

## October 2019 Rocket Messenger

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#### Message from the Principal: Welcome

Greetings Rockets! We're up and running and off to a good start! The positive energy in these early weeks has been great and I look forward to the coming months and the opportunities that lie before us as we continue to be: Respectful, Inclusive, Safe and Engaged. #Rockets R.I.S.E.

Thank you to those of you who were able to join us for Parent/Teacher Conferences on September 25th. We appreciate

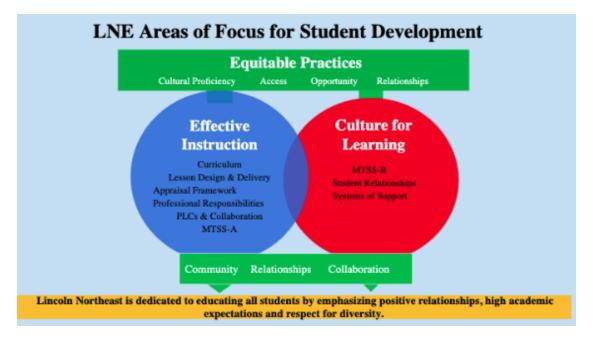
#### **Important Dates to mark on your Calendar:**

October 3 Showstoppers Choir Concert @ 7:00 pm
October 4 School Picture Retakes during school day
October 7 N-ACTS @ 5:30 pm
October 8 & 9 Lincoln Graduation/Senior Orders during lunch
October 8 EduQuest Financial Aid Night @ 6:00 pm
October 8-11 Fall Play @ 7:30 pm
October 10 Rocket Food Market @ 3:00-3:30 pm
October 16 NHS Induction @ 7:00 pm
October 17 & 18 Fall Break - No School
October 19 PSAT @ 8:00 am
October 25 Mickle Middle School Visits during school day
October 26 Hallowpalooza @ 5:30 pm
October 31 Deadline for Senior Pictures in Yearbook

being able to meet and greet you and have face to face conversations.

#### Framework

We will continue to frame our work around the following:



Effective Instruction is the framework for all things instructional. When we talk with staff and students, we discuss opportunities for academic progress and growth via strategies such as engagement, routines and procedures, instruction and feedback. These are just some of the ways that we work to build effective instruction.

Multi-tiered System of Supports for Behavior (MTSS-B) is a research-based framework for teaching and supporting positive behaviors for ALL students. This school-wide approach to behavior focuses on building a safe and positive environment in which all students can learn. Our goal is to consistently teach and reteach building wide expectations. The benefits of implementing MTSS-B include:

- fewer behavior issues
- more instructional time
- increased attendance for student success.

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The foundation of MTSS-B in Lincoln Public Schools lies in the fundamental expectations developed by each of our schools and ultimately supports our instruction.

#### Community Learning Center (CLC) update:

In the Spring I mentioned LNE had been selected to have a CLC. In August we launched our partnership with Civic Nebraska under the direction of Coordinator Erin Voichoski.

The mission of Community Learning Centers is: Smart Kids, Thriving Families, Strong Neighborhoods. As part of Erin's responsibilities at Northeast, she will be overseeing the after-school program, coordinating academic and enrichment clubs for all students at Northeast, connecting with the community, planning community and family events, supporting our PTA and working during the school day with our staff and students. We are so excited to have Erin join our team.

Prior to coming to Northeast, Erin was an AmeriCorps member in Omaha at College Possible, where she served as a College Coach. Based out of Omaha Benson High School, she was responsible for preparing and supporting high school students as they readied themselves for college. Her work at the intersection of education and community development is a great foundation for taking on leadership of Northeast's Community Learning Center. She is looking forward to getting to know all of you and our Rockets. We welcome Erin to our Northeast community!

#### **Reminders:**

We will continue to focus on:

\* Wearing student ID's on a lanyard around the neck (not attached to the back packs). Students are charged \$1.00 each time they need a temporary ID. (A fine slip is written if they are unable to pay.) A new ID replacement only costs \$3.00. Please help your Sons and Daughters keep track of their ID's. If you have any questions, let us know. We're more than happy to work with you to ensure our scholars have an ID.

\*Electronic devices (phones) being put away during instructional time.

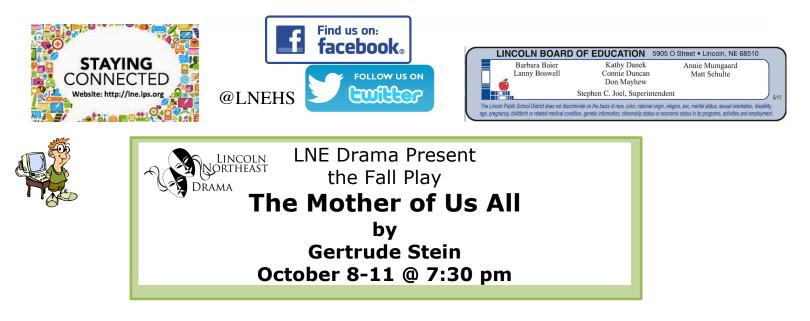
\*On-time arrival to classes so that learning can begin promptly.

