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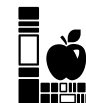


Student Handbook & Calendar

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Prescott Elementary School



Lincoln
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For Bilingual Liaisons:

Arabic: 402-436-1715 نرجو الإتصال على هذه الأرقام إذا كنتم تحتاجون إلى خدمات الترجمة للغات العربية

Russian: Если вам требуются услуги переводчика пожалуйста позвоните по телефону: 402-436-1942

Español: Por favor llame a este número de teléfono si necesita servicios de intérpretes: 402-436-1938

Vietnamese: Xin vui lòng gọi về số này nếu quý vị cần có dịch vụ thông dịch: 402-436-1939

Ukrainian: Будь ласка, зателефонуйте за цим номером, якщо вам потрібні послуги перекладу: 402-436-1786

Karen: ဝံသးစူကီးလိတဲစိနီဂံအဲအံ့ဖဲနမ့လိာ်ဘဉ်ပုကတိကျီးထံတဲအတဲအိာ်ထွဲမၤစၢ 402-436-1769



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LPS Student Calendar



2025-26

Graduation Dates

Tuesday, May 19, 2026

Yankee Hill

Wednesday, May 20, 2026

Independence Academy

Thursday, May 21, 2026

Bryan Community Focus Program

At Pinnacle Bank Arena May 22-24, 2026

Fri: LSE Sat: LNE, LSW, LNW, LNS Sun: EHS, LHS, LSB

☉ First Day for K, 6, & 9th Grades

☉ First Day for 1-5, 7-8, & 10-12th Grades

● Last Day for Students

■ All Schools Not in Session

□ Schools Not in Session (*Professional Learning/Planning Day*)

➤ Quarter Start Dates

➤ Quarter End Dates

Calendar Options for Families: The Lincoln Public Schools District understands and appreciates that our community has a wide variety of rich and varied religious celebrations and observances. In the event families recognize these holidays, parents should notify schools. Students will be given excused absences and allowed reasonable opportunities to make up any schoolwork missed.

Note: Changes to the calendar may occur as a result of inclement weather or other circumstances. If sufficient school time is lost as a result of calendar changes, and it brings the total number of school hours for the year below the state minimum requirements, the Superintendent will implement a plan for making up this time, which may require additional minutes added to the day, additional days added to the calendar, days previously identified as non-student days re-scheduled as student day, or other appropriate calendar or schedule measures.

JULY 2025

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MAY 2026

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JUNE 2026

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Welcome from Prescott Staff

Dear Students and Families,

Welcome to Prescott Elementary School! This handbook has been prepared for all students and parents/guardians to help answer questions you might have about the policies and practices of our school. **Please carefully review the contents of the handbook with your child.** If you have questions or concerns not covered in this handbook, please do not hesitate to call the school office, 402-436-1161.

On behalf of the entire staff, we look forward to working together to make this a productive and successful year of learning and growing.

JJ. Wilkins, Principal & Prescott Staff

Prescott School Goals

1. To increase academic achievement in literacy and math of each Prescott student through effective teaching and learning.
2. To increase family involvement by providing activities and resources that support and sustain families.
3. To create a full-service learning community by partnering with the community and neighborhood.



Other information can be found in the
LPS Important Information Booklet at
lps.org/about/important.

Intent of Student Handbook

This handbook is intended to be used by students, parents, and staff as a guide to the rules, regulations, and general information about Prescott Elementary School. Each student is responsible for becoming familiar with the handbook and knowing the information contained within it. Parents are encouraged to use this handbook as a resource and to assist their child in following the rules contained in this handbook.

Although information found in this handbook contains detailed and specific information on a variety of topics, the handbook is not intended to be all encompassing so as to cover every situation and circumstance that may arise during any school day, or school year. This handbook does not create a "contract." The administration reserves the right to make decisions and rule revisions at any time to implement the educational program and to assure the well being of all students. The administration will be responsible for interpreting the rules contained in the handbook. Should the situation or circumstance arise that is not specifically covered in this handbook, the administration will make a decision based upon all applicable school district policies, and state and federal statutes and regulations.

August 2025

Lincoln Public Schools

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3	4	5	6 *Log into ParentVue to View Teacher*	7 Open House 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Zesto Dine and Donate 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	8	9
10	11	12 First Day for K, 6, and 9th Grades	13 First Day for 1-5, 7-8 and 10-12th Grades Specialist Day 1	14	15 First Day of Early Childhood	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 Children's Vision Screening	26	27	28	29	30
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» Important Dates

Thursday, August 7th

- Open House
5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
- Zesto Dine and Donate
5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, August 12th

First Day of
K, 6th, and 9th Grades

Wednesday, August 13th

- First Day of
1-5th, 7-8th, and
10-12th Grades
- Specialist Day 1

Friday, August 15th

First Day of
Early Childhood

Monday, August 25th

Children's Vision
Screening

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Prescott MTSS Process

(MULTI-TIERED SYSTEM OF SUPPORTS)

MTSS - A

Prescott is committed to providing your child with a quality education. Students come to school with many interests and talents. It is our goal to help all children achieve their potential.

