### **SCHOOL CALENDAR**

### August:

13 & 14: Teacher In-

Service

18: Open House (3-6p)

19: First Day of School

### September:

8: Teacher PD

12: Mid Quarter

### October:

6: Teacher PD

10: End of Quarter

20: Parent Teacher

Conferences

### **November:**

3: Teacher PD

14: Mid Quarter

25-28: Thanksgiving Break

### **December:**

8: Make Up Day #1

19: End of

Quarter/Christmas Break

### January:

5: Teacher PD

6: Classes Resume

12: Make Up Day #2

### February:

2: Teacher PD

6: Mid Quarter

23: Make Up Day #3

### March:

2: Teacher PD

16: Make Up Day #3

18: End of Quarter

### April:

3: Good Friday/Easter

### Break

10: Mid Quarter

13: Teacher PD

27: Make Up Day #5

### May:

3: Baccalaureate

4: Make Up Day #6

10: Graduation

15: Last Day of School

18 & 19: Teacher Work

Days

### LINN CO. LEDGER

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### **Reading Matters!**

### HERE'S THE IMPACT OF **MINUTES PER DAY!**

A student who reads

A student who reads A student who reads

minutes per day

5:00

minutes per day

minute per day

will be exposed to 1.8 MILLION words per year and scores in 90th PERCENTILE

on standardized tests

will be exposed to 282,000 words per year and scores in 50th PERCENTILE on standardized tests

will be exposed to 8,000 words per year and scores in 10th PERCENTILE on standardized tests

### **₩**SCHOLASTIC

### The Numbers Are In at Linn County

The total student enrollment for the 2025-2026 school year is 168. This is a drop from last year's 177 enrollments.

### **Elementary**

Preschool: 15 Kindergarten: 11 First Grade: 13 Second Grade: 12 Third Grade: 9 Fourth Grade: 12 Fifth Grade: 15 JH/HS

Sixth Grade: 11 Seventh Grade: 10 Eighth Grade: 10 Tenth Grade: 12 Eleventh Grade: 16

Twelfth Grade: 10

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS: PARENT/TEACHER

### CONFERENCE OCTOBER 20TH

Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held from 1pm to 6pm.

Parents of an Elementary student will be assigned a meeting time.

Junior High and High School parents are invited to visit with the teachers.

All report cards will be mailed home if not picked up during Parent/Teacher Conference. Parents are encouraged to consult with a teacher(s) when a question arises concerning the quality of academic

work.





### SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

### Avery Phillips



### **Short Description of Self:**

I am Avery Phillips. I joined my class here in the 8th grade. I love to hunt and working outdoors.

### **Plans After High School:**

I am going on an asphalt crew to work.

### **Activities I Am Involved in:**

Trapshooting and Basketball

### What has been your favorite event so far?

My favorite event was eating with my class on the first day of school.

What is your favorite memory of Linn County?

My truck catching fire in the parking lot.

Who at Linn County has had the biggest impact on you?

Mr. Livingston

What would you tell your younger self?

Get all of your credits done early so you can leave half a day your senior year



### News from Mrs. Neal

Mid-term grades are due and have been reported to families. Our Professional Development days are focused on finding ways to monitor for understanding, learning, grading scales. For the month of September, teachers and administration participated in an Intruder Training presented by our Linn County Sherriff, Carrie Melte.

Several field trips are on the books. Elementary went to Arrow Rock on September 18<sup>th</sup>. Our Elementary received several compliments on politeness and behavior by visitors at Arrow Rock. Way to go Elementary! Preschool will be going to Uptown Farms on September 26<sup>th</sup>. FFA has been busy with trapshooting events. Students who worked completed iReady lessons over the summer earned a trip to Rush Funplex on October 3<sup>rd</sup> for their hard work.

