

# The Communicator

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## BOARD OF EDUCATION

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### MEETING SCHEDULE

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

May 22  
June 12  
June 26  
July 24  
August 14  
August 28  
September 11  
September 25  
October 09  
October 23\*  
November 13  
November 27  
December 11

\*Board Workshop

On cover: Bishop fifth grade  
students attended Camp Storer  
during March.



## SUPERINTENDENT'S LETTER

It has been a remarkable year of growth for our students and staff. The year began with high expectations and a vision of growth. I am proud to say the students and staff of TEAM Lincoln cleared the bar. I wish to thank the students for their accomplishments, the staff for their dedication, and the families and community members for their support.

In our second year of using NWEA, we observed remarkable growth by our students. The percent of students who met their projected growth in grades first through eighth in Reading and Mathematics increased by 19.19% from the Spring of 2016 to the Winter of 2017. School Conditional Growth Percentile in Reading in grades fifth through eighth was amongst the nation's top five percent ranking 98, 95, 96 and 99.

We have implemented a monthly "Student Recognition" at our Board of Education meetings. This is a celebration of their accomplishment in an area of academics, arts, athletics, clubs, and student leadership. Students are presented a certificate and a lapel pin of the district's logo.

We are so proud of the accomplishments by our students.

On April 24th, a budget proposal was presented to the Board of Education as a first read. The new budget depicts a fund equity balance of \$5,666,994. This equates to 12.98% of our total expenditures, which is up one-percent from January 23, 2017.

There is a plethora amount of successes within The Communicator, please take a moment to view.

Sincerely,

Sean R. McNatt, Superintendent

## ONLINE ENROLLMENT

Enrollments for grades K-12 are taken online at [www.lincolnk12.org](http://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.

## 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.***

Go to **www.**

**Krogercommunityrewards.com**. When the website opens click on "Create an Account" and follow the prompts to get started. You will receive an email with details on how to choose a group. Click on the link in the email to register the organization you want to support.



Lincoln High School (Parent LINC)	90998
Lincoln Middle School	83684
Bishop Elementary	91476
Brick Elementary	83681
Childs Elementary	83521
Lincoln High School Band	82565
Lincoln High School Soccer Program	83184
Lincoln High School Link Crew	91659
Lincoln High School Swimming	91311
LHS Class of 2017	90018

Do you use your phone number at the register? Call 877-576-7587 to get your Kroger Plus card number.

# EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH



**February 2017**  
Jennifer Wheaton-Sloan  
Fourth Grade Teacher  
Childs Elementary



**March 2017**  
Leslie Schwegler  
Band Teacher  
Lincoln High School



**April 2017**  
Jamie Lehto  
Third Grade Teacher  
Brick Elementary

For your convenience the transportation hot line 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. We appreciate your patience and cooperation as we work together to transport our students to and from school safely on a daily basis.

**Transportation Hot Line:**  
**(734) 484-7000 ext. 6041**

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

## TRANSPORTATION

### Kindergarten/Young 5 Busing

For your child's safety, a parent/guardian or appointed emergency contact person (must be listed on the emergency card and have a picture ID with them) **MUST** be at the bus stop to pick up your student every day. Please get out of your car or the house when the driver arrives. **The driver must be able to see you and recognize the person who is getting their Kindergarten or Young Five student off the bus.**

### 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](http://www.michigan.gov/mde).

# 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.



## ACTIVE LEARNING AT BISHOP ELEMENTARY

At Bishop Elementary, we incorporate HighScope's Elementary Learning Design. One of the key ingredients is ACTIVE LEARNING. What does this mean for our students?

- Engagement with materials, actions and events, and/or ideas.
- Opportunities to make their own choices and decisions, when appropriate.
- Communication with others (gestural, spoken, and written).
- Support from the teacher, other adults, and peers.

Another key ingredient is THE ENVIRONMENT. What do our classrooms look like?

- Classrooms are arranged by subject area or interest.
- Materials and other relevant tools and resources are easily accessible and well organized.
- There are spaces for the whole group to gather, and areas for small groups and individuals to work.
- The classroom and school climate is warm, respectful, fun, and welcoming.
- Student work is visible.

Children learn best when they follow a consistent DAILY SCHEDULE. What does this include?

