



Life @ Lincoln



October 2024

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PARENT TEACHER VISITATION - MONDAY, OCTOBER 14



Parent/Teacher Visitation will be held on Monday, October 14th from 4:00-6:30 p.m. Teachers will be located in their classrooms. You can choose to meet in person or request a phone call.

To avoid waiting, we recommend that you make an appointment with your student's teacher. You will receive a ParentSquare post from each of your students' teachers on Tuesday, October 1st with times available to sign up. Follow the instructions below to sign up:

- ⇒ Click on "Appointment Sign Ups" at the top
- ⇒ Scroll through and pick an available time slot
- ⇒ In the "notes" box include the type of meeting you would like and your student's name
- ⇒ Save

Drop ins are welcome but you may need to wait for scheduled appointments to be completed.

Please keep in mind that we do not mail paper copies of progress reports. The six week progress report will be posted into the portfolio tab of Skyward Family Access during the afternoon of October 14th.

If you need assistance to schedule an appointment, contact your student's teacher.

ParentSquare

The District moved to a new communication tool called ParentSquare. This is a parent engagement tool that helps teachers and staff easily communicate and collaborate with parents. You will be able to use ParentSquare on any device. If you haven't already done so, we encourage you to download the app and sign up.



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Hello and Happy Homecoming Week! I hope everyone reading this is doing well and enjoying the beautiful weather we've had lately! In this submission I want to discuss Parent Teacher Visitations (PTVs). I see them as a potential difference-maker for students, but they are sometimes undervalued. Let's see if I can help a bit with that.

Parent participation in face-to-face meetings has been declining in public high schools for many years. Now that class grades can be updated in real time, class assignments can be tracked in Canvas (see instructions later in the newsletter for that), and communication can be streamlined outside of formal conferences, many parents don't see the value in them. Also, I suspect the fact that parents are working more hours than ever contributes to a scheduling challenge that is difficult to overcome. This is why every principal I know is generally unhappy with the turnout at conferences. However, just look in the full stands during athletic events or student performances and you'll see there is no shortage of enthusiasm or support for our young people. The problem has more to do with the perceived value of such conferences.

I firmly believe if these meetings include the student, are focused on what is going well, and positive in nature, they'll have a strong benefit for everyone. I encourage all parents to sign up for the PTVs you are invited to attend through ParentSquare. All invitations should go out on Tuesday, October 1st at the end of the school day. We will be here from 4:00 to 6:30 p.m. and will meet with parents in five minute increments. Although the meetings are short, they are still valuable. Parents and teachers will get to know each other a bit, which will help with communication if any issues should arise. Students will get a chance to show the good work they are doing, enhancing their confidence and buy-in towards their own education. If there are any concerns with current performance, everyone can get on the same page and work together for a solution.

You can also meet with me during PTVs if you have time. Use the invitations I've sent out through ParentSquare to claim a spot. If they fill up or a different night works better for you, just send me an email and I'll get something set up. The few conversations I've had with parents recently, particularly since our social media threat and resulting Code Yellow last week, have really helped me to see things from the perspective of a parent. I look forward to more of these conversations.

I hope we're able to see most of our students and their parents during PTVs on October 14th. I know this can help our school and students. Please let me know if you have any questions or need any help setting up a meeting with our teachers.

Go Red Raiders!

Rod Watson





LOOK WHO'S NEW



ZACH TOELLE



Hi! My name is Zach Toelle and I am a new Social Studies teacher at LHS. I am originally from Appleton but have spent most of my life in Amherst. I graduated from UWSP with a bachelor's degree in History and Social Studies. I am currently coaching JV football here at Lincoln. In my little free time, I enjoy watching and playing sports and being outside as well as hanging out with my family and friends! I am excited to begin my education career and to be a part of this great staff!

REBECCA HAMANN



Hi, my name is Rebecca Hamann, the new Homebound Special Education teacher. I graduated with my Masters in SPED from UW-Superior in 2023. I've been married for 8 years to my husband, Chris and have two children Eli (7) and Ella (4) that keep us busy with hockey, figure skating, and dance. I've also taught swim lessons for 16 years and continue to do so. I'm grateful to be part of the LHS team.