Mustang Shout Outs take place every Friday and Mustang Trailblazers are recognized the last day of each month. Faculty and Staff nominate students who go above and beyond for such awards. iReady prizes are earned at incremental levels. Each JH/HS student is given a punch card that has 10 spots. Those students who show explementary behavior are rewarded with a punch on their card. On Fridays, for the students who completed their punch card receives a reward. Rewards can be items off the snack cart or a free Homeroom period. Teachers are being recognized and celebrated on Fridays as well with silly but heartfelt awards. I hope to continue moving forward with fun and positivity.

Softball and Baseball are taking off. LaPlata will be the host for district softball, October 14<sup>th</sup> -18<sup>th</sup>. Junior High Basketball will start the season with the Bucklin Tournament, October 13<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup>.

VIP Day was September 5<sup>th</sup>. We had a great turn out and our students really put on a show for their Very Important Person.

Be on the lookout for the upcoming pep assembly, title night, ASVAB Testing, and conferences!

### Mustang Minutes

### **ASAP**

The After School Art
Program students are
currently constructing a
3-D paper Egyptian
sarcophagus. Students are
learning a little bit about
Egypt, what a pharaoh is,
the importance of the Nile
River, the tomb, wall
paintings stories and
Hieroglyphics. Pictures of
student's work will be in the
Ledger.

Important meeting dates to remember

4th & 5th Grade

Sept. 17

Sept. 24

Oct. 1

Oct. 8

Oct. 22

Oct. 29

Nov. 5

Nov. 19

Dec. 3

Dec. 10

Dec. 17 - Class Party



Mrs. Livingston and the students at Linn Co. R1, would like to send a special THANK YOU to Becky Fitzgerald for donating 3 sets of popular fiction books to our library! Each new set is written by author Lane Walker, and includes 5-6 books on the topics of sports, fishing, and hunting.







### Monday Enrichment

Mrs. Banko, Ms.
Wood, and Ms.
Moore are offering
individual tutoring to
elementary students
who are interested in
advancing their skills
in reading, math,
writing, and science.
Contact one of the
mentioned mentors
for more information.

### Third Grade

Mrs. Gardner's students have been working hard on learning multiplication. Staff around the school have been spontaneously quizzing the students.



### Remembrance Day Field Trip

The Linn County R-1 middle school students attended a Remembrance Ceremony on September 11th. This ceremony was a profound and meaningful experience. Students gathered to honor the memory of the lives lost on September 11, 2001. The experience provided an opportunity to reflect on these lives lost, recognize the bravery of first responders, and understand the lasting impact that day had on our nation. Through the guest speaker, songs being sung, and moments of remembrance, students were reminded of the importance of unity, resilience, and carrying forward the lessons of history that have impacted all of us.



### VIP Day

VIP Day formerly known as Grandparent's Day is a new tradition at Linn Co this year. This allows each student to chose a Very Important Person to come visit them at school to experience an afternoon in the student's learning environment. During VIP day, the elementary students performed songs as well as small writing prompts to sing/read to their VIP. The start of the festivities took play in the gymnasium, then went to our classrooms to have cookies and lemonade. After that the VIP's could take their student or go to recess with them. We had an amazing time and excellent turnout!



Pictured above is Senior Kelzi Head and Junior Willow Brazel learning new skills at Senate Bill 40.



### Sports and Club News

### Softball News

We are currently 0-4. The girls are working hard and are improving every game. We have had some great plays in the field and our batting is getting better. Everyone is making contact with the ball; we are just struggling to find the gaps. They are putting up a good fight every game and are determined to get a win.

### **Baseball News**

Our boys defeated Green City on September 2<sup>nd</sup> and Higbee on September 5<sup>th</sup> with both games played at Meadville. The September 11<sup>th</sup> game played against Brashear ended with a loss, 5-6. The Atlanta Hornets took another win from our boys at the September 16th game, scoring 8 runs vs our 1.

### **FCA**

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes meet the first Friday of every month.

September 5<sup>th</sup> was the first meeting of the school year. Listed below are the meeting dates for the rest of the year.