#### Thank you Rockets

Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to work with your Sons and Daughters each day. It's an honor to work with your Scholars and serve Lincoln Northeast High School! It's going to be a great year! #Rockets R.I.S.E.

Graciously, Keri Applebee LNE Principal

LNE Mission Statement: Lincoln Northeast High School is dedicated to educating all students by emphasizing positive relationships, high academic expectations and respect for diversity.



#### <u>Library News</u> Diverse Books for All!

Are you looking for books with diverse characters and themes? The MOSAIC is an annual collection of high interest diverse books for preschool through high school students reviewed by LPS librarians.

- Look for the MOSAIC Multicultural Book Display link on your school library website.
- Browse the collection and download the ebooks or audiobooks.
- Want a print copy of a book? Ask Ms. Dorn, your school librarian!

#### Digital Citizenship Tips

Our students are learning about digital communication and online etiquette. Here are some prompts to help you continue the conversation at home:

- What do you like to do online? What are some positive ways you use technology?
- How do you use good manners online?
- What is the difference between face-to-face and online conversations? When would it be better to talk to someone in person rather than texting or posting something online?
- Should you ask permission before posting a photo or video of someone else online?

#### What is MTSS?

MTSS is a framework built on relationships, strong academic and behavioral instruction, along with a continuum of strategies and interventions designed to support positive behavior. One way we support positive behavior at LNE is with RISE Cards. Rise Cards are a positive reinforcement strategy teachers use to promote positive behavior in their classroom. The goal is to recognize students who are meeting a desired expectation. When a teacher sees a student meeting the expectation or demonstrating RISE they give them a RISE card. Students can then either turn the RISE card in and be entered for weekly and monthly drawings or collect the RISE cards to "purchase" items from the school such as a Rocket gear. Research has shown that behavior can be improved up to 80% just by pointing out what a single person has done correctly (Shores, Gunter, and Jack. 1993).

#### **Report Attendance via ParentVUE**

New this year! Report your student's **full day** absence(s) in ParentVUE. When you get logged into Synergy ParentVUE, you will now see a blue button. Click that button to enter the date(s) and reason for the absence(s). There is also a place to add a note if more explanation or details are needed. The attendance office will be able to view and process the information that you enter. No need to call the school!

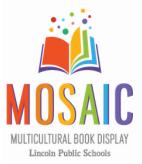
Note: Partial day absences still require a call to specify what time the student will be gone.

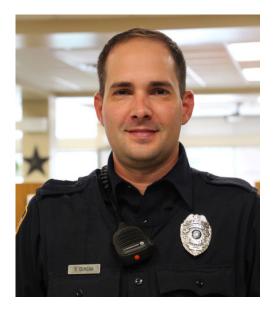
## Together We Transform Lives TEAMMATES MENTORING

#### **TEAMMATES Mentors Needed**

**Would you be willing to invest in one child's life? Become a mentor with the TEAMMATES Mentoring Program at Lincoln Northeast High School.** Meet with a student (grades 9-12) at school during school hours once a week for 30-60 minutes. Build a caring relationship while playing games and sharing interests. Focus on the student's strengths and foster their hopes and vision for their future.

Take the next step. All it takes is an application, which can be filled out online (say that you saw this in the LNE newsletter) at lincolnteammates.org; a background check and a training session are required. For more information, contact Mrs. Kristin Skorupa at <u>kskorup@lps.org</u> or 436-1303, option 2.





#### Hello,

My name is Ryan Duncan and I am the school resource officer for Northeast High! I have been with the Lincoln Police Department for 10 years and I am starting my second year at Northeast. If you or your child need anything from me, they can contact me every day at the school or contact the main office by telephone.

## The Rocket Food Market is Open on Thursday, October 24!

Northeast High School will serve as an official distribution site for Northeast students and their families to pick up food items once a month during the school year. The Rocket Food Market will be open on Thursday October 24 from 3:00 – 3:30 pm in the school cafeteria; enter through door 35. All students and their families are welcome to pick up *free* food.

The Rocket Food Market is sponsored by the Lincoln Food Bank of Lincoln and volunteers from Southwood Lutheran Church. You do not need an ID or proof of income to use this service. We hope to see you on Thursday, October 24 at the Rocket Food Market! Other dates for first semester are November 14 and December 12. If you have questions, please contact Assistant Special Education Coordinator Susan Lowe or Mandy Berlin-Coyle, LNE School Social Worker.



