

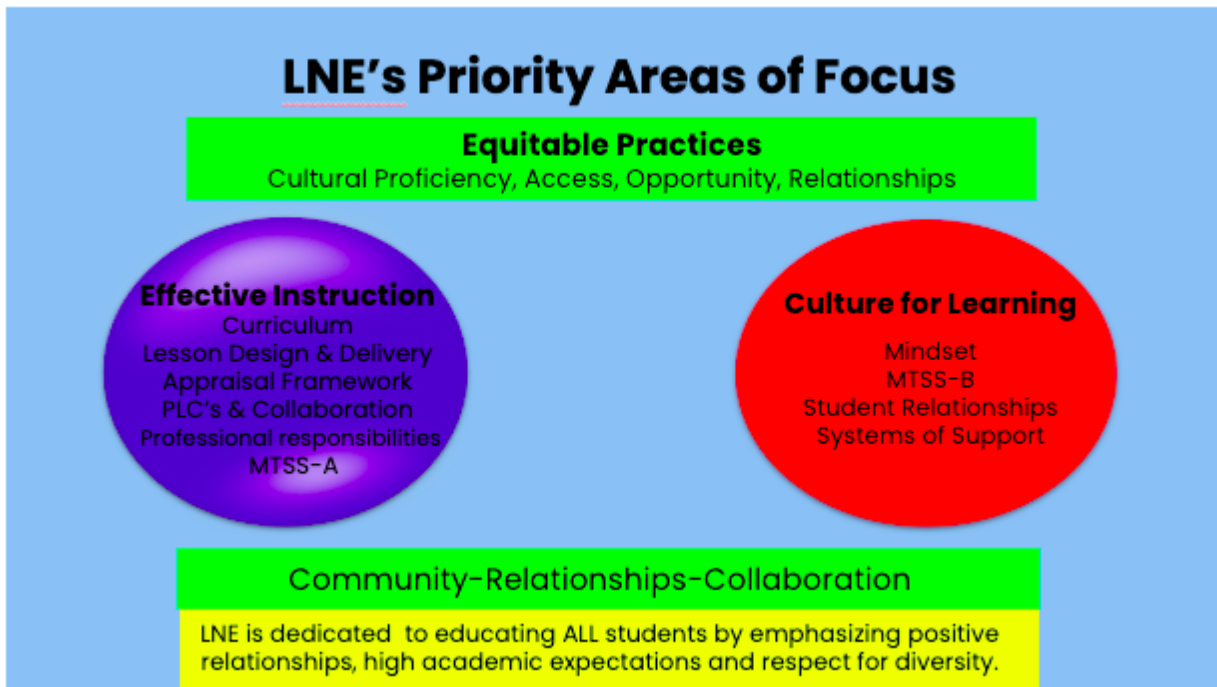
# Lincoln Northeast High School

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## LNE Rocket Messenger November 2020

Hello Rocket Family,

Our continued areas of focus for the 2020-2021 school year will again be: Effective Instruction, Culture for Learning and Equity.



We were disappointed to not have all our students join us as we begin Quarter 2. While we know it is in the best interest of our community, please know that we miss having all of our scholars with us every day! In the meantime, our staff is committed to doing our best to teach and foster learning, under

what is becoming these all too familiar, “new normal” circumstances. I never would have imagined back in March that we would be still be doing school in this manner! Please, Be Well, and let me know if there is anything we can do to help.

### Just a couple of reminders as we kick off Quarter 2:

**-Outstanding Work/Grades:** Active engagement is so important! Please, please, check in with your Scholar and see how classes are going for them. Soon enough mid-quarter will be here and Scholars will need to have any missing work turned in to

their teachers so grades can be completed. If you or your Scholar has any questions regarding course work, please have them reach out to their teacher.

**-Textbooks/Materials:** Please encourage your Student to double check to ensure they still don't have any school materials/textbooks at home from last year. We are short books for some of our classes, such as AP Psychology and History, so any materials that can be returned would be greatly appreciated. Please feel free to simply drop them off at the front desk, just inside our main door #1.

**-Turf Installation Update:**

As I'm sure you may have seen by now, progress on turf installation is well underway. They have been working to bring the base layer surface in to prepare for laying down the turf. The project end date is currently the end of December; depending on weather of course.