10/3

11/7

12/5

12/3

12/18

1/9 2/6

3/6

4/2 5/1

5/3 Baccalaureate



On Thursday, September 11, the Linn County R-1
Student Council members accepted a generous donation
of 50 cases of water from Smithfield. The water will be
used for concessions to benefit the student body. Thank
you, Smithfield, for supporting local schools and
communities and allowing us to expand students'
opportunities and experiences at Linn County R-1!
Pictured Left to Right: Gauge Gaudet (Sophomore
Representative), Carson Coarm (Secretary), Isabela
Rojas (Vice President), Charlotte Banta (Treasurer),
Gracie Small (President), Piper Leonard (Freshman
Representative), Alanah Gaudet (7th Grade
Representative), Quincy Tornow (8th Grade
Representative), Kenadi Head (Member-At-Large),
Karson Livingston (6th Grade Representative), and Alex
Coffman (Junior Representative)



### **FFA News**

The Linn County FFA trapshooting team is working very hard at their weekend meets.

Linn County FFA started its annual Seitz Fundraiser. There are quotas each student needs to meet in order to participate in extra FFA activities. All fundraising orders are due October 3rd.

Pictured right is Rylee Rhoades who was the first Freshman to recite the FFA Creed correctly and won a free jacket in return! Way to go Rylee!



### Junior High Basketball

Practice started the

second week of September for our 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade girls and boys. We are welcoming new coaches this year, Caleb Biggs and Sidney Jeffries. Student's attendance and grades are very important and could impact whether students are eligible to participate in sports or extracurricular activities. If you have any questions about your student's performance in a class or classes please contact their teacher. It is very important for parents to be involved in your student's achievements.

### JH Girls

Graceyn Floyd Alanah Gaudet Fallon Lane Westyn Neal Mayscie Crowe Quincy Tornow Aubriana Wood

### JH Boys

Chase Atha
Bennett Gardner
Hayden Kehr
Karson Livingston
Troy Gunter
Wesley Gunter
Tripp Leonard
Brantley
Armstrong
Waden Gray



## Linn County R-1 FEED THE FARMERS

The Linn County R-1 FFA Chapter would like to invite all local farmers to a BBQ lunch at the Ag Shop!

Location: Linn County R-1 Ag Shop

Date: October 3rd

Time: Stop by anytime between 11 - 1:30

We look forward to seeing you and showing our appreciation for all you do!



Free Will Donation Dinner



**Smoked Pulled Pork & Bun** 

**Potato Salad** 

Chips

**Bake Beans** 

Variety of Dessert

Tea or Lemonade

Served @ JH basketball game vs Meadville

Thursday October 23<sup>rd</sup> 2025 5-7:30 (or sold out)



