



# Linc's Link

Hand in Hand, We Can!



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## Reminder Notes

**Wednesday, September 30**  
PTA Membership Drive ends.  
*Quick, get yours in if you haven't already!* 🕒

**Monday, October 5**  
MAPS Growth Test Make-Up.  
Grades 1–2: 9 a.m. Math and 12:30 p.m. ELA. Grades 3–5: 10:30 a.m. Math and 2 p.m. ELA. *This is just to figure out what you know and what you don't know (yet) so don't stress out, kids—and adults!— if you don't know all the answers: it's that kind of test.* ✍️

**Monday, October 12**  
No school. No teaching day. 📅

**Thursday, October 15**  
Woo-hoo, it's the Great Shake-Out! *Shake it out, sh-sh-sh-shake it out!* 🌪️

**Friday, October 16**  
All Reflections submissions must be handed in. Also, progress reports are going out! *Ah, the ebb and flow of elementary school life.* 🌊

**October 19–23**  
Red Ribbon Week. Yes, yes, you CAN virtually participate and take pictures to show us! Send them to us through email or social media and maybe, just maybe, you'll see yourself in the yearbook later! 📷

## Principal's Perspective

I hope you enjoyed the three-day weekend and this message finds you well and ready for our second full month of school. Can you believe it? Thank you for working side-by-side with your children and teachers to ensure that our Lincoln Lions are online and learning. Even with several weeks of instruction under our belts, teachers are still making necessary adjustments as they continue to discover what works and what doesn't. Everyone's learning curve is still very high.



What we do know, however, is that every new school year brings with it both struggle and triumph. Students are getting back into the swing of things after having a few months off, so even the most independent learners tend to need a bit more help at the beginning of the school year. The difference, this year, is that parents and guardians are the ones students are looking to for help throughout the day. As any of our veteran educators would tell you, this does get better as the school year progresses.

It is so important that you find patience and grace with yourself, our teachers, and our Lincoln Lions as we continue to navigate through this untraditional start of school. I am looking forward to seeing the kids in their virtual classes, working and learning together. I have already seen the connections being made between students and teachers. Everyone is working so hard to make the very best of our Virtual Learning Platform and, for that, I thank each of you! The fact that we are able to create engaging learning environments online for our students is encouraging and gives me much confidence that a great school year that lies ahead. Again, thank you for partnering with us this school year; I wish each of you continued health and happiness... *Hand in Hand, We Can!*

## Photographing Lions

Congratulations! You are now a yearbook photographer! Please send school-related, good-quality pictures of your Lincoln Lion(s) to [LincolnYearbookCommittee@gmail.com](mailto:LincolnYearbookCommittee@gmail.com). Submitting a picture does not guarantee its inclusion in the yearbook but it'll definitely up your child's chances of getting in there this year! 😊

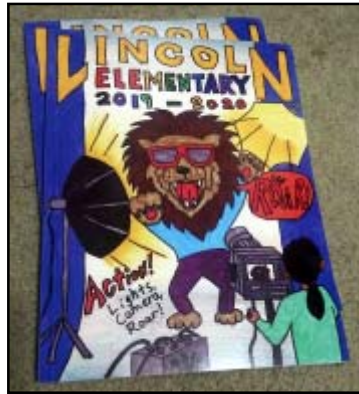
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## Last Call for Yearbooks

Didn't get a yearbook last year? Well, shucks, today may be your lucky day! It turns out that there are still a few left in the office to sell for \$30 each. (Cash only.) Call to check on availability *before* moseying on down with cash in hand to get one.

Oh, and by the way, if you ordered one last year and still have not picked it up (despite getting at least two reminders from the yearbook staff), then you'd better hurry up and come get it! Just saying.



## Free Food for the Taking



**Y**ummy, yummy, fill your tummy! The USDA has extended the summer waiver that allows the TUSD Nutrition Services Department to serve FREE meals to anyone 18 and under (not just TUSD students) until December 31, 2020. This means that you can pick up bulk meals for FREE on Mondays and Thursdays at all TUSD school sites (except Shery High) from 11 a.m.– 1 p.m. Early morning pickups, 7–9 a.m., are available at

the four high schools only.

On Mondays, you receive three days' worth of meals. On Thursdays, you receive two days' worth of meals. Meals include breakfast and lunch foods. Parents/guardians can pick up meals for their students **without** the students present. Just drive through our parking lot and roll down your window!

If your student will continue to need meals after January 1, 2021, apply for the meal program by visiting [family.titank12.com](http://family.titank12.com) and selecting *Apply for Meals Today*. If you have any questions, please call the Nutrition Services office at (310) 972-6350 or email [nutritionservices@tusd.org](mailto:nutritionservices@tusd.org)

## Share Your Thoughts

### What do you do to relieve stress?

Sleep? Eat ice cream? Take a bath? Yell into a pillow? Punch it? Talk to a friend? Cry? Laugh like a hyena? Run laps? Email us by September 9th so we can include your answer in the next issue! Add a picture if possible!

### Why didn't anyone email me? I'm so sad... 😞

We're planning to publish *Linc's Link* every other week and would love your suggestions and submissions! Kids, send us drawings inspired by your life, teacher, homework, or school in general. All readers, submit future *Share*

*Your Thoughts* question suggestions or other suggestions, comments, questions, etc. to [lincslinksubmissions@gmail.com](mailto:lincslinksubmissions@gmail.com).



## Time to Walk FOR (Not TO) School

Did you know you can raise funds for our school simply by walking? Or virtually walking (using whichever definition of *virtually* you prefer 😊)? Just register for the SKECHERS Virtual Pier-to-Pier Friendship Walk with Torrance Education Foundation, happening on Sunday, October 25, at 10 a.m. PST with a live stream presentation.

Last year more than 15,000 walkers raised over \$2.27 million for educational programs and children with special needs. In fact, since 2009, this annual event has raised more than \$13 million.

So walk your fingers over to [www.SkechersFriendshipWalk.com](http://www.SkechersFriendshipWalk.com), select **Lincoln Elementary Torrance** Team from the drop-down school menu, choose Torrance Education Foundation (TEF) for where you'd like your contribution to go, and know that **100%** of your \$30 registration fee will come back to Lincoln and help TEF receive a SKECHERS Foundation grant.

Encourage family and friends to sign up; anyone can participate and help support our school!

Got questions? Email Ms. Pollicino at [pollicino.kirsten@tusd.org](mailto:pollicino.kirsten@tusd.org) or contact TEF at [Admin@TEF4Kids.org](mailto:Admin@TEF4Kids.org) or (310) 320-7232.