- Whole group, interactive learning in all subject areas
- Small group workshops
- Teaming with other teachers and classrooms
- Student initiated projects (We call this PDR or Plan, Do, Review).
- Times the group has lunch, specials, etc.



Come by and see us for more information. We would love to show you our school!



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## 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

Great Start Readiness Program (GSRP) is a grant-funded pre-school program. Students must be four years old by September 1st and reside in the Washtenaw ISD. Eligibility for this program is based on household income and a child's "risk factors." For more information on this program please call 484-7070.

Lincoln also offers a tuition-based pre-school run by Bemis Farms, and located at Model Elementary. Students must be three years old by September 1st. For more information on this program please call 734-678-7778.

### 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.

## 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](mailto: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.

## 2016 - 2017 LUNCH PRICES

Elementary .....	\$2.45
Middle School .....	\$2.70
High School .....	\$2.70
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](http://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 \$0.75. 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](http://lincolnk12.org). If your children qualify for free or reduced-priced lunch, they also qualify for free or reduced-priced breakfast!

## STAYING HEALTHY IN THE SUMMER TIME

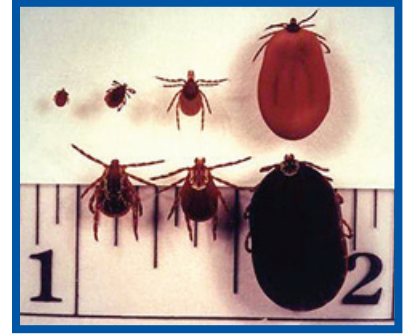
by Regional Alliance for Healthy Schools

Spring and summer are here and so is the risk for Lyme disease. Lyme disease is an illness caused by a germ that comes from a type of insect called a tick that can make you feel like you have the flu (e.g., fever, tiredness, aches and pains, headaches). It can also cause a rash or problems with your joints, nerves, and heart. Some people develop a “bull’s eye” rash at the site they were bitten. If you are bitten by a certain type of ticks, it’s possible to contract the disease.

Since ticks are found in tall grasses and wooded areas it’s important that you take steps to protect yourself while outdoors including:

- Covering exposed areas with shoes, long-sleeved shirts, long pants. You might also tuck your pants into your socks.
- Use a bug spray containing no more than 30% DEET
- Check your body and clothes for ticks after being outdoors.

If you find a tick on your body or on your child, use tweezers to grab it as close to the head as possible pulling slowly and gently. Afterward, wash the area with soap and water. If you think you have been bitten by a tick or if you develop symptoms such as rash, body aches, or fatigue after a tick bite see your health care provider.



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## BISHOP UPPER HOUSE VISITS HISTORIC DEPOT TOWN

Middle House second and third grade students went on a field trip to the Ypsilanti Historical Museum as part of teaching and learning about the Lincoln Community. Students also took a walking tour of Depot Town, led by Mr. James Mann, a local historian. The students enjoyed hearing his stories, as well as seeing the many local artifacts shared at the museum. At Bishop, we believe that hands on, real world experiences enhance a student's learning and field trips are one way we accomplish this!

## BISHOP MIDDLE HOUSE HOMEWORK PROJECTS

At Bishop, Middle House students complete monthly Homework Projects with their families that are open ended and meant to personalize their learning. In February, the topic was Marvelous Maps. Projects needed to include a compass rose, a map key, and at least 5 map features. Other than that, students could be as creative as they wanted to be! Evident in this are three HighScope beliefs...Choice, Shared Control, and Activity Based Learning.



## "THE LION KING KIDS" PRESENTED AT CHILDS

Childs Elementary was proud to present "Disney The Lion King Kids" this spring. Students started preparing in January for this production. We are so proud of all their hard work and dedication. They did an amazing job!

## EARTH DAY TREE PLANTING

On Friday, April 21st the students on the Rowell, A. Smith, and Goerlitz team participated in an Earth Day Celebration involving many different activities. We foraged for flowers and plants, and cooked, prepared, and tasted many new treats. Additionally, one of the many activities we completed was to plant four new trees in our Bishop Garden. The trees were purchased and donated by Mrs. Goerlitz. We planted two apple trees, a pear tree, and a plum tree. The students all worked very well together and are very proud of their efforts. They are looking forward to returning to Bishop in the future to enjoy the fruit that is produced from these trees.