There may be certain areas where a child is having difficulty and not meeting district academic expectations. The Multi-Tiered System of Supports is designed to address those specific areas, determine appropriate **interventions** and monitor each child's progress.

This process is a TEAM effort and you are an essential member of the team!

MTSS - B

At Prescott: Students are responsible, with the support of our staff, to conduct themselves in a manner that will create a safe learning environment at Prescott Elementary School. All appropriate behaviors are included in four simple guidelines for success. All students at Prescott participate in our Paw reinforcement. Paws are awarded for academic achievement, effort and progress, and for following our school expectations:

BE SAFE.

BE RESPECTFUL.

BE RESPONSIBLE.

BE PRODUCTIVE.

These expectations are also posted in many locations throughout our school.

September 2025

Lincoln Public Schools

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	SCHOOLS CLOSED	SCHOOLS CLOSED				
7	8 PTO General Meeting Library 6:30 p.m.	9 Family Literacy Begins	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19 Picture Day!	20
21	22 PTO Coin Challenge	23 PTO Coin Challenge	24 PTO Coin Challenge	25 PTO Coin Challenge	26 PTO Coin Challenge	27
28	29	30				

» Important Dates

Monday, September 8th
PTO General Meeting
Library
6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, September 9th
Family Literacy Begins

Friday, September 19th
Picture Day!

Monday, September 22nd
- Friday, September 26th
PTO Coin Challenge

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ParentVUE

Synergy ParentVUE is a component of the LPS Student Information portal that allows parents/guardians and students secure access to grades, assignments, attendance information, and more more. Assignments and student performance can be viewed as soon as entries are made by teachers into their electronic grade books. ParentVUE is not intended to replace direct communication between students/parents/teachers or other school staff members. If you have questions, please discuss the information with your student first. Students are strongly encouraged to discuss class progress directly with their teachers. If further clarification is needed, parents should contact the teacher directly.

Information available via ParentVUE includes:

- Communications from Teachers
- Attendance
- Student Schedules
- Class Websites
- Course History
- Progress Grades
- Assignment Calendars
- Immunization Summary
- Report Card (current year)

This secured access requires a confidential username and password that you create to log in to see your student's information. This resource will help you stay informed about your child's progress. Please read the following information carefully.

Releasing Students

For the safety of students, parents/guardians must come to the main entrance when picking up their child before the regular dismissal time. Office staff will then contact the classroom teacher and the student will be sent to the main entrance.

Breakfast & Lunch

Parents may **NOT** bring in food for children other than their own.

Breakfast: 8:30-8:50 a.m.

Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) Schools

CEP is a special USDA meals options for schools with a high percent-age of free lunch enrollment. For the 2024/25 School year students at Prescott will receive breakfast and lunch for no charge. Please note, that extras, such as milk or seconds will be charged at the regular price. Families do not need to fill in an income application unless you have a student at another non-CEP school.

Meal Prices *(Prices subject to change)*

BREAKFAST	
Full Price	\$1.30
Reduced	\$0.30
Adult / Non-Student	\$2.80
Single Milk	\$0.60

LUNCH	
Full Price	\$2.50
Reduced	\$0.40
Adult / Non-Student	\$4.80
Single Milk	\$0.60

Lunch / Recess Times

SCHEDULE		
Grade	Lunch	Recess
Kindergarten	11:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.	10:55 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.
1st Grade	10:45 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.	11:15 a.m. - 11:35 a.m.
2nd Grade	11:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.	12:15 p.m. - 12:35 p.m.
3rd Grade	12:15 p.m. - 12:35 p.m.	11:55 a.m. - 12:10 p.m.
4th Grade	12:35 p.m. - 12:55 p.m.	12:55 p.m. - 1:15 p.m.
5th Grade	1:00 p.m. - 1:20 p.m.	1:20 p.m. - 1:40 p.m.

October 2025

Lincoln Public Schools

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10 Last Day of Quarter 1 Quarterly Awards Grade Level Buddies Specialist Day 0	11
12	13 SCHOOLS CLOSED	14 SCHOOLS CLOSED	15 First Day of Quarter 2	16	17 *Report Cards Posted*	18 Outdoor Classroom Work Day 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
19	20	21	22	23	24 PTO Costume Parade and Movie Night 6:00 p.m.	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

» Important Dates

- Friday, October 10th
- Last Day of Quarter 1
 - Quarterly Awards
 - Grade Level Buddies
 - Specialist Day 0

Wednesday, October 15th
First Day of Quarter 2

Saturday, October 18th
Outdoor Classroom
Work Day
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Friday, October 24th
PTO Costume Parade
and Movie Night
6:00 p.m.

