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MEADOW LANE ELEMENTARY

*"An investment in knowledge
pays the best interest."*

— Benjamin Franklin

Student Handbook & Calendar

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For Bilingual Liaisons:

Arabic: 402-436-1715 نرجو الإتصال على هذه الأرقام إذا كنتم تحتاجون إلى خدمات الترجمة المتعلّقة العربية

Russian: Если вам требуются услуги переводчика пожалуйста позвоните по телефону: 402-436-1942

Español: Por favor llame a este número de teléfono si necesita servicios de intérpretes: 402-436-1938

Vietnamese: Xin vui lòng gọi về số này nếu quý vị cần có dịch vụ thông dịch: 402-436-1939

Ukrainian: Будь ласка, зателефонуйте за цим номером, якщо вам потрібні послуги перекладу: 402-436-1786

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LPS Student Calendar



2025-26

Graduation Dates

Tuesday, May 19, 2026

Yankee Hill

Wednesday, May 20, 2026

Independence Academy

Thursday, May 21, 2026

Bryan Community Focus Program

At Pinnacle Bank Arena May 22-24, 2026

Fri: LSE **Sat:** LNE, LSW, LNW, LNS **Sun:** EHS, LHS, LSB

☉ First Day for K, 6, & 9th Grades

☉ First Day for 1-5, 7-8, & 10-12th Grades

● Last Day for Students

■ All Schools Not in Session

□ Schools Not in Session (*Professional Learning/Planning Day*)

➤ Quarter Start Dates

➤ Quarter End Dates

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.

JULY 2025

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JUNE 2026

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Welcome to Meadow Lane Elementary!

Dear Student and Families,

Welcome to Meadow Lane Elementary School! This handbook has been prepared for all students and parents/guardians in hopes that it will be helpful in answering questions you might have about the policies and practices of our school. Please carefully review the contents with your child. The “Important Information” booklet provided by Lincoln Public Schools also gives critical parent/student information. Note that dates for school events are subject to change. If you have questions or concerns regarding these publications, please do not hesitate to call the school office at 402-436-1151.

On behalf of the entire staff, we look forward to working together to make this a productive and successful year of learning and growing.



Daniele Schulzkump,
Principal

Intent of Handbook

This handbook is intended to be used by students, parents, and staff as a guide to the rules, regulations, and general information about Meadow Lane Elementary School. Each student is responsible for becoming familiar with the handbook and knowing the information contained within it. Parents are encouraged to use this handbook as a resource and to assist their child in following the rules contained in this handbook.

Although information found in this handbook contains detailed and specific information on a variety of topics, the handbook is not intended to cover every situation and circumstance that may arise during any school day, or school year. This handbook does not create a “contract.” The administration reserves the right to make decisions and rule revisions at any time to implement the educational program and to assure the well being of all students. The administration will be responsible for interpreting the rules contained in the handbook. Should the situation or circumstance arise that is not specifically covered in this handbook, the administration will make a decision based upon all applicable school district policies, and state and federal statutes and regulations.

August 2025

Lincoln Public Schools

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Back to School National Civility Month					1	2
3	4	5	6	7 5:30 p.m. Open House Pre-K and Kindergarten 5:45 Open House 1-5th Grades	8	9
10	11	12 First Day of School for Kindergarten 9:00 Kindergarten Parent breakfast and tour	13 First Day of School for grades 1-5	14	15 First day of Pre-School	16
17	18	19	20 July Birthday Bunch	21	22	23
24	25	26	27 August Birthday Bunch	28 PTA Fund Raiser Begins	29	30
31						

» Important Dates

Back to School

August 7th

5:30 p.m. Open House
Pre-K and Kindergarten

August 7th

5:45 p.m. Open House
1st - 5th Grades

August 12th

First day of School
for Kindergarten

August 12th

9:00 a.m. Kindergarten
Parent Breakfast and Tour

August 13th

First day for 1st -5th Grade

August 15th

First day for Pre-School

August 20th

July Birthday Bunch

August 27th

August Birthday Bunch

August 28th

PTA Fund Raiser Begins

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Meadow Lane Mission Statement

Educate,
Engage & Enrich,
Every Child,
Every Day

Meadow Lane School Improvement Goal

All students will engage in learning and sustain or increase reading and math demonstrating on track data for the next grade level.



~~Homework~~ Independent Practice

The district is adjusting their vocabulary to assist with changes in work that is sent home for students to practice their learning. When you see "Independent Practice", your scholar will have the opportunity to practice skills they are learning in school. We want to assure you that repetition, consistency, and routine are all part of this practice. We strive to prepare students for later grades and will continue to do so with practice being sent home.

Things to Remember:

This should be work students can do on their own with limited help.

Work can include: spelling, reading, and math.

Families are welcome to return any of these things unfinished with a note to let the teacher know it was too hard for the scholar to complete independently.

Building an independent practice routine is important. Think about where, when and supplies needed to do this well.

We are here to help your scholar feel success. Please do not hesitate to reach out and make a plan with the teacher.

We want to provide you with recommendations regarding appropriate time allotments for attention spans. These are an average and can vary from child to child.