## LNE Senior Class of 2020---It's Time for Senior Orders!!!

Representatives from Lincoln Graduation will be in the Northeast High School Commons during lunch on Tuesday, October 8 and Wednesday, October 9 to help you place your order for cap and gown as well as senior announcements. Order forms will be sent to your home from Lincoln Graduation, please watch the mail for your information packet. Orders can be placed online at lincolngraduation.com or you can give your completed form to Lincoln Graduation representatives during lunch. Seniors planning to participate in the commencement ceremony on Sunday, May 24, 2020, will need to order a cap and gown.

#### N-ACTS Meeting on Monday, October 7

Parents and guardians: Ms. Applebee would like to invite you to attend the N-ACTS meeting on Monday, October 7 at **5:30 pm** in the LNE Media Center. N-ACTS is a community group that includes LNE parents and staff from the Lancaster Prevention Coalition. Members meet to plan and carry out activites for a safe and drug free environment for our students and the northeast community. We encourage all Rocket parents and guardians to participate in the N-ACTS discussions.

Please join our principal, Ms. Applebee, and other community members to promote the positive aspects of our LNE community on Monday, October 7 at **5:30 pm** in the LNE Media Center (enter through door 1 by the Rocket).

### From the Counseling Center

#### Financial Aid Night – October 8, 2019, 6:00 PM, LNE Media Center

Beginning October 1, seniors can apply for federal, state, and college-based financial aid by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). To assist families, a Financial Aid presentation will be given Wednesday, October 8<sup>th</sup> beginning at 6:00 PM with a light dinner followed by the Financial Aid presentation at 6:30 PM in the LNE Media Center. A College Planning Specialist from EducationQuest will present financial aid information and the process for applying for financial aid and completing the FAFSA. Parents will be able to work with staff following the presentation to obtain a FAFSA ID and get started on the application.

Please call the LNE Counseling Center to let us know if you will be joining us for dinner. 402-436-1303 opt. 3

#### **College Planning and FAFSA Application Support at LNE**

Cecilia Hernandez Chavez, a College Planning Specialist from EducationQuest, will be at LNE every Thursday throughout the year to assist students and families with college planning. Beginning October 3<sup>rd</sup>, Ms. Hernandez Chavez will take appointments to help individuals complete the FAFSA. To make an appointment, go to the **Counseling** tab at Ine.lps.org. Click on **Financial Aid/Scholarships**, then click on **Schedule an EducationQuest Appointment.** EducationQuest provides **free** college planning services with a mission to improve access to higher education in Nebraska.

#### Apply2College Days

LNE Counselors and College Admission representatives will assist LNE seniors with their college admission applications October 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>.

October 8 – Public & Private 4-Year Colleges

October 9 – Southeast Community College (free ACCUPLACER Testing)

#### Sophomores & Juniors – PSAT Test

The PSAT will be given at Lincoln Northeast on Saturday, October 19, 2019, 8 AM to 11:30 AM. <u>This test</u> <u>will take place over the LPS Fall Break</u>. For Juniors, the PSAT is the qualifying test for the National Merit Scholarship Competition. Register for the test in the LNE Counseling Center (\$25.00 – Checks payable to LPS). Fee waivers are available for Juniors with financial need. The Registration deadline will be Friday, October 11<sup>th</sup>.

#### ASVAB Testing – Juniors & Seniors

LNE Juniors and Seniors have the opportunity to take the ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery) on Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup>. This **free** test will help students learn how their interests and aptitudes match various career areas.

Sign up in the LNE Counseling Center.

November 21<sup>st</sup> – Senior "Learn To Dream" Campus Visit to Southeast Community College (Seniors eligible for the Learn To Dream Scholarship are invited to attend).

The Learn To Dream Scholarship covers 60 credit hours of classes at SCC (Approximately 2 years of education). Any senior who has been approved for the Free/Reduced Lunch program is eligible for this scholarship.

Sign up in the LNE Counseling Center to attend.

ACT Test Dates – ww	<u>vw.actstudent.org</u>	
Test Date	<b>Registration Deadline</b>	Late Registration Deadline (Late Fee)
December 14, 2019	Nov. 8, 2019	Nov. 9-22, 2019
February 8, 2020	Jan. 10, 2020	Jan. 11-17, 2020
April 4, 2020	Feb. 28, 2020	Feb. 29-March 13, 2020
June 13, 2020	May 8, 2020	May 9-22, 2020
July 18, 2020	June 19, 2020	Jun 20-26, 2020

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#### October "To Do" List

#### Juniors and Seniors:

Attend a <u>Financial Aid Program</u>; October 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM, LNE Media Center Please call the LNE Counseling Center to let us know if you will be joining us for dinner. 402-436-1303 opt. 3

#### Seniors:

- <u>Create an FSA ID</u> for you and one for a parent. You'll need them to fill out the FAFSA.
- \_\_\_\_ Complete the <u>FAFSA</u> on or after October 1.
- \_\_\_\_ Complete college applications. Participate in LNE's Apply2College event October 8 & 9!
- <u>Register</u> by October 8 for the December 14<sup>th</sup> ACT Test.
- <u>Register</u> by October 8 for the December 7<sup>th</sup> SAT Test.