## BISHOP ELEMENTARY'S PROJECT GREEN RECOGNIZED WITH E3 AWARD

Bishop Elementary's Project Green was selected as Lincoln Consolidated School's 2017 E3 award recipient from the Ann Arbor/Ypsilanti Regional Chamber. Students and staff will have an opportunity to showcase Project Green goals and accomplishments at a Chamber breakfast in May. A check will also be received from the Chamber to fund future Project Green events and/or projects. A few of these accomplishments include: school-wide composting of breakfast and lunch food waste, paper, metal, and plastic recycling, Terracycle, adding native plants and trees to the Bishop Community Garden, and presenting at Bishop's 2017 Kindergarten Information Night and Family Fun Night about green initiatives.

On the horizon, Project Green students plan to recycle broken crayons at Bishop by making their own "Bishop Crazy Crayons" (melting crayon pieces in molds and creating "new" crayons) and selling them at the weekly school store to raise money for future Project Green efforts and to work at tackling styrofoam lunch trays. These initiatives continue to foster Project Green's commitment to work hard at cultivating a lifelong commitment to earth stewardship by embracing recycling, reusing and reducing as an integrated part of the school's culture.



## EARTH DAY SPRING FORAGING

On April 21, 2017, Bishop Elementary students on the Smith, Rowell and Goerlitz team celebrated Earth Day with a spring forage. Using photographs and written descriptions students searched the school grounds for wild edible food. They picked (and dug) dandelion, dead nettle, stinging nettle, henbit, chives, rhubarb, and wild violets and prepared each edible to eat.

A wild dandelion root tea, stinging nettle pesto, and rhubarb cobbler were made while other edibles were left to enjoy raw. Students took great pride in the items they foraged and were excited to share their creations with their classmates.



## FAIRY TALES IN LITERATURE

Second and third grade students enjoyed comparing and analyzing Fairy Tales, as a literature unit all winter long. This was culminated with a field trip to see the newest version of "Beauty and the Beast." Many of our students also participated in the Middle School production of "The Little Mermaid," a favorite Fairy Tale for many of us!

## BRICK + LMS + U OF M = STEM LESSONS

What do you get when you add Brick Elementary + Lincoln Middle School + U of M students? An AMAZING science experience! Students investigated what types of materials carry sound best. Another Stem-tastic day at Brick.



## STEM-TASTIC FAIR AT BRICK

Brick had a STEM-tastic STEM Fair and STEM Family evening. We are so proud of our students. It was also so nice to explore the world of STEM with our Brick families.

## MICHIGAN DNR VISITS BRICK

Brick Elementary students got a visit from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources! They were able to learn about the different animals native to Michigan...they even got to touch the furs!



## BISHOP WAX MUSEUM CELEBRATES BLACK HISTORY MONTH

In recognition of Black History Month our Upper House students researched and presented a wax museum on famous African Americans.

## CHILDS STUDENTS GET MOTIVATED

On Monday, April 10, former Michigan State basketball player Anthony Ianni visited Childs Elementary as part of his Relentless Tour. Anthony was diagnosed with a form of Autism at the age of four. Anthony's parents were told by doctors and specialists that he would barely graduate from high school, would never graduate from college, would never have a shot at being an athlete and would likely live in a group institution with other Autistic kids for his adult life. Anthony defied all of the odds and not only graduated from MSU with a degree in Sociology, but went on to be the first known individual with autism to play college basketball. During his time on the team he played in two Big Ten Championships and a Final Four.



Anthony shared his experiences about being different from others and being bullied in school. He talked about the impact of bullying and how it affects all people in one way or another. The students were captivated by his message of being kind and respectful toward others and working together to eradicate bullying. He pressed the idea that simple words and actions can change a person's life and urged the students to do this in a positive way.

The students and staff at Childs Elementary appreciated his visit and message. We look forward to working together with him towards his goal of ending bullying across the state and the country.

## NATIONAL YOUTH LEADERSHIP FORUM: PATHWAYS TO STEM

CONGRATULATIONS to Brick students Kyla Palmquist and Xander Magee

NYLF Pathways to STEM is a unique learning experience for bright, forward-thinking elementary school students who will evolve into next generation innovators, engineers, doctors, software developers, and scientists. This program offers an extraordinary opportunity to get real hands-on STEM experience, develop your leadership skills, and realize the power of your potential.

