

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

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**Enrollment:**

Grade 3:	85
Grade 4:	95
Grade 5:	97
Total:	277

**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!**

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

**PARCC:** PARCC testing will be completed with all make up testing sessions by Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup>. 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 Staff- Dara Thompson and Jessie Miller for ALL their help.**

**Volleyball:** Students in grade 5 are having the opportunity to take forms and register with a mini series of IM Volleyball. There are 8 scheduled sessions held for fifth and sixth grade students under the direction of the high school and junior high coaching staff . The sessions are held at PJHS with the split time between fifth and sixth grade students. This is a great way to learn the basic skills behind how to play volleyball.

**Band Students:** Fourth grade students will have the opportunity to have a recruitment concert performed by the PHS Band(TBA) 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 Mr. Crylen and PHS Band** for providing the experience to our fourth grade students.

**MAP Testing:** MAP Testing will begin the week of April 30<sup>th</sup> thru May 4<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to Mark Schmitz for organizing the testing.

**Illinois Science Assessment:** Illinois Science Assessment will be given on Tuesday, April 24<sup>th</sup> to all 5<sup>th</sup> grade students.

**Eggs to Chicks:** Angie Matthews and Beth King are participating in the U of I Extension Office's "**Spring Chicken Hatch.**" Students in Mrs. Matthews class had 24 eggs delivered and had the opportunity to observe 16 eggs through an incubator as they watched 13 chickens hatch after 21 days. Mrs. King's class had 24 eggs delivered on April 10<sup>th</sup> and are in the process of observing these with anticipation of baby chicks. After the chickens are hatched from the egg, students are able to observe, hold, and care for them. The chicks are then placed with local farmers.

**Music/Art Spring Showcase:** Mrs. Tynan and Mrs. Holman will be hosting a Music/Art Showcase Concert for students in grades 3-4 on Tuesday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 p.m. Students will have the opportunity to exhibit the fine arts both in music and art. Thanks to Mrs. Tynan and Mrs. Holman for providing this experience for our families.

**U of I Extension-Soil Conservation:** Fourth grade students will have an opportunity to attend the Christian County Conservation Day on Tuesday, May 8th. 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.

**Home-School Connection:**

Parents continue to receive a copy of the monthly Home and School Connection flyer which provides them with tips for 'working together for school success. The purpose is to give busy parents practical ideas that promote school success and parent involvement.

**Lincoln Elementary School**  
**End of Year Calendar**  
**2017-2018**

<b>May 1</b>	<b>Music-Art Showcase Concert: 6:30 p.m. PHS</b>
<b>May 8</b>	<b>Conservation Day: Grade 4: Taylorville, IL</b>
<b>May 10</b>	<b>Tags of Achievement Trip: Grade 3: Aikman Wildlife Center: (Arthur, IL)</b>
<b>May 10</b>	<b>Visit to PJHS: Grade 5</b>
<b>May 11</b>	<b>Graduation Walk by PHS Senior Class</b>
<b>May 14</b>	<b>Tags of Achievement Trip: Grade 4 (Illinois State Museum-Lincoln Tomb-War Memorial (Springfield, IL)</b>
<b>May 17</b>	<b>Tags of Achievement Trip: Grade 5: Douglas-Hart Conservation: Mattoon,IL</b>
<b>May 22</b>	<b>Day at Kitchell Park: PBIS Celebration</b>
<b>May 23</b>	<b>Track N Field Day</b>
<b>May 25</b>	<b>Awards Day: Gr 3 (9 a.m.) Gr. 4 (10 a.m.) Gr 5 (11 a.m.)</b>
<b>May 25</b>	<b>Last Day of student attendance:</b>
<b>TBA</b>	<b>DARE Graduation: Lincoln School</b>