



2021-2022

STUDENT HANDBOOK



LINCOLN NORTH STAR HIGH SCHOOL

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Lincoln, NE 68504
(402) 436-1305

2021-2022 Student Calendar



Lincoln Public Schools
Lincoln, Nebraska



Approved 3/19

2021 JULY							2022 JANUARY						
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- First and last days of class for students
- All schools not in session
- Elementary and middle schools early dismissal (PLC day)
- Elementary school students NOT in attendance (plan days)
- Quarter start dates □ Quarter end dates

GRADUATION DATES

Thursday, May 19, 2022: Yankee Hill Education Center
Thursday, May 19, 2022: Independence Academy
Thursday, May 26, 2022: Bryan Community Focus Program
Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 27-29, 2022
 Fri: East | Sat: LHS, LSE, LNE | Sun: LSW, LNS

Calendar Options for Families: The Lincoln Public Schools District understands and appreciates that our community has a wide variety of rich and varied religious celebrations and observances. In the event families recognize these holidays, parents should notify schools. Students will be given excused absences and allowed reasonable opportunities to make up any schoolwork missed.

Note: Changes to the calendar may occur as a result of inclement weather or other circumstances. If sufficient school time is lost as a result of calendar changes, and it brings the total number of school hours for the year below the state minimum requirements, the Superintendent will implement a plan for making up this time, which may require additional minutes added to the day, additional days added to the calendar, days previously identified as non-student days re-scheduled as student day, or other appropriate calendar or schedule measures.



SPECIAL DATES

August

3rd: School Readiness Days 11 am - 7 pm
 4th: School Readiness Days 8 am - 4 pm
 16th: First Day of School for 9th Grade Students
 17th: First Day of School for 10-12th Grade Students
 17th: Parent Teacher Conferences 3:30 - 6:30 pm
 17th: Gator Fest

September

3rd: Homecoming 8:30 pm LNS Bayou
 6th: No School Labor Day
 22nd: LNS Blood Drive
 27th: School Picture Retake Day
 29th - 10th: Grade Health Screening

October

18th: Fall Break
 20th: Fall Honors Convocation 10th-12th grade
 28th: Parent Teacher Conferences 3:30 - 6:30 pm

November

24th-26th: Thanksgiving Break

December

9th: LNS Blood Drive
 20th-22nd: 1st Semester Finals
 23rd-31st: Winter Break

January

1st-4th: Winter Break
 17th: No School Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day
 19th: 8th Grade Orientation 6:30 pm
 25th: Parent Teacher Conferences 3:30 - 6:30 pm

February

21st: No School

March

7th: No School Host Boys/Girls State B-Ball
 14th-18th: Spring Break
 23rd: Spring Honors Convocation 9th-11th grade
 31st: Parent Teacher Conferences 3:30 - 6:30 pm

April

5th: ACT Testing Juniors 11th Grade
 13th: LNS Blood Drive
 15th: No School
 23rd: Prom 8 pm
 29th: No School

May

20th: Senior Honors Convocation
 23rd-25th 2nd Semester Finals
 25th: Last : Day of School for students
 29th: Graduation @ Pinnacle Bank Arena at 3:30 pm



