

Lincoln Link

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Where Greatness Begins

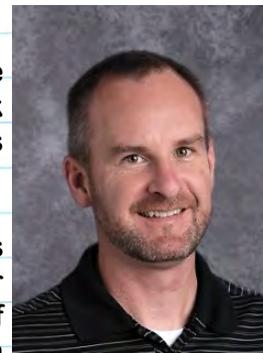
Welcome to 2017-18

By Principal Galvin

The start of the 2017-2018 school year is right around the corner! We are looking forward to an exciting year. I hope you have had an enjoyable summer and are ready to send your children back to us well rested and ready for new opportunities to learn. September is a time for new beginnings.

Unlike people in business and industry, schools have the luxury of a new start each year, and for me there is something special about the opening of a new school year. We want all children to learn because we know that all of your children are capable. You, the families in the community we serve, enhance the high quality of our school. To some extent, the school can only take partial credit for our level of student achievement. You have high expectations for the school and your children's performance, and we applaud and welcome those expectations. Here at Lincoln Elementary we are focused on providing learning opportunities that prepare our students to be productive and contributing members in society as they move on from the K-12 school setting. I know it is hard to think about our 5 year old new kindergarteners graduating from high school but it seems to happen in the blink of an eye. We know that we must start from day 1 to provide the best opportunities for our learners to be able to lay the strong foundation of the skills it takes to be lifelong learners. That is why I am looking forward to getting started on a new and exciting school year at Lincoln Elementary School...Where Greatness Begins!

The first day of school will be Tuesday, September 5th with Kindergarten and ID students having staggered start on the 5th and 6th. I look forward to seeing many bright and smiling faces. PLEASE mark your calendars for the annual ELEMENTARY OPEN HOUSE on Thursday, August 31st from 5:00-6:30. This is the time to bring your child in to meet their teacher, check out the new classrooms, and put their school supplies away! If you weren't able to attend the August 16th registration day you can take care of fees at the elementary open house.



The 1st Day of School

The first full day for students is Tuesday, September 5*. School starts at 8:15 and dismisses at 3:08.

*Staggered start for Kinder and ID.

Supply Lists

View the [School Supply List](#).





Fee Payment

The registration fee for students in Kindergarten through grade 5 may be paid online via electronic check or debit/credit card on the **PAYMENT** tab in [Infinite Campus](#). (The transaction fee for online payments has been waived for this school year.) If you prefer to pay in cash or paper check, please come to the school on our special Registration Day Wednesday, August 17. Extra staff will be available to accept payments that day between 8-11am and again 3-6pm. (No snack milk payments or lunch payments this year for anyone.)

Online Registration

All students must complete [online registration](#) in [Infinite Campus](#). If you have other students enrolled in the School District of Janesville, you will use the same login information for all of them. If you do not know your password, you can call for district support at 608-743-5000 during summer or the Lincoln office at 743-6700 starting August 16 for assistance in generating a new password. Please note: Only the primary household is given access to fulfill this responsibility.

Registration Day

If you need access to our computer lab, or simply prefer to register online with a Lincoln staff member nearby to assist, please be our guest at the school on our special Registration Day Wednesday, [August 16 between 8-11am and again 3-6pm](#). Extra staff will also be available to accept payments that day.

Parent Teacher Association (PTA)

Please join our PTA and get engaged with the many ways they serve our Lincoln Community. You can become a member and attend the regular meetings to contribute in developing the plans. There are many ways to serve and volunteer. You can start by following the [Lincoln Elementary PTA Facebook page](#). Watch for an official invitation to join PTA this fall.



School Website & Calendar

Keep current all year long by marking our [Lincoln website](#) as a favorite and adding the [Lincoln Calendar](#) to your Google calendar.

Portrait Day

Students will have formal portraits on Friday, Sept 29 during the school

Classroom Social Media

There is a new [Classroom Websites tab](#) on our website. Many Lincoln teachers and clubs, as well as groups associated with Lincoln, have a website, Google site, Facebook page, blog, or other form of social media. We'll continue to collect the sites and list them together on this tab for easy access.





Customer Satisfaction

We want your feedback. In fact, we *need* your feedback in order to know if we're meeting your needs and providing the best customer service we can. A series of brief yet targeted surveys will be presented this year at regular intervals to gather some crucial input about how we're doing. We invite in advance to share your voice!

Personalized Learning

Lincoln Elementary defines personalized learning as an approach to learning and instruction that is designed around individual learner readiness, strengths, needs and interests. Learners are active participants in setting goals, planning learning paths, tracking progress and determining how learning will be demonstrated. At any given time, learning objectives, content, methods and pacing are likely to vary from learner to learner as they pursue proficiency relative to established standards. (CESA #1 Institute4pl.org)

With this being our focus, a visitor to Lincoln may see learners doing any of the following:

- Goal setting with the teacher,
- Demonstrating proficiency through a variety of methods to show their understanding,
- Demonstrating collaboration as they share their knowledge on a particular standard,
- Monitoring progress towards a particular goal or set of goals,
- Reviewing and planning out timelines for learning,
- Engaging in work that is unique to their academic needs,
- Learning in alternative seating, locations, or with other learners than their age-level peers.



