

Monday Dec. 4th, 2017

Chips From The Axe

The Abraham Lincoln Railsplitter Weekly Memo



Do you have information or a shout-out for “Chips”? Email it to David Lon by 9:00am Monday. Include the words “For Chips” in the subject line.

Bell Schedules

	Regular	Half-Day	Two-Hour Late Arrival	Adv. End of Day
Adv	7:51 – 8:06			
1	8:10 – 8:55			
2	8:55 – 10:25			
3	10:25 – 11:10			
4	11:10 – 11:55			
5	11:55 – 12:40			
6	12:40 – 1:25			
7	1:25 – 2:10			
8	2:10 – 2:55			

Events Calendar

Have an event for the Abraham Lincoln High School Google Calendar? Please submit it to Mr. Blitzstein at:
https://docs.google.com/a/philasd.org/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfUTX1KzXLm4fjXb_kHjkKbqrhgumCcxTGgpgMdhYcM-cvWQ/viewform

Abraham Lincoln High School Google Calendar: <https://goo.gl/forms/ridTqnlolCimlnCs2>

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Monday 12/4

Tuesday 12/5

Wednesday 12/6

Thursday 12/7

- Girls Varsity Basketball @ Rush(Scrimmage) **Dismissal at 1:25**

Friday 12/8

- Varsity Wrestling vs South Phila.**Dismissal at 2:10**

Staff and Student Shout-Outs

- From Paula Miller- Mr. Lon was awarded the first Annual "Soup Dog" award by Counselor Seeger for his exceptional soup. The critics voiced favorable commentaries on his SOUP. However, presently, an investigation is being undertaken into the viability of this honored result as it appears Lon was the Soup Jury, Judge and critics!



- From Ms. Levine- A shout out to Mr. Lon, Mr. Larson, Mr. Lawler, Ms. Coleman and all of our hard working teachers for running such a beautiful assembly! Congrats To YOU!
- Shout out to all Academy of the Arts students and staff for the AMAZING awards assembly that was held on November 29th.



- Shout-out to Principal Nelson and Principal Calderone from Frankford HS. A picture is worth ten trillion words...



- From Ms. JOHNSON, Ms. MAGASICH, and DECA- This is Lincoln's 1st year competing in the DECA competition. Congratulations team on a GREAT 1st showing. We are gonna kill it next year!!! Many 1st place winners too



See you in Hershey this February!



- From Paula Miller- Once again, Abraham Lincoln High School's family gave generously to the Annual PFT drive, Toys For Tots. A big shout out to Jordan and Blose for manning the sleigh. Please note Mahonney's "couture" pocket book!



- From Ms. Rhodes- DECA is on the MOVE!

Congrats to Stacie Johnson and Denise Magasich, Coaches for the DECA Event!

The DECA District Event was held Tuesday, 11/28 at 440 North Broad Street.

33 ALHS students competed against 350 students from the district for trophies and a chance to compete at the next level of competition in Hershey PA.

We are pleased and proud to announce that our team took home 21 trophies out of 32 competitors! Congrats on a job well done!

Congrats to Mrs. Miller, Dr. Henry, and Mrs. Caswell on their Education For Sustainability Community Based Education Project, a PBL presented for the School District of Philadelphia to colleagues city-wide. They will be implemented the information presented within their classes during the second quarter.

Congratulations to the students of the Academy of the Sciences who will be honoring 77 of their top students in an Honor Roll Assembly featuring a Science Exhibition by the Philadelphia Zoo.

Congratulations to the Scholars of the Professional Services Academy who will be recognized this week for outstanding scholarship, citizenship and those Most Improved.

- On Thursday, November 30, the Air Force Jr. ROTC bid farewell to Colonel C. Nesemeier in a special event hosted at ALHS.

Photographs Credit to Taniya Birch, Yearbook Staffer and ROTC Cadet



- On Friday, December 1, ALHS students and staff participated in the Polar Plunge, a special Olympics Event. A great time was had by all as can be seen by the photographs. Our own Michael Jordan (alias Santa) gave a "perfect 10" entry into the pool.
Photographs credits to Maryann Vixama and Brianna McHugh, Yearbook Staffers



- From Sara Corso- Shout out to all Lincoln students who "sacrificed themselves to the water God's" at the Polar Plunge. - Quote from a student who participated.