CLASS SCHEDULE

M,W,Th,F Schedule

Period 1= 7:00-7:50

Period 2= 8:00-8:50

Period 3= 8:55-9:45

Period 4= 9:50-10:45

Period 5= 10:50-11:40

1st Lunch

Lunch= 11:40-12:10

Period 6= 12:15-1:10

2nd Lunch

Period 6= 11:45-12:10

Lunch= 12:10-12:40

Period 6= 12:45-1:10

3rd Lunch

Period 6= 11:45-12:40

Lunch= 12:40-1:10

Period 7= 1:15-2:05

Period 8= 2:10-3:00

Tuesday PLC Schedule

Period 1= 7:00-7:45

Period 2= 8:00-8:40

Period 3= 8:45-9:25

Period 4= 9:30-10:15

Period 5= 10:20-11:00

1st Lunch

Lunch= 11:00-11:30

Period 6= 11:35-12:30

2nd Lunch

Period 6= 11:05-11:30

Lunch= 11:30-12:00

Period 6= 12:05-12:30

3rd Lunch

Period 6= 11:05-12:00

Lunch= 12:00-12:30

Period 7= 12:35-1:15

Period 8= 1:20-2:00

LNS DIRECTORY AND CONTACTS

North Star High School (402) 436-1305

Attendance: Ext. 1

Main Office: Ext. 2

Counseling: Ext. 3

Athletics: Ext. 4

Special Education: Ext. 5

Health Office: Ext. 6

FAX Number, Main Office (402) 436-1054

Principal Ryan Zabawa

Associate Principal (**Men-Rt**) Rachel King

Associate Principal (**Ru-Z**) Megan Kroll

Associate Principal (**Hb-Mem**) Doug Weatherholt

Special Education Coordinator

(**M-Z students with IEP's**) Lori Devine

Assistant Special Education Coordinator

(**A-L students with IEP's**) Sara Jones-Salak

Instructional Coordinator (**A-Col**) Jai Burks

Instructional Coordinator

(**Com-Ha and students with 504's**) Mar'Lakuittia Overstreet

Activities Director Nate Renter

Assistant Activities Director James Thompson

Associate Principal Administrative Assistant. Drew DuPont

Athletic Office Administrative Assistant. Allison Elliott

Attendance Administrative Assistant. Dana Tucker

Attendance Technician. Haley Maxson

Bookkeeper Teresa Whitson

Computer Technician Jessi Hillman

Counseling Center Administrative Assistant. Allison Brown

Executive Administrative Assistant. Vicky Filipek

Library Administrative Assistant Shawn Roberts

Payroll Administrative Assistant Lori Matthiessen

Receptionist Breanna Bendl

Registrar Jodi Vanek

Special Education Administrative Assistant .. Savannah Hutchinson

ACADEMICS

GRADES WHEN WITHDRAWING FROM CLASSES

A student may withdraw from a semester or quarter class during weeks 1-3 without record. If a student withdraws from a class during weeks 4-11 of a semester class (4-5 for a quarter class), a "W" will be placed on the student record. If a student withdraws during weeks 12-18 of a semester class (6-9 in a quarter class), an "F" will be placed on the record unless approval has been granted for a "W" or an "INC" to be placed on the student record. Approval is granted by the principal or his designee.

PROCESS FOR WITHDRAWING/DROPPING CLASSES

When a student decides to withdraw from a class, the student must obtain the withdrawal from the counseling center, and proceed as directed by the counselor. Parent/guardian permission is required to drop a class.

HONOR ROLL

In order to qualify for the honor roll, a student must have earned 25 hours with a GPA of 3.50 or higher. Courses taken for marks of S and U shall not be included when computing honor roll and may affect a student's eligibility. Students meeting the requirements for honor roll are recognized at Honors Convocation and a certificate is awarded to each honoree.

ACADEMIC HONORS

National Honor Society: Membership in National Honor Society is a mark of student achievement. Students are eligible for membership if they have achieved at least a 3.5 GPA for five semesters of high school work and complete an activity form showing evidence of service, leadership and character. A committee of faculty members will make selections based on the student's overall record.

Academic Letters: Students receive an academic letter by earning a weighted GPA of 4.0 for two consecutive semesters at North Star High School. Students must be enrolled in 25 credits of graded classes per semester to be eligible. First time (year one) recipients receive an academic letter at one of the Honors Convocations.

Academic Pin: Students receive an academic pin by earning a weighted GPA of 4.0 for four consecutive semesters at North Star High School.

GRADING SYSTEM The marks used for reporting progress at North Star are as follows:

Grade	Non-Weighted	Scale	Weighted	
A	4	90-100	5.0	INC - Incomplete
B+	3.5	85-89	4.5	CON - Conditional
B	3	80-84	4.0	W - Withdrew
C+	2.5	75-79	3.5	S - Satisfactory
C	2	70-74	3.0	U - Unsatisfactory
D+	1.5	65-69	No Weighting	
D	1 (passing)	60-64	No Weighting	
F	0 (failing)	0-59	No Weighting	

Weighted grades are given for some identified, district-wide high school courses. Courses which offer weighted grades are selected by a district committee and reviewed yearly.



STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

Students are assigned to counselors by alphabet where each counselor works with approximately the same number of students. Hours for the counseling center are 7:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Students can see their counselor before or after school, or during lunch. If a counselor visit is necessary during class time, students must have a pass signed by a teacher or from their counselor.

A - Bq:	Julie Schlegel-Youngs
Br - E:	Rick Boyle
F - H:	Susan Townsend
I - Man:	Lori Ludwig
Mao - Pg:	Sherri Svoboda
Ph - Ss:	Riki Schaefer
St - Z:	Curt Thomas (team leader)

The school social workers are available to help students and their families with social and personal concerns that may interfere with student achievement and success in school. Interventions may include supportive services, individual, group or family meetings, and identification and referral to community resources.

Social Worker	John-Paul Witt
Social Worker	Kennedy Hegert

Other support services we have for students are the School Psychologists, Peer Mediator, and School Nurse. They can help with a variety of supports that students might need in their day to day school and home life.

School Psychologist	Reed Hindmand
School Psychologist	Kaitlyn Barrett
Peer Mediator	Barb Pester
School Nurse	Sheryl Woodward



STUDENT ATTENDANCE

Attendance is vital to student success because little can be accomplished when the student is not in school. We understand there are issues that affect school attendance and/or tardiness. However, regular attendance at school is vital to learning and an important value for young people to acquire. Students who are frequently absent usually do not do well in school.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

Truancies are unexcused absences during the school day. Nebraska State law, LB 800 requires schools to refer every student, whether of elementary, middle or high school age who reaches 20 absences during the school year to the County Attorney, **regardless of the reasons for the absences.**

There are four stages to the attendance process to notify parents/guardians of their students' absence totals and where they are in the LPS attendance process. Each stage is listed below:

Stage 1 5 days absent from school

Stage 2 10 days absent from school

Stage 3 15 days absent from school

Stage 4 Notification that your student has been referred has been referred to the County Attorney's office.

IMPORTANT NOTES AND REMINDERS

County Attorney Referrals - These occur at any stage of the process if there is evidence that a student has had excessive absences in prior school years.

Every individual period that a student misses is included in the total number of absences, meaning seven periods of truancy equal one day of truancy.

Parent Acknowledged absences - Absences coded as "PA" indicates that the parent is aware of an absence. It does not indicate that the absence is legitimate according to the law.

TARDY POLICY

The expectation for students to be in the classroom when the bell rings. When students are late to class it diminishes effective instruction and time on task. A student will be considered tardy if she/he is not in the classroom at the designated start time. If a student gets one tardy in a day, they will serve lunch detention that day (or the next day if the tardy occurs in period 6-8). If a student gets two or more tardies in a day, they will serve lunch detention and after school detention. Habitual detention and tardies will result in discipline action from an administrator.

AFTER SCHOOL STUDY HALL

Students can be assigned to attend an after school study hall to make up work, finish tests, and/or get caught up in their classes by their teacher, counselor, detention administrator or parent.

