

Lincoln Northeast High School

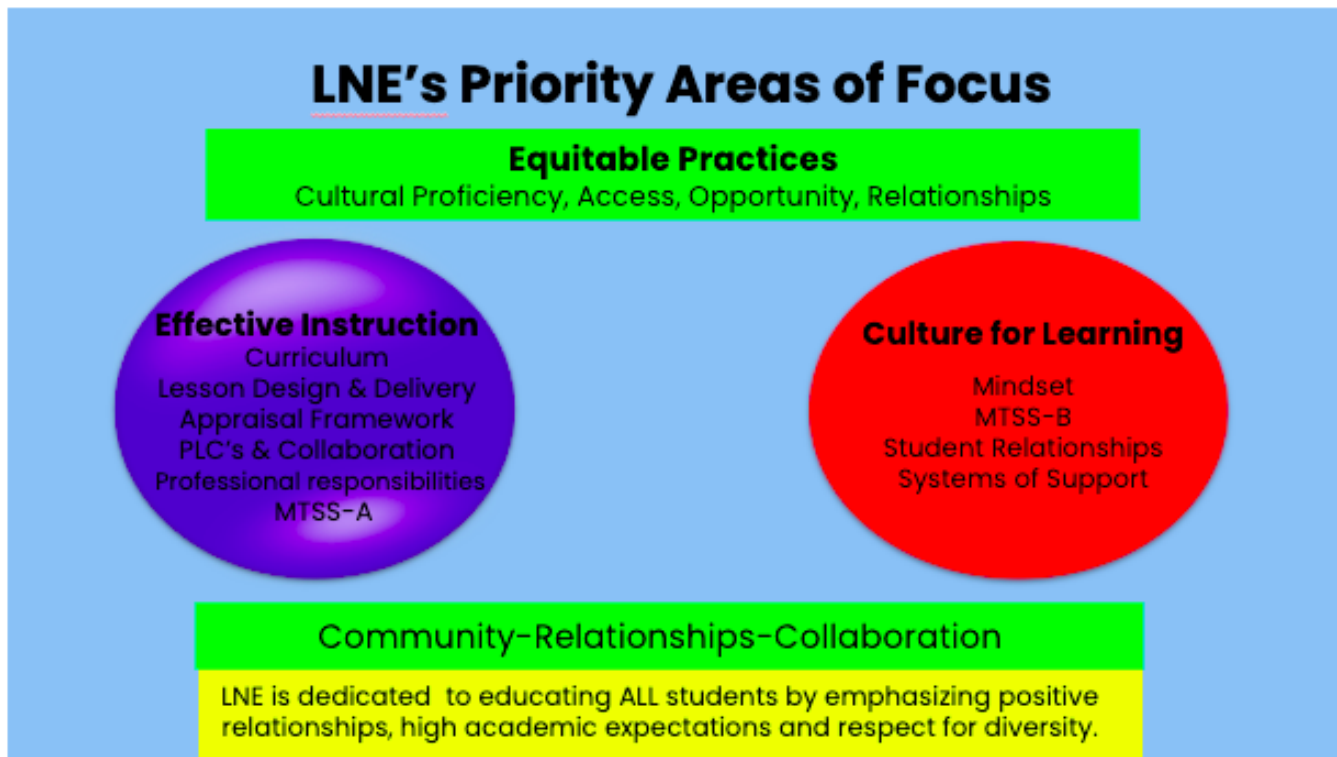
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LNE Rocket Messenger December 2020

Hello Rocket Family,

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



Just a few reminders as we head into December and Winter Break:

-Outstanding work/Grades/Finals:

Active engagement is so important! Please, please, check in with your Scholar and see how classes are going for them. Soon enough semester 1 finals will be upon us. If you or your Scholar have any questions regarding course work, please have them reach out to their teacher.

As you know, GRADES MATTER. Teachers need to be able to have evidence of whether or not your Scholar has mastered the learning objectives. This is NOT like Quarter 4 last year. Students will not automatically earn a Satisfactory or an Unsatisfactory. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Ways to check Scholar Progress:

Synergy is the quickest way to glance at grades and attendance via the Synergy ParentVue Application.

