

Lincoln List 5-2-2008

Today's edition contains: two "Quick Tips" and three "Testing Tips" as well as three longer informational notices:

- * Lincoln Drama Club Production of "HAIRSPRAY"
- * Two upcoming Book Fair events
- * Samohi Summer Reading information

"QUICK TIPS"

***Please remember, if you drop off or pick up your child by car-- No dropping off or picking up in the staff parking lots on 14th street or the large lot next to the gym.

***Remember the importance of keeping well-hydrated. Water bottles are good when the temperature is high.

"TESTING TIPS"

- **The importance of a good night's sleep...
- **A Nutritious Breakfast is a great start to the day...
- **Arriving on campus early instead of barely on time...

State Testing will continue all through next week.

1.) LINCOLN PRESENTS "HAIRSPRAY" TONIGHT AND SATURDAY

Directed by Sarah D'Agostino
Amy Coles, Music Director
Lincoln Middle School Auditorium,
1501 California Avenue, Santa Monica
Friday, May 2nd 7:00 PM
Saturday, May 3rd 7:00 PM
\$5 donation suggested at the door.
Information (including video and pictures)
at lmshairspray.blogspot.com

Come see the big, bright, beautiful show with catchy tunes, mesmerizing dancing, and a heart bigger than Baltimore! You've seen the movie ---now see Hairspray live starring your fellow Lincoln classmates tearing up the stage!

2.) TWO UPCOMING BOOK FAIR EVENTS

"Book dummies? Bound galleys? What does it all mean? and what does it have to do with a good read?"

In advance of our upcoming Book Fair (May 19-23), we have the great pleasure of welcoming Ms. Bonnie Verburg, Lincoln parent, to tell us everything and more about how an idea becomes a book you can buy at the store. MARK YOUR CALENDARS as this special

event will take place on Thursday, May 15, at 3:15 pm in our own Library. Ms. Verburg is an editor and publisher with her own imprint at Scholastic Books, and has helped many bestselling and award-winning books on their road to publication. Graphic novels, fiction and picture books, from first draft to final manuscript, from bestsellers to megaflops, she will tell you how it all happened."

Then, we have our second special event:

"The Book Fair presents: A Special Event for Young Writers:

Do you have a secret wish to one day write a Pulitzer Prize winning poem or an Oscar-winning screenplay? Are you into fiction, creative non-fiction or journalism? Well then, you'll definitely enjoy Wendy Tiggerman's perspective on "Developing Your Own Voice as a Writer" when she visits the Lincoln Middle School Book Fair on May 20th. Meet with Wendy at 3:15 p.m. in the Library where she'll tell us about her work as a writer, as a WriteGirl mentor for at-risk teens, and lead you in fun writing exercises that will unleash your Great American novelist within."

3.) SAMOHI SUMMER READING INFORMATION

The English Department has chosen Enrique's Journey (*see below for description) by Sonia Nazario as the All-Samo summer reading selection for 2008. All incoming 9th through 12th graders are assigned to read the All-Samo book, as well as another book (of their own choosing), before school begins next September. All honors English students are assigned a third book, a specific title for each grade level. Copies of the specific summer titles, including Enrique's Journey, are heavily stocked at Santa Monica libraries, and we usually offer them for sale on campus at certain spring events and at August registration. Students in summer school English classes read the summer books as part of their course curriculum.

*Enrique's Journey is non-fiction, based on a Pulitzer Prize-winning series of articles in the L.A. Times. Enrique is a Honduran teenager whose mother left for the U.S. when he was five years old to work and send money to her family back in Honduras. Enrique hasn't seen her since. At sixteen he decides to go to her, but the only way possible is by clinging to the tops of trains speeding north through Mexico. The book has adventure, drama, poignancy, and sociological insight.

That's all for now... more on Tuesday.