ACADEMIC AND ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS TO ATTEND LINCOLN NORTH STAR DANCES

A student who would like to attend a Lincoln North Star dance needs to meet the following requirements:

- Ten or less truancies per semester (not the entire school year)
- Cannot be failing 2 or more classes
- All fines (including Library) must be paid in full

Guests must be 20 or younger. All guests must complete a dance guest form which will be reviewed by the resource officer and administration. Forms are available from the Main Office. The guest form must be faxed from the high school the student attends. If the guest is not a student they must have a parent signature. Ninth and tenth grade students may attend prom, but must attend with a junior or senior. Both students must be present when purchasing tickets for the dance. All grades are eligible to attend the homecoming dance.





NORTH STAR GATOR ATHLETICS

If students meet the eligibility requirements, they may compete on North Star's Varsity, Junior Varsity, Reserve or Freshman teams depending on their year in school and ability to perform at the required level. All information concerning athletic teams can be obtained from the Athletic Office or online at <http://lps.lps.org/>.

ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY

Students should know all rules of the Nebraska School Activities Association and Lincoln Public Schools which affect their opportunity to participate in competitive activities at North Star High School. Read the rules carefully. If you have questions, consult your coach, the Athletic Director or online at <http://lps.lps.org/>.

ATHLETIC ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

Students who wish to compete in competitive athletics at North Star High School must meet the guidelines of the Nebraska School Activities Association and Lincoln Public Schools. Please contact your coach or the Athletic Director for specific information regarding North Star's academic requirements for participation. North Star provides an Academic Support Program to help support the academic success of our student athletes.

ATHLETIC PACKETS

Students who wish to compete in competitive athletics at North Star High School must complete an athletic packet prior to trying out for a sport. The packets are available in the Athletic Office. The packets include North Star's Code of Conduct Policy, LPS Tryout Guidelines, Parent Consent Form, Sport Physical Form, and the Emergency Contact Form. Each athlete must have a current sport physical dated after May 1st for the upcoming school year. All of the forms listed above require student and parent signatures. All completed and signed forms are to be returned to the Athletic Office prior to participation in a sport.

ACTIVITY TICKETS

Students may purchase an activity ticket or an activity icon that is placed on their student ID, which admits the student into athletic events hosted by any Lincoln Public School high school. Conference tournaments, district and state events sponsored by the Nebraska School Activities Association are not included.

NORTH STAR ELECTRONIC DEVICE POLICY

ELECTRONIC DEVICES (Cell phones, IPODS, MP3, ETC) POLICY

North Star will follow a red/green zone electronic device policy. If a classroom or building area are in a green zone, responsible electronic device use IS permitted. If a classroom or building area is a red zone, electronic device use is NOT permitted.

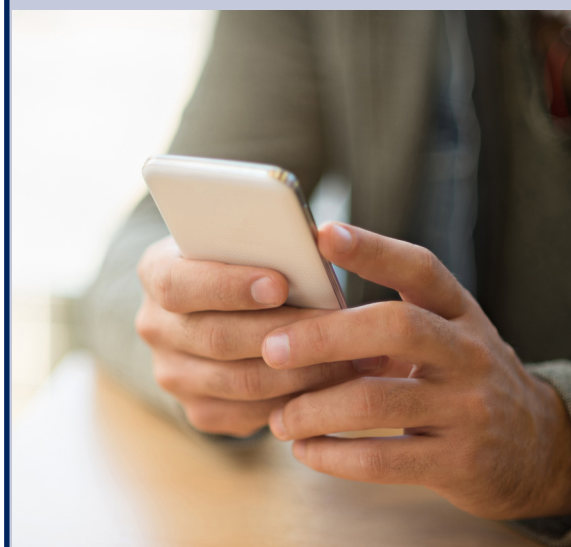
If a electronic device is used during a red zone, the following steps will be taken:

First offense: The device will be given to the teacher and returned by the teacher at the end of class.

Second offense: The device will be given to the teacher and turned into campus security. The student may pick up the device after school that day in the security office.

Third offense and beyond: The device will be given to the teacher and turned into campus security. A parent must pick up the device after school.

