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Important Dates Coming Up:

Wed., April 8: Report Cards Go Home

Fri., April 10: NO SCHOOL

Mon., April 13: NO SCHOOL FOR ELEMENTARY STUDENTS -- Teacher Plan Day

Wed., April 15: Para-Educator Appreciation Day

Wed., April 15: Cici's Pizza Day (mention Maxey-10% of sales go back to Maxey)

April 20-24: Administrative Professionals Week and Public School Volunteer Week

Mon., April 20: 5th Grade Visit and Lunch at Lux 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Mon., April 20: ExCITE Registration 2:00-6:00 p.m. (LPS District office-Board Room)

Thurs., April 23: Incoming Kindergarten Health Screenings 9:00-3:45 (Health Office)

Thurs., April 23: Maxey Art Fair 4:30-7:30 p.m. (M.P. Room)

Sat., April 25: Backpack Extra Mile Walk 10:00 a.m. (East High School)

Tues., April 28: Early Release Day (PLC)

Grades K-5: Start at 9:00 a.m., Dismiss at 2:18 p.m.

ExCITE: Start at 11:00 a.m., Dismiss at 2:30 p.m.

Tues., April 28: 5th Grade Band Concert 7:00 p.m. (Multipurpose Room)

Wed., April 29: 5th Grade Visit and Lunch at Irving

Thurs., April 30: Tim Feeney Parent Workshop 6:00-9:00 p.m. (Multipurpose Room)

Fri., May 1: School Principal's Day

Sat., May 2: KFRX Mayor's Run 8:00 a.m. (State Capitol)

May 3-9: Teacher Appreciation Week

Wed., May 6: School Nurse's Day

Thurs., May 7: Orchestra Concert 7:00 p.m. (Multipurpose Room)

Fri., May 8: Incoming Kindergarten Orientation (Multipurpose Room/Tour/Knd. Rooms)

Last names A-J: 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Last names K-Z: 2:15-3:15 p.m.

Mon., May 11: PTO Executive Committee Meeting 6:00-7:00 p.m. (Conference Room)

Mon., May 11: PTO General Meeting 7:00-8:00 p.m. (Annex)

May 11-22: Educational Bosses' Week

Thurs., May 21: School-wide Nature Night 6:00-8:00 p.m. (Outside)

Mon., May 25: NO SCHOOL – MEMORIAL DAY

Mon., May 26: No School for ExCITE Students—Teacher Staff Development Day

Wed., June 3: Maxey Field Day

Thurs., June 4: Last Day of School for Students – Report Cards Go Home

Thank you for The MAX!!

The Maxey Staff would like to extend a huge thank you to the PTO for putting on The MAX again this year. Jen Graff and her crew did an amazing job at coordinating another successful evening! We are so appreciative of all that the PTO does for Maxey.

Letter from Jenni Absalon, Maxey Special Education Teacher

Dear Maxey Families,

Eight years ago I walked into Maxey with the intent of teaching here for a couple of years. However, Maxey turned out to be the longest stay in my 23 years as a Special Education teacher, which makes saying goodbye that much harder.

I am pleased to share with you that I have been elected the President of the Lincoln Education Association. LEA is the educators' union for over 2,200 Lincoln Public Schools teachers and support personnel. We advocate for great public schools for every child. I will be working in the LEA office full time with a staff of four. I start my job June 5. My term is three years, and I can serve a total of six years. It will definitely be a change from teaching every day. I am very excited for the new challenge.

Last year my first class of kindergarteners finished fifth grade. I was blessed to teach several students for the entire six years. Not many teachers have the privilege to do that. Next month another group heads to middle school, and I head off to a new job. But I will leave Maxey with fond memories of wonderful families, a fabulous staff and very special students.

I am so thankful to have been a teacher for so many rewarding years. I am looking forward to continuing to help students by making sure we have quality staff, resources, and support in every school. Maxey is a great school, with dedicated staff and supportive families. Thank you for sharing these great years with me.

