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Principal Connection

Preservation of one's own culture does not require contempt or disrespect for other cultures. - Cesar Chavez

Greetings Parents and Guardians,

I have several exciting updates to report to you this month. Our Instructional Leadership team met on September 12th and updated and reworded our vision and mission statements as follows-

Vision - *A Lincoln Elementary graduate will be a resilient individual, prepared academically, socially, and emotionally to thrive in middle school, high school, college, community and career.*

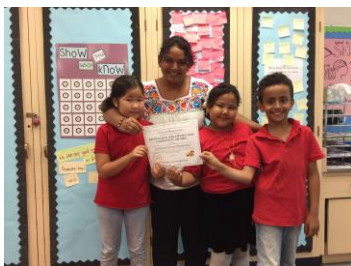
Our mission is to *inspire and challenge students to excel academically and socially, and emotionally through our guidance and positive modeling. We will continue to provide a rigorous academic program within a nurturing environment, with access to home language and respect for home culture.*

In keeping with our mission to maintain respect for home culture, on September 13th, we celebrated the Mid-Autumn or Moon festival in collaboration with EBAYC and the Recreation center, with art and craft projects and paper lanterns displayed in classrooms and along the school fence. Beginning September 15th we are celebrating National Latino- Hispanic Heritage Month with a bulletin board display in the main hallway, daily announcements, lessons in classrooms and a Read In event scheduled for October 3rd. We plan to recognize all cultures throughout the year.

We are working on strong parent engagement this year. On September 11th, I met parents for our first Coffee Talk. I am working on incorporating all the suggestions parents made, including locking front doors between 10 am and 2 pm to enhance school safety. The Golden Dragon Project hosted Excellence, Community and Creativity awards on September 13th, which was followed by our annual Title I meeting. We held our SSC parent election and SSC formation meeting on Wednesday, September 25th at 5 pm and a special parent engagement event to educate parents and guardians about Student Behavior Supports at Lincoln on Thursday, September 26th at 5 pm. Additionally, our school website and our facebook page are frequently updated with school events and activities.

In closing, please remember to reach out with any comments, concerns or suggestions. Please support GDP's Walkathon. This is our annual fund-raising event which helps GDP support and enhance the instructional program at Lincoln.

With gratitude,
-Ms. Sambrani, Principal



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Picture Day - 10/3/2019

Picture day is on Thursday, October 3rd, 2019. The order form has been sent home and extra forms will be available in the office. **Since tax is not included**, please add the tax after you choose your package. Lifetouch Studios has advised us that students should wear beautiful and colorful clothing.

They accept cash, money orders or checks payable to "Lifetouch." Please bring the exact amount as change will not be provided. Please place the payment in the tear-off envelope with all your choices clearly marked. If you miss photo day or are unsatisfied with your photos, photo retakes will take place in November.

Funds raised from school picture packages will be used to purchase materials and supplies for our students. Thank you for your support!



Shoo the Flu at Lincoln School – 10/30/2019

Shoo the Flu will provide free flu vaccines to our students, teachers, and staff. Information and consent forms will be sent home. Participation is optional. Please fill out the consent form to give permission for your student to be vaccinated and return it to your child's teacher.



WALK-A-THON – 10/20/2019

Please save the date Sunday, October 20th for our Walk-A-Thon fundraiser sponsored by the Golden Dragon Project (GDP). GDP supports Lincoln's efforts to ensure successful learning experiences and quality educational opportunities for all our students.



There are prizes for the students with the most laps, most donations, and 1 party for the class in each grade with the most walkers. We need volunteers to help on that day for registration, food sales and for supervising stations. Please fill out the form which was sent out previously and return it to Tina in the Parent Center. Any amount of time you can help will be appreciated. All the envelopes need to be turned in by Thursday, October 24th.

Halloween Parade – 10/31/2019

The Halloween Parade will be held on Thursday, October 31st. Details will follow.



English Classes

Lincoln School provides ESL classes for our Lincoln School parents. The classes support our parents in their communication with school staff and faculty and in their homes and communities. Parents will feel better able to help students with homework and academic activities. Please fill out the form we send home and return it to the Parent Center. We will accept applications in the order received.



Date:

Fall 2019 - 10/11/2019-12/13/19
(every Friday except 11/15 and 11/29)

Spring 2020 – 1/24/20-5/22/20
(every Friday except 4/4/20)

Time: 8:30AM – 10:30AM

Location: Staff Lunch Room