North Star High School administration and staff strongly discourage students from bringing electronic music devices to school due to possible damage, theft or loss of the items. North Star High School is not responsible for items that are lost, stolen, or damaged.





PARKING

Student parking is located east of our building. All other parking areas are assigned to visitors and staff. It is the responsibility of the driver to find an authorized space. Students who park in unauthorized areas or who fail to park within the lines will be ticketed. Tickets are \$10.00 each. After two tickets, the vehicle could be towed by a private towing company at the owner's expense.

VISITORS

Non-North Star students are not allowed to visit classes during the school day unless this is a prearranged exchange with another school. Non-students who come to the school grounds will be asked to leave and may be cited for trespassing.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

A variety of clubs, covering a wide range of topics, is available for students to join. Clubs are subject to change depending on sponsorship, student interest and approval of club constitution.

African American Caucus	International Club
Anime Club	Key Club
College Club	Latino Unidos
Debate/Speech	Money Matters
ELL H.E.L.P	National Art Honor Society
Equity in Everyone	National Honor Society
FBLA	Real Talk
French Club	Skills USA
Gator Strength Training	Slam Poetry
Gay Straight Alliance	Student Council
HOSA	Teammates
Homework Zone	Trying Science

PERFORMANCE GROUPS

Color Guard Dazzlers Cheerleaders

MUSIC (VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL)

A variety of clubs, covering a wide range of topics, is available for students to join. Clubs are subject to change depending on sponsorship, student interest and approval of club constitution.

Choreographed Choir	Symphonic Band
Orchestra	Marching Band
Concert Band	Wind Ensemble
Percussion Ensemble	Men's Choir
Concert Choir	Women's Choir



PROCEDURAL INFORMATION

PASSES/LEAVING CLASS

It is essential for students to be in class each period. However, teachers have the discretion to issue passes to students. If you are not in class and do not have a pass, you will be returned to class or taken to the office.

TELEPHONE USE

In emergency situations, students will be called from class to use the telephone. If a parent calls, a message will be taken and distributed to students as soon as possible. Emergency messages will be delivered immediately. Using cellular phones during the school day is not allowed. Please do not have them visible or turned on during the school day. Consequences for violating this policy may include confiscation of the item.

AFTER SCHOOL POLICY

Within 10 minutes after the final bell students are required to report to a supervised area such as sponsored activities, study hall or the weight room. All other students will be required to exit the school building.

LOST AND FOUND

Items lost during the school day may be found in the Campus Security Office.

BULLETIN BOARDS/POSTING INFORMATION

Any group wishing to display posters or other informational material must have approval from the principal's office. These materials will be stamped for approval. If materials are displayed without approval, they will be taken down immediately. Materials posted for display should only be placed on brick and not any other part of the wall.

CANCELLATION OF SCHOOL

In cases of extreme weather, school could be canceled. You will receive an automated phone call either the night before or the morning of. Closing information is broadcast on the following channels: KOLN-TV Channel 10-11, KFOR-1240 AM, KLIN-1400 AM, KLKN-TV Channel 8, B104 FM, and 96KX FM. You can also check the LPS website at www.lps.org.

VALUABLES

Lincoln Public Schools does not provide insurance for personal items. Please do not bring large amounts of money or other valuable items to school. Lincoln North Star High School or Lincoln Public Schools is not responsible for lost or stolen articles.

LOCKERS AND LOCKS

Lockers are the property of Lincoln Public Schools and are accessible to North Star staff when necessary. Students are responsible for the content and condition of their lockers. The school assumes no liability for damage or theft of student property. For this reason, it is wise to leave valuables at home. There is a \$5.00 locker fee for Freshman and Sophomores that they will pay when they come to locker check out. Student lockers are located on either side of the Counseling Center on both first and second floors. Athletic lockers are located on the lower level.

STUDENT LUNCH PERIOD

All students have one lunch period. School Board policy allows juniors and seniors to leave campus during lunch. Freshman and sophomores must stay on campus during lunch. Food items are to be eaten in the commons area only.

