



Lincoln Avenue PTA March's Meeting Agenda

- Welcome/Call to Order/Pledge
- February Events Recap
 - Winter Wonderland Dance It was a great night! The children loved dancing the night away with their friends. They received a snowman to take away food craft. The profit from tickets and bake sale was \$1300! That will go directly back into the dance for the next school year. Thank you to the dance committee for all your help in making a successful event.
 - Psychic Night Great turnout! We sold out of all 90 tickets and made a profit of \$1,650.
- Treasurer's Report Available balance \$26,138.28 Outstanding balance of \$4,327 checks
- Membership Update We currently have 357 members. We have had some new families enter Lincoln Avenue this year since January. Class parents, please encourage those families to sign up for membership! Links can be found on our website. Please keep in mind you must be a paid member to run for a board position and/or vote in an election.
- Ways to Stay Connected:
 - Newsletter sent to members through Memberhub
 - On PTA website, Facebook
 - Sent monthly via email
 - Website: <https://www.lincolnavepta.org>
 - Remind App
 - Facebook & Instagram
 - Email: lincolnavenuepta@gmail.com
- Year-round Fundraising:
 - Box Tops App scan through the app; \$0.10
 - Spirit Wear Brought a black tote bag, purple Sayville sweatshirt and a water bottle to show membership; can pick size, the kind of sweatshirt by name brand, you can pick your logo (Sayville, Lincoln Pride); would love any feedback; shipping is usually about 10 days
- Staff Spotlight
 - January Ms. Kinsella; Avery Gilbert and Isabella McQuilllen spoke on her behalf
 - February Mrs. Gonzalez; Orgento Family spoke on her behalf
- Upcoming Events

- **Virtual Bingo** March 14th St Patrick's theme; last virtual for the school year; next month it will be live bingo; free event because the \$5 you pay for virtual bingo is what is used for the prizes for live bingo
- **Board Elections/ Open seat** Nominating committee will be receiving an email to save the date for our Zoom. The positions that are open is co vice presidents, recording secretary, corresponding secretary and treasurer;
- **PARP** Would like to start by thanking all of the volunteers and staff members who joined the committee. Without those members pulling off this three week event would be overwhelming.
 - **Kick Off:** was on Friday, March 1st. Great motivating assembly by Wonder Reader, also known as Mrs. Volpe, explaining to the children the guidelines for PARP and picking a reading sidekick. We children loved seeing the administration and Mrs. Volpe dressed as superheroes.
 - **PARPCorn Day:** was Monday; huge thank you to the Mrs. Volpe, Mr. Bullis , Mr. Armano and the classroom teachers that participated in creating the movie clip for the students to watch while enjoying their Skinny Pop popcorn; if you haven't seen it, it is currently in the story on IG and it is on Lincoln's YouTube channel
 - **Stories by Superheroes:** tomorrow night; please sign up if you would like to attend so we can keep capacity in the school library. We have 8 volunteers from our Lincoln Community that will be reading stories to small groups of children. Some of the superheroes the children will meet and listen to are detectives, a speech therapist, medical professional and librarian.
 - **Steve Petra Reading Rampage** This is an in school event; his superpower is ventriloquy
 - **Meet Fire Dog Chuck:** once all of the pledges are organized; we will send out an email to the participants' parents to RSVP. The event is on March 26th the same as the Wizards Game. Unfortunately, this event was planned with the Sayville Fire Houses board approval and the Fire Marshals schedule. We understand that it is an inconvenience if you were interested in doing both. The event will include a story read by the Fire Marshal and a demonstration including Fire Dog Chuck. After, we will have activity stations set up for the children.
- **Awards** The awards are based off the students total minutes read for the three weeks. We ask that everyone hands in their logs on Friday, March 22nd. That allows the committee to organize everyone's minutes, determine the top 30 readers and two classes.

One class will be from primary and intermediate. The students will receive prizes and the top classes will parade around the school with Lightning.

