



Linn County R-I Ledger

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Mustang Basketball

We are nearing the end of the season with just a few regular season games left. Our last home game will be on February 15th versus Tina Avalon. Fan Appreciation Night and Homecoming will also take place on the 15th. Districts will be held the week of February 19th -23rd. Boys districts are at Tri-County High School, and the girls districts will be at Princeton High School. Come out to support your Mustangs and Lady Mustangs!



The school website is updated daily. Check the school calendar and homepage for current events and news.

www.linnr1.k12.mo.us

Congratulations Mikaela Rojas

Mikaela recently competed at the State Missouri Cattlemen's speech contest and received 1st place! She presented her winning speech at the awards dinner in front of over 1000 people in attendance including the Missouri State Governor (Mike Parson) and many state officials and dignitaries. On the same day she also competed for the Missouri State Beef Queen and won this honor as well! This included presenting a separate speech and a round of interviews. If that wasn't enough, she was also awarded and recognized as one of the top 30 in the state with a \$1000 college scholarship.



Tumble Time!

It has been a very busy start to the new year! In elementary PE we have been working on balance and basic gymnastics skills such as forward rolls and hand stands. It is always fun to get the gymnastics mats out and see the kid's learning new skills and gaining confidence.



News from Mr. Shrum

Spelling Bee

Classroom Spelling Bee Competitions have already started. The words lists have been sent home and hopefully you have all been using them to study. Classroom Competitions will be finalized on March 22nd. The top five spellers from each classroom will advance to the Linn County R-1 School Spelling Bee on March 27th at 1:30 pm. The top two spellers from each class will then advance to the Linn County Spelling Bee hosted by Bucklin R-II at a date to be determined.

Valentine's Day Parties

The Elementary will have their parties on Wednesday, February 14th. Snacks and games will take place in the classroom. Parent arrival time is 2:15 with the parties starting at 2:25 and ending at 3:15. Please send your students Valentine's boxes and Valentines to school in the morning with your student. Be on the lookout for more information from your student's classroom teacher.

JH/HS Track & Field

Track season is coming up fast! There was an incredible turnout for students wanting to participate in track this year. The first track practice will be on February 27th from 3:50-4:50. A reminder, track season is chilly so please make sure your student athletes are equipped for cold weather. I can't wait to see our Linn County Mustangs out on the track and in the field!

Calendar of Events

- 2/12- HS Basketball @ Madison
- 2/13- Sophomore Vo-Tech Tour
- 2/14- Elementary Valentine's Day Parties
- 2/15- HS Basketball @ Home vs TA
Homecoming & Fan Appreciation Night
Jr/Sr After Prom Pasta Dinner
- 2/19-2/24- HS District Basketball & FFA Week
- 2/22- MAP Reward Trip
- 2/27- Scholar Bowl @ Linn County
- 2/28- Scholar Bowl @ Bevier



The 100th day of school is scheduled for **Friday, February 23rd**. To celebrate this milestone students will have special activities in their classrooms and exciting prize drawings throughout the day. All students are encouraged to wear a Mustang or red shirt to celebrate the Mustang's 100th Day!

100th Day Cereal Food Drive: Linn County R-I National Honor Society has also teamed up with the entire school for their yearly service project in conjunction with the 100th Day. NHS is hosting a cereal food drive and a cereal box domino challenge! Our goal is to get 100 (or more) unopened cereal boxes to use in our domino challenge as we line the halls of our school. After the domino challenge, the boxes of cereal will be donated to Linn County R-I students in need as well as the Linn County Food Pantry for families in need.

Elementary (PK-5) and Junior/High School (6-12) will be competing to donate the most boxes. The winning group of students will receive a special treat.

Unopened boxes of cereal can be sent with your students to school now through **Friday, February 23rd**.



HEAR THE YEAR

YEARBOOKS ARE ONSALE
NOW THROUGH 3/1/24 FOR
\$30. SEE MRS. KNIFONG
TODAY TO SECURE YOURS!




"Harper is kind, caring, and helpful. She always listens and is a great friend!" - Gabriela

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

HARPER SMALL

Harper Small has been described by her teachers and peers as "the perfect example of an ideal student." She is kind, caring, and always respectful. Harper comes to school ready and excited to learn. In the hallways Harper is always smiling and courteous.

Senior Spotlight

	<p>What are your future plans? Attend college and get into Nursing School.</p> <p>What activities are you involved in? Academic Bowl</p> <p>What is your favorite school subject? Health Sciences</p> <p>What is your favorite thing about Linn Co.? The food.</p> <p>What is a hobby you enjoy outside of school? Reading</p>
<p>Conner Giebe</p>	



Emilee Heaney

“Never let the fear of striking out keep you from playing the game.” –Babe Ruth

What are your future plans?