While Parents do not have direct access to Google Classroom, Students can share their Google Classroom space with you.

-Finals Calendar:

** All **Zoom Learners** are welcome to come to the building to take finals in person and/or for open study/support time. We ask that if a Zoom Learner is coming to the building that they follow what would be their alpha group, and communicate that to your teachers.

** **"C" Students**, please plan to come in your alpha group. For example, if your last name is A-K you'll be in "A" group. If your last name is L-Z, you'll be in "B" group.

** Open study/support time is an opportunity to work with teachers. If you have questions, missing work, need additional support, etc, please connect with your teachers.

Mon., Dec. 14th is an A Day: 8:00 am – 2:55 pm - regular day to do final instruction/review/make connections.

Tues. Dec. 15th - A Day Students

Open study/support time	8:00-9:30
Period 1 Final	9:40-10:50
Lunch	10:50-11:30
Period 2 Final	11:40-12:50
Period 3 Final	1:00-2:10
Open study/support time	2:20-3:15

Wed. Dec. 16th - B Day Students

Open study/support time	8:00-9:30
Period 1 Final	9:40-10:50
Lunch	10:50-11:30
Period 2 Final	11:40-12:50
Period 3 Final	1:00-2:10
Open study/support time	2:20-3:15

Thurs. Dec. 17th - A Day Students

Open study/support time	8:00-9:30
Period 4 Final	9:40-10:50
Lunch	10:50-11:30
Period 5 Final	11:40-12:50
Period 6 Final	1:00-2:10
Open study/support time	2:20-3:15

Friday Dec. 18th - B Day Students

Open study/support time	8:00-9:30
Period 4 Final	9:40-10:50
Lunch	10:50-11:30
Period 5 Final	11:40-12:50
Period 6 Final	1:00-2:10
Open study/support time	2:20-3:15

Mon. Dec. 21st - A Day Students

Open study/support time	8:00-9:30
Period 7 Final	9:40-10:50
Lunch	10:50-11:30
Period 0 Final	11:40-12:50
Period 8 Final	1:00-2:10
Open study/support time	2:20-3:15

Tues. Dec. 22nd - B Day Students

Open study/support time	8:00-9:30
Period 7 Final	9:40-10:50
Lunch	10:50-11:30
Period 0 Final	11:40-12:50
Period 8 Final	1:00-2:10
Open study/support time	2:20-3:15

-Choices: Choices is a prevention program facilitated by HopeSpoke. This program focuses on making healthy decisions while finding alternatives to using substances, and addresses mental health issues. Students address peer pressure, healthy life styles, limiting high risk behaviors, goal setting, and how to navigate relationship or family dynamics. Students attend weekly individual and weekly group therapy sessions at school with a licensed mental health practitioner. If a student is a

remote learner, telehealth options are available for both individual and group sessions. Choices is a free service for youth whose family income meets certain income guidelines, which the HopeSpoke therapist can work with the student's parent(s) to assess. Please contact your student's school social worker for additional information or if you would like your child involved in the Choices program.

-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.

-Cap and Gown Information:
This year all orders for cap, gown, tassel and other senior items will need to be placed online at lincolngraduation.com. The cost of the basic cap, gown and tassel is \$37.95 plus tax and all items, including the cap, gown and tassel, will be mailed to your home. Students requesting financial aid to pay for the basic cap, gown and tassel will need to see Mrs. Vaughn in the main

office - you will not place your order online.
You can place your order online today at lincolngraduation.com.

-Turf Installation Update:
The project is still on target to be completed by the end of December; depending on weather of course.



-Revised Calendar:

The below is a revised 2020-21 school calendar approved by the Lincoln Board of Education on Oct. 27, 2020.

***Please note:** Early Childhood will be sending more detailed information about adjustments to the preschool classes and Early Childhood services calendar.