With regards,

Jenni Absalon

Student Information Forms

Just a reminder that student information forms for next year's 1st through 5th graders is due back to the office by tomorrow, April 9th. It is important to get these turned in, as they are used to develop class lists for next year. There is a copy of this attached to the email if you have misplaced your copy.

BackPack Extra Mile Project (4th notice)

LPS is sponsoring its second annual "BackPack Extra Mile Project". All LPS schools and staff will participate in this project by raising funds for LPS needy students through the Lincoln Food Bank. Specifically, the Lincoln Food Bank provides backpacks filled with food to hundreds of needy children each weekend. The goal for LPS is to raise \$150,000. There is a fact sheet attached providing more specific information. However, last year Maxey families raised \$19,683.00. This provided pack backs of food to 131 students every Friday for a full year. Our goal this year is to raise \$25,000.

The Backpack Extra Mile Project will culminate on Saturday, April 25 with a "walkathon" around East High School beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Maxey Health Office

Each year we receive information from the American Lung Association about their Asthma Summer Camp (Camp Super Kids), which is at Camp Kitaki. It is for children ages 7-14. If you are interested in receiving information about this, please contact the Maxey Health Office or call 1-800-LUNG-USA.

2009 Maxey Art Fair-April 23 4:30 – 7:30 PM

Enjoy Maxey Elementary Pre K – 5 artwork – painting, drawings, sculpture, pottery and many more! View the Paint Yourself Silly "Come Get the Scoop on Art at Maxey" Fundraiser. The new ceramic tiles and ice cream pottery bowls will be on display. Guest portrait artists will be drawing portraits for \$5...Face Painting!!! Guest artist art booths – a variety of artists will be displaying their art and craft.

Looking for Artists

I am looking for any parents or family members of Maxey that are artists to display their talent and artwork the night of the Maxey Art Fair. If interested, please contact Mrs. Hergott blenzen@lps.org / 436-1153

Face Painting

I am looking for any parents or family members that would be interested in face painting. If interested, please contact Mrs. Hergott blenzen@lps.org / 436-1153

Youth Art Month

March is Youth Art Month and to celebrate the Lincoln Public School Elementary Banners will be on display.

LINCOLN PUBLIC SCHOOLS ELEMENTARY BANNER DISPLAY ROTATION

April	LPS District Office* tentative
May	LPS District Office
May	Pershing Auditorium for the Gold Star Banquet
June	State Office Building
July	Energy Square
August	Westfield Mall food court
/September	
October	Lied Center for the Performing Arts
November	Anderson and Easley Libraries
December	Gere and Walt Libraries
January	Morrill Hall
February	Lincoln Children's Museum (displayed for one entire year)

Congratulations to the 2008-2009 Maxey Banner Club:

Kaitlin Buhler
Brooke Herbert
Joel Keim
Emily Kuhl

Lauren Larson
Alexis Mayse
Calen Middendorf
Claire Munger
Alex Nelson
Nia O'bryant
Carly Smith
Sydnie Stilley
Jamie Titus
Katie Vyskocil

VIP (Ventures in Partnership) Traveling Art Show

The VIP Traveling Show showcases artwork by Lincoln Public School students. The traveling show will open with a reception on Sunday, May 3, 2009 from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. at Lincoln Public Schools District Office. Exhibition pieces will be displayed in a local business for one year and then be returned to their originating school for distribution back to the student-artist.

Congratulations to the following students:

McKinley Dawson for his wild animal in habitat
Archer Vogt for "Crazy Birds" his wild animal in habitat
Erin Makinson for her sand painting
Peyton Stoppel for "Robot" his sand painting
Owen Gong for "Sports Gothic" American Gothic inspired portrait
Emma Plucknett for "Wheel of Favorites" her Aboriginal inspired color wheel
Andrew Voss for "Character Color Wheel" for his Aboriginal inspired color wheel
Delaney Springer for "Happy Town" imaginary landscape
Kaitlin Buhler for "4 View Point" Cubist self-portrait
Nicole Selzer for her shoe drawing
Sydnie Stilley for "Cubic Face" Cubist self-portrait