



# Lincoln Elementary School

## November 2019 Newsletter



### A Letter from Mr Skeels

Hello, Lincoln Families! Here are a few reminders.

First, if you are dropping your students off late to school or after an appointment, you must come into the office to sign them in. Thank you!

Second, please be sure to familiarize yourself with the updated attendance policy now in effect for all APS schools.

- At five full day equivalent counted absences within a semester, a letter or a phone call will be made to notify the parent.
- At nine full day equivalent absences within a semester, the school administrator should, if appropriate, request a meeting with the student and parent. The goal of the meeting should be to address the root cause of the absences.
- If the attendance expectations from the meeting are not being met, a referral form **will be** sent to the Truancy Prevention Specialist.

Students are expected to be in their classroom at or before 8:35 AM.

Students arrive after 8:36~9:00 AM will be marked tardy.

Morning absence begins at 9:01 AM.

Afternoon absence begins at 12:01 PM.

Students signed out after 3:15 PM will be marked S.O.E. (Signed Out Early). This is equivalent to being marked tardy.

Third, Lincoln staff strive to be excellent communicators. We consistently focus on providing relevant and timely communication through a variety of sources. We also want to hear from you. In order for us to receive and process information in the best interest of our students and school, please connect with teachers first when you have concerns from the classroom. The next step is to connect with Mr. Skeels if needed. This "chain of command" communication plan is the research based best practice in effective communication.

Finally, registration for Fall into Fitness is still open! Online registration is available at <https://ultrasignup.com/register.aspx?did=69532>.

-Mr. Skeels

### Lenawee County Resources

We have heard from many Lincoln families that they are interested in learning about community resources. Attached to this month's newsletter is a list of programs to help with food, utilities, and housing.

### What's Happening in November?

#### November 8

Picture Retakes

#### November 9

Fall Into Fitness

#### November 11

Veterans Day Program (3rd grade)

#### November 20

Read By Grade 3 presentation/PTO (library, 6pm)

#### November 22

PTO Candle Sale begins/PTO Lock-in

#### November 26

1/2 Day (Delayed Start)

#### November 27

1/2 Day (AM)

#### November 28-29

No school. Happy Thanksgiving!



## Title I Services at Lincoln



Did you know that Lincoln has two Title I Teachers who focus on reading with our Kindergarten to Third grade students? Students may qualify for these services if they score at 50% or below on NWEA or are reading below grade level at an

independent level based on other assessments. If you missed Title I Night but would like information about the Title I resources at Lincoln, the Powerpoint presentation is available. Email [abaker@adrian.k12.mi.us](mailto:abaker@adrian.k12.mi.us) for a copy.

## Winter is Coming!



Students go outside for recess as long as the “real feel” temperature is 10° F or above. As the weather turns colder, please make sure your students are coming to school with appropriate outdoor gear. If you need help obtaining a coat, hat, gloves, snowpants or boots for your child, please let your child’s teacher or Amy Baker ([abaker@adrian.k12.mi.us](mailto:abaker@adrian.k12.mi.us)) know.

### November Reading Tip:

The number of books in a home is a strong indicator of future educational achievement. You can increase your children’s access to books by using the library, buying at garage sales, using Lincoln’s Free Little Library, going to [www.abebooks.com](http://www.abebooks.com), or signing up for the Dolly Parton Imagination Library if you have children 5 or under.



## Veterans Day Program

Mrs. Force and our 3rd grade students cordially invite all veterans in our Lincoln community to our 2nd Annual Veterans Day program on November 11. It will be held from 9:15-9:45 in the Lincoln gym. Thank you for your service!

## PTO Volunteer Opportunities

PTO is ready for a busy fall and winter! Current volunteer opportunities are:

1. Serving on the lock-in committee (lock-in is November 22).
2. Helping with the candle sale (starts November 22; will need volunteers to sort orders and prep for delivery).
3. Popcorn Fridays (first one is scheduled for January 24. Need help picking up and bagging popcorn for delivery to classrooms).

If you’d like to help, contact PTO through Facebook (Lincoln Elementary PTO—Adrian) or by calling or texting:

**Kristina Inclan (419-460-7463),**

**Elly Sager (517-902-1268),**

**Or Nicole Burns (517-270-1910).**

## Volunteer Procedures

If you plan to volunteer at classroom parties, on field trips, or in any capacity at Lincoln, we must have an approved background check form on file. You can get this form at school or print it from the APS website ([www.adrianmaples.org](http://www.adrianmaples.org)), then go to Parents → Policies & Forms → Volunteer/Donation(s)).

