May Report to the Board of Education Lincoln Elementary School Debra Zueck, principal

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Enrollment:

Grade 3: 94
Grade 4: 84
Grade 5: 111
Total: 289

<u>Janice Holzworth:</u> Congratulations and Best Wishes goes out to Janice Holzworth (Sp.Ed.) who will retire at the end of this 2016 school year. We wish her the best of luck in her retirement and Thank her for the many dedicated hours that she has spent making an educational difference!

THANK YOU: I would like to take this opportunity to extend a heartfelt thank you to the staff—students and parents of Lincoln School- to the unit office staff- the board of education and all other employees of our district for a successful year at Lincoln School. The transition was a success with a great amount of team work: **Many Hands Make Work Light!**

<u>Special Thanks</u> to <u>Lori Ade</u> who puts in many hours to make sure our students are safe to and from school as well as accommodating for the many transportation needs and desires. She does a great job and is so appreciated!

Special Thanks to Paul Lauff-Jessie Miller-Dara Thompson-Scott Savage- for their assistance in the PARCC exam which went so smooth because of their labors. Thanks to the staff and students who worked so hard in making the test day a successful experience!

<u>Staff Appreciation</u>: Staff was appreciated with a full meal deal on Tuesday, May 3rd by PTO and received many surprises from the office in gratitude for the MANY dedicated hours they give to the students. They are SO appreciated!

<u>Band:</u> An informational meeting was held on Wednesday, May $4^{\rm th}$ for all fourth grade students and parents who may be interested in signing up for fifth grade band. On Thursday, May 5th, students had an opportunity to try out instruments and were encouraged to call the office to set a time between 2:30-7 p.m.

<u>Life after Lincoln</u>: On Thursday, May 12th, fifth grade students had an opportunity to spend time touring PJHS. They are always a little more at ease about the transition after they have completed the tour and had an opportunity to ask questions in anticipation of...'Life after Lincoln'!!

<u>Are you ready for Lincoln School</u>? The question was asked to the **2nd grade students** from Washington School who made a visit to **Lincoln School on Thursday**, **May 12th**. After a brief overview of expectations of '**Life after Washington**', the students had the opportunity to ask questions and tour the building,

<u>Handbook Committee</u>: The Handbook Committee met on Monday, May 9th to make suggestions for changes for the 2016-2017 school years. **Thanks** to the committee and parent volunteers for their input and time.

<u>Math Contest</u>: Twenty-three 4th grade students participated in the annual Math League math contest on Monday, May 9th. The contest had 30 very difficult math problems and students were given 30 minutes to complete the contest. All students will be recognized with a

certificate and ribbon on Awards Day with the top 5 math students receiving a certificate and plaque.

Spelling Bee: Thirty-two students (grades 3-5) participated in the annual Spelling Bee on Wednesday, May 11th. The students did a great job spelling a variety of difficult words and will be recognized with a certificate and pin on Awards Day. Thanks to Marilyn Stalets for being the pronouncer for the bee!

<u>Tags of Achievement:</u>: Qualifying students (4th-5th) who received 3 tags for the homework incentive program will have a <u>Curriculum based day of fun</u> on Friday, May 13th at Lake Shelbyville. The day will be spent doing a variety of activities using a variety of resources: a picture scavenger hunt using their cell phone or other device conducted by the Park Ranger: a tour of the visitor center museum and a tour of the water system process.

Third grade students visited Rock Springs on Monday, May 9th as a Curriculum based day of fun with learning the habitat of many pond and wildlife animals. The Tags of Achievement program continues to be very successful Thanks to Janice Holzworth and grade level staff members for the organizing-planning and providing these learning experiences for our students who worked hard to achieve their goal.

<u>Family Night Event</u>: Lincoln School students and parents were invited to a Family Night Event on Tuesday, May 3 rd @ 4 p.m. in the Lincoln gym. Debbie DeVault, CCWM gave a presentation on the importance of recycling and made garden stepping stones with a variety of trinkets.

<u>Principal's Celebration</u>: No Majors-No Minors: One-hundred-ninety-five (195) students qualified for the principal celebration on Monday, May 2nd. These students did not receive any type of discipline referral for the entire year. The students spent 90 minutes with Ms. Zueck and other designated chaperones enjoying 4 inflatables on the Lincoln School playground furnished by Fun to Go.

<u>Band/Choral Concert</u>: Band students presented a concert on Tuesday, May 10th in the PHS gym. Students have been practicing under the direction of Theresa Steiner and were anxious to give there parents the opportunity to witness their many accomplishments.

<u>DARE Graduation:</u> Fifth grade students will be participating in a **D.A.R.E.** graduation on Monday, May 16th at 1:15 p.m. in the multi-purpose room at Lincoln Elementary School. Families are invited to attend the graduation.

<u>PBIS</u>: Students who have earned 125 points will qualify for a Day of Fun at Kitchell Park on Tuesday, May 17th. Students will participate is a variety of fun-filled activities with staff participating in the challenge!

<u>Track n Field Day-</u>On Wednesday, May 18th, students will enjoy a day of running-jumpingand tugging for a Track n Field Day. Staff and students will spend the day in many well planned events with the culmination of giving awards for placement winners. Thanks to Mrs. Epley-Mr. Malisia for the planning and the staff for the assistance.

Awards Day: Awards Day will be held on Friday, May 20th at 8:30 a.m. for third (3rd) grade: 9:30 for fourth grade (4th) and 10:30 a.m. for fifth (5th) grade students. The program will be held in the gym and parents are invited to attend. Students are recognized for attendance, academic achievement, and individual awards/pins by classroom teachers.

Boys-Girls Basketball: Flag Football: Junior Golf: Students continue to have an opportunity to register for many summer sporting camps. Registration forms are available in the office and many students are taking advantage of signing up for these camps which will provide an opportunity to develop the basic fundamentals with emphasis on building skills.

<u>So Many Exciting, Learning Experiences are Happening at Lincoln Elementary and the students are generated by their accomplishments:</u>

<u>Table for Four</u>: The newest addition for **PBIS** is a **Table for Four**. The table cost 100 panther points and the one who purchases the table invites 3 other friends to join them. The table is **formally set** with a table cloth and set to the side for a little privacy. It is a popular item...

<u>Cinco de Mayo:</u> Third grade students enjoyed "Fifth of May" by visiting each classroom with centers that revolved around this Spanish Celebration. Mrs. Jahn (mother of Mrs. Epley) had a lesson in Spanish-read a story in Spanish and provided cookies that had a Spanish flare. Additional centers were making the Flag of Mexico-the Mexican hat dance-Uno followed by chips and salsa. Learning CAN be Fun!

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Thanks to everyone for the support that is needed to make the year a success!