



# Linn County R-I Ledger



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## News from Mr. Shrum

I'm amazed at how quickly the first quarter of school and October passed us by. Parent Teacher Conferences went well, and it was great to see so many parents come in to speak about their child's education. I encourage all of you to continue to do so, and please make sure that you are regularly checking your students grades and attendance on Infinite Campus so that there aren't any surprises. Please be sure to check the calendar for updates on things that are taking place in our district. We are nearing the end of Junior High Basketball and starting in on the Varsity season. I wanted to also say thank you to all of you that were able to help with and attend the school's Halloween parties. As with any new policies that are put in place, there are bound to be hiccups. I appreciate the respect that was given as we attempted to work some of those things out. It is genuinely great to see so many faces involved. We appreciate your support!



## Cold Weather/Dress Code

As the colder weather sets in, we want to ensure that all of our students stay warm and safe during their school day—whether they're waiting for the bus, riding to and from school, or enjoying outdoor recess. Please make sure your child is dressed warmly each day, including a winter coat, hat, and gloves. Proper winter attire is especially important for students riding the bus, as temperatures can be chilly during pickup and drop-off times. Additionally, we do go outside for recess when conditions allow, so having appropriate outerwear helps everyone stay comfortable and safe.

## Attendance

Consistent attendance is vital to your child's success, both academically and socially. Missing school can add stress as students may fall behind in class and need to catch up on assignments, which can be challenging. Attendance also plays a big role in student's eligibility for extracurricular activities, such as sports, school events, field trips, and other opportunities that require good attendance. Regular attendance helps ensure they can fully participate in these experiences. If you are concerned about your child's attendance, please check the Infinite Campus portal. We conduct attendance checks every two weeks and send letters home to families when attendance issues arise.

## Inclement Weather

Winter weather is right around the corner. The school will post school closings, late starts, and other school information on the Textcaster alert that can be signed up for on our school's homepage. If you are having issues or need help signing up, please let me know. I will be happy to help. Also, it will be broadcast on 99.1 KDWD and 96.9 KZBK radio stations. In the event of a weather-related dismissal, the school will implement AMI instruction whenever possible. AMI is an Alternative Method of Instruction that is used when in-seat instruction cannot take place. We will use virtual learning in a modified schedule whenever bad weather days are predicted and we can prepare students with the tools needed for instruction. Preschool through Second grades will have packets to complete; Third through Twelfth grades will have Chromebooks for google meets, Google Classroom, etc. and will be expected to log on based on the modified schedule. When using an AMI day, we are considered to be in school and would not have to make up the day.



## iReady Summer Challenge Trip

On October 11, Brandy Dudley, Devin Shrum, and Janie Wood took 24 students to The Rush Funplex in Kansas City MO. The students earned the trip by completing the iReady Summer Challenge from May 18 – July 31st. Students needed to complete and pass 20 reading lessons and 20 math lessons during this time. They enjoyed riding go-carts, spinning cars, jumping in the foam pit, climbing the wall, playing black light golf, bowling, and laser tag. After enjoying the games, they went next door to the Pizza Place and enjoyed pizza and desserts. A huge shout out to Jerry Ward for driving the bus and the school board for permitting the trip!



## Board Election

The Linn Co. R-I School District encourages qualified persons interested in running for a position on the School Board to file to be a candidate in the April 8th, 2025 election. Interested persons may file at the Superintendent's office. Filing will begin on Tuesday, December 10, 2024, at 8:00 a.m. and will continue during the district's regular business hours, which are Tuesday through Friday from 7:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Except for the first and last day of filing, filing will not occur on days that the school district's central offices are closed due to inclement weather. Filing will also not occur on the following holidays and breaks when the school district's central offices are closed: December 20 at 12 p.m. through December 31st at 11:59 a.m. Filing will be open on December 31st from 12-5:00 p.m. Filing will end on Tuesday, December 31, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. There are two positions available with three-year terms currently held by Shannon Murrell and Daniel Singleton.

## National Convention



A group of ten FFA students, Miss Niemeier, and Mrs. Allnutt participated in the 97th annual National Convention held in Indianapolis, Indiana, from October 23-26. On Wednesday evening, they enjoyed a concert by Megan Moroney. The following day, the group attended two sessions and explored the Career Expo and mall. On Friday, they visited Beasley's Orchard, where they listened to the owner speak, toured the farm, and had the chance to pick their apples. This experience provided the students with valuable insight into agritourism. They also visited Traders Point Creamery and Rodeo on Friday. On Saturday, they celebrated as two former students, Konnor Hoerrman and Jordan Gray, received their American Degrees. Mason Small also earned his degree this year.



## NCMC STEM



Makenzie Hill and CJ Hayes recently attended NCMC's STEM Explorations Day in Trenton. The event featured various STEM demonstrations and concluded with a team competition in which CJ participated.