- 5–6 years (12–18 minutes)
- 7–8 years (16–24 minutes)
- 9–10 years (20–30 minutes)
- 11–12 years (24–36 minutes)

September 2025

Lincoln Public Schools

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Labor Day	2	3	4	5	6
	SCHOOLS CLOSED	SCHOOLS CLOSED				
7 Grandparent's Day	8	9	10	11 Patriot's Day	12 PTA Walk A Thon	13
14	15	16	17 Constitution Day	18 4:00 - 5:30 p.m. Stay and Play night	19	20
21	22	23	24 September Birthday Bunch	25	26	27
28	29	30 6:00 p.m. PTA Meeting	Hispanic Heritage Month National Diversity Awareness Month			

» Important Dates

September 1st
Labor Day

September 2nd
No School

September 7th
Grandparent Day

September 11th
Patriot's Day

September 12th
PTA Walk A Thon

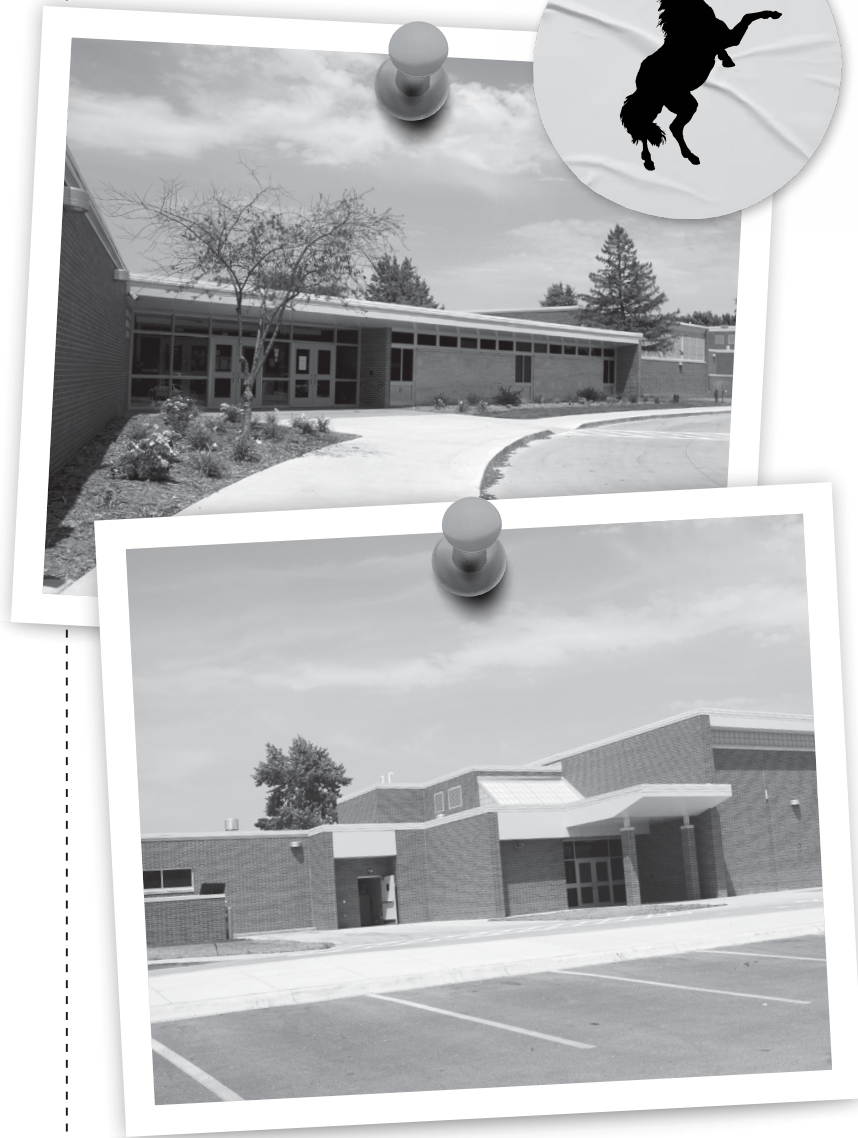
September 17th
Constitution Day

September 18th
4:00 - 5:30 p.m.
Stay and Play night

September 24th
Birthday Bunch

September 30th
6:00 p.m. PTA Meeting

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Meadow Lane History

Meadow Lane Elementary School celebrated its 60th anniversary in the fall of 2016. Meadow Lane was not built until 1957; however, the school actually began in 1955 in ten houses purchased by the Lincoln Public Schools.

By 1957 the Meadow Lane building was finished and the houses were sold.

The name of the school matches the subdivision of the area.

Additions to the original structure were made in 1961, bringing student capacity to 880, an increase of 220. In 1964, 12 classrooms were added, bringing student capacity to 1,200. This included the use of annex housing within the neighborhood, making Meadow Lane the largest elementary school in Lincoln at that time.

Enrollment hit its highest point—1,497 students, in 1968-69 making it the largest elementary school in the state.

Renovations and a third addition were completed in 2006 that included a gym/multipurpose room nearly twice the size of the original. An addition of a new media center, 6 classrooms, and a 5th courtyard opened in 2016.

Meadow Lane currently houses approximately 549 students, pre-kindergarten through fifth grade.

