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LINTON Elementary School Newsletter

August 2022

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Back to School Night August 30th-more info to come!
- Picture Day September 1st
- NO SCHOOL Monday September 5th
- PTO Meeting September 6th at 6:30 PM
- NO SCHOOL Friday September 16th-Teacher Work Day

Thoughts From Your Principal...

"The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members".-Coretta Scott King

A strong community and strong communication is very important to us. Please call our office any time you need help. Ms. Benedict (our assistant principal) and I are outside at drop off or dismissal and are happy to help in any way. On a weekly basis, you will receive a phone message and email that will prepare you for the following week at school. You will also receive consistent communication from your classrooms.

Your VERY best connection at Linton is your classroom teacher. If you have questions, if you are confused by a schedule, want to discuss some difficulties your child is having, or just want to verify something your child reported....contact your teacher. Your teachers are able to help and are with your child the majority of the day. They will know about any accidents, any conflicts, or any struggles a child might have had. Please connect with your **teacher first and ask for clarification**. We often find that students share some or part of a story when they get home, and the teacher can fill in missing pieces.

If you have other concerns or questions this year, there is a reference for how to get support on the next page.

We are thrilled to be back in session. At Linton, we take care of your children like they are our own. Thank you for sharing your children with us!

Fondly,

Kristin W. Stolte

**See the next page for how to address concerns and get support from our community.

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2. Contact the counselor.
3. Contact the principal.

Concerns involving a staff member:

1. Contact that staff member.
2. Contact the principal.

Concerns about building policies and procedures:

1. Contact the child's teacher.
2. Contact the principal.

Concerns involving the principal:

1. Contact the principal.
2. Contact the Assistant Superintendent
3. Contact a SAC representative.

Concerns about district policies and procedures.

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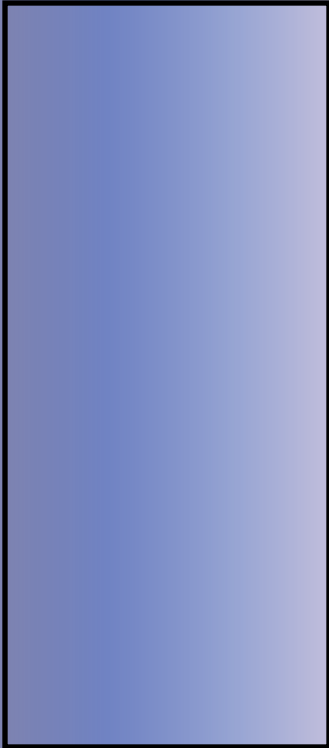
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From the Health Office:

[Experiencing Covid Like Symptoms](#)

[How Sick is Too Sick?](#)

Consent for taking medication at school:

[Authorization to Administer Medicine](#)

[Carry and Self-Administer Asthma/Allergy Medicine](#)

8. Health care action plans:

[Health Care Action Plan - Basic](#)

[Health Care Action Plan - Allergies](#)

[Health Care Action Plan - Asthma](#)

[Health Care Action Plan - Migraines](#)

[Health Care Action Plan - Seizure Disorder](#)

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The Free/Reduced Application is now available to fill out. Please make sure to fill out an application, as breakfast and lunch are no longer free!

You can access the application by going to the following webpage; <https://www.psdschools.org/programs-services/school-meals/free-and-reduced-meals>

If your child plans to eat breakfast or lunch at school, but you do not qualify for Free/Reduced, please make sure that your child has money in their SchoolPay account. <https://psdschools.schoolpay.com/>

Families who qualify for free/reduced school meals, may also be eligible for waivers for certain school fees. Information regarding a student's free/reduced meal status is confidential. Therefore, families must give PSD permission to share this information with staff that need it by completing the *Permission to Share Information for Fee Waivers and Programs to Receive Goods and Services* form. This form is available electronically through ParentVUE (in the left side navigation - select FORMS.)

All parents will need to sign the Code of Conduct for Poudre School District for the 2022-2023 school year. This is located in Parent VUE. If you do not have access please ask staff in the office for a copy for you to sign! <https://www.psdschools.org/ParentVUE>

PSD will follow the [state health department's new "How Sick is Too Sick" protocols](#) **If you have any of the symptoms listed...You need a negative COVID test to return to school.** Symptoms that require a negative test to return to school include fever, feeling feverish, shortness of breath, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, cough, sore throat, runny nose, congestion, muscle/body aches, headache, fatigue, new loss of sense of taste or smell. If your student tests positive or chooses not to test, they must remain home for five days and wear a mask on days 6 to 10 when they return, per public health requirements.

