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Student Ambassadors



TALON CHALLENGE

The 3rd annual Talon Challenge with Thomas Jefferson will be taking place on February 3 at LCS. 100% of the proceeds from this event benefit the V Foundation for Cancer Research, both schools have raised close to \$10,000 in the past two years!

The winner of the Talon Challenge will be determined by the following:

- Points for most donated pints of blood

- Points for every winner of each basketball game

- Mr. Machado and Mr. Maimone (the TJCA head of school) will receive a free throw attempt for every \$100 raised during the TC. Help us buy Mr. Machado free throws to defeat cancer and the TJCA gryphons! Buy memory cards or donate at any of the LCS front offices.

Memory cards are available in all front offices – for a suggested donation of \$1/card. Publically remember those whose lives have been touched by cancer.

LCS is competing with TJCA to see who can raise the most pints of blood, by donating through the Red Cross. Help us defeat the gryphons by donating at the MS/HS on Jan 31 or at the Lincoln campus on Feb 1. Appointments are preferred; please register for the Denver drive by e-mailing heather.kline@lincolncharter.org or keith.hain@lincolncharter.org for the Lincoln drive.

LCS will play Thomas Jefferson in basketball (all basketball teams, MS and HS) on February 3 at LCS. Please attend to help us recognize our winter athletic seniors. Also, this is the final chance for you to see the world-famous LCS Jr. Cheerleaders – they will be cheering during the MS games.

FAMILY HEART HOP

When: Friday, February 24, 2012

Where: LCS Lincoln – Gym

Time: 6 – 8 pm

Tickets: Available beginning February 1st (\$5 per family)

Free blood pressure checks

Johnny Colvard – DJ

Photographer

Information regarding Healthy Eating Available

Games and Contests for Children and Adults

Light supper available for purchase (Pizza, Drink and Dessert)



BOOK FAIR

A Scholastic Book Fair is coming to our school from 2/6/12-2/10/12. It's a great opportunity for students to find books that really interest them. We know kids read more books when they get to choose their own. The more kids read, the more their reading skills improve.

I'm inviting you to be a part of our Book Fair Family Event. It's taking place 2/9/12 after the PTO meeting. You can shop for books for your entire family! If for some reason you can't make it or you want to continue shopping from an expanded selection, you can now visit the Fair online –

<http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/lincolncharterschlwest>.

The online Fair:

- gives you the opportunity to purchase books from the online Classroom Wish List I created, which will help refresh our classroom library and give students access to a variety of new books
- is available for an extended time and all orders ship FREE to school
- provides a chance for you and your child to create and send wish lists to invite friends and family to participate in the Book Fair
- offers an expanded book selection for all ages—from preschool to adult.

All in-school and online Book Fair purchases benefit our school. Thanks for helping get more kids reading, kids reading more.

See you at the Book Fair!

Ms. Carswell, Book Fair Coordinator

BOX TOPS

As of January 10, 2012 our current Box Tops dollar amount is around \$750. Last year we raised over \$1100.00 by the end of April. Our goal this year is \$2000.00 and we need everyone's help to get there. Ask relatives, co-workers, church family & anyone else you can think of to collect Box Tops & Labels for Education for you and your child. Also, make sure you register online at www.boxtops4education.com. The school earns additional points for online purchases made through the website from companies like Oriental Trading Company, Target & Wal-Mart. There are also daily games and opportunities to win extra Box Tops!

Remember that 1 Box Top = 10¢ & each Label earns us points for much needed educational materials.

Please trim the Box Tops & Soup Labels as much as possible & make sure they are not expired. Also, Labels for Education must have the barcode intact for the school to redeem them. Make sure your child's homeroom is on the bag so each class can get credit.

A pizza party will be awarded to the homeroom with the highest total in both the elementary & middle school!

HIGH SCHOOL HAPPENINGS

Be sure to check out the Scholarship link on Mrs. Wood's page. Scholarship information is coming in daily.

ATTENTION SENIORS AND PARENTS -

Do you need assistance filling out your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)? Help is available! On February 18th, financial aid professionals will be available throughout North Carolina to help students and parents fill out their forms. This is a FREE service provided by the College Foundation of North Carolina (CFNC). Visit www.cfnc.org/fafsaday for locations and registration details.

SPRING SPORTS

Spring tryouts begin the week of Feb 13 – stay tuned for full details

HS Softball (girls only) – Open field workouts start Jan 19 and will run every Tuesday and Thursday after until tryouts – weather permitting. These sessions will begin immediately after school and run until 4:45pm.

MS softball – begins open fields on 1/15 from 2-4pm, and continues each Sunday until the start of tryouts

MS/HS Baseball (boys only) – Open fields TBA

HS Soccer (girls only) – Jan 9, 3:30-5, and every Monday and Wednesday following – weather permitting

MS Soccer (girls only) – Jan 9, 4-5:30, and every Monday and Wednesday following – weather permitting

HS Track (boys and girls) – every Monday/Tuesday/Thursday after school until 4:30 – weather permitting

Additional sports/team open fields/practice sessions will be announced later - stay tuned for details. Questions? Please e-mail daniel.schmitz@lincolncharter.org.

HEART HEALTHY SNACK

Mrs. Bowman's Healthy Snack

One cup of Plain Yogurt

Add favorite jelly, fruit, peanut butter, honey or granola

Now you have a healthy snack for the day!