October 2025

Lincoln Public Schools

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Bully Prevention Month			1 Picture Day PreK-1st	2 Custodian Day Picture Day 2nd-5th	3	4
5	6	7	8	9 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. Parent Teacher Conference Scholastic Book Fair	10 Last day of 1st quarter 1st Grade Field Trip to Parson's Pumpkin Place	11
12	13	14	15 First day of 2nd quarter 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. Parent Teacher Conference Scholastic Book Fair	16	17	18
	SCHOOLS CLOSED					
19	20	21	22	23 6:00 p.m. Color Run	24	25
26	27 Report Cards Posted in ParentVue by 4:00 p.m. "Drugs are Wacky"	28 "My Future is Bright" One Room School House (Doell)	29 October Birthday Bunch "Be a Hero" One Room School House (Galvin)	30 "Vote for No Drugs" One Room School House (Bonk)	31 "Drugs can't find me" One Room School House (Osmundson)	
RED RIBBON WEEK						

» Important Dates

October 1st
Picture Day PreK-1st

October 2nd
Picture Day 2nd-5th
Custodian Day

October 9th
4:00 – 7:00 p.m. Parent Teacher
conferences
Scholastic Book Fair

October 10th
Last day of 1st quarter
1st Grade Field Trip to Parson's
Pumpkin Place

October 13th-14th
No School

October 15th
First day of 2nd quarter
4:00 - 7:00 p.m. Parent Teacher
Conference
Scholastic Book Fair

October 23rd
6:00 p.m. Color Run

October 27th-31st
Red Ribbon Week

October 27th
Report Cards Posted in
ParentVue by 4:00 p.m.
"Drugs are Wacky"

October 28th
One Room School House: Mrs.
Doell's Class
"My Future is Bright"

October 29th
One Room School House:
Mrs. Galvin's Class
Birthday Bunch
"Be a Hero"

October 30th
"Vote for No Drugs"
One Room School House:
Ms. Bonk's Class

October 31st
"Drugs can't find me"
One Room School House:
Mrs. Osmundson's Class

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Preschool Program

Morning: 8:15-11:45 a.m. | Afternoon: 12:15-3:45 p.m.

Lincoln Public Schools provides a comprehensive 3.5 hour preschool program where all children learn through play, make choices, increase social skills, and build confidence. Children may be bused to neighborhood elementary school sites where programs are available. Locations can be found on the LPS website. Our half-day preschool program provides:

- Opportunities to socialize, solve problems, and experience success
- People who care, accept, and encourage
- Home visits which focus on the family
- A variety of learning experiences in a safe, caring setting
- Health screenings
- Practice of good habits in eating, tooth brushing, cleanliness, and safety
- Partnerships for parents in volunteering, leadership, and development
- Help for special needs of children with disabilities
- Assistance in using community resources
- Meadow Lane does not enroll preschool families.

All enrollment occurs through the district preschool office.

Phone: 402-436-1995

Address: 300 S. 48th Street
(Door 2)



Important Information Needed

Parent Vue is a great way for you to see important information about your student. Having a Parent Vue account allows you access to report cards, attendance records, and enter absences for your student. Starting July 15, Parent Vue allows you to go into your student's record and verify and/or change any information. After September 2, you can no longer make changes through Parent Vue. The office will make any changes for you. It is very important to have a current address, phone number, and emergency contact on file. If you need to activate a new account or need assistance accessing your current account, please call the office.

Student Use of Telephone

We encourage families to make arrangements for your child outside of the school day. Student use of the telephone should be for immediate need only. We thank you in advance for assisting our staff in protecting instructional time for students.

November 2025

Lincoln Public Schools

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Veterans and Military Family Appreciation Month Native American Heritage Month						1
2 Daylight Savings Time	3	4	5	6	7	8
SCHOOL FOOD DRIVE						15
9	10	11 Veteran's Day	12	13 Kindness Day	14 Fancy Friday	
PSYCHOLOGIST WEEK						22
16	17 Picture Re-Take	18 6:00 p.m. PTO Meeting	19 November Birthday Bunch	20 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Waffle Man and Game Night	21	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	SCHOOLS CLOSED SCHOOLS CLOSED SCHOOLS CLOSED					

» Important Dates

November 2nd
Daylight Savings Time

November 3rd-7th
School Food Drive

November 10th-14th
Psychologist Week

November 11th
Veteran's Day

November 13th
Kindness Day

November 14th
Fancy Friday

November 17th
Picture Re-Take Day

November 18th
6:00 p.m. PTO Meeting

November 19th
November Birthday Bunch

November 20th
5:45 - 7:30 p.m. Waffle Man and Game Night

November 26th-28th
No School

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Lunch Procedures

Classrooms will be escorted to the lunchroom where they will choose their lunch and check out with the cashier. If they have a home lunch, they may enter the lunchroom to find their seat.

Students will have assigned seating that will change at times throughout the year. If your child has a food allergy, please let the kitchen and teacher know. We will adjust their seating for safety.

At the conclusion of lunch, students will be dismissed by an adult. Students will take their tray and follow the composting expectations. Students line up at the door to prepare for their brain break. Students are allowed to stay for the full 30 minutes.



Lunch Schedule

LUNCH TIME	GRADE
11:00	4th Grade
11:20	1st Grade
11:40	2nd Grade
11:55	5th Grade
12:15	Kindergarten
12:40	3rd Grade

Visitors for Lunch

All visitors for lunch must check in with the office. Visitors must be approved by the parent or guardian of the student. Visitors may bring in lunch for their student only. Due to limited space in the lunchroom, visitors and their student may sit at our designated visitors tables.