CALE BENITZ



Hello, my name is Cale Benitz and I am the new Assistant Athletic Director/Aquatics Director. I graduated from LHS in 2019 before earning a degree in Recreation, Parks, and Leisure Services at Minnesota State, Mankato. I am very excited to be back at Lincoln helping our athletic programs positively impact the lives of students just as they did for me.

MADDIE HARPER



Hello! My name is Maddie Harper and I am the new Study hall Aide. This will be my first time ever working at a school. I live with my family on 10 acres in the country side and have been a full time stay-at-home mother for the past 8 years. My husband and I own a successful local construction company and I am very excited I was given the opportunity to further serve our community with this position.

JEREMY AKEY



Hi, my name is Jeremy Akey and I am a new business teacher in the district. I am from Merrill, Wisconsin. I graduated from UW-SP in 2003 and earned a master's degree from Marian University in 2009. I enjoy spending time with my wife Kim (SEF at Mead) and my children Connor (class of 2023) and Natalie (class of 2025). My most recent adventures include getting a Chocolate Lab puppy in December and starting a new Drone Business in May. I'm excited to join the team!

MIKAYLA OBSUSZT



Hi! I'm Mikayla Obsuszt, the new Business Intern at Lincoln. I went to UW-Stout for Marketing and Business Education and this will be my first year teaching. I grew up in Wisconsin Rapids, WI and before coming to Lincoln, I had a Marketing internship at the Hostel Shoppe in Stevens Point, WI. In my free time I enjoy hiking, working out, and simply being outdoors. I am excited to be a part of the WRPS team!



LOOK WHO'S NEW



TRICIA GRIMM



Hi! I am Tricia Grimm I'm a new Special Ed Aide. I was born and raised in Wisconsin Rapids. In our spare time my family and I enjoy camping. I also love to read and sew and am trying to teach myself quilting. I am very excited to be part of such a great team!

BRIAN COLE



Hi, my name is Brian Cole and I am a new social studies teacher at LHS! I am a graduate from LHS and then went on to UW-Stevens Point where I majored in Political Science and minored in History. I am excited to be back in Rapids teaching at Lincoln. Prior to my teaching career, I served in the Navy and was a police officer right here in town.



JIM ALFT



Hi, I'm back! I am Jim Alft and I will be helping in the Special Ed Dept. as an Aide here at LHS. I'm excited to be back and to work with such great staff and help with our students. Lincoln High has been my home from time to time. I graduated from LHS in 1983! Worked for the district in a few roles such as Lunchroom Cook at Mead School, Special Needs Aide for West, East, and Lincoln; then Security and finally on to Project Search. It is Great to be back and Thank You to everyone for the feeling of welcoming me back home!

SOHRAB AKHAVEIN



Hi, I'm Sohrab Akhavein and I am a new special education teacher. I currently team teach Algebra 1 and also teach a human relations class. This is my 16th year teaching. I was previously in Kenosha for eight years and most recently in Oshkosh for 7 years. I graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh. I also coach boys and girls soccer here at Lincoln. I am looking forward to working with the staff and students of Lincoln High and for being a part of the greater Rapids community.

MARY TERMAAT



Hello, my name is Mary Termaat and I am a new noon aide to LHS. For the past 24 years, I have operated my own daycare business. With our youngest graduating from LHS this past June, I decided to close my daycare business and venture into new opportunities. I am a stage 4 colon cancer survivor, I was diagnosed in December 2022, underwent two major surgeries (Jan. 2023 and Feb. 2024) and 6 months of chemo (2023).

I enjoy camping, baking, puzzles, painting, fishing and road trips. My husband, Scott and I have three grown children, Bill, Joey and Emily. I'm excited to be here at LHS and being a part of all that makes LHS great!

