

THE PAW PRINT



SEPTEMBER 11, 2018

Dear Lindsey Families,

We need your help! Our number one priority is the safety and security of our staff and students. With our school centrally located in one of the fastest growing areas in the State we are experiencing an increase in school and community traffic, which is causing safety concerns for our Lions. There are some factors out of our control, and some that if we work together we can fix.

You might have noticed an increase police presence both at arrival and dismissal. Their purpose is to encourage our parents and community to abide by the school zone signs and slow down. We are well aware that parents need to get to work, and that cannot happen until your children get to school. Unfortunately going around our crossing guards, speeding around our car rider lines, and/or dropping the students off in the parking lot so they must cross in front of a moving line of cars with or without an adult is not the way to speed things up. If your child is arriving to school in a car, please utilize the car rider line. For your convenience we start unloading cars at 7:00a.m. Today we increased the number of cars we unloaded from 6 to 8 at a time which we believe will help in speeding up our drop off line.

In addition, we are asking all of our parents to slow down and please be aware of our crossing guards and kids crossing on Joan Collier Trace, South Firethorn, and Weldon's Forest Drive. We are currently working with our district, Fort Bend County, and the developers to address the safety issue on South Firethorn and Weldon's Forest Drive. We will have a solution worked out very soon, and will communicate the changes to you as soon as possible.

Lastly, please take turns pulling into and out of the car rider line. We now have cars traveling both north and south bound on Joan Collier Trace that are waiting to pull into and out of our front drive. If parents will treat this as a three way stop, traffic will be able to continue to flow.

Parents of students who arrive after 7:30a.m. will need to park their car and be escorted into the front office to be signed in as tardy.

I appreciate your patience as we try to figure out the safest and fastest way to welcome and dismiss our almost 700 students. If you have any suggestions on how to make improvements please do not hesitate to call me. I am always looking for ways to improve our systems. Your feedback is a gift. Thank you for your cooperation and support in keeping our Lindsey Lions safe!



Heather Williams



Please do not drop students off in our parking lots as this is extremely dangerous. Our staff is ready, willingly, and able to safely assist your student from the car. Our car rider line moves very quickly in the morning! For your child's safety we ask all parents to remain in the car at all times, and all students to exit the car door closet to the building.

We appreciate your assistance in keeping our kids safe!



Remember if you change your child's transportation we must have a signed written note from you the parent. Please send this note with your child in the morning. Thank you!



It's fundraising time for Lindsey Elementary! We are asking every student to sell a minimum of 2 - 3 items to help raise money for our den activities, books for the classroom and summer library program, and for additional technology for our kids. Our fundraising packets went home last Tuesday, and the fundraiser ends next week on 9/18/18.

If your child has already sold items please remind them to turn in their tickets to the front office for our daily raffle.

If your child sells 12 items they will slime the principal and the assistant principal. Students who sell 25 items will enjoy riding in a Hummer Limo to Altitude.

Top selling boy and girl will be crowned King and Queen!

All fundraising items will be delivered to the Lindsey gym on Tuesday, October 23rd from 3:00 - 5:30p.m.

We appreciate your support of our school!

IMPORTANT NOTICE

5th Grade Parents:

Your child will be taking the Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT) September 11th–13th during their morning block. The Cognitive Abilities Test™ (CogAT) measures general reasoning abilities in three domains: verbal, quantitative, and nonverbal. This test measures the general thinking and problem-solving skills that students have learned in the academic setting as well as through real-world experiences. The scores obtained from CogAT may be used in instructional planning by teachers to best meet the needs of students. The Cognitive Abilities Test also serves as one of several pieces of information used for identification of students for the Gifted and Talented Program in LCISD.

Please assist your child in performing to their best ability by making sure they:

1. Receive an adequate amount of sleep each night.
2. Eat a nutritious breakfast.
3. Arrive to school on time.
5. Receive encouragement to do his/her very best.

If you have any questions regarding CogAT, please feel free to contact me by email: Bethany.cunningham@lcisd.org or by phone at 832-223-5404.

Thank you,

Bethany Cunningham

Lindsey Elementary Assistant Principal



COME JOIN US UPCOMING EVENTS...



HAPPY GRANDPARENT'S DAY!



Our Lindsey Lions LOVE our grandparents. We are inviting all Grandparents to eat lunch with their favorite Lindsey Lion on Thursday, September 20th during their grandchild's lunch time.

Parents please turn in the RVSP form that is located in your child's Tuesday Folder today, with the names of the grandparents that will be eating lunch with your child. If we do not have the form completed the grandparents will not be allowed to eat lunch that day. Extra forms are located in the office for your convenience.



Student Fall Picture Day

September 21, 2018

More information will be sent home in an upcoming Tuesday Folder!



WATCH D.O.G.S. (Dads Of Great Students) is an innovative father involvement, educational initiative of the National Center For Fathering. There are two primary goals of the WATCH D.O.G.S. program.

1) To provide positive male role models for the students, demonstrating by their presence that education is important.

2) To provide extra sets of eyes and ears to enhance school security and reduce bullying.

WATCH D.O.G.S. is one of the nation's largest and most respected school-based, family, and community engagement, organizations in the country. Since the program's creation in 1998, more than 6,450 schools across the country have launched a WATCH D.O.G.S. program of their own. Each school year hundreds of thousands of fathers and father-figures make a positive impact on millions of children by volunteering millions of hours in their local schools through this amazing one-of-a-kind program.