December 2025

Lincoln Public Schools

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 No Students: Building Professional Day SCHOOLS CLOSED	2	3	4	5	6 Hour of Code Barnes and Noble Event 10:00 am - 4:00 pm
7	8	9 2:00 pm Chorus/ Band/Strings Dress Rehearsal 6:00 pm Chorus/ Band/Strings Concert	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17 December Birthday Bunch	18	19 Last day of 2nd Quarter Holiday Snack & Celebration Holiday Sing 2:30	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	SCHOOLS CLOSED WINTER BREAK	SCHOOLS CLOSED WINTER BREAK	SCHOOLS CLOSED WINTER BREAK	SCHOOLS CLOSED WINTER BREAK	SCHOOLS CLOSED WINTER BREAK	
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» Important Dates

December 1st
No Students: Building Professional Day

December 6th
Hour of Code
10:00—4:00 p.m.
Barnes and Noble Event

December 9th
Chorus/Band/Strings rehearsal and Concert

December 17th
December Birthday Bunch

December 19th
Holiday Snack & Celebration

Holiday Sing 2:30

Last day of 2nd Quarter

December 22nd-January 2nd
Winter Break

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Arrival

The Meadow Lane campus is closed until 8:45 a.m. for the safety of students.

Arrival Times

- Breakfast-Served between 8:30-8:55 a.m. Enter main entrance.
- Anyone arriving between 8:30-8:45 will be asked to go to breakfast.
- Students arriving for breakfast should not arrive before 8:30 a.m., as there is no supervision until that time.
- Students will meet their teachers at 8:55.
- School begins at 9:00 a.m. After 9:00 a.m., all students use the main entrance and must check in with the office. All other doors will lock at this time.
- All grades will enter the main entrance, Door #1.

Dismissal

All students are dismissed from the building at 3:38 p.m.

- All students must go directly home or to a school sanctioned after school activity.
- Teachers will escort students out their designated exit door.
- Meadow Lane School (including the playground) is closed until 6:00 p.m. except for use by school childcare and clubs. Reservations for rooms/playgrounds should be entered in the district Archibus system.

Guidelines

It is our number one job to keep students safe. We need your support in getting this done. Here is how you can help!

- Use crosswalks at all times.
- To keep students out of traffic, pick up on the passenger side of the vehicle.
- Follow the flow of traffic by pulling forward.
- Only use the parking lot to park and walk up.
- Older students should walk to meet the younger students at their designated pick up area.
- Do not leave your car unattended. Use a parking stall or the neighborhood if you plan to walk up.
- No pets on property.



Mental and Behavioral Health Point of Contact

Your student's mental health is important to their academic success. If you have concerns about your student's mental or behavioral health, you can contact the social worker at your student's school/program. LPS social workers are licensed mental health practitioners and can help connect you to appropriate mental health or behavioral supports. Go to home.LPS.org/socialworkers/mental-behavioral-health-points-of-contact or scan the QR code for more information.



January 2026

Lincoln Public Schools

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
National Mentoring Month				1	2	3
				SCHOOLS CLOSED WINTER BREAK	SCHOOLS CLOSED WINTER BREAK	
4	5 First Day of 3rd Quarter	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15 Report Cards Posted in ParentVue by 4:00 p.m.	16	17
18	19 MLK Day SCHOOLS CLOSED	20 PTA Meeting 6:00 p.m.	21	22	23 6:00 pm Movie Night	24
25	26	27	28 January Birthday Bunch	29	30	31

» Important Dates

January 1st-2nd
No School/Winter Break

January 5th
First Day of 3rd Quarter

Report Cards Posted in
ParentVue by 4:00 pm

January 19th
No School
MLK Day

January 20th
PTA Meeting 6:00 p.m.