Attend NCMC and pursue a career in the dental field.

What activities are you involved in?

Softball and Basketball

What is your favorite thing about Linn Co.?

It's small and someone and is always there to help when needed.

What is a hobby you enjoy outside of school?

Hanging out with friends

What is your farewell message to underclassmen?

Don't wish time away, cherish every moment, get involved in extra circulars, and make new friends. You will miss it more than ever when the journey comes to an end.



Mikaela Rojas

“Success is the ability to go from failure to failure without loss of enthusiasm” -Winston Churchill

What are your future plans?

After high school I plan to attend Moberly Area Community College to receive my Associate's Degree. I will then transfer to the University of Missouri to attain a Bachelor's Degree in Agricultural Communications & Marketing.

What activities are you involved in?

Student Council, FFA, FTA & NHS, Softball, Basketball, Track

Who do you look up to the most in life?




My Mema- She's pushes me to be the best I can, always shows up to support me, and is determined to no end.

What is your favorite thing about Linn Co.?

The community- Growing up in this small town has been a blessing because of the connections I have made and support everyone has given me.

FEBRUARY 2024

LINN CO. R-1 SCHOOL

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
 <p>NO 5 SCHOOL</p>	 <p>PANCAKE on a STICK 6 FRESH FRUIT</p> <p>HOT HAM and CHEESE 6 FRIES PEAS / FRUIT</p>	 <p>BISCUIT and GRAVY 7 FRESH FRUIT</p> <p>CHILI w/ TOASTED CHEESE 7 CHEESE / CRACKERS RAW VEGGIES FRUIT and COOKIE</p>	<p>FRENCH TOAST 1 FRESH FRUIT</p> <p>MEATLOVERS PIZZA or CHEESE 1 PIZZA CALIFORNIA BLEND FRUIT</p> <p>MUFFIN and YOGURT 8 FRESH FRUIT</p> <p>CHICKEN PATTIE 8 MASHED POTATOES and GRAVY BUTTERED CARROTS FRUIT</p>	<p>SAUSAGE/CHEESE BISCUIT 2 FRESH FRUIT</p> <p>CRISPITOS 2 TRI TATERS PEAS and CARROTS FRUIT</p> <p>COFFEECAKE 9 FRESH FRUIT</p> <p>WALKING TACO 9 Lettuce/tomatoes/onions/sour cream CORN / FRUIT / COOKIE</p>
<p>NO 12 SCHOOL</p>	<p>CINNI MINI 13 FRESH FRUIT</p> <p>MR. RIB on BUN 13 SCALLOPED POTATOES BAKED BEANS FRUIT</p>	<p>BISCUIT and GRAVY 14 FRESH FRUIT</p> <p>BAKED POTATO BAR or 14 FISH STICKS BROCCOLI with CHEESE BEANS / CORNBREAD</p>	<p>BREAKFAST PIZZA 15 FRESH FRUIT</p> <p>PORK ROAST 15 POTATOES and GRAVY CARROTS FRUIT</p>	<p>COFFEECAKE 16 FRESH FRUIT</p> <p>SCRAMBLED EGGS 16 BISCUIT and GRAVY SAUSAGE LINKS / POTATOES ORANGES</p>
<p>NO 19 SCHOOL</p>	<p>BANANA BREAD / YOGURT 20 FRESH FRUIT</p> <p>LASAGNA 20 GREEN BEANS FRUIT GARLIC TOAST</p>	<p>BISCUIT and GRAVY 21 FRESH FRUIT</p> <p>HAMBURGER on BUN 21 CURLEY FRIES PICKLE / CORN FRUIT</p>	<p>CINNAMON ROLLS 22 FRESH FRUIT</p> <p>CHICKEN and NOODLES 22 MASHED POTATOES / GRAVY GREEN BEANS FRUIT</p>	<p>SCRAMBLED EGGS with HAM 23 FRESH FRUIT</p> <p>TENDERLOIN on BUN 23 OR FISH SQUARES FRIED POTATOES COLE SLAW / FRUIT</p>
<p>NO 26 SCHOOL</p>	<p>DONUTS 27 FRESH FRUIT</p> <p>CHICKEN NUGGETS 27 MAC. and CHEESE STEAMED BROCCOLI FRUIT</p>	<p>BISCUIT and GRAVY 28 FRESH FRUIT</p> <p>TURKEY POT PIE 28 MIXED VEGETABLES BISCUIT PEACH CRISP</p>	<p>MUFFIN and YOGURT 29 FRESH FRUIT</p> <p>MEATLOAF 29 HASH BROWN CASSEROLE GREEN BEANS FRUIT</p>	

DAILY CHOICES: CEREAL / PEANUTBUTTER and JELLY / CHEF SALAD
MILK and JUICE ARE SERVED DAILY. SOMEKIND of BREAD also SERVED DAILY
MENUS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DEPENDIING ON FOOD AVAILABILITY.