***Lenawee County Resources (from the Lenawee Community Foundation)***

***Basic Needs (Food, Utilities, Housing)***

**Food Assistance**

Department of Human Services: 517-264-6300; [newmibridges.michigan.gov](http://newmibridges.michigan.gov)

**Adrian food pantries/meals**

First Church of the Nazarene: 50 Industrial Court, 517-263-1759 Tuesday 10:00am – 2:00pm

United Methodist Church: 1245 W. Maple St., Contact: Dept. on Aging 517-265-5689. For adults 60+ meeting income guidelines. Call for dates of distribution.

The Daily Bread: 302 S. Tecumseh St., 517-266-0937. Serves meals on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, from 11:30 am - 2:00 pm; Food pantry open Tuesday, and Friday 12:00-2:00 pm (Bring ID, must have ID for everyone in household)

Damascus Road: 301 S Tecumseh St, Adrian, MI 49221, 517-265-1900. Open Daily 8am-6pm. Provides warmth, hot beverages, and light snack

Family Worship Center of Adrian: Fresh Food Initiative, 1120 E. Maple, 517-417-1003. 2nd Saturday of the month from 9:00am-11:00am. For low income families; must bring proof of income and valid identification.

Neighbors of Hope: Fishes & Loaves Food Pantry 410 East Maumee St., By appointment only: call Judy Palmer at 517-759-4421

Saint Vincent de Paul Society (St. Joseph Church) Food Pantry: 415 Ormsby St., 517-605-4819 (office); 517-759-9296 (pantry only), Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 1 - 2:30 pm.

The Salvation Army: 217 W. Church St., Contact: Candy Aranda 517-265-2038. Serves hot meals on Monday and Wednesday 4:00 - 5:00 pm. Food pantry open Monday and Thursday (by appointment only) from 8:30-11:30am. Tuesday is the Fresh Food Initiative from 8:30 - 11:30 am.

WIC (Women Infants and Children Program) at Community Action Agency: 400 W. South St., 517-263-7861. Nutritional and educational program for pregnant or post-partum women, infants and children under age 5 (must meet income guidelines).

Saint Mary's Catholic Church Food Pantry: 317 Erie St., 517-266-0378 or 517-263-4681 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 1 - 3 pm

**Housing & Utility Resources**

Habitat for Humanity of Lenawee: 517-265-6157 (provides affordable homeownership opportunities as well as home repairs for low and moderate income Lenawee County residents).

USDA Rural Development: 517-676-1808 or 517-324-5190 (mortgage financing and home repairs for low and moderate income residents of rural areas).

Bed Bug Detection Traps (Housing Help of Lenawee): 517-264-0782

Lenawee County Department of Veterans Affairs: 517-264-5335

**Rent/Mortgage Assistance**

Housing Help of Lenawee: 517-264-0782

HUD/Section 8 McKinney, LLC 517-524-8783: Applications at Department of Human Services <http://www.michigan.gov/helpinghand>

Ogden Bible Church: 517-265-6621

Lenawee County Department of Veterans Affairs: 517-264-5335

### **Temporary Shelter**

Catherine Cobb Domestic Violence Shelter (women & children): 517-265-6776

Housing Help of Lenawee (families): 517-264-0782

Neighbors of Hope: (men) 517-265-4019 NOH Women and Children's Center 517-301-4939

American Red Cross (disaster): 517-263-9384; 517-263-1171

Salvation Army: 517-265-2038, call for more information

Share the Warmth: 517-203-9857

### **Utility Assistance**

Clinton Ministerial Fund: 517-456-4363 Pastor Diane White [uccofclinton@gmail.com](mailto:uccofclinton@gmail.com) 734-660-1886

Community Action Agency: 517-263-7861 ext. 224

Dept. of Human Services: 517-264-6300 (clients only)

Salvation Army: 517-265-2038 Candy Aranda

Assurance Wireless: 888-898-4888 (free cell service for eligible customers)

American Legion (Veterans only): Gary Tanner 313-550-4289

Ogden Bible Church: 517-265-6621

Safe Link Wireless Program: provides a free cell phone and airtime each month for eligible customers

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

### **Rent/ Mortgage/ Foreclosure Resources**

Housing Help of Lenawee: 517-264-0782

Community Action Agency: 517-263-7861 ext. 233

Foreclosure resources: [www.michigan.gov/mshda](http://www.michigan.gov/mshda), [www.hud.gov](http://www.hud.gov) or 800-569-4287, [www.stepforwardmichigan.org](http://www.stepforwardmichigan.org) or call 866-946-7432

"Starting Over After Foreclosure Toolkit" <http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/mimoneyhealth/startingover> <http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/info/mimoneyhealth> (includes resources on money management)

Legal Services of South Central Michigan: 888-251-1598; M - F 9 am - 5 pm (closed 12 - 1 pm)

Fair Housing Center: 877-979-FAIR or 877-979-3247 (For cases of housing discrimination and violations of Fair Housing Law)

Ogden Bible Church: 517-265-6621