January 23rd
6:00 p.m. Movie Night

January 28th
January Birthday Bunch

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Arrival and Dismissal Areas

Designated Areas

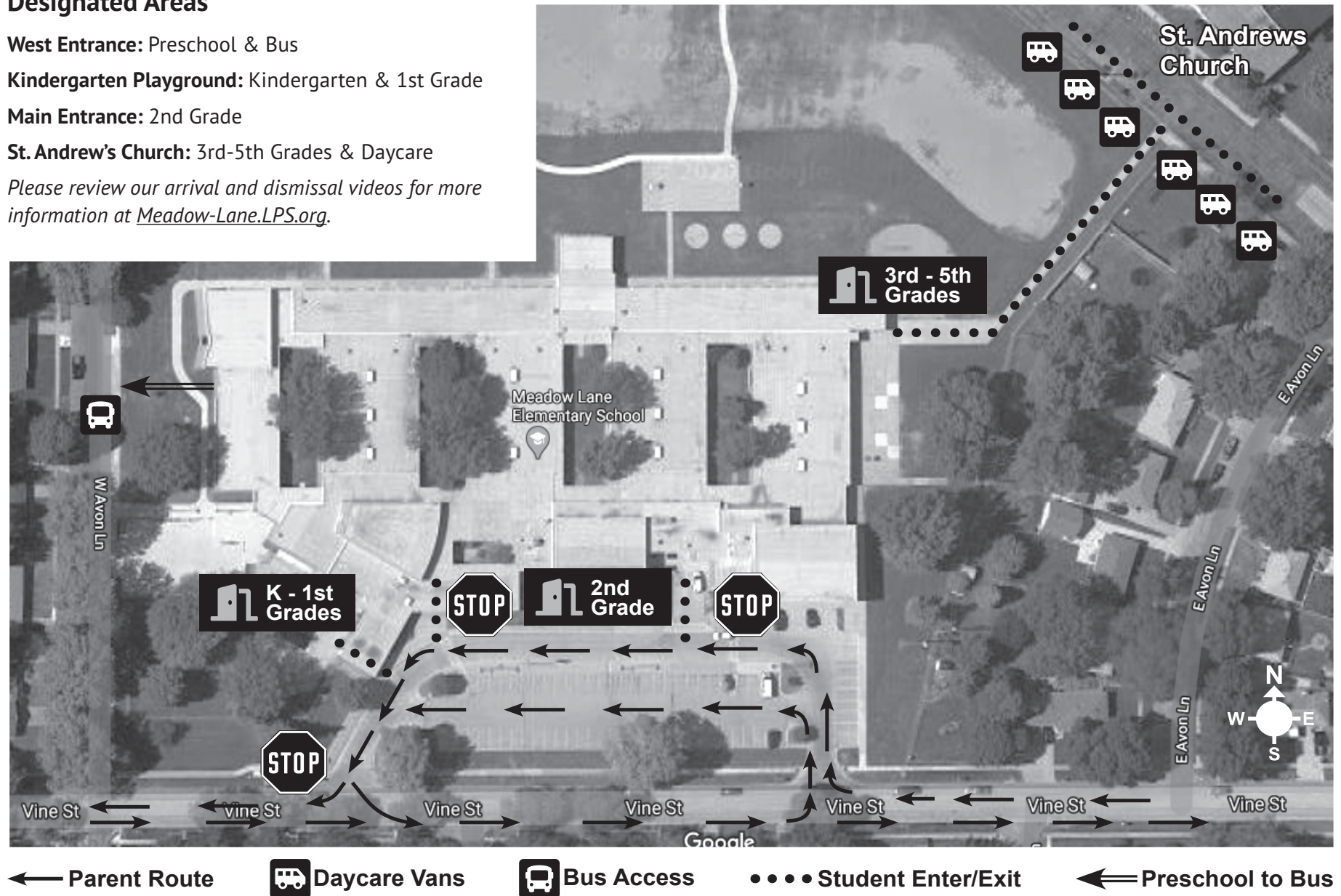
West Entrance: Preschool & Bus

Kindergarten Playground: Kindergarten & 1st Grade

Main Entrance: 2nd Grade

St. Andrew's Church: 3rd-5th Grades & Daycare

Please review our arrival and dismissal videos for more information at Meadow-Lane.LPS.org.



February 2026

Lincoln Public Schools

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6 6:00 p.m. Bingo Night	7
8	9	10	11	12 Science Fair Club 3:45 - 5:00 p.m.	13 Valentine Snack & Celebration Fancy Friday	14
15	16 SCHOOLS CLOSED	17 No Students: District Professional Learning Day SCHOOLS CLOSED	18	19 Science Fair 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.	20	21
22	23	24	25 February Birthday Bunch	26	27	28

American Heart Month
Black History Month

» Important Dates

February 6th
6th 6:00 p.m. Bingo Night

February 12th
Science Fair Club
3:45 - 5:00 p.m.

February 13th
Valentine Snack & Celebration

Fancy Friday

February 16th-17th
No School

February 17th
No Students: District Professional Learning Day

February 19th
Science Fair 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

February 25th
February Birthday Bunch



If you feel that your child is being bullied by peers, please contact your child's teacher or the building principal, Daniele Schultzkump. All reported incidences of bullying/unsafe behavior will follow the protocol outlined in Lincoln Public Schools Board Policy 5482: Anti-Bullying Policy.

Bullying

Bullying is unwanted, aggressive behavior among school aged children that involves a real or perceived power imbalance. The behavior is repeated, or has the potential to be repeated, over time.

In order to be considered bullying, the behavior must include:

- Imbalance of Power: Kids who bully use their power—such as physical strength, access to embarrassing information, or popularity—to control or harm others. Power imbalances can change over time and in different situations, even if they involve the same people.
- Repetition: Bullying behaviors happen more than once or have the potential to happen more than once.
- Hurtful aggressive physical and/or verbal behavior.

Bullying includes actions such as making threats, spreading rumors, attacking someone physically or verbally, and excluding someone from a group on purpose.

As an added prevention piece, please discuss with your child adults in the building who they can talk to if they feel that they are being bullied or are in an unsafe situation. These people may include, but are not limited to, their teacher, the administrator, school counselor, school psychologist, school social worker or any other adult in the building that they have built a positive relationship with.

Students are taught about what bullying looks like and sounds like, along with how to advocate for themselves through the District's Second Step program.