December

11: No school for elementary students (PreK–5, and Early Childhood)
15: K–8 early dismissal, No PreK classes
22: Last day of 2nd quarter
23: First day of LPS winter break

January

4: Last day of winter break
5: First day of 3rd quarter
12: K–8 early dismissal
18: Schools not in session (PreK–12 and Early Childhood)
26: K–8 early dismissal, No PreK classes

February

9: K–8 early dismissal
15: Schools not in session (PreK–12 and Early Childhood)
23: K–8 early dismissal, No PreK classes

March

5: Last day of 3rd quarter
8-12: Schools not in session (PreK–12)
15: First day of 4th quarter
16: K–8 early dismissal
30: K–8 early dismissal, No PreK classes

April

1: No school for high school students (9–12)
2: Schools not in session (PreK–12 and Early Childhood)
5: No school for elementary students (PreK–5 and Early Childhood)
13: K–8 early dismissal
27: K–8 early dismissal, No PreK classes

May

20: Last day of class for students

Important Dates for Northeast High School

December 1 Workshop for SCC Scholarships
December 15 ACE Scholarship Deadline
December 15 Finals, Periods 1,2, 3 - **A Day**
December 16 Finals, Periods 1, 2, 3 - **B Day**
December 17 Finals, Periods 4, 5, 6 – **A Day**
December 18 Finals, Periods 4, 5, 6 – **B Day**
December 21 Finals, Periods 7, 0, 8 - **A Day**
December 22 Finals, Periods 7, 0, 8 - **B Day**

December 22 Deadline to Request S/U Grade
December 23 - January 4 Winter Break

Lincoln Northeast 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/we>

Personal Computing Devices

This time of year often brings questions about whether students are allowed to use personal computing devices instead of the district issued Chromebook. Where completing school work is concerned, the answer to this question is “no.” There are a number of reasons for this, but you

should be aware that the LPS Chromebook comes with limits on the web sites that can be visited and the applications that can be accessed. You can support teachers' efforts in managing a consistent learning environment by encouraging your student to use the district issued Chromebook.

Instructional Technology Tools (ITTs) in LPS

LPS believes that high-quality curriculum and instruction can be enhanced with effective use of Instructional Technology Tools (ITTs). To that end, a district committee continually works to identify ITTs that are safe for student use, support district learning goals, and encourage innovative teaching

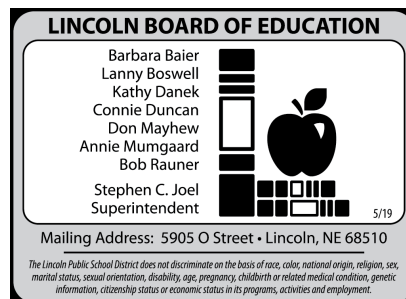
and learning. The most frequently used, approved ITTs are made available to students and staff in the LPS Portal. Learn more about the LPS Portal here: <https://home.lps.org/cs/2016/08/08/the-lps-portal/>. Need a conversation starter with your student? Ask them for a tour of their LPS Portal and which ITTs they're currently using in class.

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 conversation 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>.

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>.



Support for Students Learning Remotely

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.

The “**Parent and Guardian Support**” page is filled with valuable information designed to help you help your student. Familiarize yourself with 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.

Library/Media Center News

Do you remember the print edition of the World Book Encyclopedia that you may have consulted when you were in school? Your student still has access to this resource today - just in a different online format. World Book Web is bigger and better than ever and has components that serve preschool through adults. Your student can access this from their LPS portal.

- World Book Student for middle school learners
- World Advanced for high school through adult learners

Have your student go to this database to see these resources and more!

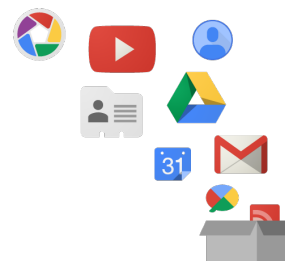
Digital Citizenship Tips

LPS teachers instruct students about their digital identity and help them learn how the use of digital tools can have both positive and negative effects on personal well-being. You may want to work

together to create a plan that balances time spent online and offline. Talk with your remote learners about the importance of taking digital breaks when not in Zoom classes.

Export Your LPS Google Drive Data

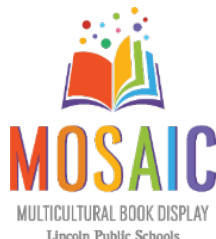
Google offers tools for mass download of your Google data, including Google Drive. In the LPS environment, this ability only exists for students leaving the district, like Seniors prior to graduation and those students in grades 9-11 leaving LPS for another district.



