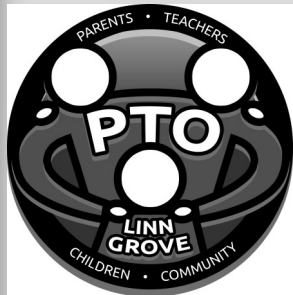




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# Linn Grove PTO



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## Greetings Linn Grove Families!

We hope your school year is off to a great start! We've had a lot on the calendar already, and we're just getting started! We hope to see you at an upcoming event, and are thankful to those who have been to events already this year. We do what we do for the kids and community at Linn Grove. We truly appreciate your support!

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## Red Black Track Attack

We had a great day on Friday September 18 for Red Black Track Attack! We were able to have most grades outside on the track to do their laps, but had to move inside due to rain in the afternoon. The afternoon classes ran in the hallway (with permission, of course), and did Let's Dance with Mr. Harms in the gym. Everyone had a blast!

The night event was rescheduled to September 25 due to the rain, but we still had a great turn out! About 70 people participated.

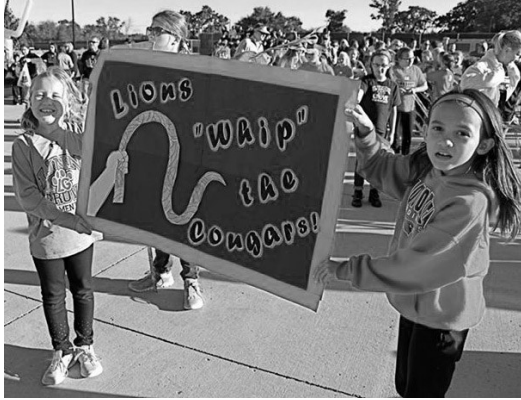
We raised a little over \$3700.00 total and walked 1140 miles!



Great job  
Linn Grove!



What a great turn out for Linn Grove at the Linn Mar homecoming parade! We had over 70 students, parents and teachers. Linn Grove was the #2 parade entry! Thanks to Mrs. Moore for her fabulous "Whip n Nae Nae" routine!



## Friends and Family Breakfast

Thank you to all the parents, grandparents, friends and students who came to Friends and Family Breakfast. We had a wonderful turnout this year! Thanks to all of the volunteers who helped out those mornings!

Skate night was a blast! We had a good mix of younger kids and older kids. The kids love skating (I do too!), and look forward to the event each time it's held. It is so fun to see the little ones who are just learning, and the older ones who are pros. In the future, if you have older kids, please remind them that there are kids just learning to skate, and to please slow down just a little. Thanks for your help and support!



## Upcoming PTO Events

### October

**Wednesday October 21** - Casey's Pizza Card fundraiser begins

**Friday October 30**—Classroom Fall Parties (your child's teacher should be contacting you with more info)

**Friday October 30**—Deadline to order Disney On Ice Tickets

### November

**Tuesday November 3**— PTO meeting in the media center. 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm Childcare is provided.

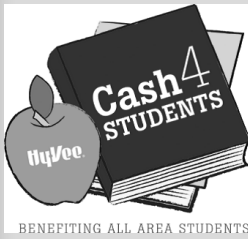
**Friday November 6**—Movie Night at Linn Grove , Doors open at 6 pm., the movie will start at 6:20. Bring a blanket and come in your jammies! Popcorn and water will be provided. Bring a canned good to donate for the Marion Food Pantry. We will be showing "Inside Out"

**Thursday November 12**—Casey's card final turn in

**Tuesday November 17**—Culvers Night 4 pm to 8 pm







## Cash 4 Students & Hy-Vee

Linn Grove has a BIG goal this year! We want a check from Hy-Vee for **\$2500.00!!** Every \$200 in receipts means \$1.00 for Linn Grove. To meet our goal, we need receipts totaling \$500,000.00! Every receipt counts, even if all you bought was a pack of gum! Ask friends, neighbors and relatives to help us reach our goal! ANY receipts from Hy-Vee count as long as Hy-Vee is at the top. Receipts collected must be from a Marion/Cedar Rapids Hy-Vee, Hy-Vee Drug Store, or Hy-Vee Gas.