## ASAP

The ASAP students enjoyed their time at the Nelson Atkins Art Museum. Students were able to see lots of amazing art from different cultures and famous artists.



## Petting Zoo/ AG Safety Day

On October 17, the Linn County FFA held a Petting Zoo/ag safety day. There was a great turnout of different animals and agricultural equipment. It was a successful learning experience for our students, and we had a lot of fun! A huge thank you to everyone who contributed to the day. It was an amazing educational experience for the students!



## Upcoming Sports

11-4-24  
JH Basketball vs. BMC 6:00 pm  
11-6-24  
JH Basketball @ LaPlata 6:00 pm  
11-1-24  
JH Basketball vs. Atlanta (Homecoming) 6:00 pm  
11-7-24  
JH Basketball vs. Brashear 6:00 pm  
11-8-24  
JH Basketball @ Novinger 6:00 pm  
11-11-24  
JH Basketball Atlanta Tournament Begins  
11-25-24  
HS Basketball vs. Grundy County 6:00 pm



## 88th Annual Ararat Shrine Circus



5th Grade will be attending the Shrine Circus on Friday, Nov 22nd

Itinerary as Follows:

7:00 am: Linn County Students Depart  
7:20 am: Meadville Students Picked-Up  
7:25 am: Depart Meadville  
9:25 am: Arrival Cable Dahmer Arena  
10:00-12:30 pm: Circus  
1:00-2:00 pm: CiCi's Pizza  
2:00 pm: Depart for Meadville  
4:00 pm: Arrive at Schools

## Upcoming Events

11-1-24

- 12:00 pm: ASVAB Testing
- FCA Meet after school
- PTO Pulled Pork Dinner- Free Will Donation

11-8-24  
1:00 pm: Veteran's Day Assembly  
11-9-24  
5:00 pm: Fish Fry  
11-13-24  
3:45 pm: 4th Grade ASAP  
11-15-24  
Mid Quarter  
11-19-24  
District Fall Speaking Contest  
11-20-24  
3:45: 5th Grade ASAP  
11-22-24  
6:00 pm: Chapter Barnwarming  
11-23-24  
Chillicothe Holiday Parade

## Thanksgiving Week Details

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Monday, 11-25-24

School in Session

11-26-24

12:00 pm: Early Dismissal

November 27-29

Thanksgiving Break



## MID QUARTER

**NOVEMBER 15TH!!!!**

Be checking grades to continue your extracurricular eligibility!

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## CONGRATULATIONS

**To our All Conference and All District Athletes!!!!**

**2nd Team All Conference**

Carson Coram

**1st Team All District**

Carson Coram

Gracie Small

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## Veterans Day Event

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The Linn County School will be providing a free lunch on November 8th to Veterans along with a program to commemorate their service.

LINN COUNTY R-1 FFA

NOV  
9TH

5PM-  
SOLD  
OUT

**FISH FRY**

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL FFA FISH FRY.  
FREE WILL DONATION  
LINNEUS COMMUNITY CENTER

LINN COUNTY R-1 FFA

**BARN WARMING**

"Should've Been a  
Cowboy"

**22 NOV | 6-9 PM**

BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR CLASS  
ASSIGNMENTS FOR FOOD ITEMS!

Linn County R-1 AG Shop

**A SALUTE TO OUR  
VETERANS**

**11.8.24**

FREE LUNCH PROVIDED 11:15-12:30  
VETERANS DAY PROGRAM AT 1:00

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**Administration**

Ryan Livingston, Superintendent  
Devin Shrum, Principal

LEARNING FOR TODAY,  
PREPARING FOR TOMORROW

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**Board of Education**

Jack Green, Pres. 4 years  
Daniel Singleton, V.P. 5 years  
Racheal Neal, 13 years  
Chad Gooch, 13 years  
Shannon Murrell, 11 years  
Bryon Rojas, 2 years  
Tod Sparks, April 2024

**November Ledger**



*Happy thanksgiving*



# *Chili and Soup Supper*

DECEMBER 17, 2024

# MENU

LINN CO. R-1 VS.  
MEADVILLE

SERVING FROM  
5:00-7:30PM



## CHILI

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FIXING: SOUR CREAM,  
CHEESE, SALTINES, FRITOS,  
CARROTS, AND CELERY



## SOUP

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• VEGETABLE  
FIXINGS: CRACKERS



## DRINKS

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A QUICK WAY TO WASH  
DOWN THE AMAZING FOOD.

- SWEET/UNSWEET TEA
- LEMONADE



## DESSERTS

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LIFE IS SHORT. EAT DESSERT  
FIRST.

PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT  
LINN COUNTY R-1 JUNIOR/SENIOR PROM  
FREE WILL DONATION