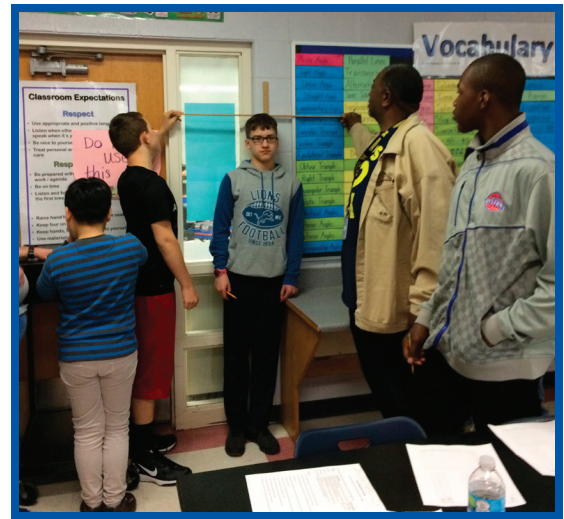


## CYBER-SAFETY AT BRICK

The Washtenaw Council for Children came and talked with Brick third through fifth graders about the importance of cyber safety. They learned many new things they didn't know and learned safe internet use.

## LMS STUDENT GATHER AND PLOT DATA

Mrs. Pocock's eighth grade math students worked hard gathering data (their height and shoe size), creating a scatter plot, drawing a line of best fit, then calculating the equation for the line.



## STUDENTS CREATE CASTLES AT BRICK

At Brick Elementary Ms. Koker's class read a novel titled, "Castle in the Attic" by Elizabeth Winthrop. Then they created castles of their own!

## GSRP STUDENTS LEARN ABOUT LIFE IN CAMEROON

Children in Lincoln GSRP were fortunate to have a visit from a parent, Mr. Agbor-Baiyee. The children listened to him describe his life in Cameroon. They also discussed art pieces, instruments, and other articles from Cameroon. Thank you, Mr. Agbor-Baiyee!



## LMS END OF YEAR EVENTS

May 15	LMS Student of the Month at 9:05 a.m.
May 16	LMS 6-8 grade band concert in the MS gym at 7:00 pm
May 29	Memorial Day Parade, Depot Town Ypsilanti - LMS 7 & 8 grade band
May 30	Cedar Point Band trip - 7 & 8 grade students
June 1	LMS Choir Concert, 7 pm at the PAC
June 5	Top Academic 15 Honor Student SEMMLAA recognition at Chelsea High School at 6:30 pm
June 6	LMS Honors Night in the LMS gym at 6:00 pm
June 9	8th Grade Farewell Dance, LMS Gym and Café at 6-8 pm



## BISHOP ELEMENTARY CERTIFIED MICHIGAN GREEN SCHOOL

Congratulations to Bishop Elementary for becoming a Michigan Certified Green School at the Evergreen Level. This is the highest certification. For their Green Schools efforts, Bishop has received the E3 Award Nomination by the Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti Regional Chamber.

### EXPLORING THE GREAT OUTDOORS: BISHOP FIFTH GRADERS HEAD TO CAMP

Fifth grade students from Bishop Elementary spent three days and two nights at Storer Camp in Jackson, MI. Students enjoyed hands-on outdoor education classes where they learned everything from horse sense to archery. They enjoyed evening activities that included a camp-wide game of predator vs.

prey as well as a square dance. The kids also learned life skills such as being a friend, putting others first, not wasting food, and working together to complete essential daily tasks. The weather was excellent, the energy was high, and the kids were immersed in science in a relevant way that positively impacted each student.



Vanilla Cream Pie. Due to the success of the student authors, the class was able to follow peer written directions to make actual pies. The process involved not only writing, but also reading, cooperation and team work. Needless to say, the students looked most forward to the last step of the process: pie eating!

### ESSENTIAL PRACTICES

Early literacy is one of the key ingredients for the future success of our children. Staff members at all of Lincoln's elementary schools have received training this year about research-supported essential practices developed by the Early Literacy Task Force representing Michigan's 56 Intermediate School Districts.