Use jump code: BTBL for all of the information and the easy to follow steps.

Homework HelpNow!

at <http://lincolnlibraries.org/teens/homework-help/>
Login with your city library card. Don't have one?
Go to your favorite city library and make an application.



Need Help With Homework? [Homework HelpNow](#) powered by Brainfuse provides FREE homework help and online tutoring. Chat with a tutor through instant messaging from 2:00 PM to 11:00 PM, seven days a week for grades 3-12 in the areas of math, English, science, and social studies. Spanish-speaking tutors are also available.



Information from the LNE Counseling Center Scholarship Information

Don't ever pay for scholarship searches! Use free resources such as [ScholarshipQuest](#) at EducationQuest.org with over 2,000 Nebraska-based scholarships, or free national sites like [Cappex](#), [GoodCall](#), and [Chegg](#).

Susan Buffett Scholarship – [LINK](#)

Application Deadline: February 1, 2021, 5:00 pm
LNE counselors will provide information sessions for the Buffett Scholarship before the Holiday Break. LNE Counselors and English teachers will

also provide several sessions in January to assist students with writing their essay for the scholarship application. These dates will be posted in the senior 2021 Google Classroom and in the weekly school announcements.

Southeast Community College General Scholarships - [LINK](#)

Application Deadline: March 1, 2021
A Scholarship Application Workshop for SCC Scholarships will be offered at LNE Wednesday, December 1, 2020, Period 2 or 3 in Room 131.

Students will also be able to attend via Zoom <https://southeast.zoom.us/j/98304671675>.

During this workshop, students will complete the apply on-line for all SCC Scholarships. Sign up to attend using Jumpcode G1YR.

Ken Jones Engineering Scholarship – Application Due January 15, 2021 to LNE Counseling Center. This scholarship is for LNE Seniors who have been accepted in an Engineering Program at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln or University of Nebraska - Omaha. This scholarship will pay the cost of tuition based on enrollment in 32 credit hours per year and can be renewed upon

maintenance of a cumulative GPA of 2.75 or above and participation in at least one University-sponsored extracurricular activity outside of the College of Engineering. Applications are available in Google Classroom 2021, the LNE Counseling Website under "Scholarships," or EducationQuest's [ScholarshipQuest](#) website.

Foundation for Lincoln Public Schools Scholarships - [LINK](#) Will open December 7 and will close February 22, 2021.

Lincoln Community Foundation Scholarships – Will open December 15th and close March 15, 2021. [LINK](#)

FAFSA – Free Application for Federal Student Aid (fafsa.gov)

Do you need help completing the FAFSA?

The FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) is a critical part of the college-planning process! Many scholarships are based on your FAFSA results and this is how you find out if you are eligible for Grants and Loans.

Dual Credit Courses – Registration for Second Semester Dual Credit Courses will begin during the first weeks of the semester in January. Students will be given information from Southeast Community College (SCC) and Nebraska Wesleyan University (NWU) to bring home. Additional information will be available on the LNE Counseling Website. Students with financial need

Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory Course Evaluation -

The deadline to submit the “Request For change in Course Evaluation” form has **been extended until December 22nd**. The S-U

(Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory) grade option enables a student to take a class to enrich his/her educational experience without risk to his/her GPA. A student who does not want their

Cecilia Hernandez-Chavez, a College Planning Specialist from EducationQuest, provides VIRTUAL office hours for Lincoln Northeast students EVERY THURSDAY to help with completing the FAFSA. See the “[FAFSA Checklist](#)” to know what documents are needed to complete the FAFSA. Appointments can be made by calling the LNE Counseling Center or using this [LINK](#).

can use the [Learn To Dream](#) or [ACE Scholarship](#) to help with tuition costs.

ACE Scholarship deadlines: For Fall term classes - Deadline December 15, 2020.

For Spring term classes - Applications can be submitted now through May 15, 2021. Funds are limited; DO NOT wait to apply.

GPA negatively impacted by a low grade or an "F" this semester can use the S/U contract.

