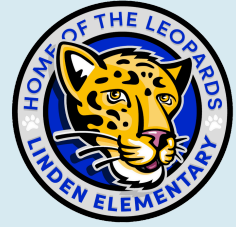


SWPBIS

Linden Elementary School



Monthly Winner - Linden Leading Leopard

After each weekly drawing, all PAWs are emptied into our school-wide bin. Once a month, one of these PAWs is randomly drawn to choose the monthly winner of our Linden Leading Leopard t-shirt. The t-shirt was designed by fifth and sixth grade students last spring. Only ten students throughout the school year are chosen as winners of this special prize.



November's Linden Leading Leopard was Luca Zollo in Mrs. Low's 5th grade class. Luca earned his winning PAW for displaying Core 4 values through CITIZENSHIP. Luca upholds the Core 4 on a daily basis by being caring, thoughtful, and inclusive of others. Way to go, Luca!

Student Incentive

The SWPBIS framework is designed to encourage Linden Leopard Pride by positively reinforcing desirable behaviors in all school environments. Students will be recognized for positive behavior with both verbal and tangible reinforcements.

Each week, one PAW winner from each grade is randomly drawn. Students can receive a prize from the treasure chest OR one of the month's privileges. Find out more about student incentives by asking your child about this month's choice board!

Citizenship at Linden and Beyond

Linden teachers and staff believe that teaching our littlest leopards about citizenship will help to foster a positive and inclusive community.

Students are most often met with opportunities to display strong citizenship on the playground at recess. We ask students to follow these citizenship expectations at recess: invite and include others, help put away equipment, and have fun!



Whether our Linden Leopards are at school or out on a community team, here are some suggestions to promote citizenship and sportsmanship in children:

Encourage others. Everyone should have a chance to play. It's important to encourage even those children who are the least skilled to have fun playing in the game. Praise teammates for what they do well and support them when they make mistakes.

Respect the decisions and directions given by teachers, staff, and coaches alike. These people are charged with making difficult decisions about plays in the game. Good sportsmanship requires that you accept a call, even if you disagree with it.

Keep losing in perspective. Playing a game is meant to be a learning experience. Very few wins and losses are remembered, even a short time later.

Keep winning in perspective. Winning doesn't mean you were perfect or that you will win again. Celebrate your win, but celebrate with humility, and have empathy for the team you defeated.

This article was adapted from the following links:

<https://kidshealth.org/Nemours/en/parents/sportsmanship.html>

<https://www.stanfordchildrens.org/en/topic/default?id=teaching-childrengood-sportsmanship-1-4524>