Who Are WatchDOGS?

WatchDOGS are fathers, grandfathers, uncles, and other father-figures who volunteer for at least one day each year at an official WATCH D.O.G.S. school. During the day, WatchDOGS may read and work on flash cards with students, play at recess, eat lunch with students, watch the school entrances and hallways, assist with traffic flow and any other assigned activities where they actively engage with not only their own students, but other students as well. Many school principals have reported that the mere presence of a WatchDOG dramatically reduces reports of bullying. On the day of their participation, WatchDOGS are given a brief review of their involvement and they wear an official WATCH D.O.G.S. t-shirt with a disposable 'Dog Tag' identifying them as WATCHDOGS.

SPIRIT NIGHT

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for Lindsey Elementary

September 20, 2018

5:00-8:00 pm

Come out and support your school during Spirit Night. There will be cow appearances, and your teachers will compete in three contests, which are: Lemon Squeezing, Nugget Eating, and Ice-Cream Eating. This Spirit Night will be one you won't want to miss!



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LINDSEY ELEMENTARY



INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL

Lindsey Elementary is hosting its 1st annual International Festival on 11/13/18 from 5:30-7:30pm. We are currently in need of volunteers to form our planning committee, represent a country with a display booth or give a short performance during the festival. If you are interested in either of these opportunities, please complete the bottom portion of this form and return to your student's classroom or email FOL at friendsoflindseylcisd@gmail.com by **09/10/18**.

Participation is not limited to Lindsey families. If you know someone like a friend or relative that would like to share their love and knowledge their culture, please have them contact us. We look forward to creating a memorable tradition for years to come!

Sincerely,

Friends of Lindsey

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email Address: _____ Country: _____

I would like to:

_____ Be on the planning committee.

_____ Represent a country at the festival with a booth.

_____ Represent a country at the festival with a short performance or demonstration.

_____ Volunteer for set up and during event.

Dear Lindsey Family,

Friends of Lindsey (FOL) has several positions available on its Executive Board. We are looking for energetic and enthusiastic people to help make Lindsey the best place for our students, faculty, staff, and parents. Please submit your nomination with a brief bio and contact information to friendsoflindseylcisd@gmail.com by 09/10/18.

A nominee will be selected by the FOL executive board on 09/14/18 to serve a one-year term. As a board member you are expected to attend 2/3 of all FOL board meetings. New elections for all board positions are to be held in Spring of 2019, where voting is open to all.

For more information or questions, please contact us at friendsoflindseylcisd@gmail.com or visit our website, www.friendsoflindsey.org.

Sincerely,

Friends of Lindsey



Secretary:

The Secretary will record the minutes of every board meeting and general meeting for publishing on the FOL website. She or he will also help with notifications and announcements from FOL to its member and the school. The Secretary will assist with any duties or committees assigned and agreed upon by her/him and the FOL board.

Co-Treasurer:

The Co-Treasurer will assist in all duties of the Treasurer such as maintaining all financial accounts and records related to FOL. Including disbursements of funds and purchasing of items and services related to FOL. The Co-Treasurer shall also perform the duties for the Treasurer in their absence.

Fundraising Director:

The Fundraising director is responsible for research and recommendations of fundraising ideas and present to the FOL board for a vote. He or she will work with the Co-Fundraising Director to oversee all committees related to fundraising activities and delegate as needed.

CO-VIPS Coordinator:

The Co-VIPS Coordinator will work closely with the VIPS Director to coordinate the volunteer needs of Lindsey Elementary. This includes but not limited to scheduling volunteers, assigning homeroom parents and overseeing committees as delegated by the FOL board. In addition, organizing volunteers for school events and special programs.

Historian:

The Historian shall be responsible for recording all the activities of Lindsey Elementary and preparing a yearbook to be kept at the school and made available for sale. This includes negotiating a yearbook publisher for a vote by the FOL board. In addition, organizing volunteers to take photos and record events. Create a committee for the design and publication of the yearbook. He/she will work with and oversee said committee and any publications



Friends of Lindsey (FOL)

A Parent-Teacher Organization

What is Friends of Lindsey (FOL)?

Friends of Lindsey (FOL) is a non-profit 501c (3) parent-teacher organization. We strive to make the educational experience of our students better through enrichment, opportunity and involvement.

How do I join FOL?

Congratulations, you're already a member! If you have a student enrolled at Lindsey Elementary, you are a member of FOL. There are no fees or dues to join.

What does FOL do?

Friends of Lindsey coordinates volunteers to help within the school. Anywhere Lindsey has a need we help. FOL also provides financial contributions which allows Lindsey to create student experiences not covered by the school district's budget. Such as field trips, student enrichment programs and student events. FOL is able to do this through fundraising.

How does FOL fundraise?

Friends of Lindsey has many opportunities throughout the year to fundraise. Examples of fundraising opportunities are:

- Campus-wide fundraising events.
- Parent and community donations.
- Merchant Rewards Programs.

*All FOL fundraisers will state specifically for FOL and are tax-deductible.

How can I get involved with FOL?

FOL is needs volunteers to make this an amazing year for our Lions. We are looking for volunteers to help in many ways from assisting with everyday tasks to creating new and exciting programs at Lindsey. If you would like to get involved, email us at friendsoflindseylcisd@gmail.com. You can also visit our website, friendsoflindsey.org. It only takes a little to make a big difference!

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