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Scott Tatum, Principal
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Hi Spartan Families!

I am excited to share that we had 300 students qualify for the Sierra Honor Roll, which is a 3.5 GPA or higher during the third quarter. This is 46% of our students. This great number happens for several reasons. I believe students are connecting with their teachers, working hard and meeting the high expectations that we are setting. Students are taking advantage of the many interventions we have in place to try and help students be successful both before and after school.

We have started the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress. My hope is students will give a great effort. This is the opportunity for students to challenge themselves and be proud of the hard work they have put forth throughout the year. Please refer to the below dates for testing dates.

CAST - California Science Test (8 th grade only)	April 10 th - 13 th
SBAC ELA CAT - Multiple Choice	April 16 th - 20 th
SBAC ELA Performance Task	April 23 rd - 27 th
SBAC Math CAT - Multiple Choice	April 30 - May 4 th
SBAC Math Performance Task	May 7 th - 11 th
SBAC Make-Up	May 14 th - 18 th

Eighth grade promotional and seventh grade end of the year activity requirements are:

- Fourth quarter GPA of 2.0 or greater
- Cumulative GPA of 2.0 for the year
- No F's in the fourth quarter
- 95% attendance throughout the school year
- Three or fewer days of suspension in the fourth quarter

If students have questions regarding promotional clothing, we encourage them to bring a picture of the clothing and ask us directly if it is appropriate.

Please review the below discipline numbers

Sierra discipline is:

Detentions:	Tardy	Dress Code	Behavior
August:	52	2	1
September:	202	11	88
October:	279	10	67
November:	195	15	58
December:	181	9	82
January:	188	10	67
February:	310	18	73
March:	384	22	84

	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March
Saturday Schools:	7	30	52	16	54	30	42	40
Focus Center:	0	20	44	24	45	17	21	59
Suspensions:	2	13	15	4	11	12	16	13

For the month of March, Sierra's attendance rate was: 96%

We are having a Great year! Thanks for your help and support!

With Spartan Pride,

Scott Tatum,
Principal

DATES TO REMEMBER

APRIL

18 David's Pizza Fundraiser
18 LUSD Board Meeting, VOC, 7:30pm
23-27 Staff Appreciation Week
27 ALL 7th/8th Grade science projects due-no exceptions
29-May 1 Disneyland Band Trip

MAY

3 Science Showcase, MUR, 4-6pm
9 LUSD Board Meeting, MB, 7:30pm
10 Leadership Installation Banquet, MUR, 7:30pm
14 Spring Band Concert, Court Yard, 7:00pm
15 Lincoln 'Lympics
16 David's Pizza Fundraiser
16 LCPTA, SMS, 6pm
18 Rally, WGym, 1:30pm
22 Choir Concert, LPAC, 7pm
23 LUSD Board Meeting, LHS, 7:30
28 Memorial Day, No School
30 8th Grade Promotional Ceremony/Dance, 6-9:30pm
31 7/8 Grade Day
June 1 Last Day of School, Release at 1:30pm

8th Grade Promotional Ceremony

May 30, 2018, 6pm

"A NIGHT AT THE BEACH"

The promotional ceremony will be held on the South lawn between Sierra and Lincoln High School. A limited amount of parking is available on Stanton Way with overflow parking available in the Lincoln High School Parking Lot. There are a limited number of chairs set up for students and guests. No ticket is needed to enter.

Photography

Parents are asked to refrain from taking photographs during the ceremony. A professional photographer has been hired, and will take a photograph of each promotee as he/she receives his/her certificate. These will be provided (free of charge — courtesy of PTSA) to each student on the last day of school. Additional pictures can be ordered online.

Rehearsal A Must!

Promotional rehearsal will be held the day of promotional, May 30, 7:50 - 2:30. It is important that your student be present for the entire rehearsal. Please do not schedule outside appointments during this time.

Dance Information

Immediately after the ceremony, all promoted 8th grade SMS students are invited to a dance/party to be held in the Sierra Multi-Purpose Room. **The dance ends at 9:30 P.M.** No students will be released prior to that time unless parents have made arrangements in advance with Mr. Tatum and have proper ID at the time of pick up. We regret that students who do not meet the promotional requirements will not be eligible to participate in the ceremony or the dance. It is the hope of the promotional committee that all students feel comfortable participating in these celebrations.

