

Greetings Lincoln Heights Family,

It's Super Bowl Sunday!! Let's go RAMS!!

I hope everyone has had a great weekend. We are looking forward to another great week at Lincoln Heights. I only have a few announcements below, please check them out. I believe one of them has to do with a local alpaca. 😊

Announcements and updates for the week:

School Updates:

Coin Wars Fundraiser- The PTA is kicking out our first ever Coin War Fundraiser. They are looking to raise \$1000 to support the work they do in partnership with the school. Here's how it works: The war will run through Feb 25th. Coin Collections bins have been set up at school by teams according to grade levels (4th Grade will partner with our ECS classes and 5th Grade will partner with Pre-K). If the school meets the \$1,000 goal I (Mr. Gaitan) will kiss **Pumpkin the Alpaca**. The team that collects the most amount of money in their bin will be the grade level winner and they get to chose one other Extension Teacher or Mrs. Mac to get a special kiss from **Pumpkin the Alpaca**. Soooo....bring in those coins, break open the piggy banks to support our PTA.

[Member Hub Donations](#) for the Coin War will open tomorrow (Monday Feb. 14th)

Teacher Workday- February 18th is a Teacher Workday therefore there will be No School for students.

Holiday- February 21st is Presidents Day and is a No School Day for us.

Ukuleles- If you haven't heard yet, we have ukuleles!! We are excited to offer this to all students this year at Lincoln Heights. Mrs. Hashey is excited for all our students to get an opportunity to learn this instrument. Although, we would love for students to be able to bring this home to practice, share their experience with you; it is something we just won't be able to do right now. Please read this letter from Mrs. Hashey.

COVID Testing: This started last week! Our school, in partnership with MAKO Medical, will begin offering weekly, on-campus COVID-19 testing for students and staff. COVID-19 testing is an effective way to reduce transmission, especially when layered with other measures.

We strongly recommend all families participate in this free program. Participation helps safeguard the entire school community and gives you information to help you keep your children healthy.

Participation in the program is voluntary. A parent or guardian must register any K-12 student under 18 years old in order for a COVID-19 test to be administered. Pre-K students who attend school within K-12 school buildings are eligible for the state-approved vendor testing with Mako. However, Pre-K students who attend school outside of K-12 school buildings are not eligible for the state-approved vendor testing with Mako.

[Register now. >](#)

Our testing will occur on Wednesday's between 11:45-12:45.

Thank you for helping to keep our school community safe and healthy.

HEALTH AND SAFETY UPDATES (For any illness)

Stay Safe! Stay Home When Sick (Reminder): There have been UPDATES to our school protocols related to COVID. Please make sure you have reviewed the district's [Safe Return to School Plan](#) to ensure the health and safety of all our students, staff, and school community. Review [When to Return](#) information in the event you experience **any illness, diagnosis, or exposure**.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the front office if you have any questions. We are happy to help!

PTA Updates:

Join the LHECMES PTA!: The LHECMES PTA is accepting new members. Please consider [joining](#).

Educationally,

Scott Gaitan, Principal