



Linc's Link

Hand in Hand, We Can!



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Reminder Notes

September 14–25

We're having a paper drive-by! Please donate reams, boxes or pallets of white copy paper. Be sure to label them with your child's name and teacher so their class gets the credit. Drop off via the driveway during office hours (listed below). 📄

September 16 & 17

MAPS Growth Assessment. K–2nd testing 9–10:15 a.m. and 3rd–5th testing 10:30–11:45 a.m. *Just do your best and STAY CALM, kids!* ✍️

Monday, September 28

No school. Student free day. 🏠

Monday–Friday, 8 a.m.–4 p.m.

Our office hours! However, at this time, non-employees are not allowed on campus except to pick up or drop off supplies (*like, um, reams of white copy paper*). But you can always call us at (310) 533-4464! 📞

Want Low-Cost Internet?

And maybe a free laptop? We're not kidding: this is a legit offer for TUSD families. To see if you qualify, text (562) 372-6925, call (888) 391-7249, or apply online at human-i-t.org/tusd. 📧

Principal's Perspective



Hello Lincoln Families!

Welcome, everyone, to the 2020–2021 school year. Although the circumstances that surround this school year are not what we expected, nor hoped for, I'm very optimistic that if we work diligently as a community, we can ensure that every one of our students will achieve success this year. The partnership between school and home will be vital—more than ever!—as school staff and parents step into new roles in support of effectively educating our Lincoln Lions. I'm certain that our collective efforts will enable us to meet every challenge and opportunity head-on.

As part of our shared responsibilities, the staff and I ask that you guide and support your child's learning by ensuring that he/she:

1. Attend and be on time for all synchronous instructional (classroom) sessions with the teacher.
2. Complete and return all assignments on time.
3. Communicate needs to both you and the teacher.
4. Make the most of their virtual learning experiences.

Yes, there are many new and different moving parts to this school year, so I encourage you to stay positive and communicate with the staff and me if you have any questions or wonderings. Without a doubt, this school year will be a memorable adventure; it will also be amazing because **hand in hand, we can!** That's our new motto as well as a mantra to get us through these unprecedented times safely, sanely and successfully. Day by day, **hand in hand, we can and will** not only survive but thrive!

My best to everyone—and please stay safe and healthy!

Distance Socializing

If you have a great school-related, good-quality picture, please send it to LincolnYearbookCommittee@gmail.com. Keep in mind, however, that submitting a picture does not guarantee its inclusion in the yearbook. But, yes, it'll definitely up your child's chances of getting in there this year! 😊

Follow and interact with us through social media! Tweet us at [@TorranceLincoln](https://twitter.com/TorranceLincoln); post on our FB page, www.facebook.com/TUSD-TorranceUnifiedSchoolDistrict; connect with us through Instagram [@lincoln_torrance](https://www.instagram.com/lincoln_torrance); or visit our website at www.tusd.org/schools/lincoln.





Mrs. Morris



Mr. Sergio

Behind the Masks & Screens

So much has changed but one thing remains the same: we have a great staff here to meet your needs. Mrs. Castleberry, Mrs. Tammy, Ms. Cecilia and Ms. Genie are back in the office. Returning teachers are Mrs. King (K, blended), Mrs. Dessert (K/Ist, blended), Ms. Pollicino (K/Ist, distance), Mrs. Houske (Ist/2nd, blended), Mrs. Spriesterbach (Ist/2nd, distance), Mrs. Wing (2nd/3rd, distance), Mr. Covey (2nd, blended), Mrs. Hamilton (3rd, distance), Mrs. Maravilla (3rd, blended), Ms. Smith (3rd/4th, blended), Ms. Junge (4th, distance), Mrs. Konishi (4th, blended), Mrs. Higashi (4th/5th, distance), Mrs. Hutchings (5th, blended), Mrs. Kaneshiro (5th, blended), Mrs. Weiner (learning center), Ms. Gonzalez (Tykes), Mr. Kamida (music on Mondays), and Mr. Dirk (PE, every other Friday). Returning support staff include Mrs. Guzman, Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Sramek, Mrs. Gibson, Mrs. Etherington, Mrs. Whitten, Mrs. Hernandez, Mrs. Ikeda, Mrs. Nielsen, Mrs. Pieters, Ms. Trabiley, Mrs. Willard, Ms. Taylor, Mr. Robert, Mrs. Angela, Mrs. Hamano, Mrs. Khan, Mrs. Komiyama, and Mrs. Low. Joining us are Mrs. D'Onofrio (5th, distance), Mrs. Morris (para) and Mr. Sergio (night custodian).



So who are these masked workers? We caught Mrs. Komiyama, Ms. Trabiley and Mrs. Pieters, all working hard in the office.



Lia Osawa's lovely primary-level visual arts entry placed third at district level last year.

Artists Wanted

Reflections is a program, not a contest, encouraging students to express themselves through dance, film literature, music, photography, and visual arts for fun and recognition. Yes, top entries are forwarded to higher levels for judging but, seriously, the goal simply is to motivate kids to do art! This year's theme is **I Matter Because...** (In case you're wondering, themes are chosen two years prior.) Learn more and register at PTA.org/Reflections. All submissions due Oct. 16. Got questions? Contact PTA President Jeannine Watanabe at Jgardea21@yahoo.com.



Layla Fernando placed third at district level last year with her reflective intermediate-level photography entry.

Share Your Thoughts

What would you like included in this newsletter?

We're planning to publish *Linc's Link* every other week and would love to have you be a part of the process—especially if you're a Lincoln Lion! If you can draw, send us a comic strip inspired by your life, teacher, homework, or school in general. If you want to submit a question for *Share Your Thoughts*, please do. Just email your submissions, questions, suggestions, comments, etc. to lincslinksubmissions@gmail.com.