Lincoln Facebook Page

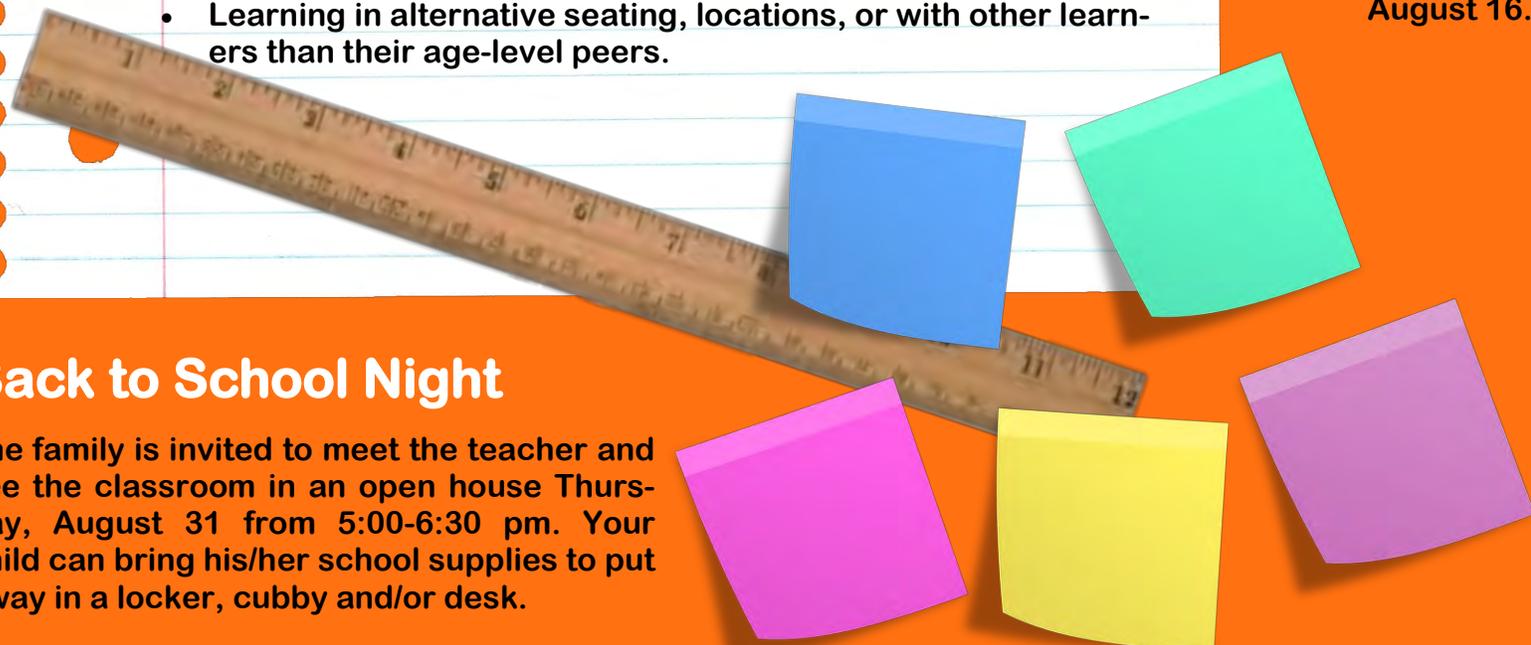
Like our [Lincoln Facebook page](#) to see fun updates throughout the year

Who's My Child's Teacher

[Class lists](#) will be revealed on August 16 on Registration Day. Home-room teacher will be visible on Infinite Campus after August 16.

Back to School Night

The family is invited to meet the teacher and see the classroom in an open house Thursday, August 31 from 5:00-6:30 pm. Your child can bring his/her school supplies to put away in a locker, cubby and/or desk.





Breakfast in Classroom (BIC)

We're excited to continue universal breakfast at no charge to all Lincoln students called [Breakfast in the Classroom \(BIC\)](#). Starting on September 5, breakfast will be served at 8:15 am as students enter the classroom. Read more details and learn the benefits at the above link. Please note that students will not be allowed on campus until 8:05 am.

Community Eligibility Provision:

Universal Free Lunch!

The School District of Janesville [Nutrition Services](#) is once again offering Community Eligibility Provision in the 2017-18 school year at Lincoln. All enrolled students at Lincoln Elementary are eligible to receive a healthy breakfast (in the classroom) and a lunch at school at no charge. This is great news! Your child(ren) will be able to participate in the School Breakfast Program and National School Lunch Program without having to pay any fees! Please note: Cold lunch milk (35-cents) is not free under the Community Eligibility Provision.

No CLC

We want to inform you that Lincoln did not receive the CLC (21st Century Community Learning Center) grant for the 2017-18 year. Our CLC program has been an amazing opportunity for our learners over the past 5 years, and we are so appreciative to have been able to offer the classes and unique field trips to our families. Please keep this in mind while thinking about before and after school care for the coming 2017-2018 school year.



Handbook

Our [Parent Handbook](#) for the 2017-18 school year is now available online.

School Hours

Students arrive 8:05-8:15 am.
Students enter at 8:15 am.
School dismisses at 3:08 pm.

Personalized Learning

You can learn about our journey of [Personalized Learning](#) here.

Infinte Campus Parent Portal

All year long, parents can view much information about grades, attendance, and behavior, plus keep the contact information current through the [Infinte Campus Parent Portal](#). If you need your parent username and password, contact the Lincoln office.

