



Abraham Lincoln
Elementary
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What is the Lincoln Foundation?

The Lincoln Foundation is a non-profit organization formed by concerned Lincoln parents in 1994. These parents felt motivated to volunteer to raise funds to help fill the void left after the State of California's school funding cuts. The PTA has strict regulations regarding its fundraising from the national organization and needed support to fill the void, thus the Lincoln Foundation was born.

The Foundation's Mission Statement is as follows:

"The purpose of this Foundation is to establish a nonprofit organization which will promote academic, social, physical and mental development of Lincoln students, in keeping with the mission and strategic plan of the school by providing supplies, equipment, staff and/or enhancement of facilities".

What has the Lincoln Foundation done to fill the funding void for Lincoln Elementary?

Since 1994 the Lincoln Foundation has raised funds to pay for the following:

Our main goal is to raise funds to provide items for our students and teachers, such as:

- Music instruments for the orchestra
- Art programs and support of PTA's Meet the Masters Art Program
- Computers and printers for the computer lab and each classroom
- Computer programs and books for the computer lab and library
- All Three playground structures—Main, Kindergarten, and First Grade
- Basketball courts
- Landscaping, new seating and beautification of our school grounds
- **Yearly salary for Lincoln's Computer Aide and Music Teacher**
- Individual Teacher Grants to enhance classroom curriculum
- Scholarships and Luncheon honoring Lincoln alumni graduating from CV and Clark High School
- Safety cones, mini-microphones and other devices to ensure our student's safety
- Ongoing support of all of the above

How can you help the Lincoln Foundation raise money? By sponsoring and attending the following fun and exciting Foundation-sponsored events.

Daddy Daughter Dance

Our Lincoln auditorium is transformed to create a magical evening for our girls and their fathers to dine and dance the night away. Photos of each couple are taken and memories from this evening will last a lifetime.

Jogathon

Our students run laps on the playground and can obtain sponsors supporting their efforts. Every sponsored student wins a prize and all top participants attend very special swim parties. This is a very popular event and is Foundation's main fundraiser. Last year, we raised over **\$26,000** and the children had a great time!

Silent Auction

Our Lincoln families have the opportunity to bid on 100's of incredible items during our annual Silent Auction held during Open House. Items are donated from Lincoln families, CV High School, local businesses, major sports teams, and theme parks. However, our most sought-after items are donated by our amazing Lincoln staff and have included trips with them to the zoo, theme parks, sporting events, and even pool parties!

Mom and Son Olympiad

Returning in 2007 by popular demand, this Olympic-style event is a real crowd pleaser. Teams are formed and medals awarded to the champions. Sundaes and sack races . . . who could ask for more?

Handprint Wall

Many families were saddened by the district's sandblasting of the "Palm Trees" and silhouettes on the Altura wall. Happily, the Foundation created a new mural last year and the funds raised will benefit our school! .

How can I get involved?

Join the fun! Sign up to be your classroom Foundation Representative to keep everyone informed about Foundation events. Attend our **Foundation meetings on the second Thursday of each month at 7p.m. in the Lincoln Library**. We welcome you and your new ideas! Please feel free to contact Foundation Presidents, Mark Pappas and Ronnie Tucker – 248-0211 for more information. **WE NEED YOU!!**