STUDENT FEES & FINES

All required books, supplies, and equipment are supplied free to all students. Principals and teachers, with principal approval, may suggest supplies that would be appropriate for students to provide for their own use; such a list is only a suggestion and not a requirement. Low income students may apply for a fee waiver or for the provision of materials or equipment not provided by the school/district. LPS Board Policy 6440 notes that teachers and principals have the responsibility to recover losses or damages incurred by students when appropriate. Student obligations need to be cleared in a timely manner. Students are notified of their obligations on Synergy in ParentVue/StudentVue.

TEACHER/STAFF AUTHORITY

Teachers and staff have authority to warn and correct students for misconduct anywhere in the building, on the school grounds or at school-sponsored functions. Students are expected to show respect and cooperation to staff members dealing with problem situations.

DAILY BULLETIN

Important information and daily events are shown in class via video announcements and posted in the main hallway each day.





CAFETERIA/ FOOD PROGRAM

CAFETERIA RULES

The cafeteria is open for breakfast from 6:45-7:50 a.m. and for lunch during 6th period each day. Each student's lunch schedule is determined by their 6th period teacher's last name. Hot and cold lunches, salad bar and a la carte items are available.

Students are expected to:

- Deposit waste in appropriate trash receptacles;
- Return all trays and utensils to the dish window;
- Leave the tables and floors clean for others.

Students who abuse the cafeteria expectations will be subject to disciplinary action.

LUNCH/SNAP ACCOUNTS

The cafeteria has a computerized cash deposit system. Money is deposited in the student's personal account to be accessed by a 6-digit PIN. This number is assigned by Nutrition Services. When the balance reaches \$4.00 the cashier alerts the student that another deposit needs to be made. A balance inquiry can be run at any time. Cash may also be used to pay for food, but they ask for bills no larger than \$10. Students eligible for free/reduced lunch may apply online at <https://www.myschoolapps.com/Home/PickDistrict>. Please note that this eligibility allows students to receive a free/reduced school lunch and does not include a la carte items. A la carte items must be paid for separately.

DRESS STANDARD

Clothing must be appropriate for school settings in order to provide a safe and orderly environment for all students to learn. The responsibility for the dress and grooming of a student rests primarily with the student and his or her parents or guardians, although the school administration maintains the right to determine the appropriateness or suitability of any student attire.

Allowable Dress and Grooming

- Students must wear clothing including both a shirt with pants or skirt, or the equivalent and shoes.
- Shirts and dresses must have fabric in the front, back, and on the sides.
- Clothing must cover undergarments and all private parts.
- All tops must have straps
- All tops must meet the top of the pants
- Clothing must be suitable for all scheduled classroom activities including physical education, science labs, wood shop, and other activities where unique hazards exist.
- Headwear is allowable as long as it follows other areas of the dress code and the student is easily identifiable
- Specialized courses may require specialized attire, such as sports uniforms or safety gear. Students may be asked to remove headwear that interferes with the learning process.

Non-Allowable Dress and Grooming

- Clothing may not depict, advertise or advocate the use of alcohol, tobacco, marijuana or other controlled substances.
- Students may wear hoodies, but must keep the hood off their heads.
- Considerations will be made for students who wear special clothing as required by religious beliefs, disability, to convey a particular message protected by law.
- Dressing, grooming, or engaging in speech that is lewd or indecent, vulgar, or plainly offensive.
- Clothing may not use or depict hate speech targeting groups based on race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, religious affiliation or any other protected groups. This also includes in words or depicted graphically that has derogatory, hate or offensive images.
- Clothing, including gang identifiers, must not threaten the health or safety of any other student or staff. (examples include bandanas, gang signs)
- If the student's attire or grooming threatens the health or safety of any other person, then discipline for dress or grooming violations should be consistent with discipline policies for similar violations.
- Wearing pants below the waistline is not allowed.
- Clothing with words, pictures, or phrases that depicts violence or intimidation may not be worn (examples include images of guns, knives and any other items generally considered to be a weapon).