#### **Testing Information**

**AP Exams**: There have been several changes to the AP Classes and Exams this school year.

- Students now have access to resources online for their classes.
- Exams will be ordered in the fall for classes that begin in the fall.
- Students will need to make their decision to test by **October 16, 2019** on the AP online system. Payments for exams are due no later than **November 1, 2019**. A fee will appear on ParentVue and StudentVue a few days after students sign-up for the exam on the AP online system. Each exam will be \$94. There is a fee reduction for students who qualify for free/reduced lunch and have a fee waiver on file. A late fee will be assessed for exams ordered after the November deadline.
- Students that are taking an AP class that is only offered in the second semester will have a deadline to order during the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter.

**Pre-ACT:** The Pre-ACT will be given to all 10<sup>th</sup> grade students on November 7, 2019.

**MAP test:** The MAP reading test will be given to all students who have not met the Reading Graduation Demonstration Requirement in early October.

#### More information:

\*Questions: Contact Angela Bates <abates2@lps.org> in the Main Office.



#### School Picture Retakes by LifeTouch Will Take Place on Friday, October 4

School picture retakes will take place on Friday, October 4. If you did not order school pictures during Rocket Ready Days or if your student's picture taken at that time is not satisfactory, this will be your last opportunity this year for school pictures. Order forms are available in the Main Office. Payment must be made when the student arrives in the LNE Theatre to have the picture taken. If you will be requesting a retake, bring the first package back to the photographer that day; there isn't a charge for retakes if the original package is returned. (Pictures taken on October 4 will <u>not</u> be used for student IDs.)

#### **Northeast Art Department**

The Lincoln Northeast Art Department would like to invite families and friends to our fall Art show in November. Students currently involved in art classes or part of Art Club are encouraged to participate. The event will be held on **Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup> from 3:15-4:30** in the Media Center, refreshments will be served.

If you miss the opening reception, consider stopping by to view the art show display from 4-6:00 on November 21, during the first part of parent/teacher conferences.

# Skills USA Northeast Chapter is hosting a SCDAD METAL NDT//EI

# SCRAP METAL DRIVE!

To raise funds for our state conference in April, we are hosting a scrap metal drive November 4-9. Drop off times are 3-4:30 PM Monday through Friday, and 9-12 AM on Saturday. Please bring all donations to the west side of Northeast High School, by the automotive shop doors. We are accepting most types of metals, but will NOT take flammable metals like Zinc and Magnesium.

Thank you for your contributions!

Northeast Community Learning Center (CLC) Current CLC Club Opportunities:				
Slam Poetry	Dungeons & Dragons	Yoga Club	Art Club	
French Club	LNE Cares (Anti-bullying)	Cooking Club	Psychology/Sociology Club	
Latinos Unidos	Photography Club	Gay Straight Alliance (GSA)	Girls Inc.	
Card Masters	Kaleidoscope			

Encourage your students to get involved by coming to the media center after school to learn more about these club opportunities (and more!) offered at Northeast.

Want to stay informed about CLC activities and opportunities? Like us on Facebook (Northeast High School CLC) for updates on clubs, events, and photos of fun stuff happening after school!



## NCAA College Bound Student-Athlete Informational Meeting

## A meeting for students and parents of all LPS student-athletes looking to compete in college

These meetings will address Information that prospective college student-athletes and their parents should be familiar with concerning NCAA initial eligibility and the recruiting process.



#### Kalyn Doyle Assistant Director of Compliance, UNL

Our Speaker Kalyn Doyle assumed the role of Nebraska assistant director of compliance in 2017, after serving as compliance coordinator since fall of 2010. Before joining the University of Nebraska Athletic Department, Doyle attended the University of Nebraska Law School from 2005-2008 and attended the University of Nebraska-Omaha as a track and field student-athlete from 2000-2005.

## Three meetings to choose from. All presentations will begin promptly at 7:00 p.m.



Monday, October 28, 2019 at Lincoln Northeast Auditorium

#### Monday, November 11th, 2019 at Lincoln High Ted Sorensen Theatre

Tuesday, November 12th, 2019 at Lincoln Southeast Commons

#### For more information contact your school's Activities Office

Lincoln East (402)-436-1313 | Lincoln High (402)-436-1536 Northeast (402)-436-1337 | North Star (402)-436-1305 Southeast (402)-436-1359 | Southwest (402)-436-1306