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Attendance Policy

We know that students who attend school regularly and on time perform better in school. It is important to a student's success that the habit of regular and punctual attendance be formed. It is our goal to have every student in school as many days as possible, and to work with parents and guardians to help students understand the importance of being in school. A student may be excused for illness, or by parent request, the student may miss school for a family emergency or special family need, including a religious observance. Students may also be excused from school to participate in a school-approved activity.

Students not in class on time will be counted as tardy unless excused by previous arrangement with the school office (402-436-1161).

Absences

If your child is unable to attend school, a telephone call to Prescott is requested 402-436-1161. Unless the school is notified, a call will be made to your home or place of work to verify the absence.

Attendance at Special Events, After-School and/or Evening Activities

Students attending after-school and or evening activities at Prescott School must be accompanied by a parent/guardian. Students must be in attendance during the school day in order to attend special events during the school day, after school and/or evening activities.

Make-Up Work

We appreciate parent/guardians' conscientious regard for picking up homework for their child.

- If your child will be absent only one day, work may be made up or taken home upon return to school.
- If your child will be absent for an extended period of time, please contact the classroom teacher to plan for completion of work.

Please call the school **402-436-1161** in the morning to request homework to be picked up after school.



IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

...Can we reach you by telephone?

- Please be sure the school has a working phone number for you.
- Please make sure your voicemail is able to receive messages, if you are not able to answer when we call.
- Please make sure your phone can accept calls from Prescott's phone number: 402-436-1161.

November 2025

Lincoln Public Schools

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1
2	3	4 Picture Retake Day! Parent / Teacher Conferences and Book Fair 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	5	6 Parent / Teacher Conferences and Book Fair 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14 Waffleman 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Grace Lutheran Church	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30			SCHOOLS CLOSED	SCHOOLS CLOSED	SCHOOLS CLOSED	

» Important Dates

- Tuesday, November 4th
- Picture Retake Day!
 - Parent / Teacher Conferences and Book Fair
4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
 - NO CLUBS

- Thursday, November 6th
- Parent / Teacher Conferences and Book Fair
4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
 - NO CLUBS

Friday, November 14th
Waffleman
5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Grace Lutheran Church

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Readmission Following Illness

Policies regarding readmission of students following illness are:

- Students should have a note from parent/guardian explaining the cause if the parent has not been in contact with the school during the absence. In doubtful cases the school may request a statement from a physician.
- The student who has been absent from school will report to the teacher with a note and the teacher will decide whether or not to refer the student to the principal or nurse. If the absence is of three days or more or due to a communicable disease, the student should be checked by the nurse, health technician, principal, or principal's designee.

School Excused and Not School Excused Absences

In order for an absence to be School Excused, the parent/guardian must provide the school with documentation to demonstrate the absence was beyond the control of the parent or child. This could include, but is not limited to, illness documented by a doctor, death of a family member, medical appointments, court, or suspension. Absences that are considered School Excused include MD (medical), AD (administrative), SE (school excused), SU (suspension) and SA (school activity).

Not School Excused Absences are those absences in which the parent communicates with the school that the student will be absent, and includes illness (without doctor's documentation), vacations, and other absences in which the parent has not communicated a reason for. These absence codes are: IL (illness), PA (parent acknowledged), and TR (truant).

Parents must sign students out at Door 1, with Prescott's SEM, when leaving for an appointment. Please sign students back in with SEM once they return (same day). Daily records are kept for students who are out of the building for any reason. Visit <http://www.lps.org/parents/> for more.

Student Use of School Phone & Cell Phones

Students will be permitted to call home regarding school matters upon obtaining permission from the classroom teacher. Calls by students must be kept to a minimum, as there are a very limited number of phone lines in and out of school. Students are asked to make arrangements for participating in after-school activities or going home with a friend before leaving home in the morning.

Student use of cell phones is prohibited at school. We would ask that cell phones remain at home. If a cell phone is brought to school, we will keep it in the office. Exceptions to this may be decided on a case-by-case basis. Please feel free to visit with us about special circumstances.

Safety Drills

All schools have regular drills so students know what to do in case of emergency, fire, or severe weather in order to be safe. The safety of students is a top priority. All schools cooperate with the fire department to make sure the most effective safety procedures are followed.

December 2025

Lincoln Public Schools

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	SCHOOLS CLOSED					
7	8	9 Rehearsal 2:45 p.m. Choir and Ukulele Concert 6:00 p.m.	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19 Last Day of Quarter 2 Quarterly Awards Grade Level Buddies Specialist Day 0	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
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» Important Dates

Tuesday, December 9th

- Rehearsal
2:45 p.m.
- Choir and Ukulele
Concert
6:00 p.m.