ATTENTION

LINN COUNTY R-1 RESIDENTS

**LOOKING FOR 3 AND 4 YEAR OLD CHILDREN ELIGIBLE FOR
PRESCHOOL AND 5 YEAR OLD CHILDREN ELIGIBLE FOR
KINDERGARTEN.**

**Linn County Preschool will enroll a maximum of 15 students. The
first spots will be filled with FULL TIME 4 & 5 year olds.**

Waiting list will be determined by the DIAL-4 test given at the preschool screenings:

- 1) Full-Time 3 year olds*
- 2) Part-Time 4 & 5 year olds*
- 3) Part-Time 3 year olds*

CRITERIA

3 YEARS OLD BEFORE AUGUST 1, 2024 (preschool)

5 YEARS OLD BEFORE AUGUST 1, 2024 (kindergarten)

MUST PROVIDE THE SCHOOL WITH:

IMMUNIZATION RECORDS (UP-TO-DATE)

PROOF OF RESIDENCE

BIRTH CERTIFICATE

SOCIAL SECURITY #

INFORMATION

PRESCHOOL PROGRAM FOLLOWS THE LINN COUNTY R-1 CALENDAR

2024-2025--4 DAYS A WEEK SCHOOL YEAR—TUESDAY-FRIDAY

ELIGIBLE TO RIDE THE BUS UPON 4TH BIRTHDAY

PRESCHOOL MAY ATTEND 2-4 DAYS PER WEEK, KINDERGARTEN 4 DAYS PER WEEK

*PARENTS/GUARDIANS OF PRESCHOOL STUDENTS WILL SIGN AN ENROLLMENT FORM AND AGREEMENT
STATING THE DAYS YOUR CHILD WILL ATTEND.*

*THERE IS A REQUIRED FLAT FEE PER WEEK BASED ON THE AGREEMENT FORM FOR PRESCHOOL COST
THIS YEAR (23-24) IS \$12.00 PER DAY + MEALS*

*FREE AND REDUCED MEAL FORMS OFFERED FOR REDUCED OR FREE MEALS
PRESCHOOL COST FOR 24-25 SCHOOL YEAR TO BE DETERMINED*

We are seeking the names and addresses of prospective preschool students for the 2024-2025 school year. Our screening dates are March 26 & 27. This is a good time to have your child screened whether you plan to send them to preschool or not. Upon getting this form back, you will be contacted for an appointment time.

RETURN THIS FORM BEFORE MARCH 1, 2024

PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT FOR 3 AND 4 YEAR OLDS

CHILD'S FIRST, MIDDLE AND LAST NAME

DATE OF BIRTH

PARENT'S NAME (BOTH)

ADDRESS, CITY AND ZIP CODE

TELEPHONE NUMBER(S)

*TO ENTER PRESCHOOL A CHILD MUST BE 3 YEARS OF AGE BEFORE AUGUST 1, 2024.
PLEASE EMAIL THIS FORM BACK TO jwoodside@linnr1.k12.mo.us or mail to:*

*LINN COUNTY R-1
PO BOX 130
PURDIN, MO 64674*

KINDERGARTEN ENROLLMENT FORM

CHILD'S FIRST, MIDDLE AND LAST NAME

DATE OF BIRTH

PARENT'S NAME (BOTH)

ADDRESS, CITY AND ZIP CODE

TELEPHONE NUMBER(S)

**TO ENTER KINDERGARTEN A CHILD MUST BE 5 YEARS OF AGE BEFORE
AUGUST 1, 2024. PLEASE EMAIL THIS FORM BACK TO
jwoodside@linnr1.k12.mo.us or mail to:**

**LINN COUNTY R-1
PO BOX 130
PURDIN, MO 64674**

Linn County FFA Community Appreciation Breakfast

Friday, February 23, 2024

Purdin Community Center

5:30-8:00 A.M.