**Important Dates**

- Nov. 2** No School, Teacher Plan Day
- Nov. 3** No School, some facilities are used for polling locations for voting
- Nov. 4** Wednesday A group
- Nov. 10-11** senior cap & orders taken during lunch
- Nov. 11** Wednesday B group

- Nov. 18** Wednesday A group
- Nov. 25-27** Thanksgiving break

More activities' information can be found on the LNE web calendar at <https://lne.lps.org/calendar/> or on the LNE athletic calendar at <https://www.heartlandathleticconference.org/public/genie/406/school/6/date/2020-01-27/view/week>

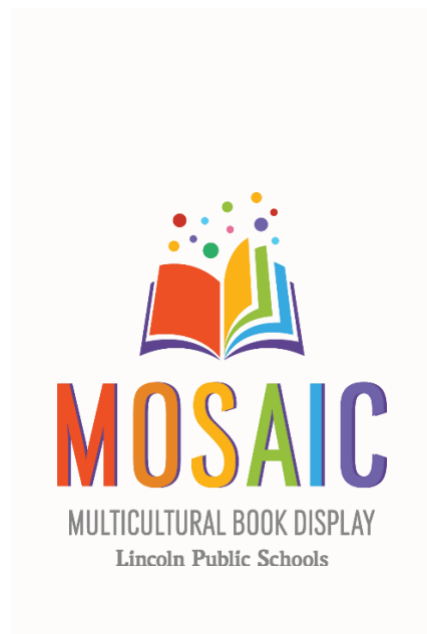
LNE Mission Statement: Lincoln Northeast High School is dedicated to educating all students by emphasizing positive relationships, high academic expectations and respect for diversity.

**Library/Media Center News**

**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 the LNE library website.
- Browse the collection and download the ebooks or audiobooks.
- Want a print copy of a book? Ask your school librarian!



**Digital Citizenship Tips**

Would you like to have a conversation with your student about staying safe online? Here are some questions to get the conversation started:

- What information should we share with others online and what information should we avoid sharing online (address, phone number, passwords, and other personal information)?
- What websites should we use when we go online?
- How can you protect your digital reputation?

## Information from the LNE Counseling Center

### Seniors - ACT Registration HELP Sessions

The registration deadline for the December 5<sup>th</sup> ACT Test is Friday, November 6<sup>th</sup>.

LNE Counselors will be available to assist seniors with ACT Test registration.

Use Jumpcode YQP4 to sign up.

Wednesday - November 4<sup>th</sup>, Periods 5 & 6 in Room 131

Thursday - November 5<sup>th</sup>, Periods 2 & 3 in Room 115



### 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Classroom Presentations

Counselors will meet with 9<sup>th</sup> graders to share a presentation about progress to graduation the week of November 9-13. Students will be given a research-based framework to help them understand if they are “on track,” “off track,” or on the “GO track” for graduation and beyond.

This research-based framework will be communicated using a stoplight analogy. We want to clearly communicate that, just like at a traffic light, one is not permanently in one spot. A student can “switch” from one track to the next.

The “off-track” is matched with a red light. This indicates that based on current grades and attendance, a student would need to take summer school or make up courses to graduate with their class.

A Freshman is “Off Track” if:

- Student has an “F” in one or more core classes
- Student has 2 or more days of absences

The “on-track” is matched with a yellow light. This indicates that based on current grades and attendance, the student will graduate with their

### 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Leadership Opportunities

Does your 10<sup>th</sup> grader want to be a leader? Consider applying for a summer leadership opportunity:

HOBY (Hugh O’Brian Youth Leadership Academy) or the Nebraska Leadership Seminar.

Both provide unique leadership training that empowers students to become strong, compassionate youth leaders. During these

class. It allows staff to communicate the idea of “slow down and look” to ensure you are doing what is needed to be successful.

A Freshman is “On Track” if:

- Student is Passing all classes
- Student has less than 2 days of absences
- Student’s GPA is less than 2.75

The “GO-track” is matched with a green light. This indicates that based on current grades and attendance, one would graduate with their class and the school believes the student has performed a mastery of skill needed to be successful in college. We encourage our students to be seeking extra supports to ensure they are in a position to earn acceptance and financial support (scholarships, etc.) to have a well-rounded college application.

