



Lincoln School Newsletter

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Dates to Remember!

- 10/1: Picture Day for Cohort A Students
- 10/2: Picture Day for Cohort B & C Students
- 10/19: Flu Shot Clinic for Cohort A Students
- 10/20: Flu Shot Clinic for Cohort B & C Students

Principal's Message

The school year is officially underway. We are thankful to have students in our halls and classrooms once again. Students have been fantastic with following the safety guidelines in place, specifically with wearing their masks and maintaining social distance from their peers. Teachers are implementing their expectations for learning, both in-person and remotely, and creating consistent routines and procedures. Students have been responding well to these. It has been apparent these past few days that students are equally excited about being back in school, seeing their teacher and their friends. These are unique times we are in and we appreciate the support of our families and community members!



Educationally Yours,

Mrs. Gauthier

Picture Day



Picture Day will be Thursday, October 1 for Cohort A students and Friday, October 2nd for Cohort B and C Students. Time for Cohort C students will be determined later. Picture forms will be sent home soon. Students should bring in their money the day of pictures. There will be a retake day selected later in the fall on the chance that students are absent or parents would like a different picture, date to be determined.

Communication

There are several ways that parents can receive information about upcoming events going on at Lincoln School. Each month, a newsletter will be sent home to families keeping them informed of what is going on. We also keep our school website, www.augustaschools.org, up to date with current dates and information. We also have a school Facebook page as yet another way to get information out to our Lincoln Families. Interested parents can 'Like' our page at **Lincoln Elementary School- Augusta, ME**. If parents do not wish for their children's photos to be used on our website, please make sure to sign the Media Release form stating so.

Paperwork

On the first few days, lots of important paperwork will be sent home that needs to get filled out and returned to school. To help process things quickly, we ask that these get returned back to school as soon as possible. We appreciate families' attention to this!



**No Visitors,
Please**



Visitors to the school are not allowed at this time. If you need to drop anything off or pick up something for your student, please call the office at 626-2483 ahead of time. We can arrange to leave items or retrieve items from you in the lobby area of the main entrance. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

Morning Drop Off & End of Day Dismissal



Due to coverage, students should not be dropped before 8:00 a.m. When dropping off children, parents should not utilize the bus loop due to the buses coming and going. Students will head directly to their classrooms through the assigned doors.

In the afternoon, we have a new traffic pattern for our parent pick ups. We are asking families to take the road behind the school building, which will loop you to the side by the Outdoor Classroom. A staff member will check in with families on who they are picking up. Please have ID available until we get to know you. If someone other than the parent is picking up, please make sure the office is informed of this. Our walkers will be dismissed at 2:30, followed by bus students. We will dismiss parent pick up in between our bus announcements, starting at 2:45 p.m. The end of day can get pretty busy and we want to ensure a safe ride home for your child. Please make sure that any end of day changes are given to the office before 2:00 p.m.

Nurse Notes



1. Please remember to look at our Daily at Home Assessment prior to sending your student to school.
2. All medications (Over the Counter and Prescription) should be dropped off by a parent as meds of any kind are not allowed to be carried by students. (Unless authorized by a doctor to carry an Inhaler). Medication drop off is by appointment only this year, please call for an appointment. Please be sure that prescription medications have not expired, are in their original container, and have a pharmacy label on them.
3. If your child has Asthma, Allergies (Epi-Pen), Seizures, or Diabetes, a new Action Plan from your provider is required every year.
4. Flu Season is coming. There will be a Flu shot clinic here at Lincoln on Oct 19th for Cohort A students and Oct 20th for Cohort B and C students (times for Cohort C students will be determined at a later date).
5. Due to changes with COVID we cannot allow students to borrow clothing from the office. Please be sure your student has a change of clothes in their backpack at all times.
6. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to call and ask! Looking forward to a healthy and successful new year!

~Nurse Jessie



Fun things happening from Library in September 2020.

Welcome to a new and exciting year with lots of things happening through Lincoln Library.

Although different, Library will be in the classroom at this time for social distancing purposes.

Activities and stories will be done weeks 1-3.

We will not be checking out books at this time to student but hope that will change as time goes on.

You can access our Library site thru the Specialist page on your Google Classroom or SeeSaw classroom page. There are lots of links to many great pages for your child. The top of the page will have grade levels listed.

Once again our Maine Student Book Nominees have a new list read to read. These books can be accessed through Lithgow Library or on Cloud Library through Lithgow.

The Maine Student Book Award (MSBA) website can be accessed at <http://msba.umeedu.maine.edu/> to preview the new exciting list for 2020-2021

K-3 grades will begin reading the 2020-2021 Chickadee Nominee books.

If you would like to learn more about this and see the books we read have please go to this site and then ask your child to share about the books we are reading. <https://sites.google.com/site/thechickadeeward/>

Many of our student still have Library books that need to be returned from last spring. Please help your child by placing them in their backpack.

Happy Reading!
~Mrs. Pridham