BRITTNEY SCHROEDER



Hi, my name is Brittney Schroeder and I am a new Special Education Aide at LHS! I graduated from LHS in 2011 and will earn my Human Services associates degree in May 2025. I grew up in Wisconsin Rapids my whole life minus 6 years where I spent living in Eau Claire, WI. I enjoy going on adventures and seeing new things while being in nature and the outdoors with my 5 year old son and fiancé. I look forward to working with everyone!



LOOK WHO'S NEW

JENNIFER SKALECKI



I am new to LHS as a kitchen helper. We recently moved to the area from Racine County. My husband, Jason and I are enjoying our new home and love being in this area. Our son is a junior and our daughter is a freshman at UWSP. Our oldest has been in the US Army for nine years. I am happy to be a part of the LHS family.

LINDSEY JENNINGS



Hi! My name is Lindsey Jennings. I am the new Security Aide here at LHS. I moved here in March from Louisiana but I was born and raised in Arkansas. I served most of my career with the USPS, so I am excited for this new position. I have four children and four step-children. We enjoy fishing, hiking, and biking together. Everyone at LHS has been so nice and welcoming. I am excited for this school year and those to come.



Welcome back! I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself as the School Social Worker for Lincoln High School. Some of you may know me from my previous positions at Wisconsin Rapids Area Middle School and Mead Elementary School. I am also the Families in Transition Coordinator (homeless liaison) for WRPS.

I work closely with students and families to reduce barriers in education and to ensure that students are ready to learn. Barriers can include (but are not limited to) homelessness, poverty, attendance, and social/emotional/behavioral functioning. These are reduced through preventative programs, connection to community resources, and individualized and family services. If you feel your student or family could benefit from any of these services or to opt your student or family out of school social work services, please contact me at 715-424-6750.

I am excited to begin the 2024-25 school year. I look forward to working with you and your child!

Wishing you all the best,

Tessa Gruszynski

WRPS Pupil Nondiscrimination Statement *The School District of Wisconsin Rapids is committed to equal educational opportunity for all District students. The District will not deny any person admission to, participation in, or the benefits of any curricular, extra-curricular, pupil services, recreational or other program or activity because of a person's gender, race, national origin, ancestry, creed, religion, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, transgender status, gender identity, or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability, or any other characteristic protected under State or Federal civil rights laws. Please review Board Policy 411 for additional information. Incidents of discrimination or harassment should be reported to a teacher, administrator, supervisor or other District employee to be addressed or forwarded on to District Compliance Officer Brian Oswald.***WRPS Sex**

Discrimination Under Title IX *In compliance with the federal Title IX statutes and regulations set forth in Chapter 106 of Title 34 of the Code of Federal Regulations, the District does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of sex in any education program or activity that the District operates. Title IX's requirement not to discriminate in any education program or activity extends to cover, but is not limited to, District students, certain admissions processes, and District employment. Inquiries regarding how Title IX and the federal Title IX regulations apply to the District may be referred to the District's Title IX Coordinator (as designated below), to the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights at the U.S. Department of Education, or to both. Please refer to Board Policy 411.11 for additional information.*

WRPS is committed to ensuring that all students and parents have access to school district information, policies, procedures, and programs. If you need assistance with interpreter or translation services, or other special accommodations that would be helpful to you, please contact either your child's school office or call the Pupil Services Department at 715-424-6724 so that we can assist you.

Information for Seniors

Mandatory Senior Meeting

There will be a mandatory meeting for all seniors on Tuesday, October 22nd at 11:00 a.m. in the PAC. You will be measured for your cap/gown and receive a Jostens information packet regarding graduation diploma name and related graduation items. After this meeting you will be able to begin ordering cap/gown and tassel and other graduation items. The earlier your order the items, the cheaper they will be. Order online at Jostens.com by November 18, 2024 to avoid late fees. Cap & Gown may be returned if you do not participate in the 2025 ceremony. See Mrs. Wefel in the office with any questions.

CRZ Parent Meeting

All senior parents are invited to attend a planning meeting for Class Reunion Zero 2025 on Wednesday, October 9 at 5:15 p.m. in the main office conference room. We need many people to help make this event successful for our seniors. Come find out what it is all about. We will work with you and give you information from previous years. If you cannot make the meeting, contact Mrs. Wefel at Christine.wefel@wrps.net.