Restrictions

Culminating ceremonies at the end of high school and college are true graduations and should be kept special. With this in mind: formal dresses, including strapless dresses, tuxedos and limousines are inappropriate for our promotional. **Students not adhering to dress standards will not be permitted to participate.** If in doubt, ask well before the day of the promotional, so you don't spend money on clothing which is inappropriate for the ceremony.

Promotion Dress Requirements-You must adhere to the Promotional Dress Requirements in order to participate.

Dressy clothes, but no formals. Skirts, dressy slacks, blouse, dresses, collared shirts, ties optional.

NO shorts, jeans, mini-skirts, formals, strapless, spaghetti strap, tank top less than 3 finger wide, or off-the-shoulder dresses or blouses.

When in doubt take a picture, text it or bring picture in, and check with Mrs. Heck!

Dress shoes with LOW heels. Heels must be **2 inches or less** from the seam between shoe and heel block on the outside (see correct measurement in image)

Shoes higher than 2 inches will be taken before promotion and given back to students after the promotion ceremony. Students must go up and down steps during promotion, heels make that difficult.

Dinner

At the dance, dinner will be served to all students in attendance (vegetarian option will be available).

Volunteers

Volunteers to chaperone the dance and help set-up are also needed (7th grade parents normally fill this role). Please contact Mrs. Lewis @ rlewis@lud.net to volunteer.

Donations

If you would like to make a donation for the ice cream sundae bar, we are accepting gift cards to Smart and Final.



**Lincoln High School
BACK - TO - SCHOOL ORIENTATION / PRACTICE GYM**

Mark your calendar for “back-to-school” orientation on August 6, 7 & 8, 2018. School resumes on Wednesday, August 15, 2018. **All students are required to attend orientation on their assigned dates** where they will receive their class schedule, be able to purchase an “all inclusive package” or individual items and a photo ID will be taken (9th-11th grade pictures will be utilized as yearbook photo). **Dress code will be enforced. Lunch will be free for all students attending orientation from 12:00 p.m. to 12:30 p.m.** Once students are done going through their orientation process, they are not allowed to re-enter the gym. **Freshman** Link Crew Tour begins at 8 a.m. to noon. Orientation begins at 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. **Seniors** will be contacted directly by the photographer regarding scheduling their yearbook picture. ID pictures will be taken during Orientation.

Students that miss their scheduled orientation day will be required to pick up their class schedule on the first day of school and will be pulled out of class for their make-up picture on Friday, August 24th. There will be NO ID retakes.

PARENTS

This event has been designed for students. In the event a student is unable to attend, we will issue a student’s schedule to their **legal parent or guardian only** on the day of orientation (during the student’s scheduled time). Parents will be expected to wait in the line and participate in the entire orientation process. The wait time can range from 1-3 hours. A valid California ID will be required for the issuance of the schedule. We strongly encourage all students to attend on their scheduled day.

STUDENT ORIENTATIONS

Monday, August 6, 2018	Tuesday, August 7, 2018	Wednesday, August 8, 2018
LINK CREW (11th & 12th) 8:00 - 8:45 Seniors 8:45 - 10:00	Juniors 8:00 - 10:00	Sophomores 8:00 - 10:00
	Freshman: Link Crew Tour 8:00 - 12:00 Freshman A- L 12:30 - 2:00	Freshman: Link Crew Tour 8:00 - 12:00 Freshman M - Z 12:30 - 2:00

All Inclusive Package - Available During Orientation Only

\$150.00

- Yearbook
- PE Clothes (Does not include lock)
- Activities Sticker
 - Includes free admission into all sporting events, except for championship games.
 - Discount on dances & other activities throughout the year
 - Free entry to ASB rallies
 - Free LHS spirit T-shirt

Individual Items for Purchase- Separate cash or check

Yearbook	<u>\$80.00</u>
ASB/Activity Sticker	<u>\$60.00</u>
P.E. Clothes	<u>\$15.23</u>
Locks (must be purchased to obtain a locker)	<u>\$5.49</u>

To pay with a credit card (through 8/8/18 only), go to www.mymealtime.com;

*****Students must bring a copy of the emailed confirmation to orientation*****

Please make checks payable to: Lincoln High School

PARENT ORIENTATION

Tuesday, August 7, 2018
6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. in the theater

Parent Volunteers needed! Please call Cathy @ 953-8934 or email ctirapelle@lUSD.net if you would like to help with Orientation or handing out schedules on the first day of school. Thank you!

