

CHARTER CHATTER

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FROM THE DESK OF CHIEF ADMINISTRATOR DAVE MACHADO

Dear LCS Families,

The phone call I received from Lincoln County Sheriff's department with the news that the person responsible for the bogus bomb threats had been caught was a great way to start our school week! It was a very trying week for our entire school family and I want to again thank our staff, students, and families for your support and patience. While we may never know the motive of this student, I can assure you it was not out of anger towards LCS or anyone associated with our school. As it has been during this entire incident, the final outcome and consequences are in the hands of the law enforcement agencies and court system. This student will not be returning to LCS and I can only hope and pray that he learns from this mistake and finds the support he needs to get his life back in order. I want to thank the Lincoln County Sherriff's department for the man power and resources they put on solving this case. We were in constant communication with them. They were monitoring our campuses around the clock, and running down every lead possible. We have invited all the law enforcement agencies that were involved to our PTO Christmas programs at both campuses so we can recognize and publically thank them for their efforts. I encourage all our families to write the Sheriff's department a note expressing your appreciation for their hard work. Their address is PO Box 506, Lincolnton, NC 28093. Please contact Paula Powers at paula.powers@lincolncharterschool.org if you are interested in participating in our plans to provide them with other acts of kindness. As difficult as this incident was, I could not be prouder of the way our LCS family handled this and supported our school. Thank you again, and as always, please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Dave Machado

Lincoln County Sheriff's Department
PO Box 506
Lincolnton, NC 28093

PTO

Reminder: PTO General Membership Meeting and elementary Christmas Program are December 15th at 6:30 in MS/HS Gym.

Don't forget your Angel. Pick up your Angel at the PTO Angel Tree in support of LCS-Denver Sunshine Committee. It is located in the front lobby of the elementary building. The Angels are filled with requests that are "Back to the Basics" such as socks, undershirts, shirts, lunches, groceries, and toiletries to help support our Denver LCS families through the holidays and beyond. For families that are unable to get to the school and pick up an Angel, we developed this website that you can visit and sign up to help.

<http://www.volunteerspot.com/login/entry/92345638631432045> It may surprise you when you look at the angels to see that you can help our children with some of their very basic needs. Each Angel is intended to cost you less than \$25 to participate. Some Angels have items that are less than \$5. We are hoping that many families will contribute a little and it will all add up to a lot of help for our families in need – beyond the Christmas season. Your donations will be used to fill stockings, Christmas presents, and holiday meals. Some donations will be used to support the Sunshine Committee's back pack program here at Denver. The Sunshine Committee serves all of the Denver campuses, grades K-12. All items are due no later than December 14th by 3pm. Please deliver your generous donations under the Angel Tree at the elementary campus, unwrapped, with the original Angel taped to your donation (if possible). If you have any questions, please e-mail Cindy at mikencindy@charter.net or Ms Ce Ce at cece.mcgalliard@lincolncharer.org Donations of any size are greatly appreciated by PTO, the Sunshine Committee and most of all, our LCS families. Thank you.

Also, please know that your donations to the Sunshine Committee through the Angel Tree located at the elementary school are greatly appreciated. Thank you so much for helping other LCS families. It wouldn't be possible without you!

It's not too late to get your own 2011 Track Attack T-shirt. We have a few left: 1 Adult Large, 2 Adult Mediums, 2 Adult Smalls and 1 Child Large. Please e-mail trackattack@lincolncharter.net to arrange delivery and payment (\$8) First Come. First Served.

ELEMENTARY CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

All K-4 Students are to wear khaki bottoms (No shorts) and a uniform RED shirt

5th grade students are to wear khaki bottoms (No shorts) and a uniform WHITE shirt

All students need to be at the middle/high school by 6:00

The show starts at 6:30

Any questions about the show please contact Mrs. Lykes directly at Tracy.Lykes@Lincolncharter.org

JUNIOR CHEERLEADING

All elementary female students (K-5) are invited to participate in the LCS Basketball season as a Junior Cheerleader. The cost is \$40 and includes shirt, short and socks. Poms are an additional \$5.00. Practices will take place on January 4th, 9th and 10th from 3:30 - 5:00pm at the Denver MS/HS multipurpose room/mezzanine. Junior Cheerleaders will cheer at games on January 13th, 20th and February 3rd. Participation form ([click here](#)) and fee must be paid by December 15 by 12:00pm in the front office.

Show your Eagle pride!

HIGH SCHOOL HAPPENINGS

The state of North Carolina is paying for all 10th grade students to take the PLAN assessment at Lincoln Charter School. This assessment will be administered to our students on Tuesday, December 13th from 8:00- approximately 11:30 AM. Students are strongly encouraged to bring a water bottle, light snack (able to eat within 5 min), and their calculator (no cell phones!) to the assessment. Students will be asked to leave their computers and bookbags in a classroom during the assessment. This assessment is a great way to prepare for the ACT. It will provide parents, students and counselors information on students' readiness for college, appropriate academic courses and pathways, and help define potential career interests. This exam is comprised of English, math, reading, and science components. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Christy Hutchinson at christy.hutchinson@lincolncharter.org or your high school counselor. <http://www.actstudent.org/plan/>

DONATION OPPORTUNITIES

LSE travel programs are selling Chick-fil-a calendars. <http://www.chick-fil-a.com/Cows/Calendar-Offers> This year's calendars feature Trail Grazers and contains 12 free offers. The calendars are available for \$6.50. If you would like to order a calendar please send in your check marked Cow Calendar. The calendar will be sent home with your student. For questions, please contact Melissa.Lasarsky@lincolncharter.org.

CAN YOU SAY \$5 FOR TWO ROUNDTRIP AIRLINE TICKETS TO ANYWHERE IN THE CONTINENTAL U.S.A.? Toes in the Ft. Lauderdale sand? Skiing in Aspen? California sunshine? A visit with your relatives in CHICAGO? Raffle tickets are \$5 for one chance and \$20 for FIVE ! The drawing will be at the PTO Christmas Program Thursday, Dec. 15! The tickets are basically good in February and March; reservations must be made before Dec. 31 and travel must be completed by March 31; the only restricted days are February 18-21. You may get tickets from Ms. Lazear, Ms. Wells at the elementary school, or Ms. Kline at the MS/HS. Questions? Christi.lazear@lincolncharter.org ! GOOD LUCK!

Don't forget French class this Thursday! French food, fun & laughter as we learn the lingua! \$6 per lesson with Ms. Gascon (family members half-price). 3:30 in Room 120 of the MS. Enchante!! Questions? Christi.lazear@lincolncharter.org!

It's PAPA JOHN'S WEEK AT LINCOLN CHARTER! 25% off your order with the cool code LCSEAGLES any time DEC. 5-11! AND 20% goes to the LCS kids' trip to England and France this summer! Thank you, Papa John's!

Summer of 2013....you're cruising the Greek Islands....YES! Check out Ms. Lazear's Excellent Adventure at eftours.com/1104279! We have two info sessions scheduled: Wednesday, Dec. 7th at 3:30 and Thursday, the 8th, at 6:30, both in Room 120 of the Middle School. If you enroll (only \$95) before Dec. 15th, it's \$200 OFF and the program fee locks in at 2011 rates! This trip is open to High School (including RISING 9th graders) and their families. Come with us! Christi.lazear@lincolncharter.org or 704-747-4604 any time after school! Be there!

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Carter Campbell, Matthew DeLoach, Hunter Nichols, and Carson Bush. These 4 LCS students are also outstanding Southland Youth Football League players that played in the football bowl in Plant City, Florida. They were runner-ups in the bowl. Congratulations!