GRADUATION

SUNDAY - JUNE 1, 2025

1:00 P.M.



Fees/Fines

Now is the time to take care of any outstanding obligations. All students participating in graduation must have all fees/fines paid. You can pay online in Skyward Fee Management or in the office with cash or check.

Mark your calendar

Mandatory Senior Meeting
Wednesday, April 16, 2025 - 8:45 a.m.

Senior
CLASS OF 2025

Senior Pictures

Seniors, parents, or photographers can upload a senior portrait to be included in the yearbook. The deadline to submit a photo is November 30th. There will be no exceptions to this deadline. If we do not receive a photo, the picture taken at schedule pick up will be used.

Portraits submitted must be a traditional professional-grade head and shoulder shot, without paraphernalia/props, hats, or hands in the photo. To submit a senior portrait, follow these steps:

- ⇒ Go to Jostens.com at: <https://photos.jostens.com/TP4U7E>
- ⇒ Click on Share Photos in the "Portraits" box.
- ⇒ Choose your photo and upload in the box provided.

More information can be found on page 14 of this newsletter.

Yearbooks



If you haven't ordered your yearbook yet, you can still place an order for \$63.00 until February 21, 2025. After that date books will be sold for \$69.00. Yearbooks MUST be ordered online at jostensyearbooks.com or call 1-877-767-5217.

Underclassperson pictures that will appear in the yearbook were taken at schedule pick-up or picture make-up day.

Seniors can submit a senior picture for the yearbook by November 30th at <https://photos.jostens.com/TP4U7E>. Portraits must be a traditional professional-grade head and shoulder shot, without paraphernalia/props, hats, or hands in the photo. If no picture is submitted the picture taken at schedule pick-up will be used.

Visitors

All visitors that come into LHS during office hours MUST check into the main office and get a visitor badge. Bring a driver's license with you so that a quick background check can be performed. When your visit is complete stop back in the main office to check out. If you are at the school between 7:45 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., please drive into the front parking lot and enter through the Main Entrance. Visitors will not be allowed to enter through any other doors. If you will be at school and plan to be here after 2:30 p.m. we ask that you park in one of the visitor spots in the front lot. Busses will only be allowed after 2:30 p.m. in the front lot.

Student Pick Up during the Day

If a student is leaving early or coming in late they MUST stop at the attendance window in the main office to sign in or out. If you are picking up or dropping off your student between 7:45 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., please drive into the front parking lot and pick up near the main entrance. Due to bus pick up at the end of the day, **NO** cars can be in the front lot after 2:30 p.m. If you are picking up after 2:30 p.m. please pick up your student in the student parking



LHS Academic Integrity Policy

All work submitted for the purpose of meeting course requirements must represent the individual efforts of each student. Any form of academic dishonesty is prohibited. Academic dishonesty, cheating, and plagiarism are defined as the following:

- Plagiarism is taking the writings and/or ideas of another person/student and presenting them as one's own. Plagiarized ideas may be taken from written materials such as books, newspapers, magazines, and shared documents, as well as electronic media including the internet and videos.
- Plagiarism is doing another person's work for him/her.
- Plagiarism is buying, selling, or giving work, questions, or answers.
- Plagiarism is providing another person with answers to homework, tests, quizzes, or written work (essays, paragraphs, journals, projects, etc.)
- Plagiarism is copying or stealing teachers' answer keys or teacher's edition texts.
- Plagiarism is, at any time, sharing with others one's final graded work whether digital or print.
- Plagiarism and the Use of AI Language Models: The use of AI language models like ChatGPT (or others) to generate content for academic assignments is strictly prohibited unless approved by the classroom teacher. Any student found to be using AI language models to generate content for academic assignments will be subject to school consequences.

Consequences will be given if any of the above have been violated. See page 4 of the student handbook for more details.

ATM (located in the student entry)



WoodTrust Bank is proud to serve LHS with quick access to cash through an ATM. Those who have accounts with WTB will not see a fee when making a withdrawal. A withdrawal can be made with either a debit card, typically with a checking account, or an ATM card with a savings account. If the savings account is jointly owned, an ATM card can be issued. The card can be used at no charge at any WoodTrust Bank ATM or Kwik Trip ATM at no charge. Call us at 715-423-7600 and ask for a Private Banker to make arrangements to obtain an ATM card. Cards are not immediately available but would be mailed within 7-10 business days after signing.

GRADING DATES

End of Progress 1 - October 11

End of Term 1 - November 26

End of Progress 2 - January 17

End of Term 2 - March 6

End of Progress 3 - April 25

End of Term 3 - June 5

Hello from the Academic and Career Planning (ACP) Center!

We're excited to kick off the school year with LOTS of ACP events and resources! Check out our webpage: <https://www.wrps.org/schools/lincoln/academics/academicandcareerplanning.cfm>



Help your student prepare for their future!

There are several upcoming events your student(s) can participate in to help them figure out their future!! Have them stop in to see Mrs. King in the ACP Center for more information on the following events:

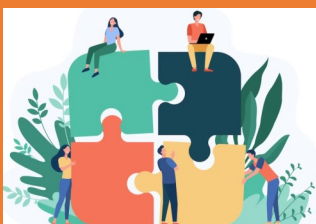
- ⇒ ASVAB testing (10-12 grade only): October 8th, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (approximately). The ASVAB test is for any student looking to enlist in the military or looking for insight into selecting a career path.
- ⇒ Fall College Visit to UW Green Bay & Northeast Wisconsin Technical College (10-12 grade only): October 24th, 7:15 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. (approximately)
- ⇒ Air Force Rep Visits: Monthly on the first Wednesday of every month
- ⇒ Navy Rep Visits: Monthly on the first Tuesday of every month

How can I get involved with my student's ACP journey?

Talk with your student(s) about their interests/skills and ask them to show you what careers they've saved, what their Match Maker results are, or what colleges they might be interested in. All of this is in their Xello profile. Xello is the web-based program we use to house ACP-related resources. As your student progresses through high school, this will keep all of their ACP-related information stored and organized which will grow into their very own career-ready portfolio.



More opportunities to connect:



ACP is a community-wide effort. We're always interested in collaborating with our community to provide opportunities for our students whether that be: hosting job shadows, offering Work Based Learning or Youth Apprenticeships, Industry tours, or anything else that would help students explore your career field! If you have ideas and/or would like to get involved, please contact Liz King, ACP Coordinator: elizabeth.king@wrps.net.

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Book Giveaway

Tuesday, October 29

12:00-6:00 p.m.

East Junior High

Room 120

**Enter through Door W
(closest to the Rafter's parking lot)**

Choose from textbooks, novels,
children's book, and more!

Class Rings

All Freshmen will receive information regarding ordering class rings on Tuesday, October 22nd at a mandatory meeting. If your student is interested in purchasing a class ring, be sure to review the packet after that meeting. If you have questions, contact Jostens or Mrs. Wefel in the office at 715-424-6751.

Your story. Your style. Your Ring.



Attendance

ALL students participating in a Co-Curricular Program, such as a Sport, School Group, or Club must be present in school ALL DAY in order to participate in the event, sport, or contest. Failure to be in attendance will result in non-participation in all co-curricular events that day. Absences which have been excused for a funeral, court appearance, school approved trips, **documented medical appointments**, exercising your right to vote, other unusual or extenuating circumstances or family emergencies must be cleared with the principal and/or athletic director in advance. Hunting or fishing is not an exception.

Student Absences

Parents MUST call in their child's absences (whether excused or unexcused) to the Attendance Line at 715-424-6765, report the absence in Family Access, or by pressing 2 when calling 715-424-6750.

During the school day, students who leave school or arrive late to school MUST have parent's permission. If the student is leaving early you can send a note with your student or call our office. Please give us ample time to write a pass and locate your student so they will be ready when you are planning to pick them up. DO NOT text or call your student to leave early, they will not be able to leave class without a pass from the office.

All students will need to sign in (if they are late) or sign out (if they must leave) at the attendance window in the main office.

Important Dates

Homecoming Dance

Saturday, October 5

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Parent Teacher Visitation

Monday, October 14 - 4:00 - 6:30 p.m.

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WIAA State Cross Country Meet

Saturday, November 2

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Thanksgiving Break

November 27-29

Canvas

Canvas is our learning management system. This allows you to gain access to your child's day to day activities and assignments. To gain parent access, click here to set up a Canvas observer account: <https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/14DWk2dod79fq6gGjxbD-RLg6Gaa6cFCgZrLdPs0Q3U8/edit?usp=sharing>



***Important* !! Vaccinations !!** **NEW Requirements! 2024-2025**

~WRPS Nurses~

ALL VACCINATIONS DUE NO LATER THAN 10/14/2024.
EXCLUSION FROM SCHOOL STARTS 10/15/2024.

Instead of waiting until your child's yearly wellness check, you can schedule a "nurse only" visit for needed vaccinations. NEW requirement changes per the Wisconsin Department of Health Services are starting in the 2024-2025 school year. **PLEASE, read all of the information.** For full information on the new immunization requirements visit this link [Immunization Requirements](#).

***NEW* Required Immunizations**

***The change will go into effect for school-age children at the start of the 2024-2025 school year.*

For entry to kindergarten through seventh grades, students need:

- 4 doses of polio vaccine
- 3 doses of hepatitis B
- 4 doses of DTaP/DTP/DT/TD
- 2 doses of varicella (chickenpox)*
- 2 doses of MMR
- 1 Tdap at seventh grade

NEW* • 1 MenACWY-containing vaccine at seventh grade**

For entry to 12th grade

NEW* • 1 MenACWY-containing booster (2nd dose in series)**

Note: A second dose of MenACWY-containing vaccine should be administered between the ages of 16 and 18 years to students who received the first dose of MenACWY-containing vaccine between the ages of 11 and 15 years. A second dose is not required for students who received their first dose of the MenACWY-containing vaccine at age 16 years or older.

***IF YOU MADE AN APPOINTMENT FOR VACCINATIONS, PLEASE LET YOUR SCHOOL NURSE KNOW IT'S IN PROCESS, AND TURN IN VACCINATION RECORD AFTER.**

***If your child should not receive any current or new requirements, please discuss them with your child's doctor, and provide a signed waiver. The updated student immunization record form/waiver is available here: [Student Immunization Record](#). You can also find this form on our WRPS website, under "FAMILIES", and "HEALTH INFORMATION," in the "IMMUNIZATIONS" link.*

*Parents or adult students may still claim a personal conviction, medical, or religious waiver for these new requirements.

***NEW* MenACWY**

*******Starting with the 2024/25 school year students entering 7th grade and 12th grade will need to provide documentation of receiving the MenACWY-containing vaccine. Students entering grades 8 -11 during the 2024/25 school year will not be affected, and will not be required to have documentation of MenACWY. Students entering 12th grade will need two MenACWY vaccines and those entering 7th grade will need one MenACWY. Those 12th graders who received their first dose of a MenACWY-containing vaccine at age 16 or older are not required to have a booster, only the first MenACWY-containing vaccine. Families are able to sign medical, religious, or personal conviction waivers for this requirement.