A Freshman is on the “Go Track” if:

- Student is Passing all classes
- Student’s GPA is 2.75 or greater
- Student is passing English &/Or Math with a “B” or higher

Visit with your 9<sup>th</sup> grade student the week of November 9-13 to see what their progress is and what TRACK he or she wants to be on!

seminars, students will develop confidence and skills to make him/her an effective leader in the home, school, and community. Informational meetings about these opportunities will be offered Tuesday, November 10<sup>th</sup> or Thursday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. in room 115. Applications will be due to the LNE Counseling Center no later than November 24<sup>th</sup>.

## Scholarships

The **Susan Buffett Scholarship** opens November 1<sup>st</sup> with a February 1<sup>st</sup> (5:00 p.m.) deadline - [LINK](#)  
The **Ken Jones Engineering Scholarship** for LNE Seniors is Due January 15<sup>th</sup>.  
\*\*Applications are available in [ScholarshipQuest](#) or in the LNE Counseling Center.

## Senior To-Do List:

### Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

A College Planning Specialist from EducationQuest is available virtually every THURSDAY to assist LNE students and families with completing the FAFSA. Contact the LNE Counseling Center to make an appointment OR make an appointment on-line at [lne.lps.org](http://lne.lps.org), (Counseling, Financial Aid/Scholarships, Appointment to meet an EducationQuest rep at LNE). [LINK](#)

### Apply to your top college choices

Check the application deadlines at the colleges where you plan to apply.

## Juniors...start researching colleges

If you narrow your college choices by the end of your junior year, your senior year will be less stressful. Here's how to get started:  
Review College Profiles at [EducationQuest.org](http://EducationQuest.org) for information about colleges in Nebraska and across the country.  
Meet with college representatives virtually (See list in Google Classroom 2022) and then visit the websites of the colleges that interest you to learn more about the schools.

## Ordering Cap and Gown for the Class of 2021 Commencement Ceremony

Lincoln Graduation will be at Northeast during lunch on November 9 (A day) and 10 (B day) to answer questions and take orders for cap and gown. You can place your order now at [lincolngraduation.com](http://lincolngraduation.com).

**LPS Foundation Scholarships** will open mid-December; watch for details in the announcements and the Senior Google Classroom 2021.

## [Lincoln Community Foundation Scholarships](#)

will open December 15<sup>th</sup> with a March 15<sup>th</sup> deadline.

Use [ScholarshipQuest](#) to find other Nebraska-based scholarships.

## Retake the ACT and/or SAT

Colleges use your best scores for college admission and scholarships.

The registration deadline for the December 12<sup>th</sup> ACT Test is November 6<sup>th</sup>. This will be the last test seniors can take for *some* college admissions and/or scholarship deadlines.

The registration deadline for the December 5<sup>th</sup> SAT is November 5<sup>th</sup>.

Fee waivers for both tests are available for students with financial need.

Once you've narrowed your choices, schedule campus visits and try to visit in the spring of your junior year while colleges are still in session.

Check out LPS ACT Test Prep at <https://home.lps.org/act-testprep/>.

LPS ACT Test Prep Classes

<https://home.lps.org/act-testprep/workshop-info/>

This year the cost is \$37.95 plus tax, the price increase allows for mailing items directly to your home rather than picking them at school. If a student uses Free/Reduced lunch status, a fee waiver can be completed to cover the cost of the basic cap, gown and tassel; these items will be delivered to the school.

## 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Health Screenings

Normally at the beginning of 1<sup>st</sup> quarter, 10<sup>th</sup> graders complete a state required health screening through the LNE Health Office. This year, because of Covid-19, the screenings could not be completed as a classroom activity but will be completed on an

individual basis. The flyer found through the following link has more information about district health screenings:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1QqFbTzHNATzloqaScG3daqkNhj3kkwQ1/view>

## ACT Online Prep for Juniors (Class of 2022)

Although students are already preparing to take the ACT with what they are learning in school, the state is providing the class of 2022 (this year's 11<sup>th</sup> graders) with the opportunity for additional practice using ACT Online Prep (AOP).