- From Ms. Lippincott- Congratulations to the ALHS varsity cheerleading squad on their performance at the competition yesterday! They received 4th place out of 6 teams in their Co-Ed Division. Coach Mimi and myself are very proud of the young ladies and gentleman who put in hours of hard work and did an amazing job. I want to thank all of the teachers, staff, Ed McGettigan, Mr. Nelson, and the administration team for your constant support of the team. It really means a lot and we look forward to another great year! Congrats again cheerleaders!



- From Fran McAdams- On Monday, 11/27 Kelly Shofner, a Graphic Designer from the company SAP came to visit the HRT 3 class to discuss her education and career path as well as how her company serves multiple industries including health care. Dr. Cheryl Henry and her 7th period Art class joined the HRT 3 class for the presentation. The students were invited to ask questions about her education, interview process and her current work. Following her presentation, Kelly and members of DT Philly staff stayed to help the HRT 3 class with their design thinking projects.



- From Mimi Fagan- A BIG DYNAMITE SHOUT OUT to the Cheerleading team!

The girls put on an amazing performance and represented Lincoln HS at the competition with dignity and pride.

We are so very proud of their hard work, dedication and accomplishments!

Coach Lippincott and Miss Mimi

ALSO, Shout outs to Officer Dyson for her support and Angela Miller for being our Cheerleader at competition!!! You two ROCK!!!!

NEW Railsplitter News

- From Mr. Blitzstein- Technology tips - Guard your personal passwords carefully. There were reports that students were using a staff account to access the wireless system. I worked with downtown to locate and shut down the breach. It turns out that students were using three staff accounts to access the wireless system. Remember, the password that opens up the wireless is the same one that opens up the staff members Gradebook!

Fortunately, the three staff accounts the students were using were from other buildings. We dodged a bullet this time but, be wary...

Recurring Railsplitter News and Important Information

- **Snapshot:** Academy Snapshots, formerly known at ALHS as “Data Walls” are updated in the Academy Information bank.

- **From Mrs. Burton- GRADE IMPROVEMENT (ROUND ONE):**

STUDENTS TURN THOSE FAILING GRADES FROM FIRST REPORT INTO PASSING GRADES

Schedule for the Grade Improvement Program:

Days of the week: Tuesday and Wednesday

Hours of Class: 3 - 4:30

This session will run from November 27, 2017 to January 24, 2018 (Approximately 6 - 7 weeks)

You must attend both days!!! You are only allowed one (1) absence.

See Ms. Burton to sign up in the room 226A by Monday
11/27/2017

- **From Amanda Mahoney and the Ninth Grade Academy-**
--Female Empowerment Symposium
Freshman Academy ALL Female Assembly, Monday, December 4, 2017 (periods 7-8)

Guest Speaker: Brenda Thomas, Lincoln alumna and published author

--December 5th, FA Monthly assembly certificates for academic and attendance growth

--December 11th, 4th period CPT is the FA Honor Roll Luncheon

- **From Nurse Devine- Bathroom Policy:** This bathroom in the Health Suite is reserved for students who have specific medical conditions. Students must provide the school nurse with the documentation from their doctor in order to have access to the bathroom in the Health Suite. All other students will be directed to the open bathrooms throughout the building. The bathrooms in the 190 hallway are open during 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th lunch periods. During 1st, 2nd, 7th and 8th period the bathrooms in the 160 hallway and the 100 U are open for students with a pass from their teacher.
- **From Dr. Henry:** The Visual Art classes in room 192 need plastic containers for a project. Usually pasta salads or soups come in these containers. I need two sizes so that one size will fit into the other. If you have any plastic containers please send them to room 192 at your convenience. Thank you.
- **Naviance Teacher Recommendation Stepper Sheet:**
https://drive.google.com/a/philasd.org/file/d/19z_uuinlRJRl9Y19IvP_JykGB1HMrXLY/view?usp=sharing
- **Class Trips Coverage Policy:** Mr. Lon must be notified by email of all trips at least ONE WEEK in advance of the trip date. This will allow time to put it on the calendar in order to ensure that all classrooms are covered. In the case that classes are not covered because of a failure to communicate, Academy Coordinators will be responsible for arranging the coverages.
- **From the Secretaries:** Dear staff, please be sure to check your mailboxes on a regular basis. There are many important action items that are distributed this way.

