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

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Enrollment:

Grade 3: 94
Grade 4: 102
Grade 5: 93
Total: 289

Happy Professional Secretaries Week to all of the fine secretaries, and administrative assistant's in the district that makes everyone's job easier! I salute you!

<u>Administrative Assistant Day</u>: Lana does an **outstanding job** and is much appreciated by staff, students, parents, and self.

<u>County Market</u>: Lincoln School received a generous gift of \$5,000 from the Education for Dollars (Max Card) program for the 2016-17 school years. Parents received the Max Card application at registration and a Thank You letter was sent to them for using the cards and designating Lincoln School as the donation spot.

PARCC: PARCC testing was completed with all make up testing sessions by Wednesday, April 12th. Students signed a contract as they agreed to '9' line items: (to name a few) coming to school every day during PARCC testing: Reading the test questions and answers carefully: Using good test taking skills: Double checking test answers and Trying My Best! At the Students are having the opportunity to do one of the following IF the successfully accomplished their goal: Eat lunch with the teacher: Drink a soda: Use a pen all day: 25 panther points: Sit by a friend at lunch: bring show and tell: Sit at the teacher's desk (choices were tweaked according to grade level) Thanks to Dara Thompson and Jessie Miller for ALL their help.

<u>Band Students</u>: Fourth grade students had the opportunity to have a recruitment concert performed by the PHS Band on Tuesday, April 11th. Students who are interested in being in Fifth grade band will have an opportunity to try instruments at a later date...of course percussion is always a favorite! Thanks to Ms. Steiner and PHS Band for providing the experience to our fourth grade students.

MAP Testing: MAP Testing will begin the week of April 24th thru April 28th. Thanks to Mark Schmitz for organizing the testing.

<u>Illinois Science Assessment</u>: Illinois Science Assessment will be given on Tuesday, April 25th to all 5th grade students.

Local Speech Contest: 'My Hero' was the contest topic for the 2017 Modern Woodmen School Speech Contest. Fifth grade students participated with an invitation to parents in a local speech contest on Tuesday, April 11th at PJHS. The students were judged by Paul Donahue-Adam Metzger and Rosilyn Schutt on theme, organization, continuity, interest, and length. Congrats goes out to Katie Christer-Claire Osborn and Chloe Bland who will move on to the District Level in Shelbyville, IL (TBA) Thanks to Susan Maziarz for organizing this event for our students and to our judges for their time.

<u>"Bedtime Stories Told by Dad who Messed them Up"</u>: Students will have the opportunity to attend a performance of Bedtime Stories Told by Dad who Messed them Up at PJHS on Friday, May 5. The PHS drama club under the direction of Heather Strom will be performing the play and will give our students some background knowledge in cast-set design and showmanship.

Eggs to Chicks: Angie Matthews and Beth King are participating in the U of I Extension Office's "Spring Chicken Hatch." Students will be able to observe the eggs through an incubator and will be watching the chickens hatch after 21 days. The projected hatch day is May 2nd. Between the 2 classes, there are 36 eggs that will hopefully be hatching! After the chickens have hatched from the egg, students will be able to observe, hold, and care for the baby chicks. The chicks will be then placed with a local farmer.

<u>Drumming Concert</u>: Mrs. Tynan will be hosting a Drumming Concert for students in grades 3-4 on Tuesday, May 2 at 6:30 p.m. The African Based program was a grant that Mrs. Tynan wrote and was approved by the PEF.

<u>U of I Extension-Soil Conservation:</u> Third and Fourth grade students will have an opportunity to visit the Linda Kehias farm and pond site for the Christian County Conservation Day on Wednesday, May 10th. The classes will rotate stations and to name a few: identifying trees by leaves: demonstrations of various aquatic sampling techniques: Science Center: Recycling Dash: and an Illinois Dept. of Natural Resources Mines and Minerals.

<u>End of Year Calendar</u> 2016-2017

May 2	Spring Benchmarking Sweeps (reading)
May 2	Drum Concert (grade3-4) 6:30 PHS
May 3	Spring Benchmarking (reading)
May 4	Math Contest: Grade 4
May 5	PHS play: "Bedtime Stories told by dad who messed them up"
May 10	Conservation Day: Grade 3-4
May 11	Tags of Achievement Trip: Grade 5
May 12	Day at Kitchell Park: PBIS Celebration
May 16	DARE Graduation: 1:15 p.m. Lincoln School
May 17	Principal Celebration: Inflatable Party (No Majors/Minors)
May 18	Tags of Achievement Trip: Grade 4
May 19	Tags of Achievement Trip: Grade 3

May 22 Track N Field Day

May 24 Awards Day: Gr 3 (9 a.m.) Gr. 4 (10 a.m.) Gr 5 (11 a.m.)

May 24 Last Day of student attendance: