

Lincoln K-8 School



Lincoln History

- Lincoln at Mann (K-6) established in 1975
- First “choice” school in Rochester
- Result of grassroots effort by families and teachers looking for an alternative education within the public school system
- Lincoln K-8 created in 1994 - added Uppers Program (middle school/6-8)
- Lincoln is the only K-8 school in Rochester Public School district

Kindergarten Facts

- Kindergarten sessions
 - Three sections of all-day K
 - 9:10am – 3:35pm
 - Art, Music, PE, Media with specialists
- Transitioning incoming kindergartners
 - Kindergarten Screening and Parent Event in Spring
 - Meet the Teacher Day and PPT Family Social
 - Kindergarten starts two days after the rest of the students – “Mini Sessions”
 - Parent of K Info Day during Mini Sessions
- Transportation
- School Aged Child Care (SACC)



Uppers Facts = Middle School = Grades 6,7,8

- 5 Multi-age Homerooms (includes electives/health)
- Language Arts and Social Studies
 - Multi-age classrooms, Looped curriculum
- Science and Math
 - Taught by grade-level with grade-level curriculum
- Music and PE
 - 6th-8th grades, every other day all year
- Art
 - 6th-8th grades – 1 quarter each year
- STEM
 - 6th grade/1 quarter
- Communication Arts, Project Lead the Way, Spanish
 - 7th - 8th grades/1 quarter each year



Lincoln K-8 School Mission

To *educate* and
empower our children in a
family-oriented and
creative community
by cultivating excellence.



We empower our children...

Lincoln creates a ***positive environment*** for learning and growing.

- Community
- Respect
- Responsibility

Community

“Lincoln was such a good experience for me. Teachers want to help you and there are a lot of kind people. I am going to miss Lincoln because we are like a family, and no one wants to leave their family.”

- Sammy, Class of 2010

Small School Setting

- Staff gets to know all of the students

Relationship Building

- Big Buddies/Little Buddies
- Multi-Age Experiences

Examples of Multi-Age Experiences

Grade	Experience	How Often
1	Thematic lessons (with K and 2 nd Grade)	1 time a week
2 and 3	Language Arts	2 times a cycle
2 and 3	InSciEd Out Modules	2 modules a year
4 and 5	Thematic Lessons Reading Buddies	45 minutes a day
6,7,8	Multi-age homerooms, language arts and social studies	Every day

Community

Big Buddies/Little Buddies



Respect

Students respect teachers.

Teachers respect students.

Students respect each other.

Responsibility

We teach our students to accept accountability for their own learning and their own actions.

- Goal setting
- Classroom behavior goals are established by teachers and students together
- Older students expected to be role models for younger students



***We educate* our children...**

Lincoln provides a student-centered and student-driven environment where learning is a constant collaboration between students and teachers.

- Lincoln innovates to meet the learning needs of today's students
- Lincoln students prepare for their futures using cutting-edge tools and innovative curriculum



Lincoln uses *teaching methods* that best support the individual *learning styles* of the whole child

- Multiple Intelligences
 - Teachers look for each student’s individual “smarts”
 - Opportunities to develop all intelligences
- Reading
 - Lincoln Leveled Library (Lynx Program)
- Social Studies
 - Collaborative projects (Westward Expansion/Mayflower)
- Math
 - Flexible, small groups allow for individualized instruction
 - K-5 Math Teacher
 - Accelerated math opportunities are available
- PE
 - Focus on strength in body and character
- STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math)

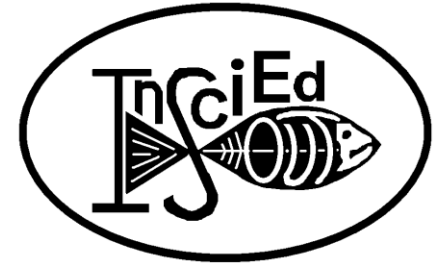
Technology

We focus on the skills our children will need in a technology–driven future through a technology-integrated curriculum.

- Lincoln is a leader in using technology in education - SMART boards, netbooks, iPads
- Technology enhances all subjects through both software and lessons specifically integrated with classroom themes
- Lincoln is the only elementary school with a full-time Technology specialist that works with each classroom to integrate technology into the curriculum – starting in kindergarten.
- Lincoln is a pilot site for the District one-to-one iPad program – every student will receive an iPad for educational use.

STEM - InSciEd Out

Partnered with Mayo Clinic and Winona State University to develop an innovative science curriculum for K-8.



- Hands-on modules at each grade level:
 - K: “What is a Scientist”, “My Body & Senses”
 - 1: “A Good Environment”, “Adaptation”
 - 2-3: “Camouflage”, “Development and Life Cycles”
 - 4-5: “Adaptations”, “Water Treatment”
 - 6-8: “Effects of Chemicals”
- Children engage in their own research and experiments using cutting-edge technology.
 - \$20,000 fluorescent microscope
 - Two in-school fish habitats
- Science is linked to other subject areas



STEM – Project Lead the Way

The Project Lead The Way curriculum includes physics, engineering, biomedical science and computer programming.

Through activity-, project-, and problem-based curriculum, PLTW gives students a chance to apply what they know, identify problems, find unique solutions, and lead their own learning.

- PLTW Launch (Grades K-5)
 - Only school in Rochester to have PLTW in elementary grades
- PLTW Gateway (Grades 6-8)





We are a *creative* community...

- Visual Arts
- Music
- Performing Arts

Visual Arts and Music

- All students, grades K-8, have art and music in their schedule.
- Visual arts and music lessons are linked to the thematic learning in the classroom.
- Uppers music options: band, orchestra, or uppers music

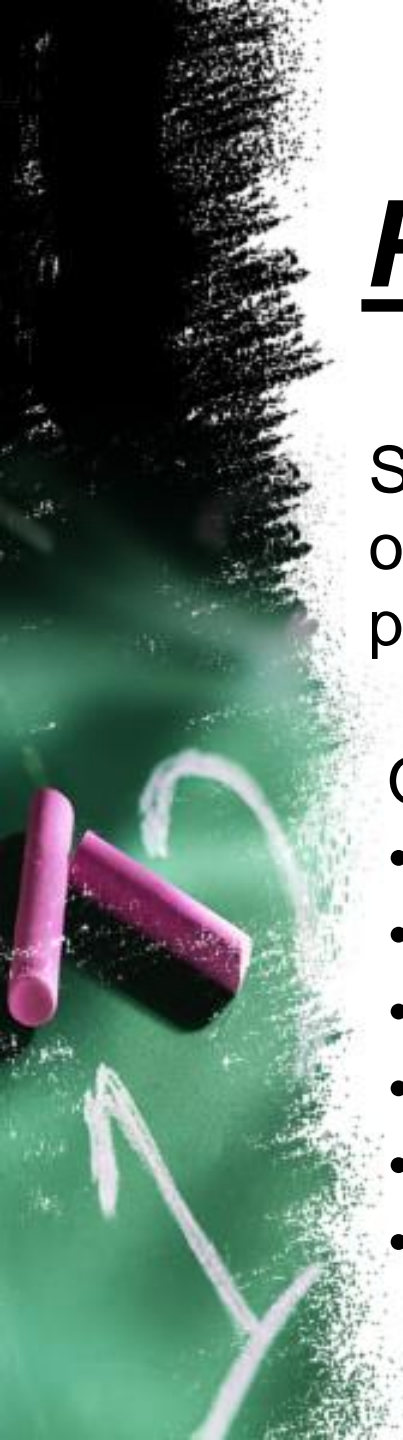


Performing Arts

Students are provided with an array of opportunities to perform, present and perfect their public speaking and communication skills.

Opportunities include:

- Play/Musical
- Poetry and Punch
- Academic Showcase
- Speeches
- Project Presentations
- Rocktown Tour





We are a *family-oriented* community...

The foundation of Lincoln's success is family involvement. Lincoln families are asked to volunteer in the school community and in your child's classroom.

- **School decision-making**
 - PPT (Program Planning Team)
 - PPT Committees
- **Fundraising - the Lincoln Auction**
- **Volunteers**
 - Volunteers are always welcome
 - Opportunities are available in the classroom or at home, and before, during and after school



Application to Lincoln

Information on the application and selection process are available on our website and the district website.

- Applications are due January 2017.
- If selected, you will be notified in January 2017.

[District-Wide School Application Process](#)