Friday, December 19th

- Last Day of Quarter 2
- Quarterly Awards
- Grade Level Buddies
- Specialist Day 0

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Prescott School - Title I Parent Involvement Policy

Prescott Elementary School intends to follow the Title I Parent and Family Engagement Policy guidelines in accordance with federal law, Section 1116 (a -f) ESSA, (Every Student Succeeds Act) of 2015.

In General,

Prescott Elementary School shall jointly develop with, and distribute to, parents and family members of participating children a written parent and family engagement policy, agreed on by such parents, that shall describe the means for carrying out the requirements. Parents shall be notified of the policy in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent, practicable, provided in a language the parents can understand. The policy shall be made available to the local community and updated to meet the changing needs of parents and the school.

Specifically,

- Prescott Elementary School shall provide opportunities for the participation of parents and family members including those with migratory children, limited English proficiency, or have disabilities. Parent shall be notified of this Parent and Family Engagement Policy, information related to school and parent programs, meetings, and other activities in an understandable and uniform format and to the extent practicable provided in a language the parents can understand;
- Prescott Elementary School shall convene an annual parent meeting scheduled at a convenient time, to which all parents of participating children shall be invited and encouraged to attend, to inform parents of Prescott Elementary School's participation under this part and to explain the requirements of this part, and the right of the parents to be involved;
- Prescott Elementary School shall involve parents in an organized, ongoing, and timely way, in the planning, review, and improvement of this Parent and Family Engagement Policy;
- Prescott Elementary School shall provide opportunities for parents and family members to participate in decisions relating to the education of their children. Prescott Elementary School shall provide other reasonable support for parental involvement activities;
- Prescott Elementary School shall provide parents of participating children timely information about programs under this part, a description and explanation of the curriculum in use, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress and the achievement levels of the challenging State academic standards. Prescott Elementary School will provide assistance, opportunities, and/or materials and training to help parents work with their children to improve their children's academic achievement in a format, and when feasible, in a language the parents and family members can understand;
- Prescott Elementary School shall educate teachers, specialized instructional support personnel, principals, and other school leaders, with the assistance of parents in the value and utility of contributions of parents, how to reach out to, communicate with and work with parents as equal partners;
- Prescott Elementary School shall coordinate and integrate parental involvement programs and activities with other Federal, State and local programs, including preschool programs that encourage and support parents in more fully participating in the education of their children.

January 2026

Lincoln Public Schools

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
				SCHOOLS CLOSED WINTER BREAK	SCHOOLS CLOSED WINTER BREAK	
4	5 First Day of Quarter 3	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13 Parent / Teacher Conferences and Book Fair 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	14	15 Parent / Teacher Conferences and Book Fair 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. *Report Cards Posted*	16	17
18	19 SCHOOLS CLOSED	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

» Important Dates

Tuesday, January 13th

- Parent / Teacher Conferences and Book Fair
4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
- NO CLUBS

Thursday, January 15th

- Parent / Teacher Conferences and Book Fair
4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
- NO CLUBS

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Federal Programs

Schoolwide Title I Program

Prescott is a Schoolwide Title I school. Prescott utilizes federal funding to supplement the educational programming provided by the Lincoln Public Schools. The Continuous School Improvement Plan describes the manner in which these funds are utilized to implement Prescott's goals. We would like to encourage the involvement of parents/guardians in the formulation and implementation of this plan.



Mental and Behavioral Health Point of Contact

Your student's mental health is important to their academic success. If you have concerns about your student's mental or behavioral health, you can contact the social worker at your student's school/program. LPS social workers are licensed mental health practitioners and can help connect you to appropriate mental health or behavioral supports.

Parent Teacher Organization

The Prescott School Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) is a vital part of Prescott's success with children. As an organization, they represent parents/guardians and teachers and they organize events and projects that serve children and families. PTO meetings are held Monday evenings at 6:30 p.m. See the calendar for exact dates. All teachers and families are encouraged to join PTO.

For General Inquiries: prescottptolincoln@gmail.com

Directors

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February 2026

Lincoln Public Schools

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6 Bingo Night 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16 SCHOOLS CLOSED	17 SCHOOLS CLOSED	18	19	20	21
22	23 PTO General Meeting 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	24	25	26	27	28

Just a friendly reminder to all parents as we approach Valentine's Day celebrations at school:
Please ensure that any treats brought in for your child's classmates are non-edible. This helps us ensure a safe and inclusive celebration for all students, especially those with allergies or dietary restrictions. Non-edible treats can include a wide variety of fun and creative options!

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in making this Valentine's day enjoyable and safe for everyone!

» Important Dates

Friday, February 6th
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Monday, February 23rd
PTO General Meeting
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Arrival Procedures

- The Prescott campus is closed until 8:30 am.
- Students eating breakfast should not arrive on school grounds before 8:30 am and should enter building through Door 1.
- Students not eating breakfast at school should not arrive on school grounds before 8:50 am.
- Students arriving to school prior to 8:45 am will be sent to breakfast.