HEALTH OFFICE REMINDERS:

MEDICATION REMINDER: All medications given at school must have new authorization forms every year. Please contact Ms. Thompson in the health office (970/488-5855) with any questions.

Medical Exemptions: Starting July 1, 2016, parents/guardians seeking non-medical (religious or personal belief) exemptions for children in Kindergarten – 12th Grade must submit non-medical exemption forms annually. Medical exemptions only need to be submitted once and require the signature of your child's doctor or advanced practice nurse. To submit a non-medical or medical exemption use the forms below;



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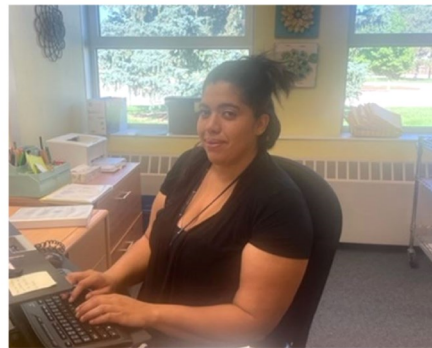
NEW LINTON STAFF!

What a unique year! Due to three retirements, moves out of state, a return to graduate school, adding additional positions, two moving to full time in middle school, and a few changes in staffing, we have several new Linton Lions to introduce!

Hiring only the very best educators for our students is one of my most important jobs. I only hire people that I would want my own children to experience. After an extensive hiring process, I am thrilled to announce the new members to our team

Please welcome the following NEW STAFF to LINTON!!

Ms. Chantelle Masters is our new office manager! She was formerly the Director/OM at Sunshine House, so she has a great combination of office tasks, a school environment, and all things a little crazy. We think she will be a great addition! Please be patient with her while she learns our families!



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Our new kindergarten teacher is Ms. Courtney Grandgenett. Ms. Grandgenett has 6 years of experience teaching kindergarten in Minnesota, and most recently in Greeley. She is a St. Cloud State graduate, and has her master's degree in Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Education. She is ALL about kindergarten and very excited to join our team!



Our new second grade teacher is Ms. Kayla Nelson. She has been a third and 5th grade teacher for several years at Shawsheen Elementary in Greeley. Most recently she was the Instructional Coach at Jackson Elementary. She is a great fit and we are very excited to have her join!

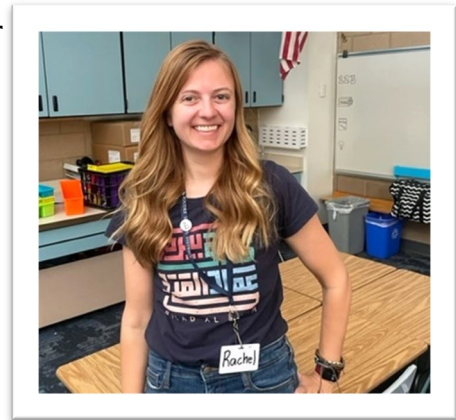
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Please welcome Ms. Rachel Owens to 1st Grade! Ms. Owens and her family just moved to Fort Collins after teaching abroad for 10 years. She has taught kindergarten, 2nd, 3rd, and literacy intervention. Originally from Michigan, she has her Master's in Teaching and Curriculum with a concentration in literacy and multicultural education from Michigan State.



Ms. Janey Knuth is joining 4th grade! She is moving here from South Dakota. She attended Loyola University in Chicago, and has taught 2nd and 3rd grades in Chicago and most recently in South Dakota. Janey also has endorsements in ELD, I.S, IB, and is proficient in Spanish. She holds a special education generalist license in addition to elementary education. WELCOME!!!!



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Ms. Lindsay Brock joins our literacy intervention team! Lindsay has teaching experience at multiple grade levels in Indiana, and most recently has been teaching abroad in Vietnam. Her husband will be teaching at Blevins and her family is excited to be in Fort Collins.



Ms. Allison Quartaroli joins our Integrated Services (special education) team! She is a great fit for our students and staff. Ms. Quartaroli has been a special education teacher in Minnesota for a few years. She and her husband are excited to be in Fort Collins!