***NEW* Varicella**

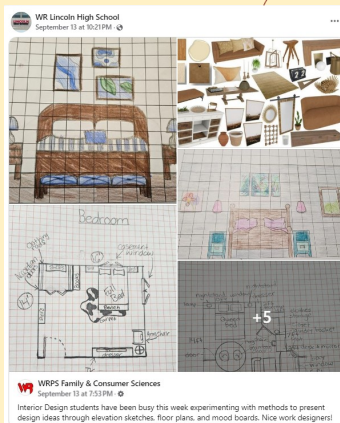
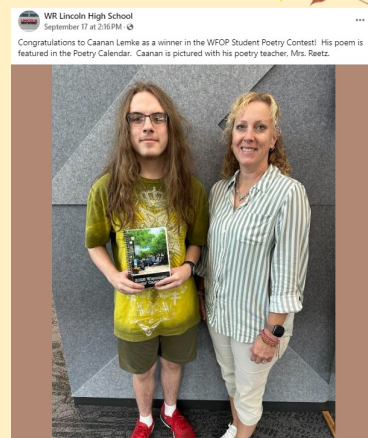
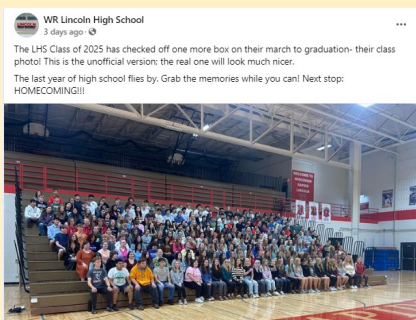
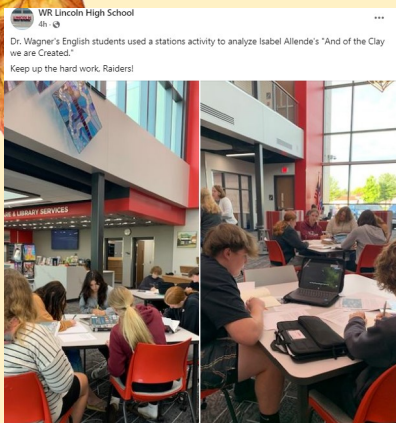
Starting with the 2024/25 school year and moving forward in subsequent years, any new enterer in early childhood, 4K, or students K-12 who are claiming an exception to the varicella vaccination requirement because they had chickenpox disease will need to meet the verification requirement of such disease. This verification must be provided by a qualified health care provider (M.D., D.O., N.P, or P.A.). **New enterer:** means any student enrolling in a Wisconsin school for the first time. This typically means all pre-K and kindergarten students, and students transferring from an out-of-state (non-Wisconsin) school.

Students enrolled during the 2023/24 school year who have parental reports of chickenpox disease are not required to submit verification of such disease by a qualified health care provider unless the status of the student changes such as they move out of state and then re-enroll.

Parents may contact Wood County Public for information about the Immunization Clinic at 715-421-8911 to see if their child is eligible. See brochure for more information. [English & Spanish Brochure.](#)



FACEBOOK REFLECTIONS



LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL THEATRE DEPARTMENT PRESENTS

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November 15 & 16 at 7:30 pm | November 17 at 2:00 pm

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Dear Seniors and Senior Parents:

The Ahdawagam production is an all-digital process. The procedure for this process is listed on the wrps website. For your reference, I have also included the information below:

Senior picture deadline: 11/30/24

Upload directly to Jostens at <https://photos.jostens.com/TP4U7E>. Label the file with the student's name. If no picture is received by the deadline, the school identification (ID) photo will be used. Head & shoulder front view only. **NO HANDS. No PROPS.** JPG or TIF image preferred.

Please review the specifications below PRIOR to submitting the photo.

For the 2024 book, we will use color portraits. They must meet these specifications:

- Head and shoulder shot only; no extreme close-ups or full body shots
- No hands in the portrait
- No props such as hats, hobby paraphernalia, sports uniforms, or pets, Plain or subdued background – outdoor sittings, while popular, often create glare that is distracting.
- Appropriate clothing (no deeply-cut necklines, off-shoulder shirts, or inappropriate messages)
- No text or special effects
- No black and white photos -- only color photos should be submitted.

Should the student select a portrait that does not meet these specifications, we reserve the right to reject it, and the student will be asked to have another portrait taken.

Our FIRM deadline for accepting photographs is November 30, 2024. The school takes ID photos every year, and we will use the ID photo if we do not receive one by the deadline. Due to the trimester schedule, we cannot extend due dates.

Thank you for your assistance. We could not produce the Ahdawagam without your support. If you have any questions, I can be reached at 715-424-6750 or at kurt.jensen@wrps.net via email.

Thank you,

Kurt Jensen

Ahdawagam Adviser

To develop the skills and character to achieve success!