Students not eating breakfast will enter the building through the following doors:

DOOR ASSIGNMENT	
Kindergarten	Door #9
1st Grade	Door #1
2nd Grade	Door #1
3rd Grade	Door #8
4th Grade	Door #8
5th Grade	Door #9

Students will enter the building at 8:55 am and report to their classroom.

- If your youngest child is in Kindergarten or 5th grade, please drop all children off at Door 9 (on Harwood).
- If your youngest child is in 1st or 2nd grade, please drop all children off on S. 20th Street. They may enter school grounds through the main entrance (Door 1).
- If your youngest child is in 3rd or 4th grade, please drop off on Harwood by Door 8. It works best if you pull in to drop your child off and then pull away from the curb as soon as possible so the next person can pull in.

Dismissal Procedures

- All students are dismissed from the building at 3:38 pm.
- All students must go directly home or to a school-sanctioned after school activity.
- Teachers will escort students out their designated exit door.
- Families may not wait in their vehicles for their child in any manner that inhibits the safe flow of traffic.
- School campus (including playground) is closed until 6:00 pm except for use by school childcare and clubs. Reservations for rooms/playground should be entered in the district Archibus system.
- Cars need to follow designated traffic flow (see map).

Students EXIT using the following doors:

DOOR ASSIGNMENT	
Kindergarten	Door #9
1st Grade	Door #1
2nd Grade	Door #1
3rd Grade	Door #7
4th Grade	Door #8
5th Grade	Door #9

Having a pick up plan with your child is helpful. Please encourage your child to cross the street only at crosswalks. We will have supervision at the following crosswalks at dismissal time: 20th and Harwood.

Late Pick-Up

Parents must come to the Main Entrance and sign out students not picked up by 3:45 p.m. Children will not be allowed to wait outside or go to cars without an adult picking them up.

Police may be called when children are not picked up by 4:00 p.m.

Drop-Off and Pick-Up

Prescott bus cutouts are for LPS Buses and daycare vans only. There is no parking in our bus cutouts 8:00 am to 4:00 pm on school days.