- Hershey Fundraiser
 - We are running our annual Hershey Park Fundraiser - Purchase your discounted HersheyPark Tickets today in time for SPRING BREAK! Purchase Hershey Park tickets now through March 13th via online cheddar up OR write-in order form with a check and send back to school. Tickets are valid from March 29, 2024 through January 1, 2025. Distribution of physical tickets will be on/or before the week of 4/15.
- Audit Committee
 - We are looking for a volunteer for membership to be part of our audit committee. We are doing a financial review next month, on the committee is Connie Dinkel and Jacque Buckshaw. We need one more volunteer from membership to review the financials. The committee will meet in the beginning of April. Just one day between April 7th-21st because we need to hold and not purchases can be made during that time. **Volunteers: Stephanie Shearer & Elizabeth Fredrick**
- Staff Appreciation Days This week we recognized Mrs. Carluccio for National School Social Worker Week.
- Spring Plant Sale: Sale tomorrow to end of March; pick up Friday from 3-5:30. There are 6 options to choose from. Great way
- 3rd-5th grade dance: need an event chair; Theme In the Lincoln Era; DJ is done
 - **What is the chair in charge of? decorations; bake sale; there is an outline to follow**
- EOY June 13th at the Mansion at West Sayville; 7-10pm; if you have basket you are not using we would love, if you have donations of a business that would like to donate; if you have items never used we can use to donate; cocktail hour, buffet, dessert, outdoor space if nice, flier will be going out to save the date next week
- 5th Grade Committee:
 - Popcorn fundraiser raised close to \$2000 for the 5th grade class. Congrats and huge thanks to Christian Walsh for the highest sales in the whole school.
 - 5th grade parents night out is in the works. Details to come with the Portly Villager.
 - Ride with the bravest is coming in May. Details to come; coordinated with Sayville Fire Department

- Yearbook is underway. 5th grade parents please go in and label your photos if you haven't already. There were 10 entries to the yearbook cover contest. Mr. Michaels has agreed to choose the winner. The yearbook signing event is scheduled for during the school day on June 20th with a Rain date for June 21st. Lunch and games will be available while the kids sign yearbooks.
 - 5th grade mixer (all three elementary schools) is June 3rd. Details to come.
 - End of year party will be at Dave and Busters on June 6th from 6pm to 8pm. Keep your eye open for details; buffet and games
 - Feb treat was personalized ChapStick. March's treat is pushup pops.
 - Graduation is Monday 6/24! Will be asking for 4th grade parents to sign up to help with tables
 - Huge thank you to all of the 5th grade committee volunteers.
- Teacher Liaison Report
 - Thank you for PARP
 - Here Comes the Sunday: Please wear bright colors
 - Multicultural festival; March 25th
 - Parent Workshop on Eating Disorders April 9th on Zoom
 - Grit Challenge; all will receive for certificates; 5 school records beat
- Coffee with the Principal
 - Volleyball game had largest turnout; thank you for everyone
 - Thank you PTA for everything that you day
 - Thank you PARP committee
 - YouTube Channel called Lincoln Live
 - Congrats to Ms. Kinsella and Mrs. Gonzalez
 - Mission and Goals: they listened to the community and staff to develop the pillars and creating the goals; in district office it is displayed for all schools; Lincoln Learns: A Culture of Caring & Family; Pillars are pupils holding up the house; the parents for giving the school their trust to care for their children; the professionals help bring our school together
 - Will start parent workshops; on Monday a flier went home with a QR code to suggest topics, times, locations; they want parents input; some will include social and emotional learning; student independence; curriculum
 - Busy time is coming; make sure you are involved; follow social channels; it is more than just posting pictures, also a way to communicate
 - **Membership Questions:**
 - **Is there spring extended learning? Yes. Funded through COVID money. They are looking at hours to make sure we have funding. Will be sending fliers; there are two clubs for 4th and 5th grade**

students through called Beautiful Me and Confidence Club, SEL work; will be sending it through Parent Square

- 5th Grade MS orientation? Children will be bussed over; taking a tour and meetings staff members May 30th 9:30-10:45am

- Stem lab? The original stem lab was part of the original budget before we found out that budget cut; we don't want Lincoln not to get the same exposure as the other building; looking into grant funding could help get the materials

- LACES will it still be following K to 1st grade and growing the program? Armano said the plan is to continue it but there are unknowns; it is a great program the LACES teacher speaks in Spanish during the entire lesson but uses hand gestures so the children understand

- Is there any talk about bringing Chess nuts? Armano is unsure of the program. Parent will be getting him the information

- 5th Grade trip? Giving it to the kids to choose by voting; moving forward they are going to make it a traditional trip so students know where they will be going when in 5th grade

- Other Reports:
 - SEPTA Wizards game March 26th; the clubs from the MS/HS will be running the concession stands; asking HS students to apply for scholarship
 - SMBA
 - Shared Decision Making no meeting February
 - Board of Education
- New Business - we welcome your ideas!
- Meeting Adjourned
- Next PTA Meeting April 3rd