FREE to the public

Serving:

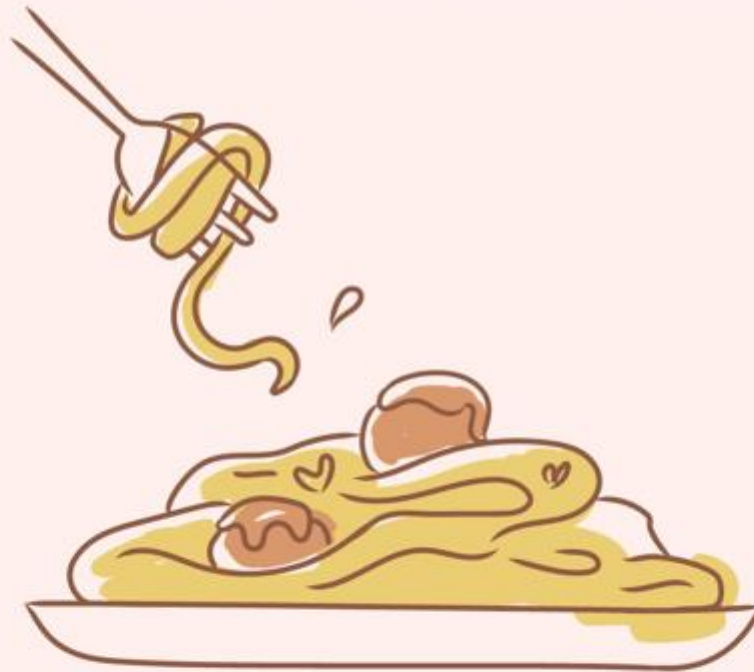
Scrambled Eggs	Pancakes
Bacon	Juice
Sausage	Coffee
Biscuits and Gravy	Milk
Hash Browns	



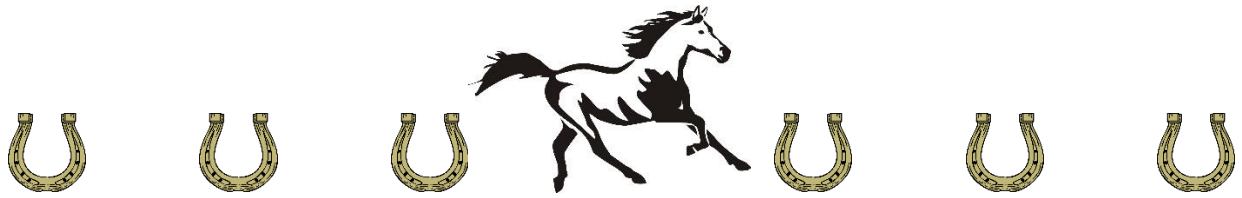
**Everyone invited to attend! We have to-go
breakfast options available.**

JR & SR AFTER PROM
FUNDRAISER

SPAGHETTI DINNER



JOIN US ON 2/15 FROM 5-7 FOR
A FREE WILL DONATION DINNER,
DRINKS, AND DESSERTS



Linn Co. R-1 Elementary is Saying THANK YOU!

The elementary teachers and students would like to say a big THANK YOU to the following businesses and community members for so many great donations that were used as prizes for our Elementary Christmas Raffle.

We were able to raise \$1,301 for our elementary school! One of our yearly favorites is the trip to ReelTime Cinema in December when our elementary staff and students enjoy a movie with popcorn and a drink.

Local Businesses:

- *Butterfield's Associates and Grain
- *Raspberry's BBQ
- *ReelTime Cinema
- *Crafty Country Critters
- *Diamond B Boutique
- *Local Luxuries Boutique
- *The Cozy Coop
- *Seals Club Lambs
- *Bank of Brookfield/Purdin
- *Alibi Creations
- *Cordray's
- *Hickory Branch Nutrition
- *Small Moments Photography
- *B&B Exterminators
- *UnWined & Shop
- *Los Chimas Restaurant
- *Pigskin Pub and Pizza
- *Green Hills Fresh Meats
- *Ag-Land
- *Search Logging

Local Community Members:

- *Valerie Sparks
- *Phyllis Wilson
- *Christina Moore
- *Lenita Rhinehart
- *Susie Neal
- *The Livingston Family

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Home of the Mustangs**

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Look for the Mustang
Alerts on the right side of
the homepage.

Administration
Ryan Livingston,
Superintendent
Devin Shrum, Principal



Postal Patron

LEARNING FOR TODAY,
PREPARING FOR
TOMORROW

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Board of Education

Racheal Neal, Pres. 12 years
Chad Gooch, V.P. 12 years
Shannon Murrell, 10 years
Rodney Seals, 5 years
Daniel Singleton, 4 years
Jack Green, 3 years
Bryon Rojas, April 2023