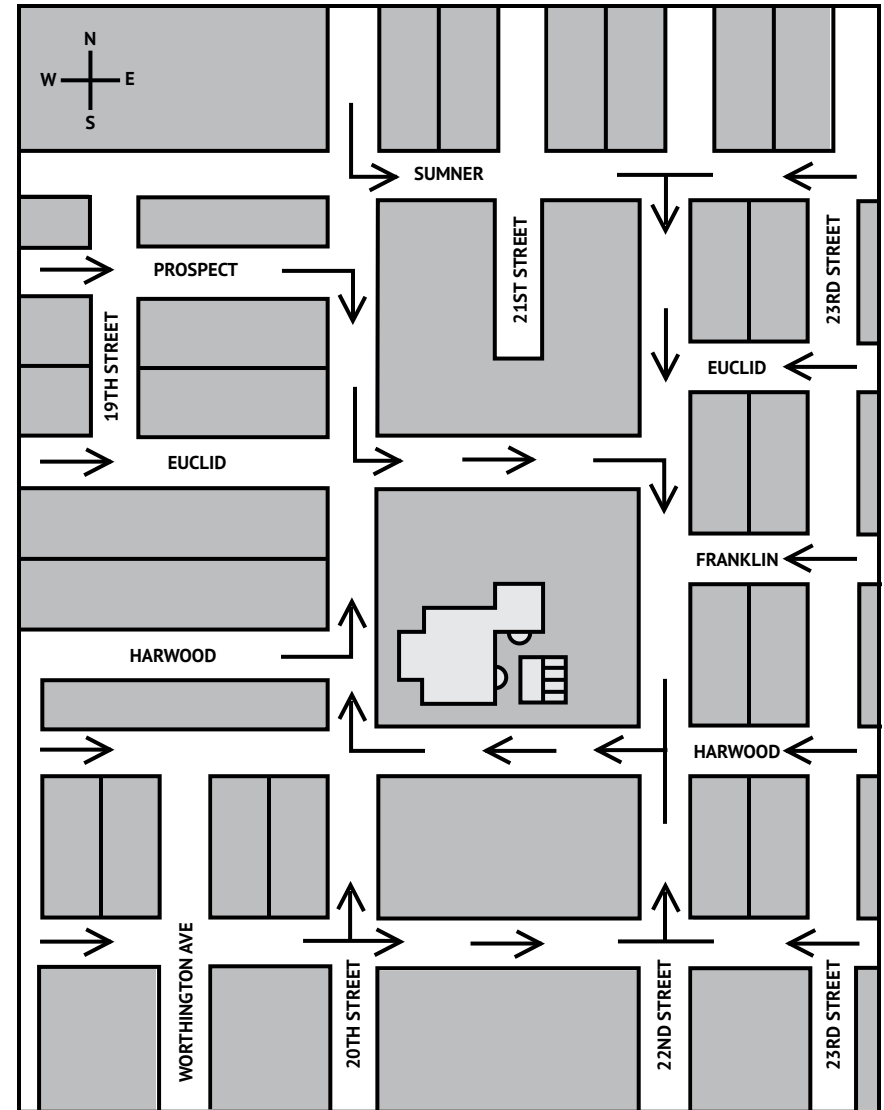
Traffic Flow

The map shows the directions for safely dropping off or picking up students at Prescott School. Your cooperation in following this traffic pattern will ensure safe arrival and dismissals at Prescott.

Whenever you are dropping off or picking up your child on Harwood Street, always drive WEST from 22nd Street.

When dropping off or picking up students in front of the school on 20th Street, always drive NORTH.

Students will always be expected to use the crosswalks. Students will not be allowed to cross in the middle of the street to enter the car.



March 2026

Lincoln Public Schools

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 *Club Surveys Emailed to Parents*	3	4	5	6 Last Day of Quarter 3 Quarterly Awards Grade Level Buddies Specialist Day 0	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	SCHOOLS CLOSED	SCHOOLS CLOSED	SCHOOLS CLOSED	SCHOOLS CLOSED	SCHOOLS CLOSED	
15	16 First Day of Quarter 4	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 *Report Cards Posted*	27 Prescott Sock Hop 6:30 p.m.	28
29	30	31				

» Important Dates

- Friday, March 6th
- Last Day of Quarter 3
 - Quarterly Awards
 - Grade Level Buddies
 - Specialist Day 0

Monday, March 16th
First Day of Quarter 4

Friday, March 27th
Prescott Sock Hop
6:30 p.m.

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Contacting Your Child's Teacher

Parents/Guardians are encouraged to call or email their child's classroom teacher to arrange for conferences or when questions arise that can be handled with a brief discussion. The best time to reach a teacher by phone is before the student-day begins or after school. During instructional time, phone messages will be taken for teachers. For involved problems such as student evaluation, curriculum concerns, and school policy, a parent-teacher conference rather than a conversation by telephone is encouraged.

Lost and Found

Most lost articles that are found or turned in are placed on the Lost and Found rack, inside Door 1 by our SEM. Smaller articles may be in the office. Whenever possible, label your child's articles. Encourage your child to check periodically for lost articles. Articles not claimed by semester break and at the end of the school year are donated to a local children's charity.

Parent Teacher Conferences

October 22nd & 24th, 2024 & February 19th & 24th, 2025

Communicating Student Progress

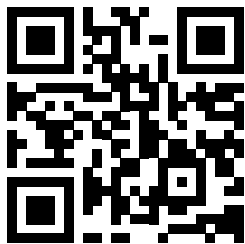
Report Cards & Parent-Teacher Conferences

Lincoln Board of Education states (Policy 6570) that "student progress will be reported formally to parents/guardians at least four times each year."

Information about elementary student progress is reported in four areas:

1. **Progress through district curriculum objectives.**
2. **Performance in assigned curriculum level.**
3. **Effort.**
4. **Use of effective learning or study skills.**

Parent-Teacher conferences are scheduled twice a year, typically during the first and third quarters of the school year. Parents with immediate questions about their child's academic progress are encouraged to contact the teacher at any time.



Visit Out Website

<http://prescott.lps.org>

For the most updated computer class news, link, and resources.

April 2026

Lincoln Public Schools

» Important Dates

Saturday, April 18th
Outdoor Classroom
Work Day
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
					SCHOOLS CLOSED	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	SCHOOLS CLOSED					
12	13	14	15	16	17	18 Outdoor Classroom Work Day 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

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Bullying

If you feel that your child is being bullied by peers, please contact your child's teacher or the building principal, J.J. Wilkins, jwilkins@lps.org or (402)436-1161. All reported incidences of bullying/unsafe behavior will follow the protocol outlined in Lincoln Public Schools Board Policy 5482: Anti-Bullying Policy.

Bullying is unwanted, aggressive behavior among school aged children that involves a real or perceived power imbalance. The behavior is repeated, or has the potential to be repeated, over time.

In order to be considered bullying, the behavior must include:

- Imbalance of Power: Kids who bully use their power—such as physical strength, access to embarrassing information, or popularity—to control or harm others. Power imbalances can change over time and in different situations, even if they involve the same people.
- Repetition: Bullying behaviors happen more than once or have the potential to happen more than once.
- Hurtful aggressive physical and/or verbal behavior.

Bullying includes actions such as making threats, spreading rumors, attacking someone physically or verbally, and excluding someone from a group on purpose.