### OCTOBER 2025 LINN CO. R-1 SCHOOL

Friday	BACON and EGG 3 FRESH FRUIT	NACHO SUPREME MIXED VEGETABLES FRUIT BROWNIE	PANCAKE on a STICK 10 FRESH FRUIT	SAUSAGE PIZZA PASTA SALAD RAW BROCCOLI FRUIT	PANCAKES 17 FRESH FRUIT	CHILI / TOASTED CHEESE RAW VEGETABLES FRUIT / CINNAMON ROLL	CHERRY TURNOVER 24 FRESH FRUIT	SUB SANDWICH BAKED BEANS / SUN CHIPS CORN on the COB FRUIT	HALLOWEEN 31	SURPRISE
Thursday	BREAKFAST SANDWICH 2 FRESH FRUIT	PORK ROAST MASHED POTATOES and GRAVY BUTTERED CARROTS FRUIT	MINI CINNIS FRESH FRUIT	HOT HAM and CHEESE TOTS / PEAS FRUIT	BREAKFAST BURRITO 16 FRESH FRUIT	MEATLOAF BAKED POTATOES SLAW FRUIT	HONEY BUN 23 FRESH FRUIT	SPAGHETTI GREEN BEANS APPLESAUCE GARLIC BREAD	LONGJOHNS 30 FRESH FRUIT	HAM and POTATO CASSEROLE PEAS and CARROTS CHERRY CRISP
Wednesday	BISCUIT and GRAVY FRESH FRUIT	GRILLED CHICKEN BREAST ON BUN FRIES / BAKED BEANS FRUIT	BISCUIT and GRAVY 8 FRESH FRUIT	WALKING TACOS lettuce/cheese/tomatoes CORN FRUIT	BISCUIT and GRAVY 15 FRESH FRUIT	B.B.Q. PORK on BUN RANCH POTATOES GREEN BEAN CASSEROLE FRUIT	BISCUIT and GRAVY 22 FRESH FRUIT	CHICKEN PATTIES MASHED POTATOES & GRAVY BROCCOLI & CHEESE FRUIT	BISCUIT and GRAVY 29 FRESH FRUIT	BEEF and NOODLES MASHED POTATOES GREEN BEANS FRUIT
Tuesday	1		CHCO. CHIP WAFFLES 7 FRESH FRUIT	CHICKEN ALFREDO LETTUCE SALAD FRUIT / BREAD STICKS	DONUT 14 FRESH FRUIT	CALZONES TRI TATER PEAS and CARROTS FRUIT	SAUSAGE and TOAST 21 FRESH FRUIT	HOT DOG OR CHILI DOG MAC& CHEESE MIXED VEGETABLES FRUIT	BREAKFAST SANDWICH 28 FRESH FRUIT	CHEESEBURGER on BUN FRIES / PEAS FRUIT
Monday			9		2		20		27	

DAILY CHOICES: CEREAL, PEANUT BUTTER & JELLY, OR CHEF SALAD UPON ORDER.
MILK, JUICE, and SOMEKIND OF BREAD ALSO SERVED DAILY. MENUS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO AVAILABILITY. HAVE A SAFE AND FUN HALLOWEEN

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Saturday	4	11	18	25	
Friday	3 i-Ready Firld Trip 5p: SB @ LC vs LaPlata FCA Meeting	10 End ofQuarter 12p: Junior ASVAB Testing	17 FFA Petting Zoo	24	31 FFA NationalConvention
Thursday	2	9 5p SB @ Mercer	91	23 6p: JHBB@LC vs Meadville	30 FFA NationalConvention
Wednesday		8 6:30p BB @ LaPlata	15	22 6:30p FFA Chapter Meeting	29 FFA National Convention 6p: JH BB @ Atlanta
Tuesday		7 5p: SB @ LC vs Milan Senior Night	14 Softball Districts	21 6p: JH BB@Green City	28 6p: JH BB@Grundy Co.
Monday		6 Teacher Workday 5:30p: SB @ Tri-County	13 JH BB BucklinTournament 13th-18th	20 Parent-Teacher Conferences 6p: JH BB @ LC vs LaPlata	27 6p: JH BB@LCvs Bevier
Sunday		വ	12	<u></u>	26

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

### POSTAL PATRON

Contact the School to receive a hard copy of the ledger.

### Administration

Ryan Livingston, Superintendent Lindsay Neal, Principal

### LEARNING FOR TODAY, PREPARING FOR TOMORROW

### **Board of Education**

Jack Green, President- 5 years
Racheal Neal, Vice President- 13 years
Chad Gooch, 13 years
Daniel Singleton, 6 years
Bryon Rojas, 3 years
Tod Sparks, 1 year
Wesley Allnutt, April 2025

	2025 Jr. High Basketball Scheo	dule
Oct. 13-18	Bucklin Tournament	Away
Oct. 20	LaPlata	Home
Oct. 21	Green City	Away
Oct. 23	Meadville	Home
Oct. 27	Bevier	Home
Oct. 28	Grundy Co.	Away
Oct. 29	Atlanta	Away
Nov. 4	ВМС	Away
Nov. 7	Novinger (Homecoming)	Home
Nov. 10-15	Atlanta Tournament	Away

All games start at 6pm unless noted.