March 2026

Lincoln Public Schools

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 "Where the Wild Things Are" Animal Print	3 "You Matter" Motivational Shirts	4 "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" Favorite Snack	5 "Good Night Moon" Pajamas	6 Book Parade 9:15 a.m. Favorite Book Character 9:40 Stop, Drop, and Read	7
	READ ACROSS AMERICA WEEK					
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	SCHOOLS CLOSED	SCHOOLS CLOSED	SCHOOLS CLOSED	SCHOOLS CLOSED	SCHOOLS CLOSED	
15	16	17 Parent Teacher Conferences 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. Scholastic Book Fair	18	19	20 11:00 a.m. 4th Grade State Capital Field Trip	21
22	23	24 Parent Teacher Conferences 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. Scholastic Book Fair	25 March Birthday Bunch	26	27 Report Cards Posted in ParentVue by 4:00 p.m.	28
29	30	31	Women's History Month Developmental Disabilities Month			

» Important Dates

- March 2nd-6th**
Read Across America Week
- March 2nd**
"Where the Wild Things Are" Animal Print
- March 3rd**
"You Matter" Motivational Shirts
- March 4th**
"The Very Hungry Caterpillar" Favorite Snack
- March 5th**
"Good Night Moon" Pajamas
- March 6th**
Book Parade 9:15 a.m.

Favorite Book Character

9:40 Stop, Drop, and Read
- March 9th-13th**
No School Spring Break
- March 17th**
Parent Teacher Conferences 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Scholastic Book Fair 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.
- March 20th**
11:00 a.m. 4th Grade Field Trip to the State Capital
- March 24th**
Parent Teacher Conferences 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Scholastic Book Fair 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.
- March 25th**
March Birthday Bunch
- March 27th**
Report Cards Posted in ParentVue by 4:00 p.m.

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Methods of Communication

Meadow Lane Messenger Newsletter

The Meadow Lane Messenger contains announcements, information, school events, etc. This newsletter is sent weekly through School Messenger, unless a paper copy is requested.

Weekly Communication Folders

Typically, school news will be sent home via Wednesday folders. Please return the folder the next day including any notes to your child's teacher. General information will be sent with the oldest child in the family attending Meadow Lane School.

Community News

"Community News" is a newspaper distributed by Lincoln Public Schools, free to all elementary students the first week of every month from September through May. "Community News" replaces most informational flyers and can be used as a guide to community activities for students.

School Website

Information is regularly updated on our website: Meadow-Lane.LPS.org. Also, grade level information can be found here. All grade level information will begin in August.

ParentVue

Parents may access communications, attendance information and more for their child through ParentVue. A "button" linking you to ParentVue can be found on our school website. All absences can be reported by logging into ParentVue to select your child's attendance. If your child is going to be absent, please mark their attendance this way. The system then directly reports the absence to the teacher through their TeacherVue.

School Messenger

This district-wide communication system sends school and district emails, texts, and phone calls to families with important information. Please be sure the school has your updated phone number and email address.

FaceBook

Check out school happenings on our Facebook Page! "Like" us at facebook.com/meadowlanemustangs

Dojo

Dojo is used frequently by our staff for praise, pictures, and communication. You do not need to purchase anything on Dojo and it is recommended that you do not. All communication on this app should be free.



April 2026

Lincoln Public Schools

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Diversity Month Volunteer Month			1	2	3	4
					SCHOOLS CLOSED	
5	6 No Students: Building Professional Learning Day. SCHOOLS CLOSED	7	8	9	10 3rd Grade UNL Tour Field Trip	11
12	13	14	15	16	17 9:15 am 5th Grade to Omaha Zoo	18
19	20	21 PTA Meeting 6:00 p.m. 9:45 KND Field Trip to Lincoln Children's Museum	22	23 Art Fair/ Silent Auction 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.	24	25
26	27	28	29 April Birthday Bunch	30		

» Important Dates

National Child Abuse
Prevention Month

Poetry Month

Volunteer Month

April 3rd
No School

April 6th
No Students: Building
Professional Learning Day

April 10th
3rd Grade Field Trip
UNL Tour

April 21st
6:00 p.m. PTA Meeting

9:45 KND Field Trip to
Lincoln Children's Museum

April 23rd
Art Fair/Silent Auction
5:45 – 7:30 p.m.

April 29th
April Birthday Bunch

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Support & Join Meadow Lane PTA!

PTA Supports

- Facility items such as outdoor trash cans, benches, and tables
- Teacher requests for items for their classrooms (iPads, etc.)
- Teacher meals for Parent Teacher Conferences
- Field Trips
- Holiday Snacks
- Playground Equipment
- Walking Track
- Science Fair
- Yearbooks
- Student Directory
- Pumpkin Walk
- Color Run
- Movie Night

Please feel free to contact Meadow Lane PTA to see how you can help. Your support can be in the form of fundraising, making a food dish, or assisting at a family fun night.