At Bishop Elementary, all of the kindergarten through third grade staff members have been trained and are especially focused on the first two essential practices. One of these goals includes establishing real life purposes for children to read and write based upon their own interests. Recently students in Mrs. Janeczek's Middle House classroom did just that when they were exploring with informative/explanatory writing. After looking at recipes, students were motivated to write an interesting, detailed paragraph explaining how to make

### BISHOP PRESENTS: "THE SNEETCHES"

The Bishop Elementary Upper House play "The Sneetches" was an enormous success. It was wonderful to see the talented Bishop students perform. Thank you to all our parent volunteers who helped make this such a success. Special recognition go to parent volunteers: Allie Sparks, Shannon Nitchie, Shannon Luhrs, Stephanie Sonnichsen, and Jessica Goerlitz.



## BRICK FIRST GRADERS TAKE PART IN STEM FAIR

Mrs. Engelbert's class had a great time showing off projects and creations at the Brick STEM fair on Friday, April 21st. They worked hard at home to create projects and displays. The kids and families who came to see them said we did a nice job. It was great fun to stretch our scientific minds! The visitors had some great questions for our little scientists. This is always such a fun event.



### B is for . . .

Working on the letter Bb is a great time to talk about birds and bears.

Young Five Kindergarten students at Childs Elementary learned how to make bird feeders for winter feeding. They also learned about the unique qualities that makes a bird ...a bird. Talking about bears is full of fun for bringing your stuffed bear to school and going on a bear hunt. Students also took turns hibernating with their bears. Student sequenced the story by making bear hunt murals.

## LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL CHOIRS

Another year of music festivals have come to a close. During festival season, select choir students participated in both District and State Solo and Ensemble, all receiving 1st division ratings for both performances. In March, LHS Choirs participated at District Choral Festival each receiving 1st division ratings for their performance and sight reading.

As our year comes to a musical close we hope you will consider joining us at the Broadway Pop concert. Choirs will be performing music from Hamilton, Sing, Moana, Selma, Pentatonix, Les Mis, Rent, Sound of Music, West Side Story, Into the Woods, The Beatles, and One Republic. Hope you can join us Wednesday May 17th at 7:00pm in the PAC. It is going to be a GREAT concert.

### Soloists:

Hannah Arnold  
Kyra Barnes  
Samantha Moorer

### Trio

Sydney Diorio  
Kylah Hudson  
Rachael Jones

### Vocal Essence Women's Ensemble

Hannah Henry  
Zamyria Rafter  
Olivia Phillips  
Sydney Diorio  
Kylah Hudson  
Rachael Jones  
Samantha Moorer  
Mya Sterling



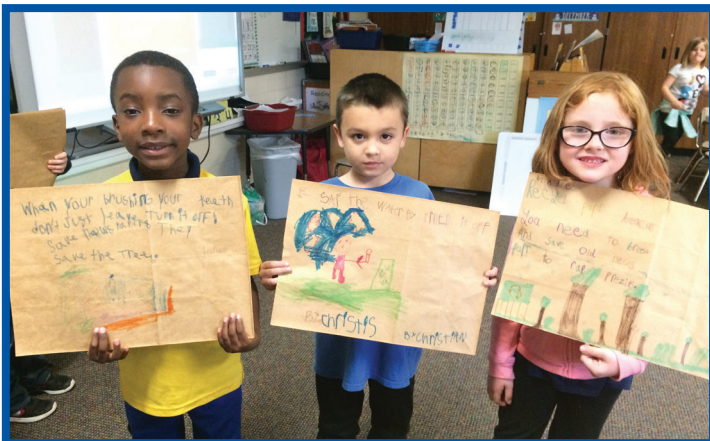


## LINCOLN LEADERSHIP PLAYS BINGO FOR BOOKS AT BRICK

The Lincoln Leadership class planned an event called "Bingo for Books" where they brainstormed the event, planned the logistics, and saw it to completion. The small group thought that it would be great to have books donated and then give them away as prizes for bingo. Students used spelling words to play the bingo game. The leadership collected over 20 books for the event. They would like to thank Michelle Cox and Brick Elementary for working with them on their project and helping through the process. They had a great time!

## STEM AFTER-SCHOOL BRICK ROBOTICS

Students work on Lego WeDo robotics in the Brick after-school STEM program.



## BISHOP STUDENTS REUSE, REDUCE, AND RECYCLE!

Mrs. Cole's K/1 class read books and researched about reusing, reducing, and recycling. They conducted interviews to learn more about the three R's. The class worked on a project to teach people about the three R's. They wrote persuasive messages on paper grocery bags and sent the bags to Kroger to share our learning with the community. At Bishop Elementary we are proud to do our part to go green and spread that message.

