..... HS/MS Exams; Secondary students report half day A.M. Elementary students report full day End of Second Quarter - End of First Semester-Secondary
29 ..... No School-Teacher Records Day

FEBRUARY

16 ..... Students Released Early; Professional Development P.M. Secondary dismissal 12:23 p.m. Elementary dismissal 1:26 p.m. (Childs 1:11 p.m.)
19 ..... No School – Presidents Day

MARCH

9 ..... End of Marking Period - Elementary
16 ..... Students Released Early; Professional Development P.M. Secondary dismissal 12:23 p.m. Elementary dismissal 1:26 p.m. (Childs 1:11 p.m.)
22 ..... Students-K-5 Elementary A.M. only; Parent-Teacher Conferences HS/MS Students report full day; Parent-Teacher Conferences in the evening
23 ..... Students K-12 report A.M. only- Last day of classes-Spring Recess
26-30 ..... No School-Spring Break-School Resumes April 2nd

APRIL

6 ..... End of Third Quarter-Secondary
20 ..... Students Released Early; Professional Development P.M. Secondary dismissal 12:23 p.m. Elementary dismissal 1:26 p.m. (Childs 1:11 p.m.)

MAY

18 ..... Students Released Early; Professional Development P.M. Secondary dismissal 12:23 p.m. Elementary dismissal 1:26 p.m. (Childs 1:11 p.m.)
21 ..... Senior Final Exams; Student K-11 report full day
22 ..... Seniors Final Exams; Last Day for Seniors- Students K-11 report full day
25 ..... Students K-11 report A.M. only
28 ..... No School-Memorial Day
30 ..... Honors Convocation-Performing Arts Center

JUNE

1 ..... High School Commencement
12 ..... HS/MS Final Exams; Students 6-11 report A.M. only Students K-5 report full day
13 ..... HS/MS Final Exams; Students 6-11 report A.M. only Students K-5 report full day
14 ..... HS/MS Final Exams; Students 6-11 report A.M. only Students K-5 A.M. only-Teacher Work Day P.M. Last Day for students and teachers; End of Fourth Quarter

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LEGEND

	No School		New Teacher Professional Development/Orientation		Parent Teacher Conferences Evening		First Day of School
	Half Day		Professional Development		Half Day/ Parent Teacher Conferences P.M. & Evening		Last Day of School- Half Day
	Early Release		Teacher Work Day	22	K-5 Half Day/Parent Teacher Conferences P.M. & Evening	180	Student Days
	Honors Convocation		HS/MS Exams; 6-12 Half Day/ K-5 Full Day		HS/MS Full Day/ Parent Teacher Conferences in the Evening	183	Teacher Days
	HS Commencement		Senior Final Exams; K-11 Full Day				

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The millage provides for three important programs in our community.

Community Education

Basketball, Dance, Martial Arts, Soccer, Tumbling, Safety Town, and Pool programs including Riptides swim club, swimming lessons, adult lap swim, water aerobics, and family pool time

Recreation Sports

Lincoln Little League Baseball/Softball and Lincoln Youth Football

Lincoln Golden Ages Seniors

Activities and fellowship for Senior Citizens in the community

Cost of Millage

0.0986 mill ($0.0986 on each $1,000 of taxable valuation) for the owner of the $200,000 home with $100,000 taxable value, the millage will cost $9.86 per year.

Pool Programs including Swim Lessons