

# THE TELESCOPE

LINCOLN NORTH STAR HIGH SCHOOL 5801 N. 33RD STREET LINCOLN, NE 68504

Lincoln North Star High School is committed to developing academic excellence, positive relationships, and productive citizens.



## Parent Teacher Conference

Please plan to attend Monday, February 17 and Tuesday, February 18 from 3:30 P.M. to 6:30 P.M.

## Senior Checklist

North Star Graduation Ceremony is at the Bob Devaney Sports Center Sunday, May 24, 2020 at 4:30 PM

- Complete Second Semester Go-Po hours before May 12th.
- Check in with Counseling Center
- ACT/SAT Test Dates
- Scholarship Information
- Graduation Status
- Stop by the attendance office to see if your name is spelled correctly for your diploma
- Check the fines list and clear all fines
- Return all LPS property: Books, uniforms, equipment, etc...



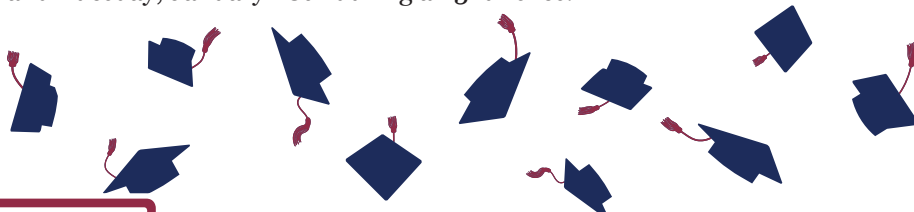
## STAR Expectations

**S**afe  
**T**rustworthy  
**A**ccountable  
**R**espectful



## Cap and Gown Orders for Seniors

Cap and Gown orders can be placed online at [www.LincolnGraduation.com](http://www.LincolnGraduation.com). The cost is \$20 for the cap, gown & tassel package. Effective 02/01/20 there will be a \$15 late fee added to all cap & gown orders. Additional merchandise such as memorabilia items or announcements may still be ordered without a late fee. Order forms are available in the main office. After 03/01/17 announcements will go to as supplies lasts. Please make checks payable to Lincoln Graduation. Lincoln Graduation will be here Monday, January 27th and Tuesday, January 28th during all 3 lunches.



## LNS Athletics

Visit our new athletic/activities website for the most updated schedules and information:

<http://www.Lincolnnorthstarhs.schoolteams.com>



Did you know?: Between the issues of the TELESCOPE important announcements and updates are posted on the North Star website at <http://lins.lps.org>.



## Important Dates



### FEBRUARY

- 17-18 Parent Teacher Conferences  
3:30-6:30 pm
- 22 LPS Solo Ensemble Contest at LSW
- 25 Food Market 2:00-3:00 pm
- 27-28 LNS Theatre: Matilda 7:00 pm
- 29 LNS Theatre: Matilda  
2:30 pm & 7:00 pm

### MARCH

- 5 No School – Host State Basketball
- 6 End of 3rd Quarter
- 9-13 No School – Spring Break
- 16 4th Quarter Begins
- 17 Honors Convocation 8:00 am  
Food Market 2:00-3:00 pm
- 18 Lincoln Graduation Delivering  
Announcements and Memorabilia-  
Taking Orders 11:30 am-1:15 pm
- 26-27 State Speech
- 30 Orchestra and Jazz Band Concert  
7:00 pm
- 31 Choral Concert 7:00 pm

### APRIL

- 3 LNSNL 7:00 pm
- 6 Concert Band 7:00 pm
- 7 ACT – Only Juniors attend
- 10 No School
- 14 SCC College Fair 1:15 pm
- 18 Prom 8:00-11:00 pm
- 20 No School-Host District Music
- 21 District Music-Orchestra Only  
at East High  
Food Market 2:00-3:00 pm
- 27 National Honor Society Induction
- 31 Electroponic (E20) 7:00 pm

### MAY

- 1 Electroponic (E20) 7:00 pm
- 6-7 Lincoln Graduation Delivering  
Caps and Gowns 11:30-1:15 pm
- 7 LNS Theatre: The Last Illusion,  
7:00 pm
- 11 Class Plays for Theatre 7:00 pm
- 12 Food Market 2:00-3:00 pm  
Final Choral Concert 7:00 pm
- 14 Orchestra, Band, and Jazz Band  
Concerts 6:00 pm
- 18 Senior Recognition  
Graduation Practice  
Navi Awards  
Senior BBQ
- 19-21 Final Exams
- 24 Graduation at Bob Devaney Sports  
Center 4:30 pm

## Evening Meal Program

We are now serving a free evening meal from 4:00 p.m.-4:45 p.m., Monday-Thursday, the entire semester, for any student that is a member of our Boys and Girls Club after school program. Becoming a member of the Boys and Girls Club is free of charge and is open until 6:00 p.m. daily. This is a great opportunity and we hope our students take advantage of it.

