



Pershing Elementary

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Valentine's Day Classroom Parties

Students will be having classroom parties with healthy snacks on February 14 at 2:15. At Pershing, we have students with nut allergies and possible other health conditions that would not allow them to eat sugar. Stickers, pencils, or erasers are great options if families want to give something in the valentine. If candy is brought, students will not be allowed to eat candy during the school day. Candy will be reserved for home only.

RESCHEDULED: Nature Learning Night April 16th 6:30-7:30

Bring the whole family to Nature Learning Night on Thursday, April 16th from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the gym! You will see animals from the Nature Learning Center, complete activities, as well as learn more about Nebraska animals and much, much more.

Additionally, each grade level team of teachers and Early Childhood teachers will showcase learning strategies associated with their grade level curriculum. It will be a night full of family fun with plenty to explore. Don't miss out on Pershing's most popular event! Enter through door #2. We cannot wait to see you!

Upcoming Events

February 6

Lockdown Drill

February 7

6:30 p.m. Game Night

February 14

Valentine's Day Parties @ 2:15

February 17

Elementary Plan Day: No School for Elementary Students

February 18

Pershing 5th grade Science Fair @ 2:00 p.m.

February 20

Gr. 4 to Lied Center for Young People's Concert

February 25

PLC Early Dismissal @ 1:33 p.m.
No Preschool

February 28

Last Day for Qt. 3 CLC Clubs

Like us on Facebook!

SAVE THE DATE:

March 26th 6:00-7:20
Around the World in 80
Minutes

IMPORTANT!

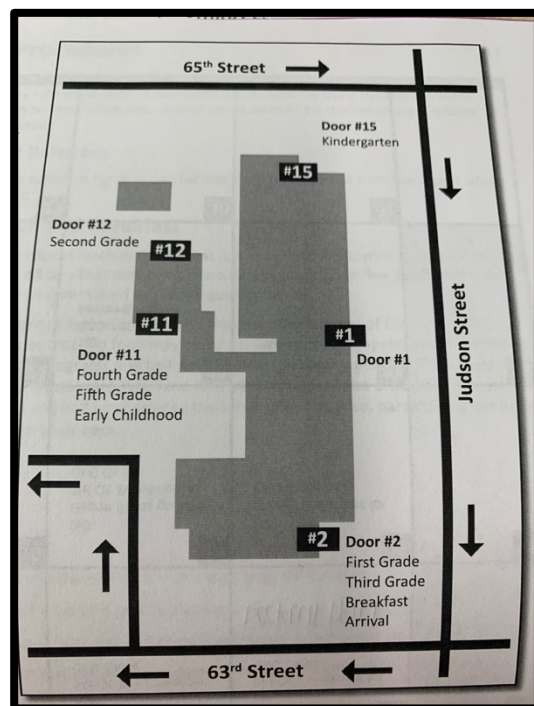
Arrival Drop off & Dismissal Pick-Up

*Students may arrive at 7:45 a.m. for breakfast

*Students not eating breakfast should arrive at 8:00 a.m. Students should not arrive prior to 7:45 as there is no supervision before then.

ARRIVAL & Dismissal DROP OFF & PICK UP:

- To ensure a smooth and safe drop off for all students, please make sure you are following our traffic plan as pictured to the right. If you prefer to walk your child to school, wait to watch them walk in the building, or anything that requires stopping time, please find designated parking around the building and walk with your child to school or pull into the cut-out and park your car there. Please do not stop and park your car in the drop off lane that runs west on Judson.
- We are trying to decrease as much congestion as possible at arrival and dismissal, following the traffic plan will make drop off and pick up efficient and safe so that we do not back traffic up along Judson. Please pay extra close attention to students and families walking to and from school. We appreciate your patience during this time.



Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) at Pershing

At Pershing we believe in the impact and importance of building positive relationships with all students.

We do this by:

- Celebrating learning
- Cultivating a community
- Committing to our core values
- Conveying genuine care

We understand that establishing and maintaining relationships creates a safe and predictable environment for all students to challenge themselves academically and develop self-discipline. We encourage and welcome your partnership in creating a positive community.

Boys Town Social Skills: Below are the following social skills we have been teaching, practicing, and reinforcing. These are great skills you can teach, practice, and reinforce at home as well

Greeting Others

1. Look at the person.
2. Use a pleasant voice.
3. Say “Hi” or “Hello”

Accepting “No” for an Answer

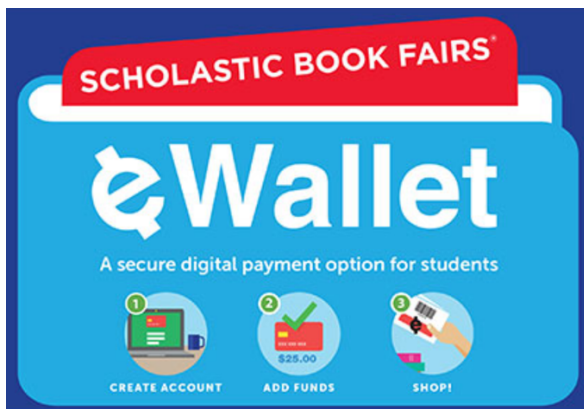
1. Look at the person.
2. Say “okay”.
3. Stay calm.
4. If you disagree, ask later.