AOP course content is organized into 16 Study Plan Steps, starting with the most-tested (foundational) materials on the ACT and ending with the least-tested (advanced) materials on the ACT.

Each Study Plan Step includes lessons and practice question sets for each of the four subject areas: English, math, reading, and science. The study plans are self-paced and will focus on students' gaps in knowledge. Teachers will work to provide opportunities during the school day to work on some AOP content, but students have the additional flexibility to work on their own.

[HERE](#) is more detailed information about AOP for students. To access the system from an internet browser (other than Internet Explorer), student can take the following steps to sign in and get started:

1. Go to <https://onlineprep.act.org/>
2. Select the Sign In button.
3. Enter your LPS Email address (#####@class.lps.org).
4. Enter "lpsstudent" for the Password.
5. Select the Sign In button.



## Winter Sports Tryouts

The first day of winter sports tryouts is Monday, November 16. Students interested in participating in Basketball, Swimming or Wrestling should complete a participation packet prior to the start of the season. This can be done online at <https://home.lps.org/athletics/packet/> or you can pick up a hard copy of the packet in the Activities Office. If you choose to do your packet online, please wait until you have your physical examination form completed so you have it to upload.

Are you in need of Northeast apparel items? If so, you may be interested in knowing that the Rocket Store now has an on-line option. This is brand new and it's a chance to shop as you wish for family and friends

Click on this link [https://stores.inksoft.com/rocket\\_store/shop/home](https://stores.inksoft.com/rocket_store/shop/home) to start shopping for new Rocket gear. The deadline for placing orders in time for Christmas delivery is November 15.

The on-line store will be open until Sunday, November 15<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 p.m. for this initial order. Items can be picked up at Northeast and you will be notified when orders are ready for pick up or they can be shipped to your address for a delivery fee. You determine your choice at check out.

Please note that we still have apparel items at school in the Rocket Store for sale. Go Rockets!

If you have questions please contact the LNE Athletic Office at (402) 436-1337.

## Screen Time

During these days of increased opportunities for remote learning, it's important to recognize that not all screen time is the same. There is a significant difference between "active" screen time (engaging in focused production of content) and "passive" screen time (consuming entertainment media). The American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) recommends families have thoughtful conversations

around the purposes for using digital media and offers an online tool for creating a "personalized family media use plan." <https://lps.org/go/y8ov>.

## Support for Students Learning Remotely

### Remote Learning Supports

Stop by the LPS website and enter the word "remote" into the Search, Keyword field in the top-right.

The "Student Support" page on the Remote Learning site has links to valuable resources to support your student while learning from home. Make sure your students are familiar with the information about how to successfully connect with their teachers using StudentVue.

See the **LPS Parent Guide to Student Chromebook Use in LPS** for more helpful information and strategies to support your student's Chromebook use at home. <https://lps.org/go/o9bk>

The "Parent and Guardian Support" page on the Remote Learning site is filled with valuable information designed to help you help your student. Be sure to look through the "10 Remote Learning Things to Know."

### LPS Help Desk is available

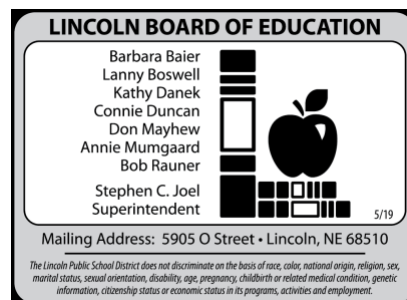
Is your student having trouble connecting to their classes? The LPS Help Desk is available to help! Call 402-436-1735 between 7:00 am and 4:30 pm Monday – Friday.

## ParentVUE

**Synergy ParentVUE** is increasingly becoming your "one-stop shop" for information about your student's teachers and classes. In addition to providing parents/guardians secure access to student grades (secondary), assignments, attendance, and class information, ParentVUE is also the avenue for parents/guardians to verify student enrollment in

LPS. New this year, secondary parents can pay fees via ParentVUE.

The District's goal is to ensure at least one parent/guardian per household has activated their ParentVUE account. If you haven't yet activated yours, please contact the school office for an activation key at 402-436-1303, option 2.



*Once a Rocket, Always a Rocket*