## Attention 11th Graders!

North Star High School is contracting with John Baylor's company OnToCollege to provide all of our 11th graders an ACT test prep course for free (normally a \$385 fee). I met with each of our juniors on December 3, 2019 to provide them with the details about this great opportunity.

Students will also be given online access at home to further prepare and work through many of the Additional Prep and Solution Video resources that are available to them. If your student is struggling with a specific subject area or concept on the ACT, OTC's Additional Prep and Solution Video resources can help.

Higher ACT scores can mean larger college scholarships. The OTC ACT prep course routinely raises test scores 1-3 points, an amount that can save your family thousands in college costs and increase your child's college options. Click here to watch a short video where John Baylor discusses the importance of the ACT.

Below are the details of this exciting opportunity:

**February 19, 2020:** All juniors will do a 90-minute test prep session with John Baylor.

**February 24-April 6:** ACT Test prep classes facilitated by North Star teachers using OnToCollege resources (available for sign-up here). Students will earn 1.25 elective credits for the class.

### Period offerings:

7:00 a.m.: 1st period

8:00 a.m.: 2nd period

2:10 p.m.: 8th period (Tuesday - 1:20 P.M.)

3:05 p.m.: 9th period (Tuesday - 2:05 P.M.)

## April 7, 2020: ACT day!

Thanks for helping us ensure students prioritize this course and the upcoming test. Please let me know if you have any questions!

Go Gators!

Ryan Zabawa  
Principal





# Student Data Privacy

LPS cares deeply about protecting students DIGITALLY. We go to great lengths to ensure that your child's digital interactions are safe and appropriate, that the data we collect about them is secure, and that we are guiding them to make good digital decisions. Because these efforts are less visible than our physical security efforts, we have assembled this resource to shine light on these important measures that are happening in LPS every day:

[https://home.lps.org/cs/?page\\_id=18083](https://home.lps.org/cs/?page_id=18083)



# Instructional Technology Tools (ITTs)

LPS believes that high-quality curriculum and instruction can and should include instructional technology for improving student achievement and preparing learners for adult success. To that end, a District Instructional Technology Tool (ITT) Committee works to identify those ITTs that are safe for student use, support district learning goals, and encourage innovative teaching and learning.

All reviewed ITTs are cataloged in the LPS ITT Matrix:

<https://www.lps.org/apps/matrix/>.

The most frequently used, approved ITTs are made available to students and staff in the LPS Portal:

<https://home.lps.org/cs/2016/08/08/the-lps-portal/>.



ITT Matrix



Approved ITTs

## Registration Dates for the 2020-2021 School Year

Counselors will be in English classes to review the online registration process with students. The online registration system will be open until February 18th in the SynergyStudentVUE/ParentVUE for current North Star students and parents to edit changes to the student's course request.

- 11th to 12th grade registration will be during the week of January 21st for 11th graders during English class.
- 10th to 11th grade registration will be during the week of January 27th for 10th graders during English class.
- 9th to 10th grade registration will be during the week of February 3rd for 9th graders during English class.

### Middle School Registration Dates

| School   | Date           |
|----------|----------------|
| Lux      | Thurs. Feb. 13 |
| Schoo    | Tues. Feb.11   |
| Park     | Wed Feb.12     |
| Lefler   | Fri. Feb. 14   |
| Goodrich | Tues. Feb. 18  |
| Culler   | Wed. Feb. 19   |
| Pound    | Fri. Feb. 21   |
| Irving   | Mon. Feb.10    |
| Mickle   | Mon. Feb 24    |
| Dawes    | Wed. Feb 26    |
| Scott    | Thurs. Feb 20  |
| Moore    | Thurs. Feb. 27 |

LPS Course Guide

ParentVUE and StudentVUE



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*Alpha splits are by last name*

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## Keep in Touch!