### Cash 4 Students Details:

- Receipt tapes dated May 1, 2015 - April 30, 2016 are accepted
- At this time, Hy-Vee is NOT accepting e-receipts as a part of Cash 4 Students
- All 14 Hy-Vee Food Stores and Hy-Vee Drugstores are participating in the Marion/Cedar Rapids Area
- The top 5 schools receive an additional \$500
- Ask grandparents, uncles, aunts, neighbors, anyone willing to help Linn Grove

Turn your receipts into the office or place them in the Hy-Vee Receipt box in the entry way inside an envelope or bag marked: Hy-Vee receipts

**As always, we appreciate when you add them up for us, but you can also turn them in not already added up!** We would like to thank everyone who has helped by turning in receipts and taking their time to add them up for us!

Questions please contact Carmen Bell at bells4ever@aol.com or the PTO at Linngroveptoemail@gmail.com

**A HUGE thank you to Hy-Vee for continuing this wonderful program!**

## Pop Tabs & Ronald McDonald House

Did you know that Linn Grove collects pop tabs (aka pull tabs) to donate to Ronald McDonald House?

Collecting the pull-tabs from cans is an easy and fun way to support the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Eastern Iowa & Western Illinois.

The pull-tabs collected at the Ronald McDonald House of Iowa City are shipped to a recycling center for processing. RMHC of Eastern Iowa & Western Illinois receives money from the recycling center based on how many pounds of pull-tabs get delivered.

Annually the pull-tab collection program generates **over \$14,000** to support services for the families and children that RMHC of Eastern Iowa & Western Illinois serves. **Every pull-tab saved helps!**

**So save those pop tabs, put them in a ziplock bag and drop them off at Linn Grove! There is a box in the front entry for pop tabs!**

Want to learn more about RMHC, go to <http://rmhc-eiwi.org/> and read more about what you can do to help and the amazing stories of families helped by Ronald McDonald House



## Box Tops for Education

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I am sure you have seen them. I am sure you have heard people mention Box Tops. But do you know how much clipping those Box Tops can bring to the school?

Once you start looking, you'll see these little pink coupons everywhere! Each Box Top coupon is worth 10¢ for your school. Each school participating in the Box Tops for Education program may earn up to, but not more than, \$20,000 cash per year!!

Box Tops helps the PTO fund things like; Movie Night, Family Fun Night, Field Trips, Library Materials and much more!

There are more ways you can help bring in more Box Tops for Linn Grove from online sweepstakes to in-store offers, there are lots of chances for you to earn a little extra for your school. There are no maximum annual limits on schools' earnings of Bonus eBoxTops credits or Bonus Box Tops.

You can find out more about coupons, sweepstakes and in store offers at **BTFE.com**

Watch for upcoming contests! The PTO will run different Box Top contests and reward those individuals, rooms and grades who bring in the most during the contest period.

Please make sure all Box Tops you turn in are **not** expired, we will not receive credit for these.

If you have any questions please contact Kelly Ackley at [kelkel31602@yahoo.com](mailto:kelkel31602@yahoo.com) or the PTO at [linngroveptoemail@gmail.com](mailto:linngroveptoemail@gmail.com)



## Campbell's Soup Labels

Labels for Education a fun and easy program where families and members of the community work together to "Earn Free Stuff" for their school!

By collecting UPCs and beverage/sauce caps from over 2,500 participating products, supplementing your earnings through the Labels for Education program and with our bonus offers, your school earns points that can be redeemed for Arts, Athletics, and Academics merchandise. Explore our online catalog to see what your school can earn!

America's schools and organizations have earned over \$114 million in merchandise over the Labels for Education program's 40 year history.

You can find out more information at their website:  
[www.labelsforeducation.com](http://www.labelsforeducation.com)

For more information, contact Linda Foens at [linda.foens@gmail.com](mailto:linda.foens@gmail.com) or the PTO at [LinngrovePTOemail@gmail.com](mailto:LinngrovePTOemail@gmail.com).



# Volunteers Wanted!

We are looking for volunteers to help chair and help out at some of our events this year! Please let the PTO know if you are interested in any of the positions below or if you would like more information.

We would like all events to have a Chair and a Co-Chair if possible. Don't worry if you have never chaired an event, the PTO will help you in any way you need and have materials for you.



## Event Chair/Co Chair Positions:

Family Fun Night Co-Chair & other Chairs for the night

Staff appreciation (Spring)

Conference Dinners (Spring)

Cuddle Up and Read (January 8)

Iowa Assessment Snacks (Spring)

Family Game Night (February 26)



***\*\*This is also the final year of a 2 year term for the entire PTO board. If you have any interest in being on the board next year, please let one of us know as soon as possible.\*\****

Email us at [Linngroveptoemail@gmail.com](mailto:Linngroveptoemail@gmail.com) if you are interested in any of these positions.