As an added prevention piece, please discuss with your child adults in the building who they can talk to if they feel that they are being bullied or are in an unsafe situation. These people may include, but are not limited to, their teacher, the administrator, school counselor, school psychologist, school social worker or any other adult in the building that they have built a positive relationship with.

Students are taught about what bullying looks like and sounds like, along with how to advocate for themselves through the District's Second Step program.

May 2026

Lincoln Public Schools

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Friendly Reminder: No Balloons of any kind Graduation and Recognition Events!					1 Prescott Walkathon Quarterly Awards Grade Level Buddies Specialist Day 0 NO CLUBS!	2
3	4 Teacher Appreciation Week	5 Rehearsal 2:45 p.m. Choir and Ukulele Concert 6:00 p.m.	6	7	8 Last Day for Family Literacy	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20 Kindergarten Recognition 1:45 p.m.	21 Last Day of School 5th Grade Graduation 2:00 p.m. Specialist Day 0	22 *Report Cards Posted*	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

» Important Dates

Friday, May 1st

- Prescott Walkathon
- Quarterly Awards
- Grade Level Buddies
- NO CLUBS

Monday, May 4th

- Friday, May 8th
Teacher Appreciation Week

Tuesday, May 5th

- Rehearsal
2:45 p.m.
- Choir and Ukulele
Concert
6:00 p.m.

Friday, May 8th

Last Day for
Family Literacy

Wednesday, May 20th

Kindergarten
Recognition
1:45 p.m.

Thursday, May 21st

- Last Day of School
- 5th Graduation
2:00 p.m.
- Specialist Day 0

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Prescott Pride Club

Family Service Lincoln provides a quality before and after school child care program to students in K-5 known as Pride Club. Pride Club sessions run from 7:00-9:00 a.m and 3:38-6:00 p.m Monday through Friday on regular school days. To enroll your student in Family Service's before and after school programming please visit www.familyservicelincoln.org or call 402-441-7949 for more information.

Academic and Enrichment Clubs

Prescott CLC offers a variety of FREE special interest clubs throughout the year. Through collaborations with University of Nebraska, Nebraska Arts Council, Prescott Parents/Staff, and many other community partners, Prescott is able to offer clubs to all students in grades K-5. Clubs may be subject to specific grade levels, special invitation, and first come basis. All students participating in clubs receive a snack and are expected to follow school and CLC behavior expectations. Registration occurs twice a year and will be sent home in Friday Folders.

Prescott PTO

The Prescott PTO is a small group of parents and caregivers working together to support our students, staff, and school community through events, fundraising, and special projects. General meetings are open to all Prescott parents and we encourage you to join us, share ideas, and stay connected. Whether you have time to help with just one event or many, your involvement makes a difference. Come to a general meeting or email prescottptolincoln@gmail.com to learn more and get involved!

Communication

School Newsletter: The Prescott Principal Update contains announcements, information, school events, etc. This newsletter is sent weekly through School Messenger, grade level newsletters are sent home.

Weekly Communication Folders: Typically, school news will be sent home on Fridays, in your child's daily Homework Folder. Please return the folder the next day including any notes to your child's teacher. General information will be sent with the oldest child in the family attending Prescott School.

Community News: "Community News" is a newspaper distributed by Lincoln Public Schools, free to all elementary students the first week of every month from September through May. It replaces most informational flyers and can be used as a guide to community activities for students. The monthly school lunch menu is included in each issue.

School Website: Information is regularly updated on our website <http://wp.lps.org/prescott/>

ParentVue: Parents may access communications, attendance information and more for their child through ParentVue. A "button" linking you to ParentVue can be found on our school website.

School Messenger: This district-wide communication system sends school and district emails, texts, and phone calls to families with important information. Please be sure the school has your updated phone number and email address.

Facebook: www.facebook.com/PrescottSchool/

June 2026

Lincoln Public Schools

» Important Dates

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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Save Time: Report Student Absences via ParentVUE

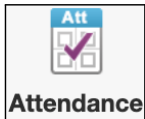


You can save yourself a phone call by using ParentVUE to report full-day absences (partial day absences still require a call to the school office to specify what time the student will be gone). There is also a place to add a note if more explanation or details are needed. The attendance office will view and process the information you enter.



If using the ParentVUE app (phones & tablets):

Select the appropriate student and click the blue "Report Absence" button to enter the date(s) and reason for absence(s).



If using the ParentVUE via the web:

Toggle to the appropriate student in the upper left hand corner. Next, click on the Attendance button and then the blue "Report Absence" button to enter the date(s) and reason for absence(s).

Want to Become a Volunteer?

Parents who submit a volunteer application (www.lps.org, type volunteer in the upper right search bar) will receive an email confirmation that they are 'ready to volunteer' at Prescott. However, this email only confirms their status as a Level II volunteer.

