

The Lincoln Address

Abraham Lincoln Traditional School

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MISSION STATEMENT

Abraham Lincoln Traditional School is committed to providing a safe and nurturing learning environment where students are engaged in their own learning. Our school promotes self-responsibility and self-discipline and a love of learning. We encourage and value active participation by parents, teachers, staff and principal in the decision making process in order to increase student achievement and student self-worth.

December 2017

Message from the Principal

Dear ALTS Parents and Students,
As part of the Washington Elementary School District family, we are committed to achieving excellence for every child, every day and every opportunity. Abraham Lincoln Traditional School exists to guide and challenge learning for all students through a learning environment that emphasizes basic traditional skills and values. Our philosophy of academic excellence comprises of the four cornerstones – curriculum, discipline, dress code and parent involvement. Thus far, the amount of volume of parental involvement has been tremendous. It is evident that parents of our school value the importance of their role in the academic and social success of our students.
I would like to take this opportunity to express our gratitude to all the families for investing their time to make our school an even better place for our students to learn. Even though the responsibility is voluntary, it is evident that the commitment is professional. In addition to maintaining mutual respect and confidence while volunteering, our parents have been dependable for their services and exhibit confidentiality and punctuality.
As the second quarter approaches its end, I would like to take the opportunity to wish all of the families merry and bright holiday season. See you in the new year!

Emmitt Phok, Principal

December 2017	
6	Early Release Wed.: K-2 =1:05 p.m./3-8=1:45 p.m.
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14	Winter Art Show 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. Winter Concert 6 p.m. – Kinder, second and fifth 9:15 a.m.- sixth, seventh and eighth grade.
18	Spelling Bee – 8:30 a.m. grades fourth through eighth Site Council Meeting 4 p.m.
19	Band Concert 6 p.m.
20	Early Release Wed.: K-2 =1:05 p.m./3-8=1:45 p.m.
21	End of second quarter Winter parties –some classes
December 22 – January 5 Winter Break – No School	



January 2018	
8	School resumes
10	Early Release Wed.: K-2 =1:05 p.m./3-8=1:45 p.m. Report cards go home
15- No School – Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday	
17	Early Release Wed.: K-2 =1:05 p.m./3-8=1:45 p.m.
19	Movie Night 6:30 p.m.
22	Executive Board Meeting 6:30 p.m. Guild Meeting 7:30 p.m. Spring Fling pre-sale starts
24	Early Release Wed.: K-2 =1:05 p.m./3-8=1:45 p.m.
29	Site Council Meeting 4 p.m.
31	Early Release Wed.: K-2 =1:05 p.m./3-8=1:45 p.m.
January 31 – February 2 Parent/Teacher Conferences	

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Happy Holidays!
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Governing Board: Bill Adams, President • Larry Herrera, Vice President
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Kindergarten Registration 2018-2019 school year

Calling all kindergarten families! Registration will be starting early this year, December 1, 2017! For more information, visit online www.wedschools.org/Page/987
Please stop by the ALTS office for an open enrollment form prior to going to the WESD Registration Center.

MUSIC NEWS

The **kindergarten, second grade and fifth grade** class winter concert will be held on December 14 at 6:00 p.m. Students in kindergarten need to arrive at 5:40 p.m., second grade at 6:00 p.m. and fifth grade at 6:15 p.m. The program should last less than one hour. Students should wear a white shirt and black pants or blue jeans.

The **sixth, seventh and eighth grade** winter concert will be held December 14 at 9:15 a.m.



Thanks,
Mrs. Hoelscher
General Music K-8

Teacher Interview Fairs

The Washington Elementary School District (WESD) will host multiple Teacher Interview Fairs to hire teachers for the 2018-2019 school year. All Teacher Interview Fairs will take place from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the WESD Administrative Center, 4650 West Sweetwater Avenue, Glendale, 85304. Contracts for the 2018-2019 school year will be offered to qualified candidates. Student teachers, soon-to-be college graduates, seasoned teachers and alternative pathways are encouraged to attend!

Teacher Interview Fairs are scheduled for:

Saturday, December 16, 2017,

Saturday, January 20, 2018,

Saturday, February 24, 2018,

Thursday, March 15, 2018, 4 to 7:30 p.m.; and

Saturday, April 28, 2018.

Interviews will be conducted for those interested in teaching: kindergarten, elementary education, special education, language arts, mathematics, science, social studies, general music, art and special needs preschool. Successful candidates may be recommended for a 2018-2019 teaching contract.

Apply online prior to the interview fair at jobs.wedschools.org. Please select the posting titled, Teacher – All Positions. Human Resources will contact qualified applicants directly to preschedule an interview.

For more information, contact the WESD Recruitment Office at 602-347-2622 or e-mail teach@wedschools.org.

TAX CREDIT FOR HELPING A CHILD

You can do something great for the students at ALTS and reduce your tax liability at the same time by making a tax credit donation. Your donation can go to the program you specify, or you may permit the school to designate which of its extracurricular programs your donation will support- athletics, after-school classes, field trips and music programs. Please stop by our office for a tax credit form, if you are interested.

Student Council Food Drive

Our Annual Student Council Food Drive was once again a success!

Thank you to all our ALTS family and staff for contributing to the drive.

This drive would not be a success without your generous donations.

This year, we have collected 2058 cans for St. Mary's Food Bank, which I'm sure will be gratefully accepted by those in need.

Each year, classes compete to win a pizza party and this year's winners are as follow:

The winning class for the younger grade is Ms. Reddick's First Grade Class. They collected 261 cans

Mrs. Frederick's class was a close second at 259 cans. This was a close friendly race with the students working hard at bringing in cans to stay in the lead.

In the upper grades, we had a tie: Mrs. DeMore and Mrs. Devers at 108 cans each.

We are very grateful to all the classes who worked hard to donate cans to the drive. Good Job!! Thank you from all of Student Council. We appreciate all of you!



ALTS/Shoebox Ministries Sock Drive

Our next drive will be our annual Sock Drive.

The ALTS Sock Drive will run from Dec. 4 to Dec. 15.

All socks collected will be given to Shoebox Ministries who will wrap each pair of socks and give it out during the month of December to the homeless.

Please donate new adult socks. Men's socks are most needed.



Dress Down for a Dollar Day

We will be having a Dress Down for a Dollar Day on Friday, December 8.

Your child can bring a dollar into their teacher for the opportunity to dress down.

A dollar will allow you to: wear your shirt untucked, no belt, and girls only can wear nail polish for a day.

The funds collected will be used toward incentives for future drives.



KidSpace 2017 Winter Break Camps

December 22, 2017 – January 5, 2018

Childcare is offered from 6:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Ask about daily rates and multi-child discounts.

Three locations to choose: Lookout Mountain/Sunburst/Orangewood KidSpace

Call ALT KidSpace for more information or general questions at

602-896-6315

Don't miss out on these FUN activities!

