



Lincoln Log

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Parent and Child Activity

Does your child have a library card? Help your child get one and use it regularly.

Have your child set a weekly goal and write it down. You can do this, too!

Source: Parent Institute

Calendar

Sept.	3	6:30-7:15pm 7:00-7:15pm 7:15-8:00pm	4-5 Back to School Night Mission Springs Info (5 th) K-3 Back to School Night
	7		Labor Day-NO SCHOOL
	9	7:00pm	PTA Meeting – GLC
	17	5:30-7:00pm	Fall Welcome Dinner
	18		Staff Learning Day NO SCHOOL
	29		Bud White Student Photos

Labor Day – September 7 – No School

School is closed on September 7 in honor of Labor Day.

Back to School Night

Back to School Night is tonight. Fourth and fifth grade teachers will make presentations from 6:30 to 7:15 pm. Kindergarten, first, second and third grade teachers will make presentations from 7:15 to 8:00 pm. Teachers will outline their grade level curriculum and individual classroom procedures. They are eager to share the many enriching and educational activities they have planned for the year.

Back to School Night is an adult only evening.

There is no child care and no supervision on the playground. The purpose of the evening is to keep parents informed on how best to support their child's learning this year. Your dedication to your child's progress is valued and appreciated.

Playground Supervision

Just a reminder, there is no supervision on the school campus until 8:40am. Please do not drop off your student prior to that time. After school students should be picked up promptly and are not allowed to play on the playground or play structures. Thank you for your cooperation.

Refresh critical back-to-school skills for a successful school year

Back to school means more than buying supplies and going to class. It involves establishing routines that help students do their best. To help your child develop good habits and independence:

- Put an alarm clock in your child's room. Instead of you waking her up, see if the alarm can.
- Prepare at night. Have your child pack her backpack, pick out an outfit and put necessities by the front door. You can plan breakfast and make sure her lunch is ready to go.
- Create a homework schedule. Pick a consistent time for studying, such as after school or before dinner. When will your child have the most motivation and energy?
- Stick to a regular bedtime. Allow time for duties – bathing, brushing teeth, putting on pajamas, reading and saying goodnight.
- Post charts to help your child stay on track – a weekly schedule, a bedtime checklist and a reminder by the front door.

Parents Make the Difference October 2009

Interested in Being a Student Valet?

The Lincoln valet program is looking for a few more student valets for this school year. If you are a 4th or 5th grade student and are interested in doing valet, please stop by the office and pick up a permission slip. Signed permission slips need to be returned to Jackie Browning in the office.

Parking Lot Concerns

Please remember to pull forward as far as you can so that we can clear cars off of McClellan Road. Please do not stop in front of the office/MP Room. If you need to walk your child to class and there are no parking spaces available in our parking lot, please park on the street and walk into the school using the cross walk monitored by the crossing guard. The back lot is Staff Parking Only. Do not park in the staff parking lot at any time before or during school hours.

From the Tech Lab:

Parent Helpers Needed

The computer lab sessions are well underway. Your children will be doing a lot of fun, creative digital projects during these lab times. You could be a part of this exciting experience by volunteering at the tech lab. We need parent helpers, especially for the K-2nd grade classes. Many teachers have a regular, bi-weekly hour-long lab time which may make it a little easier for juggling your busy schedule. Please contact your child's teacher or Susan Satya at x156 if you can help. Thanks!

PTA

Welcome to the new school year!

The Lincoln PTA will be holding the first association meeting on Wed., September 9th at 7:00pm in the GLC. All parents are invited. We hope to see you there!

Fall Welcome Dinner Sept. 17th 5:30-7:00pm

Bring out your blankets to enjoy a warm meal, good music by our chorus as well as the Monta Vista Band and great company of the Lincoln families by attending the PTA sponsored Fall Welcome Back Dinner on Sept. 17th at 5:30pm on the Lincoln grounds. Details should be in this week's MESH. **TICKETS NEED TO BE PURCHASED IN ADVANCE ONLY. NO SALES AT THE DOOR ON THE DAY OF THE EVENT.** The event is being catered by Gunther's. Questions: contact Lata Raghuram at 865-1120 or lataraghu@gmail.com. Looking forward to seeing all of you on the 17th. The Fall Welcome Dinner Committee (Lata Raghuram, Kamini Narang and Tuhina Pande)

LEEF

Help Support Our Enrichment Programs

Last year, through family contributions and corporate matching, Lincoln families showed strong financial support (over \$100,000) for Lincoln's enrichment programs.

Salaries and benefits are paid through LEEF donations, **not by funds from the school district or taxes.**

Please show your financial support by turning in the Family Donor Form included in last week's MESH, or pick up a LEEF packet from the office. Contact LEEF President Susanne Millar, info@LincolnLEEF.org with any questions.

FAQ at <http://www.LincolnLEEF.org>

DISTRICT NEWS

INITIAL AND ANNUAL CELDT TESTING

The Cupertino Union School District will administer the California English Language Development Test (CELDT) to all students eligible for English Language Development services. This test will be administered from the beginning of September through the end of October. Based on your child's last years CELDT scores if their proficiency level is limited, withdrawn or transitional, your child will be included in the annual CELDT test at their school. The initial CELDT will be given to kindergarten students whose primary language on the home language survey is a language other than English. A letter will be sent home with your child prior to the initial and annual testing date at your school. The test consists of four skills: listening, speaking, reading and writing. Grades K-8 are tested in all four areas. This year only reading and writing for kindergarten and first grade students will not affect their overall proficiency level. You will receive the official results after January 2010. If you have any questions, please contact your school office.

2009-2010 District Calendar

August 20, 2009	Students Return
September 7, 2009	Labor Day
September 18, 2009	Staff Learning Day
October 26, 2009	Staff Learning Day
November 11, 2009	Veteran's Day
November 25, 26 & 27, 2009	Thanksgiving Recess
Dec. 21, 2009 - Jan. 1, 2010	Winter Recess
January 18, 2010	Martin Luther King Day
February 15-19, 2010	Mid-Year Recess
March 15, 2010	Staff Learning Day
April 12-16, 2010	Spring Recess
May 28, 2010	Staff Learning Day
May 31, 2010	Memorial Day
June 10, 2010	Last Day of School