LIBRARY

The North Star Library is open daily for student use from 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Students are required to sign in upon entering the library and sign out when they leave. During scheduled class time, students must present a pass at the checkout desk. Food and drink are not allowed in the Library. Use of the Internet is by teacher permission when working on projects/research before or after school.

SCHOOL COMMUNITY INTERVENTION PROGRAM (SCIP)

SCIP is a program designed to identify students who are experiencing problems which may be related to the use of alcohol, other drugs or mental health issues. SCIP consists of four components to assist students: identification, intervention, referral for assessment and student support. Anyone with concerns about alcohol and/or drug use or abuse should contact the SCIP coordinator.

COMPASS PROGRAMS A Lincoln Community Learning Center

Lincoln CLCs provide safe, supervised before and after school, weekend and summer enrichment programs, and many other supportive services for citizens of all ages. These centers currently serve children, families and neighborhoods through collaborative partnerships that provide support services and opportunities, which lead to improved student learning and development, strong families and healthier neighborhoods. Each CLC has a lead agency which helps to achieve these goals.

Here at North Star, the lead agency is Boys and Girls Club. In line with the spirit of North Star, our CLC is known as the Compass Program. Our goals are to navigate the journey to graduation, positive relationships and life success. We achieve this goal by offering academic enrichment and recreation activities for LNS students and families. Some of our programs include homework help, cultural interest groups and dance clubs.

HEALTH SERVICES

The Health Office staff provides health counseling, administers first-aid for injury or emergency situations and assists students requiring medication/treatment. ALL students are required to check in upon entering the Health Office and to check out when leaving. Students must have a pass when traveling to and from the Health Office. All students must wear their student ID around their neck.

Medication given at school must have parent/guardian written consent prior to administration. Also a physician's (or other licensed prescriber's) authorization is required for medication to be given at school for all prescription and over-the-counter medication. The prescriber's authorization may be on the pharmacy label attached to the bottle, or in the case of over-the-counter products, by a separate prescription provided to the health office.

Any student injured during the instructional day in the school building or on the schools' grounds, must report to the Health Office so first aid can be provided. If the injury is more severe, the nurse will be notified to go to the student(s) and an assessment will be made before the student is moved. Families will be notified of serious injuries.

Acetaminophen and ibuprofen may be provided to students in the Health Office after written parent/guardian consent is received in the Health Office. Written parent/guardian consent is good for the current school year and must be renewed every year. Formulary consent forms are available in the Health Office.

ANTI-BULLYING POLICY

Lincoln Public Schools provides physically safe and emotionally secure environments for all students and staff. Positive behaviors (non-violence, cooperation, teamwork, understanding and acceptance of others) are encouraged in the educational program and are required of all staff. Inappropriate behaviors, including but not limited to bullying, intimidation and harassment, must be avoided by students and staff. Strategies and practices are implemented to reinforce positive behaviors and to discourage and protect others from inappropriate behaviors.

SOCIAL NETWORKING WEBSITES

Public blogs such as Facebook, Snapchat, Instagram, and Twitter may be searched by school officials at any time. Students may be held responsible for inappropriate information that is posted on these sites, especially if this carries over into the school environment. Disciplinary action can and will be taken for inappropriate messages posted which could include removal of academic, athletic and other extracurricular privileges at school.

SYNERGY

The Lincoln Public Schools is using Synergy, a new Student Information System. Part of Synergy is ParentVue. Information available via ParentVue includes:

- Communications from teachers
- Attendance
- Progress grades
- Assignment calendars
- Student schedules
- Course history
- Fees/Fines

Please access the Web address for more information: <http://www.lps.org/go/vueinfo>



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