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Please welcome Ms. Leah Mattice to art! Leah has been teaching art for the last four years in Aurora. Leah has experience in art shows and different art-focused clubs as well. She has recently moved to Fort Collins where she used to teach preschool. Welcome, Ms. Mattice!



Please welcome our new PE teacher, Ms. Kim Guinn! Kim is moving here from Indiana. She brings 20+ years of experience in PE, adaptive PE, check in/check out with kids, coaching, character education training, and after school club experience. Our team felt strongly that she is the one!

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Ms. Tea Feliciano is our new Early Childhood Special Education teacher. She joins Miss Melissa as our second classroom. Miss Feliciano is finishing her Master's Degree at UNC and has experience at several schools. She is excited to work with our 2-5 year olds!

Ms. Charity Kranz is joining our ELD department having just moved here from Arizona . She most recently worked at Bennett Elementary this last year. Charity has been a classroom teacher, Family Liaison, ELD teacher (Istanbul, Columbia, and AZ), a literacy teacher, trainer for MTSS and ELD, and an ELD Program Specialist.



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Last spring, we hired our new daytime custodian! Her name is Erin Hashaw. Erin grew up in Fort Collins and is excited to work in a school! She has done an amazing job so far and is learning all the student's names. Please say hello when you see her! Our new night custodian is Paige Johnson.



We are still in the process looking for a bilingual paraprofessional. If you are fluent in English and Spanish and looking for a 6 hour, school based job, please apply!

Our new family liaison is Ms. Malu Lueker. Ms. Lueker has been a paraprofessional in our building this last year and has stepped in to assist families on many occasions. She is very excited to take on this important role!



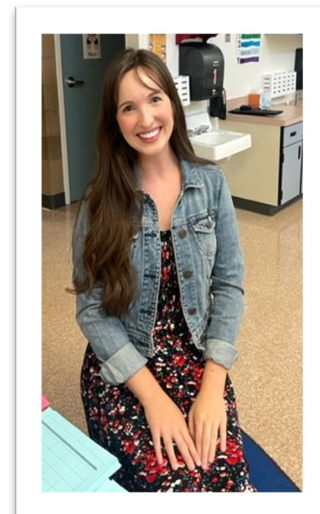
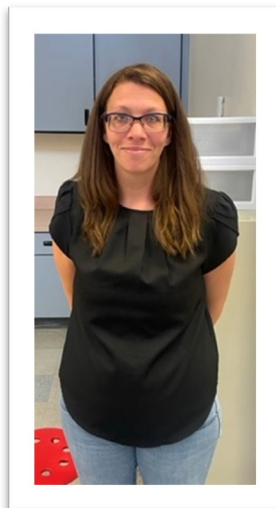
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We have two instructional paraprofessionals this year. Please welcome BACK Stephanie Lawson and Schyler Rice! Ms. Lawson was in this position last year, and Ms. Rice was one of our in-house subs. They are thrilled to be able to continue at Linton.



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Ms. Mia Thompson joins us as our health tech. Ms. Thompson has worked in an ER, and has worked the last few year as a school health tech in Steamboat Springs. She just moved to Fort Collins; we were really lucky to grab her!



Ms. Pollock will also continue as our in-house sub. All schools were given one additional year, and our staff supported keeping Ms. Pollock on in this role. Having a permanent sub certainly helps with consistency for our kids, and we love Ms. P!



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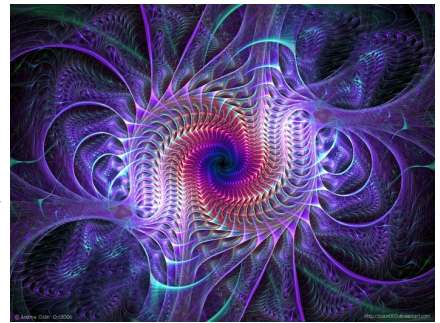


Welcome to Art Class at Linton!

These first few weeks of art class, we will be discussing, writing, and artmaking to answer the three following questions:

- Who am I, personally? (Who am I at home and outside of school?)
- Who am I at school, and how and why are some of my characteristics different inside school than they are outside of school?
- What is Linton Elementary's role in the larger world? (What does Linton Elementary do for our community?)

We will also be creating portfolios for housing student-invented designs as well as teacher-lead assigned drawings. Our second project will be completing and perfecting one portfolio artwork to submit for Original Works printing, so we can raise money for Linton by sharing quality copies of our masterpieces.



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