

Share:

Tweet

- 
- 
- 
- 



# District Digest

*from Glen Ellyn School District 41*

## **Kindergarten Registration for Next School Year**

Please help spread the word to your neighbors who have incoming kindergartners that registration is now open. [Click here](#) for information about kindergarten registration.

---

## **Golden Apple Award Finalist at Abraham Lincoln School**

Congratulations to 1st grade teacher Lisa Buchholz for being selected as one of 30 Golden Apple Awards for Teaching finalists. Golden Apple is a non-profit organization that works to inspire, develop and support teacher and school leader excellence in Illinois. Ten Golden Apple Award winners will be announced this spring. Congratulations, Mrs. Buchholz! [Click Here](#) for more information about the Golden Apple Awards.



---

**SIP Day on Friday, February 16 - 11:30 a.m. Dismissal**  
District 41 has eight School Improvement Days (SIP) scheduled throughout the year, including next Friday, February 16. Students in Grades 1-8 will have early dismissal at 11:30 a.m. to allow time for District staff to work on school improvement activities. Please note that half-day students (Early Childhood Special Education, PreKindergarten, and Kindergarten) do not attend school on SIP days. For the full list of 2017-18 SIP days, [Click Here](#).

---

### **Bluestem Author Visits Lincoln**

Judd Winick, author of the Bluestem book *Hilo: The Boy Who Crashed to Earth*, visited Lincoln School this week. Mr. Winick spoke to 3rd, 4th and 5th graders about his childhood and his career in illustration and writing. Most importantly, he shared the message to "always be true to yourself" just like the characters in his popular graphic novel series. For more on Mr. Winick [Click Here](#).



### **Ben Franklin Orchestra Gearing Up for Spring Concert**

5th Grade Orchestra students have been working hard on new music for their spring concert as well as their technique songs during class. [This video](#) is just one example of the sight-reading skills they

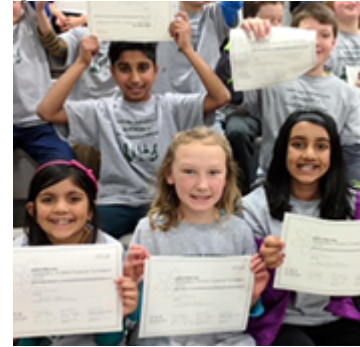
have been working on this year. The video features Lauren E. and Brody P. who both play the bass in the 5th grade Orchestra. To be able to look at new notes, move the bow in the correct direction and speed, and to get the fingers on the correct strings and locations takes hard work and focus. Great work, orchestra students!

---



### **Churchill Students Excel at Science Olympiad**

Churchill Elementary School sent a team to compete in the Illinois Elementary Science Olympiad. The students worked very hard to prepare. The teacher leader for this year's Olympiad is District 41 graduate and current Churchill 5th Grade STEAM teacher Katie Kramer! The Churchill Olympiad team medaled in 9 of 12 events (4 silver, 5 bronze), and all 17 students received at least one medal.



**Great job, Churchill students!**

---

### **Hadley Students Dissect Frogs**

This week Hadley 7th grade students had the opportunity to dissect frogs in their science class. The dissections were part of an anatomy lesson comparing human body systems with those of other organisms. Mrs. Dina Sbarra, 7th grade teacher, explained, "Dissecting frogs keeps students engaged in learning about organs and body systems." Teacher Mrs. Tracy Guerrieri added, "Students love dissecting frogs and it is a wonderful opportunity for them to use their knowledge of body systems in a hands on approach."



STAY CONNECTED WITH DISTRICT 41 ON FACEBOOK AND TWITTER



*“Children are at the heart  
of all decisions.”*

**Glen Ellyn School District 41**

Ignite passion. Inspire excellence. Imagine possibilities.



**Confirm that you like this.**

Click the "Like" button.