## PROJECT GREEN STUDENTS ATTENDED LOCAL FOOD SUMMIT AT EMU

Bishop Elementary students participated in a mock farmer's market where they were either farmers or shoppers. Farmers set up a market stand, established their prices, and sold their vegetables and eggs. Shoppers made market currency, and then bartered and shopped at the market. A Market Manager managed the running of the market. After the market, students enjoyed a locally grown apple from the farm Noka.

Students also participated in a "Food Mile" activity led by a local farmer to demonstrate how far food can typically travel to get to our plates. This activity was intended to encourage eating locally grown food. During this activity, students were able to taste spinach that was donated by local growers.

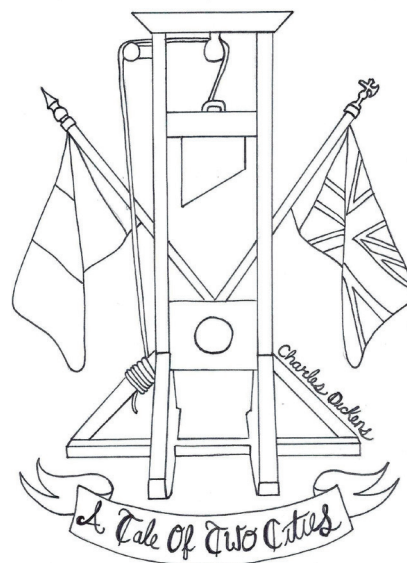


## LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL THEATRE DEPARTMENT PRESENTS: A TALE OF TWO CITIES

"It was the best of times, it was the worst of times." You have probably heard that phrase many times, but do you know the story that follows? Come join the LHS Theatre Department as they present the Charles Dickens classic "A Tale of Two Cities" on the big stage. The show features a large cast, a set that spans the width of the stage (and more!), a guillotine outlined against the sky, intrigue, patriotism, love, and bloodshed. The curtain rises on May 11 and closes May 14. There will be three evening shows at 7 pm, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, and a 1 pm matinee on Sunday. Tickets are ON SALE NOW at [www.LincolnTheatreBoosters.org/tickets](http://www.LincolnTheatreBoosters.org/tickets). Remaining tickets will be available at the box office starting 30 minutes before the show.

The Theatre Department competed at the annual Michigan Interscholastic Forensics Association (MIFA) Theatre competition for the 17th time this past February. For the second year in a row, Lincoln earned an invitation to the State level competition, where they earned a "1" rating. Students earning awards at the district, regional, or state level included Drew Bos (Acting, Lobby Display, Set Design), Marlene Goss (Acting, Costume Design), Hannah Henry (Acting), Kaleb Jackson (Acting, Props Design), and Kieran Westphal (Acting, Set Design, Sound Design).

The fall musical will be performed November 16-19, 2017. The name of the musical has not yet been announced – please read the summer edition of the Communicator for the announcement, as well as the rest of the 2017-2018 season. Remember auditions are open to any LHS, ECA, or WIHI student in good standing. Middle school students may audition with permission of the Director, Mr. Jacobs. Note that Auditions will be held the first week of school in the fall, and rehearsals start in week two. Auditions for next year's MIFA show are held in October, while auditions for the spring play are held in February.



The Theatre Boosters are desperately in need of more parental involvement. After this show, the president of the boosters, Linda Westphal, "graduates" and will no longer be the President. In addition, we need a treasurer. You do not need to be a theatre parent to be on the booster board, but you do need to have a student at Lincoln. Please contact Linda Westphal, Todd Bos, or send an email to [LincolnHSTheatreBoosters@gmail.com](mailto:LincolnHSTheatreBoosters@gmail.com) if you are interested or if you would like to nominate someone. Officer elections are scheduled to take place at the end of year Banquet. We welcome parents at our monthly booster meetings – several non-officers have been attending which has been great!