For your convenience, there are a number of ways to contact us. We welcome your questions, comments, input and suggestions. Give us a call at 436-1305 or stop by our offices. Our Website address is: <http://lps.lps.org>. We respond promptly to email as well:

## Who is my Administrator?

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## Student News has gone Digital!



Did you know North Star's school newspaper, the Gator Galaxy, has gone completely digital? Please visit our Mass Media website at [www.lnsgatorgalaxy.com](http://www.lnsgatorgalaxy.com) featuring stories about news that affects our Gator Community. These stories are researched and written by our Mass Media students. Have a story you would like to see featured? Email the information to [lsnews@lps.org](mailto:lsnews@lps.org).

## LPS No Longer Accepts Credit Card Payments Over the Phone

For the protection of our families and their credit card information, we are no longer accepting credit card payments over the phone. If a parent/guardian/student wants to pay with a credit card, they will need to come to the school, district office, or pay via StudentVUE/ParentVUE.

## Food Markets

North Star is proud to partner with the Lincoln Food Bank sponsoring Food Markets for our students & families. North Star Food Market will be held Tuesday, February 24th from 2:00 P.M.-3:00 P.M. Families should enter the building at Door #10 on the West Side of North Star. We will have additional food market's on March 17th, April 21st, and May 12th.

## From The Bookkeeper A FRIENDLY REMINDER

The "Fines/Obligations List" continues to grow at LNS! Students are expected to take care of these obligations in a timely manner. The bookkeeper has a current list of fines and is happy to collect money or missing items to make sure each student has taken care of their obligations. Please Note: Parents are able to view fines on ParentVUE and students are able to view fines on StudentVue. If you have any questions, please have your student stop by the bookkeeper's window or you may contact the bookkeeper at [twhitson@lps.org](mailto:twhitson@lps.org). We greatly appreciate your dedication in helping your child become "Debt-Free at LNS"!





## STAR TRAN



### Special Bus Schedule:

**Star Tran is a vital transportation partner for our North Star families**

- On a daily basis Star Tran provides the Arnold Heights/Highlands Booster service
- Star Tran has several regular routes close to North Star should your family not reside in the Arnold Heights/Highlands service area
- Star Tran bus pass may be ordered with the North Star bookkeeper or purchased at HyVee on North 27th street
- Students who have Free/Reduced Lunch approval will receive discounted price of bus pass
- Visit the Star Tran webpage at [startran.lincoln.ne.gov](http://startran.lincoln.ne.gov) for a complete listing of bus routes and schedules

## Bus Passes

You may now purchase bus passes with a mobile device using the **Token Transit app**. Go to the SarTran website and follow the four easy steps. Download the app, select the type of bus pass you wish to purchase, tap the pass to activate it when you are ready to ride and as you board the bus, show the driver your digital ticket.

Easy and convenient!



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## Purchase a Yearbook

Yearbooks will be sold throughout the school year. As of Jan. 7, the price of the Yearbook is \$70. It will increase to \$75 after Spring Break. If you would like to purchase your Yearbook online, please visit our yearbook publisher's website at [www.walsworthyearbooks.com](http://www.walsworthyearbooks.com), click on "Buy Your Yearbook or Ad" at the top, and follow the instructions. You can also purchase a Yearbook from the North Star Bookkeeper or through Fees on Synergy.

## Senior Ad Purchase

Senior Ads are a great way to celebrate your soon-to-be graduate in the Yearbook. For information on senior ad pricing, requirements, and a printable form, please visit the North Star website under the "Parents" tab. To purchase a Senior Ad online and upload your digital photos, please visit our yearbook publisher's website at [www.walsworthyearbooks.com](http://www.walsworthyearbooks.com), click on "Buy Your Yearbook or Ad" at the top, and follow the instructions.

## Business Ad Purchase

Business ads are a great way for community businesses to show their support for North Star in the Yearbook. For more information on business ad pricing or to purchase an ad, please visit our yearbook publisher's website at [www.walsworthyearbooks.com](http://www.walsworthyearbooks.com), click on "Buy Your Yearbook or Ad" at the top, and follow the instructions. Or you can email [lnsyearbook@lps.org](mailto:lnsyearbook@lps.org).

For any other yearbook-related questions, please contact Christina Nevitt at [cnevitt@lps.org](mailto:cnevitt@lps.org).

## 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.