## What We Fund

**What our students, parents and staff accomplished over the years:**

- \*Installed new Fitness Trail    \*Installed Rock Wall in Gym    \*Risers for Music/Art Nights
- \*Headphones for school    \*Outdoor Classroom    \*Hokki Stools    \*Ball Charis (partially funded by PTO)

**Continue support for teachers and staff with:**

- \*Weekly Reader, National Geographic & Scholastic Magazines
- \*Back to school classroom donations    \*Meals during conferences

**Continue support for students and student programs:**

- \*Funds for Library    \*Readers On A Roll    \*Family Fun Night
- \*Iowa Assessment Snacks    \*Olweus Program    \*Old Creamery Theater Assembly
- \*Movie Nights    \*Skate Nights    \*5th Grade Send Off    \*Field Trips
- \*America Reads Support    \*Friends & Family Breakfast

| Restaurant                    | Location             | Kids' Meal Deal   |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|---|
| <b><u>SUNDAY DEALS</u></b>    |                      |   |
| Granite City                  | 4755 1st Avenue SE   | After 5 PM, one child eats free per adult meal purchased.                           |
| Jersey's                      | 5761 C Street SW     | Kids eat free   |
| Marion Maid Rite              | 1000 7th Avenue      | Kids meals (ages 10 and under) are \$.99  |
| <b><u>MONDAY DEALS</u></b>    |                      |   |
| Chick Fil A                   | 217 Collins Rd NE    | Kids get free 4 piece nugget or 1 piece strip meal with each adult meal purchased.  |
| IHOP                          | 2545 Edgewood Rd SW  | After 4 PM, child 12 and under eats free with purchase of adult meal                |
| White Star Ale House          | 305 2nd Avenue SE    | One child eats free per adult   |
| <b><u>TUESDAY DEALS</u></b>   |                      |   |
| Cappriotti's                  | 4640 1st Avenue NE   | Kids eat free   |
|                               | 2635 Edgewood Rd SW  | Kids meals are 50% off  |
| Carlos O Kelly's              | 3220 Armar Drive     |   |
| HyVee                         | 1843 Johnson Ave NW  | Free kids meal with purchase of adult meal  |
| Genghis Grill                 | 2230 Edgewood Rd SW  | Child eats free with adult dinner purchase  |
| Fazoli's                      | 3120 Edgewood Rd SW  | From 5-8 PM, child eats for \$0.99 per adult meal purchased                         |
| Lone Star Steakhouse          | 4545 First Avenue SE | Two children ages 12 and under eat free per adult meal purchased                    |
| La Cantina                    | 102 2nd Street SE    | Kids meals are \$0.99   |
| Chili's                       | 1250 Collins Rd NE   | Kids eat free   |
| Beef O Brady's                | 5240 Edgewood Rd NE  | From 4-8 PM, free kids meal per adult meal purchased.                               |
|                               | 315 Collins Rd NW    | After 4 PM, child age 10 and under eats free with purchase of adult meal            |
| Perkins                       | 3310 Southgate Ct SW |   |
|                               | 1640 Edgewood Rd SW  | From 5:30-8 PM, child age 10 and under eats free buffet with purchase of adult meal |
| Pizza Hut                     | 223 Collins Rd NW    |   |
|                               | 2450 Westdale Dr SW  |   |
| Pizza Ranch                   | 1055 Linden Drive    | Child age 10 and under eats free with purchase of adult meal                        |
| <b><u>WEDNESDAY DEALS</u></b> |                      |   |
|                               | 2020 Edgewood Rd SW  |   |
| Buffalo Wild Wings            | 1100 Blairs Ferry Rd | Per each adult, kids eat for \$1 (dine in only)                                     |
|                               | 2645 Edgewood Rd SW  |   |
| Applebees                     | 303 Collins Rd NE    | Kids meals are half off   |
| <b><u>THURSDAY DEALS</u></b>  |                      |   |
| Ryan's Steakhouse             | 230 Collins Rd NE    | Kids eat for \$0.99   |
| <b><u>OTHER DEALS</u></b>     |                      |   |
| HuHot                         | 4444 First Avenue NE | Kids under age 3 eat free! Kids meals ages 4-12 are \$4.99                          |
| Louie's Scoreboard            | 740 10th Street      | Thursday night is half price pizza!   |

**\*\*\*NOTE: Deals are not guaranteed and subject to change at any time without notice. Call to confirm.**