

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



**'Be a Part of the Pride**

**Enrollment:**

Grade 3:	95
Grade 4:	98
Grade 5:	92
Total:	285

**Friday Recognition:** Students will begin to celebrate academic progress and being role models with a Friday Recognition. Each staff member submits a name and students receive a coupon for Subway-Pizza Man or McDonalds.

**Cub Scouts:** Lincoln School boys were treated to a short presentation by the local area Boy Scout Council leadership on Wednesday, Aug. 31. A brief overview of the scouting program in Pana was presented with a follow-up informational meeting for parents at the Pana Christian Church.

**Girl Scouts:** Lincoln School girls will have the opportunity to join Girl Scouts on Tuesday, September 12th from 6-8 p.m. at Pana McDonald's.

**PTO Fundraiser Kick-Off** was held on Tuesday, August 30th at 2:00 p.m. Cherrydale will be our product host with Krista's Gourmet Delights-and Heart Home sales.

**Math Sweeps** were held on Thursday Sept. 8 followed by **Reading Sweeps** on Friday, Sept. 9th.

**911:** The 15<sup>h</sup> Anniversary of 911 was remembered in a moment of silence on Friday, Sept. 9th followed by many staff members sharing the events of that tragic day on **September 11, 2001** in New York City.

**Scholastic Book Fair:** PTO hosted a Scholastic Book Fair for both Washington and Lincoln Schools on Thursday-Friday, September 15-16<sup>th</sup>. Students had an opportunity to shop-browse and view the fair during their IMC time. Thanks to the volunteers for the organizing and setting up for this event.

**Fall Family Fun Night:** The Pana Chamber of Commerce will be hosting an outdoor movie on Friday, September 16th at Chautauqua Pavilion in Kitchell Park. "The Jungle Book" will begin at sunset. Families are encouraged to bring lawn chairs or blanket with hot dogs, chips, and drinks available to purchase.

**Fire Drill:** Lincoln School will conduct the **first** of four fire drills on **Thursday, September 22nd** at 10 a.m. followed by the **2<sup>nd</sup> drill on Tuesday, September 27th** at 1:30 p.m. There will be a mock disaster drill as our **third** fire drill on **Tuesday, Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>** followed by the **last with local emergency agencies during Fire Prevention Week**. The alarm will be pulled, the alarm company will notify the fire department and the fire department will record the time it took for notification and arrival on the scene.

**Parent Home Portal:** Lincoln School parents continue to have the opportunity to view student academic records via the parent home portal. Parents were provided the information and we are in hopes that many will take advantage of the service.

**Family Newsletter:** Each month, parents will receive a **Family Newsletter** that provide details and highlight events / happenings of Lincoln Elementary School. In addition, the newsletter will be made available for those who do not have access to the internet.

**Time for Family/ Home School Connection/Nutrition:** Each month an article flyer will be sent home with students in an effort for home and school to work together in building success. Each edition offers tips to parents from working on homework, study habits, and nutrition to parenting skills.

**Tags of Achievement:** The homework incentive program was successful and will continue at **all grade levels** during the 2016-2017 school years at Lincoln Elementary School. Tags of Achievement provide students with an opportunity to earn mini tags/charm clips based on completing/returning homework and projects by the due date! Tags will be distributed at the end of each grading period.

**Box Tops:** Lincoln School is enrolled in the **Big G Box Tops** for Education Program again this year. The program pays 10 cents per box top. In addition, the following products have a qualifying coupon: Yoplait yogurt, Pillsbury, Betty Crocker, Old El Paso, and Ziploc.

**Max Dollars for Education Program:** Lincoln School is enrolled in the Max Dollars for Education Program at all participating County Market stores in Illinois. The program runs from August 1-December 31, 2015 and parents are encouraged to use their Max Card with each visit to the grocery store.

**Labels for Education:** We will be participating in the **Labels for Education** this school year and are encouraging all families to assist in our participation. Families will have the opportunity to collect UPC codes from the following products: Campbell's-Pepperidge Farm-Goldfish-Pace-V\*-Spagetti-Swamson-Prego-and Bic.

**So Many Exciting, Learning Experiences are Happening at Lincoln Elementary and the students are generated by their accomplishments:**

**PBIS Committee:** The first Tier 1 meeting for PBIS was held on September 6th and I continue to commend the committee for the continued work that they are putting together to make the program a success. Peace Day Celebrations are being planned throughout the year for 90% of our student population of not getting a referral.

Susan Maziarz does an outstanding job at planning the meetings-collecting and sharing the monthly data with committee members who also do an outstanding job of contributing to make sure the program is a success!

**Remind 101:**

Parents and staff continue to have the opportunity to sign up for a free text service that sends a text every evening with homework assignments. Many positive comments have been received on the service and this is another home-school connection to assist our students in academic achievement. I have implemented the service which is a great way to get messages to staff after working hours and on weekends.

**SLO:**

Students at all grade levels have been given the Fall SLO with the results-data being collected for Fall Student Growth.

**Pre-Post Assessment:**

Students at many grade levels are given a pre-assessment prior to the instructional lesson followed by a post-assessment in a continued effort to prepare our students for their educational journey. The teacher reviews the data-teaches the lesson-reviews the post assessment data and makes a decision on whether the skill has been mastered or if

adjustments need to be made to re-teach the skill. The concept is a positive learning tool for both students and staff.