There is no limit to how many contracts a student can use this semester. However, to be on the Honor Roll, a student must be in 25 credits of letter graded classes.

https://zimbra.lps.org/service/home/~/?auth=co&loc=en_US&id=468153&part=2

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 11th 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.



Una oportunidad para los que entienden español

Nos da gusto informarle de una clase que tenemos en la escuela de Lincoln Northeast. Español para hispanohablantes es para estudiantes que oyen y hablan español en sus casas.

Los estudiantes en el curso Español para hispanohablantes mejorarán sus habilidades de lectura y escritura en español, aumentarán sus vocabularios y practicarán sus destrezas de conversación. Solamente a los estudiantes quienes hablan y oyen español en sus casas se les invita participar. El propósito del curso es ayudar el desarrollo del talento lingüístico de los alumnos bilingües. Además, este curso anual se les permitirá a los estudiantes obtener créditos que sirven para su graduación de la escuela preparatoria.

El/la estudiante debería inscribirse en este curso si:

1. Quiere mantener el español que ya sabe (no es necesario hablarlo o escribirlo perfectamente)
2. Quiere leer y escribir mejor en español
3. Quiere utilizar el español en el trabajo en el futuro
4. Quiere aprovechar su español para obtener créditos para la preparatoria.

Si quisiera tomar esta clase, favor de comunicar con la Maestra Melissa Hernández para que pueda hablar con su hijo. Si tiene alguna pregunta sobre esta clase, favor de comunicarse al (402) 436-1303 #63236 o mhernan@lps.org ¡Esperamos ansiosamente la oportunidad para trabajar juntos durante el año escolar 2020-2021 en la clase de Español para hispanohablantes!



Information from the LNE Instrumental Music Department

For schedules, dates, information, forms, and much more check out the LNE Instrumental Web Page:



QR code: <https://sites.google.com/class.lps.org/lnemusic/instrumental-music>

For all other instrumental questions please contact:

Band <Brian Vuu> [bvuu@lps.org](mailto:bvu@lps.org)

Orchestra <Elias Gillespie> egilles@lps.org

Once a Rocket, Always a Rocket!



NEWS FROM YOUR NORTHEAST CLC

Club Spotlight: Dungeons and Dragons

Dungeons and Dragons is an imaginative club that gives students a great place to socialize. It can be an amazing opportunity for students to exercise their creativity and make new friends. Club leader, Mr. Bettendorf, states, "Dungeons and Dragons is the best club in the school. This club accepts everyone for who they are and gives them the tools to grow to their fullest potential and gain valuable life skills." Many members of Dungeons and Dragons describe the club as amazing, great, and super fun. This club is offered every Wednesday starting at 3:15 p.m. after school. New members are able to join this club starting in January due to safety precautions.



Finals Information:

December 7th through the 10th, the week before finals, we are going to offer our students a place to get extra academic support and to destress before their finals and the end of the quarter. We are also going to offer extra Rocket House tutoring Monday through Thursday that week and the week of finals. We will provide some fun activities and offer coffee to help our students destress and be best prepared to tackle their finals.

Rocket House:

Rocket House is tutoring by our own Lincoln Northeast teachers. We offer the media center space every Tuesday and Thursday from 3:15 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. for homework help. Our teachers are available in person and via zoom.

Subjects Offered:

- Math
- English
- Spanish
- Science

Club Schedule

December

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

	1.	2. -Film & Photo Club -Auto Club -Dungeons and Dragons -Podcast Club	3. -Gay Straight Alliance -Slam Poetry	4. -Freestyle Club
7. -Art Club -Writing Club	8.	9. -Film & Photo Club -Auto Club -Dungeons and Dragons -Podcast Club -Latinos Unidos	10. -Writing Club -Slam Poetry	11. -Freestyle Club
14.	15.	16. -Film & Photo Club -Auto Club -Dungeons and Dragons -Podcast Club	17. -Slam Poetry	18. -Freestyle Club

* All students participating in any CLC activities must have a waiver. Below is attached the online version.
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/11Q8CiZ2dNBcx7Uz_VkaVvmr5chE93jCjBaVbuLIEffs/edit