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

For further information, send an email to [LincolnHSTheatreBoosters@gmail.com](mailto:LincolnHSTheatreBoosters@gmail.com). More ways to keep up with Lincoln Theatre:

- Mr. Jacob's Theatre Page: <http://mjacobs1701.wix.com/theatre-page>
- Theatre Boosters web page: <http://www.lincolnthatreboosters.org/>
- Theatre Boosters email: [LincolnHSTheatreBoosters@gmail.com](mailto:LincolnHSTheatreBoosters@gmail.com)

<b>Spring Play: "Tale of Two Cities"</b>	May 11-14, 2017
<b>Theatre Awards Night</b>	May 25, 2017

# 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 6<sup>th</sup>, 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 9<sup>th</sup>, 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 6<sup>th</sup>, 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 7<sup>th</sup> semester will be included in the senior portrait section. Students who have below 19 credits will NOT appear in the senior section.**

# LINCOLN COMMUNITY EDUCATION

[www.lincolncommunityeducation.com](http://www.lincolncommunityeducation.com)

## Class and registration information online



### MARTIAL ARTS

(ages 6 years - Adult)

Free Intro classes on Thursdays at 6 pm

Bishop Elementary Gym

after June 15 moves to  
HS West Cafeteria

\$35 monthly



### 24th Annual Safety Town Program

Introduces safety awareness and preventative procedures to children entering Kindergarten or 1st grade. Learn fire, stranger danger, electricity, water, poison, school bus, and bicycle safety.

**July 24 - 28**

9 am - 3 pm  
at Model Elementary  
\$90

Latch Key available through our partner  
Bemis Farms Childcare:  
[contactlibby@bemisfarmschildcare.com](mailto:contactlibby@bemisfarmschildcare.com)

## COMMUNITY POOL HOURS AND PROGRAMS

### Adult Lap/Swim

Mondays and Wednesdays: 7:30-9:00 pm  
Saturdays: 3:00-4:00 pm \*ends May 20

### Family Swim

Saturdays: 1:00-3:00 pm \*ends May 20

Starting June 20th

Tuesday and Thursdays: 1:00-3:00 pm  
\$3 per person or purchase a pass

## YOUTH SWIM LESSONS (ages 4-11 years old)

Monday - Thursday Mornings

June 19-June 29

July 10 - July 20

August 7 - Aug 17

### EVENING LESSONS

Tuesday and Thursday: 6:45 - 7:30 pm

June 6 - 29

\$60.00 per session



## Summer Swim Club starts Monday, June 19th!

Ages 5 years - High School  
Monday - Thursday afternoon/evening practices.

Competitions and more!

New Members: \$180 Members: \$150  
Contact: [lincolnriptides@gmail.com](mailto:lincolnriptides@gmail.com)



## SplitterNation.org

**Your complete source for the Lincoln Railsplitters Athletic & Community Recreation Programs**

### ATHLETIC REGISTRATION

There are two steps that must be completed before participating in ANY /try-out/ 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 "MHSA Physical Examination Clearance & Consent Form"

***Fees can be paid online at [www.lincolncommunityeducation.com/products](http://www.lincolncommunityeducation.com/products)***

<b>FALL 2017</b>	<b>START</b>	<b>COACH</b>	<b>E-MAIL CONTACT</b>
Cheer Sideline	9-Aug	C Sperle	cheerlincoln@yahoo.com
Cross Country Boys	9-Aug	D Caine	david.p.caine@gmail.com
Cross Country Girls	9-Aug	L. Brower	brower@lincolnk12.org
Football	7-Aug	C Westfall	lincolnfootball@gmail.com
Golf Girls	9-Aug	TBA	
Soccer Boys	9-Aug	T Snyder	timsnyderrealtor@gmail.com
Swimming Girls	9-Aug	A Cook	adam_cook3@yahoo.com
Tennis Boys	9-Aug	J Johnson	jjhoop32@gmail.com
Volleyball	9-Aug	A. Gray	splittervolleyball@gmail.com
<b>WINTER 2017/18</b>	<b>START</b>	<b>COACH</b>	<b>E-MAIL CONTACT</b>
Basketball Boys	11-Nov	J Davis	jcorndavis@gmail.com
Basketball Girls	6-Nov	C Noel	noelc@lincolnk12.org
Competitive Cheer	6-Nov	C Sperle	cheerlincoln@yahoo.com
Swimming Boys	20-Nov	A Cook	adam_cook3@yahoo.com
Wrestling	11-Nov	M Betts	bettsm@lincolnk12.org
<b>SPRING 2018</b>	<b>START</b>	<b>COACH</b>	<b>E-MAIL CONTACT</b>
Baseball	12-Mar	E. L McGoy	emcgoy@gmail.com
Golf Boys	12-Mar	G Crowner	crowner@lincolnk12.org
Soccer Girls	12-Mar	T Snyder	timsnyderrealtor@gmail.com
Softball	12-Mar	W Strickland	stricklandw12@gmail.com
Tennis Girls	12-Mar	J. Johnson	jjhoop32@gmail.com
Track and Field Boys/Girls	12-Mar	K Davis	davisk@lincolnk12.org
Lacrosse Club Team	12-Mar	Z Rekowski	zrekowsk@emich.edu