Pershing Family Engagement:

Book Fair News

Pershing Book Fair: Monday Mar. 2nd, Wednesday Mar. 4th, & Thursday Mar. 5th

We’re now offering a new, cash-free payment option called eWallet, making it easier for kids to buy books! Set up your account today so your kiddo will be ready when their class comes to the book fair.



“Use this link: <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/pershingelementaryschool> starting FEBRUARY 10TH set up your child’s eWallet. You create the account, set the amount and the student can shop March 2nd, 4th, or 5th after school. This is a great way to get Grandparents in on the Book Fair excitement too. They can use the link to create an account also! More information will be coming home via Thursday Folders from the Media Specialist.”

Science Fair for 5th grade on February 18th

This year at Pershing we will have a “practice” science fair on February 18th. Students, who are interested in this opportunity, will be asked to work independently or in partners to present their science project and display to their peers in the school cafeteria at 2:00 pm. Parents are invited to come see these displays from 2:20-2:50 pm. At 2:50, students will cleanup and be dismissed, following their usual dismissal plans.

Those who participate at the Pershing Science Fair will receive a participation ribbon. There will not be judges at the Pershing fair. Students will be given the opportunity to share information about their project with their peers and parents who attend the Pershing fair. Those students, who choose to take their project to the LPS Science Fair on March 5th, will have their projects judged and ribbons will be awarded based upon their scores.

****Additional News****

From Computing Services:

Safe Searching Tools

The LPS Key Concepts in Digital Citizenship emphasize students' ability to **"Apply strategies for effective and efficient searches for information"** and **"Evaluate and select appropriate sources to answer questions."** LPS Educators work hard to help students understand not every search should be a "Google" search. Students have access to high quality digital content, from school or home, linked from our library web page. These resources include: eBooks, encyclopedias in multiple languages, databases of periodicals and reference resource, streaming media, and more!

For more information, visit the library web page found on our school's website.



It's time to register your kindergarten student

Do you have a child that will start kindergarten next year? Lincoln Public Schools is now accepting kindergarten registrations for the 2020-2021 school year. The first deadline for families to register their child to guarantee they receive important school information is March 31, 2020.

Parents of children turning five years of age before July 31, 2020 can go to lps.org and click on the red "Enroll Your Student" button. Here you will also find all the information necessary for registering, the required documents needed and answers to frequently asked questions.

For children who turn five between August 1 and October 15, parents may request an assessment for their child to receive a waiver to attend school early. That information is also located on the kindergarten registration page.



Reminders

IMPORTANT: Arrival Times

- ✓ Students may arrive @ 7:45 for breakfast
- ✓ Students who are not eating breakfast should arrive @ 8:00

****No supervision prior to 7:45**

Community Spirit Day

Every Friday is Community Spirit Day!

Students can wear their Pershing shirt or **purple**

OR

Students can wear their Husker shirt or **red**.

Parents who do not have access to the online registration, or wish to register their child in person, should contact their attendance area elementary school as soon as possible. Questions about kindergarten registration should also be directed to the child's attendance area school.

For more information about kindergarten registration and assessment testing for incoming students, please go to <https://home.lps.org/student-services/kindergarten-registration-assessment/>.

Library News

Access Amazing Library Resources from Home!

Did you know many of our fabulous library resources can be accessed from home? If your student is looking for educational games to play or fun activities to do online, we encourage them to check out the library resources at home! The library provides access to fun educational sites for students for free. To do this, go to your school library website and click on "Home Access" to get the login information. Many of the library's resources can also be accessed by logging into the portal from home. Go to portal.lps.org and type in your student's LPS ID number and password to see what is available for your student to access from home!

Digital Citizenship Tips

LPS teachers instruct students about digital law when they help students explore how terms of service agreements and privacy policies are important and have real-world implications. Topics for a family discussion might include:

- What are terms of service agreements? (Rules you must follow when using an app or digital tool.)
- Why should you be aware of terms of service agreements? What are the consequences of using apps not intended for students your age? (Many terms of service agreements include age requirements for the app or digital tool. If you use a tool that you are not old enough to use, your account may be canceled, your safety may be compromised, and you may see inappropriate content.)

LPS has procedures in place to ensure the apps and websites students are using adhere to the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act.



Safety Reminder

We are working really hard to teach students how to be safe when they come to school and leave school. Please help us by reminding your children to use the crosswalks at all times. Crosswalks signal drivers that adults and children may be crossing, so they are more aware in these areas. With cars coming up and down Judson and the pull up lane, it is important

students have distance between themselves and the moving traffic. Thank you for your participation in keeping all students safe!