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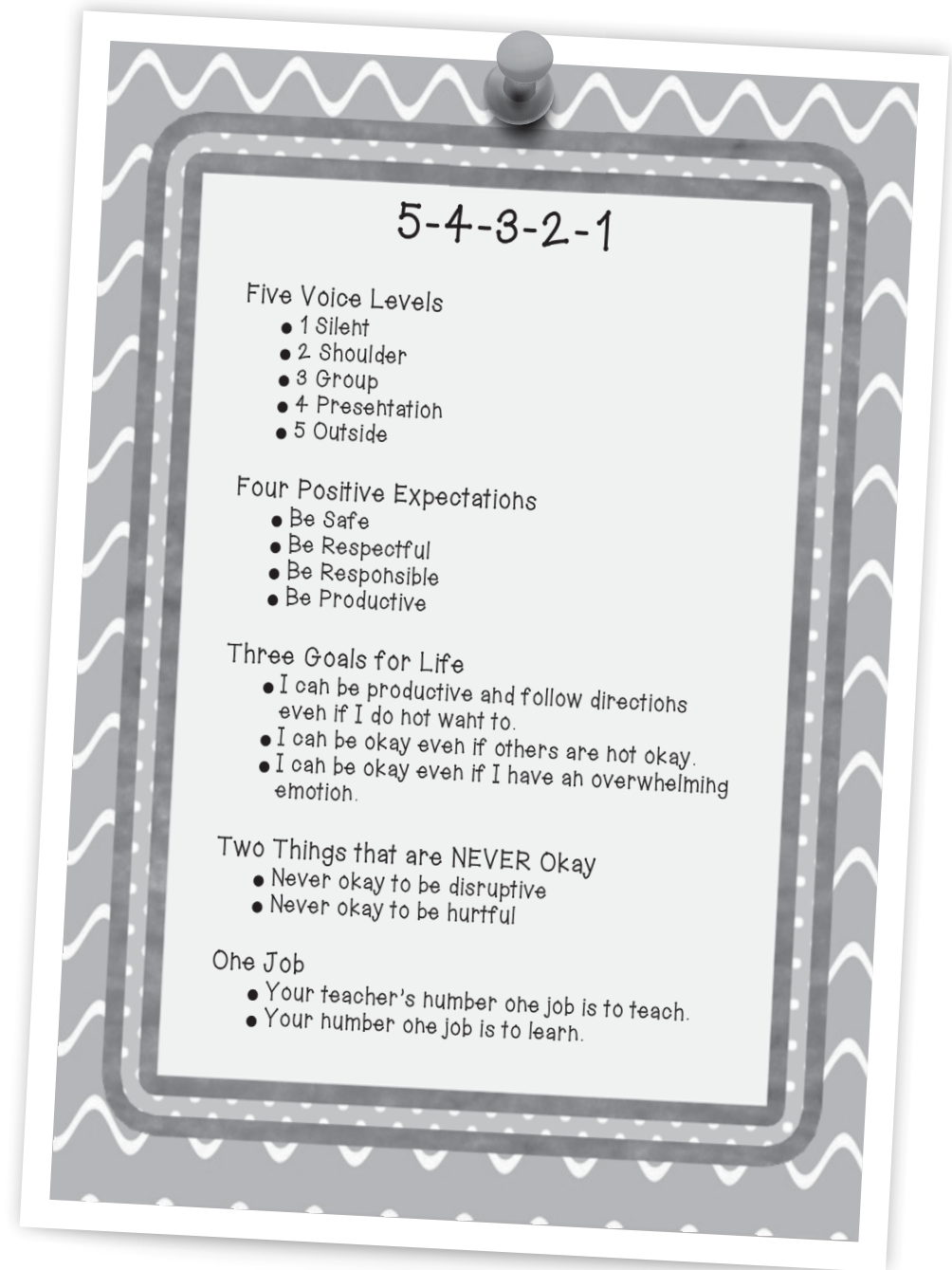
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May 2026

Lincoln Public Schools

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Month					1	2 Mayor's Run
3	4	5 10:00 am 1st Grade Field Trip to Pioneers Park 12:30 am 1st Grade Field Trip to Pioneers Park	6 May Birthday Bunch	7	8	9
STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK						
10	11	12 2:00 p.m. Choir/ Band/Strings Dress Rehearsal 6:00 Choir/ Band/Strings Concert	13 June Birthday Bunch	14	15	16
17	18	19 PK Field Day 5th grade Salt Dogs Game	20 Field Day KND - 4th	21 Last Day of School Picnic Lunch 5th Grade Celebration 3:00 p.m. 5th Grade Tunnel Walk	22 1st Day of Summer Break Report Cards posted in ParentVue by 4:00 p.m.	23
24	25 Memorial Day	26	27	28	29	30
31						

» Important Dates

May 2nd
Mayor's Run

May 4th-8th
Staff Appreciation Week

May 5th
1st Grade Field trips to
Pioneers Park

May 6th
May Birthday Bunch

May 12th
Choir/Band/Strings
Rehearsal and Concert

May 13th
June Birthday Bunch

May 19th
PK Field Day

5th Grade Field Trip to Salt
Dogs Game

May 20th
Field Day KND - 4th

May 21st
Last Day of School
Picnic Lunch

5th Grade Celebration

3:00 p.m. 5th Grade
Tunnel Walk

May 22nd
First Day of Summer Break

May 22nd
Report Cards posted in
ParentVue by 4:00 p.m.

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Visitors

Parents/guardians and community members are encouraged to visit our school. Children that are not enrolled at Meadow Lane may not visit unless accompanied by an adult, and can visit for lunch only. It is recommended that visitors limit their visit to 30 minutes. When visitors do come to school, they need to check in with security personnel and wear a visitor badge provided for you. Wearing this visitor badge will assure all staff that approval has been given by the office to visit.