**ATHLETIC OFFICE 734-484-7013**

LINCOLN GOLDEN AGES SENIORS INVITE YOU TO A

# Spring Fundraiser

Thursday, May 11, 2017

Friday, May 12, 2017

7:30AM – 5:00PM

BRICK ELEMENTARY BLDG.

SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER

734-483-8366

We will have baked goods, crafts and baskets with tickets available for sale. Of course, there will be seasonal plants and flowers ready just in time for planting. Your support provides the Senior Center funding for activities and continued growth.

Our thanks in advance!



## 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.**

Lincoln District PTO Presents:



# BOUNCE BACK TO SCHOOL

August 24<sup>th</sup> 4-7 pm

A FREE event to WELCOME you BACK to SCHOOL!

**Carnival Food Trucks-Food to Purchase**

**Family Fun-Preschool-5th Grade**

**Multiple Bounce Houses**

**Carnival Games-Prizes**

**Entertainment**

**Dunk Tank**

Bus loop behind

Brick and Bishop



## 2016-2017 MASTER CALENDAR

Be sure to check individual school calendars, available on websites and sent home with students, for details regarding events at individual schools.

### May

18	Senior Final Exams; Students K-11 report full day
19	Seniors Final Exams; Last Day for Seniors; Students K-11 report full day
26	Students K-11 report A.M. only; Professional Development P.M.
29	No School - Memorial Day
30	School Resumes
31	Honors Convocation-Performing Arts Center

### June

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

## Save the Date

**Brick Craft Show**  
**Saturday, November 4, 2017**

**[cookk@lincolnk12.org](mailto:cookk@lincolnk12.org) for application information**

### ORLO H. WRIGHT SCHOLARSHIP

The annual report of the Orlo H. Wright Scholarship is available for inspection at the address indicated below during the regular school hours by any citizen who so requests.

Lincoln Consolidated Schools  
7425 Willis Road  
Ypsilanti, MI 48197  
Scholarship Trustee: Rebekah Ward

## 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](http://www.lincolnK12.org)**
- ***The Communicator* Newsletter**
- **Website e-mail news and alerts**
- **Automated calling system**
- **Facebook: *Lincoln Consolidated Schools***
- **Twitter - *@GoSplitters***

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

## 2016/2017 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

## BEMIS FARMS AT LINCOLN: WHERE FRIENDS MEET FRIENDS

Bemis Farms is pleased to provide Preschool and Extended Care Programs for the children of Lincoln Consolidated Schools. Programs are located inside Model and Childs Elementary Schools. Model, Bishop, and Brick Elementary students go to Model Elementary for Extended Care.

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. 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.

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# Lincoln Schools

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## 2017-18 School of Choice

### 1 Enrolling Grades K-12

- Young 5/Full-day Kindergarten
- Award-Winning Music, Choral, Drama, and Visual Arts
- Mobile Computing in Every Building
- Interactive WhiteBoards in Every Classroom
- High/Scope-Based Multi-Age Elementary
- Engineering is Elementary® STEM Program
- Innovative Elementary Spanish Immersion Program
- Project Lead the Way® *Pathway To Engineering* and *Gateway To Technology*
- Early College Alliance<sup>SM</sup> @ EMU
- Washtenaw International High School
- Advanced Placement (AP) Courses: Biology, Calculus A/B, Chemistry, Economics, English, Government, Physics, World History, and U.S. History

### 2 Applications Online

[www.lincolnK12.org](http://www.lincolnK12.org)

Applications are accepted

8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Monday - Friday.



### 3 Questions?

- Call 484-7001
- Application Deadline: October 5, 2017