LPS no longer automatically approves Level III volunteers. If you have indicated a preference to be a field trip chaperon, you must reach out to your student's teacher to determine if there is a need for parent volunteers. If you are selected to be a field trip volunteer / chaperon, the teacher will request that the school office submit your name for a background check. You will then need to watch for an email that asks you to provide some additional information. You must reply to that email from LPS Security, and provide the requested information within a stated # of days, in order for a background check to be performed. If you do not complete this step within the time frame indicated, you will not be considered for Level III status.

Once approved, it is our understanding that you will receive a separate email from LPS, indicating you have passed the background check, which is your confirmation of Level III status.

July 2026

Lincoln Public Schools

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28 Panther Prep 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	29 Panther Prep 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	30 Panther Prep 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	31	

» Important Dates

Tuesday, July 28th
- Thursday, July 30th
Panther Prep
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

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School - Parent Compact

This Title I School-Parent Compact has been jointly developed with parents and outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents will build and develop a partnership to help children achieve the State's high academic standards. At parent-teacher conferences, the compact shall be discussed as it relates to the individual child's achievement.

Teacher/School:

It is important that students achieve. I agree to do the following:

1. Provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment to enable children to meet the challenging state academic standards.
2. Regularly communicate with parents on their child's progress.
3. Demonstrate professional behavior and positive attitude.
4. Use effective teacher strategies that support student learning.
5. Treat all students with courtesy and respect in a safe, positive environment.

Teacher Signature _____

Parent/Caring Adult:

I want my child to achieve;

therefore I will encourage him/her by doing the following:

1. Communicate and work with teachers and school staff on an ongoing basis to be involved and support my child's learning.
2. Support your child's learning--volunteer in their classroom; participate, as appropriate, in decisions related to their education, attend parent/teacher conferences, guide positive use of extracurricular time.
3. Make sure my child is at school every day and on time, unless he/she is ill.
4. Provide a quiet place and time to do schoolwork and encourage my child to complete schoolwork.

Parent Signature _____

Student:

I know my education is important to me.

It is important that I work to the best of my ability.

I agree to do the following:

1. Be at school every day and on time unless I am sick.
2. Come to school each day prepared with supplies and an attitude to learn.
3. Be safe, responsible, and productive and take responsibility for my own behavior.
4. Respect and cooperate with other students and adults.
5. Return completed schoolwork on time.
6. Talk to my parents what I am learning in school.

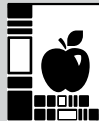
Student Signature _____

Prescott Staff 2025-2026

KINDERGARTEN	ROOM	ELL	ROOM	INTERVENTIONISTS	ROOM
Alison Bowder	104A	Amy Schmaderer	001	Laura Deitchler	117
Rachel Frank	104F	Amy Nealeigh	119	Rebecca Johnson	117
Jamie Langemeier	106	Laura Deans	GL004	Misty Murphy	204
		Crystal Strasburg	213		
1ST GRADE		SPECIALIST TEAM		ECSE RESOURCE	
Nikki Verkamp	116	Tracy Owens, Media/Computer	214	Cassie Mezilus	GL013
Kaylee Urbanovsky	118	Amber Reining, Art	303	Tracey Bragg (TWF)	GL013
Allie Lindburg	120	Abigail McGill, P.E.	Gym 113	Rachel Pickering	110
		Heera Jang, Music	301		
2ND GRADE		Jess Porter, Band	Stage 111	EARLY CHILDHOOD	
Hannah Aldana	215	Dameer Gustafson, Strings	Stage 111	Ali Wilderman	109am
Kim Titchener	216			Frannie Fankhauser	110am
Kaylee Tolle	217			Kristine Bazile	110pm
		RESOURCE		Alex Miller	109pm
3RD GRADE		Haley Bazis	115		
Kennedy Simpson	209	Michael Johnson	115C	ADMINISTRATION	
Emily Foster	210	Emily Campbell	115D	JJ Wilkins	100B
Amanda Wilkinson	211	Tymeri Vculek	114	Shannon Mitchell	100D
Michelle Youker	212	Emily Chleborad	200 / 218	Makaela Johnson	101B
		Jenna Satterly	201		
4TH GRADE		CLINICIANS		OFFICE	
Aaron Flores	105	Connie Malenica	Social Worker	Stefani Bueling	100
Andrea Stubbendick	206	Aubrey Houser	Counselor	Sarah Mutthersbough	100
Megan Dimas	207	Sara Gahan	Psychologist		
Erin Scheffler	208	Sydney Weddleton	Gifted Facilitator	HEALTH OFFICE	
5TH GRADE		FAMILY LITERACY (9AM - 11AM)		Deb Shafer, Nurse	101A
MaKayla Ptaschek	102	Sarah Rogolla	003	Cari Harigatt, Health Tech	101A
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Kristen Thurman	203				
Hannah Hoefler	205				



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