Inclement Weather

Students are encouraged to dress appropriately for the weather. During wet, snowy weather, students not adequately dressed for the conditions (outdoor boots, snow pants, etc.) will be asked to remain on the concrete play area for recess. Indoor recess will be scheduled when the windchill or temperature is 10° or below or 90° or above. This can depend on length of time outside.

Make-up work

We appreciate parent/guardians' conscientious regard for picking up homework for their child.

- If your child will be absent only one day, work may be made up or taken home upon return to school.
- If your child will be absent for an extended period of time, please contact the classroom teacher to plan for completion of work and notify the office.



Field Trips

GRADE	DISTRICT SPONSORED	PTA SPONSORED
Kindergarten	Lincoln Children's Museum (volunteers)	Wildlife Encounter (program coming to school)
Grade 1	Pioneers Park (volunteers)	Orchard Visit (volunteers)
Grade 2	Lincoln Children's Zoo (volunteers)	Pumpkin Patch (volunteers)
Grade 3	Morrill Hall (no volunteers)	UNL Stadium Tour (volunteers)
Grade 4	Cunningham School (no volunteers) Young People's Concert (no volunteers)	State Capitol (volunteers)
Grade 5	Sheldon Art Museum (volunteers) Saltdogs Game (no volunteers) Lied Center Show	Henry Doorly Zoo (volunteers)



June 2026

Lincoln Public Schools

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19 Juneteenth Office Closed	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

» Important Dates

June 19th
Juneteenth
Office Closed

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Growth Mindset

Meadow Lane staff have studied the author, Carol Dweck, and her book Mindset. In this book, she talks about the power of YET. We want students to learn the power of making mistakes. Making mistakes is one of the best ways your brain learns and grows! The harder you try without giving up, the more you will learn. We believe in trying, we ask children for effort, and we foster resiliency. We know learning means we are just not there YET but we can get there. Here are ways you can partner when growing children with a growth mindset.

CHILD	ADULT
I'm not good at this.	What are you missing?
I give up.	Try using a different strategy.
This is too hard.	This may take some time to learn.
I just can't do this.	You can train your brain.
I'll never be that smart.	I will learn how to do this.
My friend can do it.	You can learn from them.



July 2026

Lincoln Public Schools

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Disability Pride Month			1	2	3 Office Closed	4 4th of July
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

» Important Dates

July 3rd
Office Closed

July 4th
4th of July

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Lincoln Public Schools Volunteer Program

You can make a difference in the life of a student by serving as a volunteer. Each volunteer helps our students learn, grow and succeed. We are grateful to you for sharing your valuable time with Lincoln Public Schools! Level III volunteers must be selected by the school before approval.

Level I Volunteers

Are in a highly public setting with minimal direct student contact and are under the supervision of LPS personnel. Level I Volunteers are not required to complete a volunteer application form. Contact the school office directly.

Examples

- Helping in the front office with a mailing
- Shredding paper
- Stapling forms
- Counting flyers for teacher homerooms
- Shelving books in the media center
- Decorating in the classroom

Level II Volunteers

Have frequent and indirect student contact under the supervision of LPS staff. Level II Volunteers must complete a volunteer application form.

Examples

- Room parent
- Classroom readers
- Book Fair
- Classroom Parties
- Friday Folders
- Back to School Checkout

Level III Volunteers

Have extended contact with students on or off campus, without another LPS employee. Level III Volunteers must complete a volunteer application form and submit information for a national background check. Note: Social Security Number and date of birth are required to conduct background check.

Examples

- Field Trip Assistants
- Chaperoning an overnight band, or cheer trip
- Sponsoring a school club
- Driving for school or club events
- School Activity outside of the school building that driving or an overnight stay is involved

Coach Volunteers

Have extended contact with student athletes. Coach Volunteers must contact the school directly, complete the coach volunteer application, and submit information for a national background check. Note: Social Security Number and date of birth are required to conduct the background check.

Examples

- Practices and events with students outside of the school day including weekends
- Traveling with students during the day, evening and weekends
- Participate in travel that may include overnight stay with students

Behavior Framework

Goals for My Life

- I can make good choices even if I am mad.
- I can be okay, even if others are not okay.
- I can do something even if I don't want to.

Grace — We accept...

- You
- Your behavior
- Your pain
- Your needs

Language

IN CLASS MOVEMENT

A space in the classroom where students can reset their behavior.

OUT OF CLASS MOVEMENT

A seat in a same grade classroom for student to regroup.

OFFICE CALL

Support from our leadership team to refocus a student and reset the behaviors.

PROCESSING

Student reflects with sending teacher on behaviors and makes a plan.

Prevention

- Classroom & Building Routines & Expectations
- Building Wide
- Reinforcement System (Class Dojo)
- Zones of Supervision
- Increased Opportunities to Respond in Class
- Teach, Practice & Reteach Throughout the Year
- Common Language

Accountability

- Continuum Practiced & Used
- Processing & Apologies
- Reteaching or Prosocial Groups
- Protective Plans for Support & Goal Setting
- Calming Corner & Support Room for Regulation (prevention & accountability)
- Repairing Harm

Restorative

- Greeting Routines
- Skill Building
- Problem Solving
- Chats, Class Meetings, or Circles
- Mindset
- Relationship Building
- Partnerships with Students & Families

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