- In order to push students to strive for 95% attendance, academies will be providing a variety of incentives. One such incentive is this extra credit coupon.

The coupon can be used in ANY class, although it is up to the teacher how they want to honor it—the points could go towards a test grade, quiz grade, homework assignment, project, etc.

Congratulations!

Name _____

You have earned the 95% or better attendance incentive.

Worth **10 points** toward a grade in any class. You must give this ticket to your teacher.



- **From Mr. Lendzinski:** The Linc's Google Classroom code is [h5ymjir](#).



- Abraham Lincoln High School has a Twitter page! Please encourage students and families to follow us on Twitter. Many important school announcements and information (Chips included) will be communicated this way: [@LincolnHS801](#)

- **From Administration:**

- Please be advised that the main office copier is not to be used for teacher copies.
- Remember that it is imperative that you update your attendance in the SIS every class period.

Railsplitter Athletics

Winter Schedule Coming Soon

Professional Development

- From Amy Cohen- PD Opportunities:
 - Financial Education Webinars:
<https://drive.google.com/a/philasd.org/file/d/0BwLndavQ0FdrNUN4NmRaSm5RSG8/view?usp=sharing>
 - Historical Society of Philadelphia:
<https://drive.google.com/a/philasd.org/file/d/0BwLndavQ0FdrC2Z4dGdGdzlFaXM/view?usp=sharing>
 - Using Visual Text to Learn About the World:
<https://drive.google.com/a/philasd.org/file/d/0BwLndavQ0FdrQV9CMHIwRTF5NGc/view?usp=sharing>

This Week in History (A Bob Lenzinski Production)

1. National Month Celebration
 1. November is National Write a Business Plan Month
2. National Week Celebration
 1. National Hand-Washing Awareness Week
3. December 5
 1. National Sacher Torte Day
 2. International Ninja Day
 3. US -- 1848: US President Polk triggers Gold Rush of 1849 by confirming gold discovery in California
 4. International -- 771: Charlemagne becomes the sole King of the Franks after the death of his brother Carloman
4. December 6
 1. National Microwave Oven Day
 2. US -- 2006: NASA reveals photographs taken by Mars Global Surveyor suggesting the presence of liquid water on Mars
 3. International -- 1240: Mongols under Batu Khan occupy & destroy Kiev
5. December 7
 1. National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
 2. US -- 1939: William Walton's violinist concert premieres in Cleveland
 3. International -- 1988: PLO delegation lead by Yasir Arafat proclaims the State of Palestine, recognizing the existence of the State of Israel for the first time
6. December 8
 1. National Pretend to be a Time Traveler Day
 2. US -- 1863: Abraham Lincoln issues his Amnesty Proclamation and plan for Reconstruction of the South

3. International -- 2004: The Cuzco Declaration is signed in Cuzco, Peru, establishing the South American Community of Nations.
7. December 9
 1. National Pastry Day
 2. US -- 1968: NLS (a system for which hypertext and the computer mouse were developed) is publicly demonstrated for the first time in San Francisco.
 3. International -- 536: Byzantine General Belisarius enters Rome while the Ostrogothic garrison peacefully leaves the city, returning the old capital to its empire.
 8. December 10
 1. National Human Rights Day
 2. US -- 1964: Nobel Peace Prize presented to Dr Martin Luther King Jr. in Oslo
 3. International -- 1684: Isaac Newton's derivation of Kepler's laws from his theory of gravity, contained in the paper De motu corporum in gyrum, is read to the Royal Society by Edmond Halley
 9. December 11
 1. National Noodle Ring Day
 2. US -- 1919: Boll weevil monument dedicated in Enterprise, Alabama
 3. International -- 1792: France's King Louis XVI goes on trial, accused of high treason and crimes against the state