ORIENTACION A REGRESO A ESCUELA / GIMNASIO DE PRACTICA

Marque su calendario para la orientación a regreso a escuela en Agosto 6, 7 y 8, 2018. ***El nuevo año escolar comienza el Miércoles, 15 de Agosto del 2018.*** Aquellos estudiantes que no compren su compras al inicio de la orientación en su día asignado y luego desean hacerlo después de que han completado el proceso, entonces tendrán que esperar hasta el comienzo de clases. Todos los estudiantes se tomaran una foto de identificación los estudiantes del grado 9-11 utilizaran su foto de identificación para la foto del anuario también se va **imponer el código de vestuario**. Los estudiantes podrán recoger su horario y registrarse para un casillero. Se requiere que los estudiantes del noveno grado asistan a la orientación en su día asignado por su alfa. De 8:00 am a 2:00 pm recibirán una carta durante el verano de Link Crew explicando las actividades del día. El almuerzo será gratis para todos los estudiantes que asistan a la orientación.

PADRES

Este evento ha sido diseñado para los estudiantes. En el caso que un estudiante no pueda asistir, **le daremos el horario al padre o tutor legal solo en el día de orientación** (durante el tiempo que el estudiante tiene programado). Esperemos que los padres esperen en línea y participan en todo el proceso de orientación. El tiempo de espera puede variar de 1-3 horas. Una identificación valida de California será requerida para poder recoger el horario de su hijo(a). recomendamos que todo estudiante asisten en su día programado. Los estudiantes que faltan en su día programado tendrán que recoger su horario de clases en el primer día de clases y se les va pedir que se salgan de clases para que se tomen su foto.

ESTUDIANTE

Lunes, 6 de Agosto, 2018	Martes, 7 de Agosto, 2018	Miércoles, 8 de Agosto, 2018
LINK CREW (11th & 12 th) 8:00 - 8:45 Grado 12 8:45 - 10:30	Grado 11 8:00 - 10:00	Grado 10 8:00 - 10:00
	Grado 9 A- L 12:30 - 2:00	Grado 9 M - Z 12:30 - 2:00

DISPONIBLE PARA SU COMPRA

Por favor haga su cheque a : Lincoln High School

***La ropa de Educación física piden un cheque por separado o en efectivo si no va a comprar el paquete inclusivo.**

Para pagar con una tarjeta de crédito (solamente hasta 8/10/16), vaya a www.mymealtime.com;

*****Los estudiantes pueden traer a la orientación una copia de la confirmación dada por el correo electrónico *****

Paquete con todo incluido / <u>Solamente la Orientación</u>	<u>\$150.00</u> Anuario, Pase de actividad, Ropa de PE
Anuario	<u>\$80.00</u>
ASB/Pase de Actividad	<u>\$60.00</u> -Incluye la entrada gratis a todos los eventos deportivos, con la excepción de los juegos campeonatos. . - Descuentos a los bailes y otras actividades durante el año -Entrada gratis a ASB asambleas - Una camiseta gratis de espíritu de LHS -
Ropa de P.E./ Candado <u>*Cheque separado o en efectivo si no va comprar el paquete inclusivo.</u>	<u>\$15.23 / \$5.49</u> Disponble durante la orientación Después de la horas de orientación: 11:20-12:00 / 3:00-3:30

Martes, 7 de Agosto 2018
Orientacion de pardres
6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Se necesitan padres voluntarios! Por favor llame a Cathy @ 953-8934 o por correo electrónico a ctirapelle@lud.net Si usted le gustaría ayudar con la orientación o la entrega de horarios en el primer día de clases. Gracias!



