# Lincoln Elementary Newsletter

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## HEARING AND VISION

Lincoln Elementary will be hosting the Ottawa County Health Department for our annual Hearing and Vision testing on the following dates:

**Hearing Testing (Grades K, 2, 4) - Monday, November 30**
**Vision Testing (Grades 1, 3, 5) - Tuesday, December 1**

If a parent chooses to opt their child out of screening, written documentation is required and must include:
*Student's name, date of birth, teacher, and grade
*Which screening is being declined (hearing or vision) and screening date
*Parent's name and date

**Important medical considerations:**

- Students with shunts or medically implanted devices should not receive a hearing screening due to potential magnetic interference with the headphones.
- Parental consent is required for hearing screenings for students with insulin pumps or continuous glucose monitors.

## Picture Retakes

Picture retakes are **WEDNESDAY, November 11**
If you would like your child to get retakes, please let your child's teacher know and send in the original packet on Wednesday!






Thank you to all who attended Parent Teacher Conferences. We loved seeing so many of you in the building taking time to meet with our teachers. We truly appreciate your involvement and support. Working together makes such a positive difference in your child's success!

# WHAT IT MTSS?

## Understanding Our Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS)

*Helping Every Student Learn, Grow, and Succeed*

### What is MTSS?

★ MTSS helps every student receive the support they need.

★ Academic, behavioral, and social-emotional supports work together.

★ The goal is the right support at the right time.

★ Support changes as students grow and learn.

### Every Student Receives High-Quality Tier 1 Supports

★ High-quality curriculum

★ Evidence-based instruction

★ Differentiated learning

★ Small-group opportunities

★ Positive behavior supports

★ Social-emotional learning

★ Restorative practices

### How We Use Student Data

★ Universal screening three times a year

★ Classroom assessments

★ Teacher observations

★ Attendance and behavior

★ Progress monitoring

★ Multiple data sources guide decisions

### When More Support Is Needed

★ Extra support is a normal part of learning.

★ Interventions supplement core instruction.

★ Groups are flexible and change as needs change.

★ Students may move in and out of supports.

### Families Are Partners

★ Families are valued members of the MTSS team.

★ Communication is ongoing.

★ We welcome your questions and input.

★ Home and school work together.

### Did You Know?

★ Many students receive intervention at some point.

★ Early support prevents larger challenges.

★ Progress is reviewed regularly.

★ Our focus is helping every student succeed.

## What Parents Can Expect

Tier 1 → Tier 2 → Tier 3

### Tier 2 Supports

Targeted small-group supports based on student data.

★ Student data used for the decision

★ Skills being addressed

★ Research-based intervention

★ Frequency and duration

★ Progress monitoring

★ Decision review timeline

★ Ways families can partner

★ School contact information

### Tier 3 Supports

Individualized, intensive supports based on student needs.

★ Student data leading to Tier 3

★ Individualized intervention plan

★ Goals and targeted skills

★ Intervention team members

★ Progress monitoring schedule

★ Review meetings

★ Family participation

★ Ongoing communication

**Together we can help every student learn, grow, and succeed.**

Thank you for partnering with us!

# Sickness Reminders

# WHEN IS SICK TOO SICK FOR SCHOOL?

Regular attendance supports learning, connection, and well-being. These tips can help you decide when to keep your child home and when it's okay to send them to school.



## SEND ME TO SCHOOL IF...

- I have a **runny nose** or just a **little cough**, but no other symptoms.
- I have been **fever free for 24 hours** without using a fever-reducing medicine.
- I have a **mild stomach ache**.
- I have a **mild rash** and not other symptoms.
- I have **eye drainage without** fever, eye pain, or eyelid redness.



## KEEP ME HOME IF...

- I have a **temperature** higher than 100.4° F.
- I have **thrown up** in the past 24 hours.
- My stool is **watery** and I may not make it to the bathroom in time.
- I have a **contagious illness** like the flu.



## SEEK MEDICAL CARE IF...

- I have a **temperature** higher than 100.4° F **and** any of the following: ear pain, sore throat, rash, stomach ache, headache, or tooth pain.
- I have **stomach pain and fever**, bloody or black stool, or I am dehydrated (sleepy dry mouth) and/or have not urinated in the last 8 hours.
- I have a **persistent cough** or **trouble breathing**, or a fever with the cough.
- I have **eye swelling, eye pain**, or an eye injury.
- I have a **rash that has blisters**, is draining, is painful, looks like bruises.

# Mark your Calendars

## ZPS Calendar

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| Nov. 11 | Picture Retakes |
| Nov. 20 | Popcorn Friday |
| Nov 25-27 | No School Thanksgiving Break |
| Nov 30 - Dec. 11 | Penny War |
| Dec. 11 | Half Day - Dismissal at Noon |
| Dec. 18 | Popcorn Friday |
| Dec 21 - Jan 1 | Holiday Break |



# Lunch Menu

**Week of November 9**

**MONDAY**

A. Whole Grain Breaded Chicken Sandwich
B. Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad w/Whole Grain Dinner Roll
Sides: Baked Beans, Broccoli Florets, Fresh Oranges, Frozen Strawberry Cup

**TUESDAY**

A. Beef & Cheese Nachos
B. Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad w/Whole Grain Dinner Roll
Sides: Steamed Broccoli Florets, Baby Carrots, Caramel Apple Fruit Cup, Mixed Fruit Mallow

**WEDNESDAY**

A. Whole Grain Sweet & Sour Chicken Dumplings
B. Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad w/Whole Grain Dinner Roll
Sides: Steamed Vegetable Blend, Celery Sticks, Fresh Watermelon Cubes, 100% Fruit Juice

**THURSDAY**

A. Whole Grain Apple Cinnamon French Toast W/Breakfast Sausage
B. Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad w/Whole Grain Dinner Roll
Sides: Sweet Potato Fries, Cauliflower Florets, Local MI Apple, Freshly Quartered Kiwi

**FRIDAY**

A. Cheeseburger
B. Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad w/Whole Grain Dinner Roll
Sides: Curly Fries, Cucumber Slices, Red Seedless Grapes, Mandarin Orange Cup