



THE VOICE

V. Lindsay School Newsletter Kindergarten Graduation Edition



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MAY

May 4th -8th
Teacher
Appreciation



May 4th -8th
Spirit Week



May 18th -20th
Fun Week



May 22nd
LAST DAY
OF SCHOOL
Half Day



May 11th -15th
Week of Prayer



May 21st
Kindergarten
Graduation



Principals Message

As we come to the close of another wonderful school year at V. Lindsay, my heart is filled with gratitude and joy. This year has truly been a testament to God's faithfulness and His promise found in Isaiah 43:19 — “Behold, I am doing a new thing...”. This year, we have seen God do just that. From the continued growth of our scholars to the development of new learning spaces like our Library and STREAM Room, we have witnessed God spring forth new opportunities that support creativity, exploration, and discovery.



Principal Damon

This year has also been especially meaningful as we celebrated our 40th Anniversary — a milestone that reminds us of the lasting importance of Christian education. For forty years, V. Lindsay has stood as a place where faith and learning go hand in hand, shaping not only strong scholars but strong Christian leaders. Christian education is more than academics; it is about nurturing hearts, building character, and guiding our children to know God, trust Him, and walk confidently in their purpose.

Our yearly theme, “Shaped in Purpose,” has reminded us that every lesson, every challenge, and every success has helped mold our scholars into who God is calling them to be. We have continued to build a culture of positivity, encouragement, and excellence, and it has been beautiful to watch our school family grow stronger together.

Throughout the year, we have leaned on the powerful reminder from Philippians 4:13 — “I can do all things through Christ who gives me strength.” This verse has strengthened us through every season and reminded us that with God, we are capable of great things. I would like to extend a very special congratulations to our graduating scholars — Kylan Damon-Miller, Logan Williams, and Ariella Fontus — who will be graduating on Thursday, May 21st, at 10:30 a.m. in the chapel at the Conference Center. We are incredibly proud of each of you and cannot wait to see what God continues to do in your lives.

As we move into these final weeks, we are excited to celebrate together during Spirit Week, Teacher Appreciation Week, Week of Prayer, and finally Fun Week — all opportunities for us to build memories, strengthen relationships, and celebrate the joy of learning together.

Principals Message

✦ Important Reminder:

Fun Week payment of \$35 per student is due Monday, May 4, as payments must be made in advance. Parents and family members are welcome to join us during Fun Week; however, pricing may vary if attendance is not confirmed and payment is not submitted by the Monday deadline.

I also encourage all families to stay connected by downloading and using the We Are V. Lindsay App for updates, reminders, and important school information. Enrollment is now open, and we encourage families to secure their child's place early for the upcoming school year.

As the school year comes to a close, we will begin preparing our building for the next year. The week after school closes will be Teacher Week, and we are asking for volunteers to help with cleaning and organizing classrooms and school spaces. Many hands make light work, and your willingness to serve makes a tremendous difference.

To our parents and guardians — thank you for trusting us with your children, your prayers, and your partnership throughout this school year. Your support, patience, and encouragement have helped make this year successful, meaningful, and truly memorable. We see your efforts, and we appreciate you more than words can express. Your involvement has made a very big difference in the success of our scholars.

As we close this 40th Anniversary year, we thank God for the gift of Christian education and the opportunity to partner together in shaping the hearts, minds, and futures of our scholars. This year, under our theme "Shaped in Purpose," we have seen our students grow academically, spiritually, and socially in ways that make us proud and hopeful for what lies ahead.

Most importantly, we thank God for carrying us through this school year. We truly feel victorious, blessed, and excited for what lies ahead. I cannot wait to see what God continues to do at V. Lindsay in the coming year.

Principals Message

As summer approaches, we pray that each family has a safe, joyful, and restful summer filled with laughter, love, and God's continued blessings.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back on August 11th, the first day of school for the 2026–2027 school year. Together, we will continue shaping lives with purpose.

With love, gratitude, and appreciation,
Ms. Damon
Principal, V. Lindsay SDA School
I love you all. ❤️



Birthday Shout-Out 🎉

🎂 Happy Birthday, Mrs. Fontus! 🎂

Please join us in wishing a very Happy Birthday to our wonderful Superintendent, Mrs. Fontus!

We are incredibly thankful for your leadership, dedication, and commitment to the mission of Christian education. Your support helps ensure that our scholars receive not only strong academic instruction but also the spiritual foundation needed to grow into young men and women of faith and purpose.

As we celebrate our 40th Anniversary this year, we are reminded of the lasting impact that Christian education has made in the lives of so many families. Thank you, Mrs. Fontus, for continuing to lead and support this important work and for helping to shape the future of our school community.

We appreciate you and thank you for all that you do! May God bless you with many more wonderful birthdays! 🎈

Thrive Together Campaign: Building Today, Investing in Tomorrow

We are incredibly grateful for the support we've received through our Thrive Together Campaign. Because of your generosity and partnership, we are proud to share that the library and STEM lab renovations are now complete. These transformed spaces are already enhancing the learning experience for our students and supporting our vision for innovation and academic excellence.

While we celebrate this milestone, we also recognize that our work is not finished—it is just the beginning.

Our next focus is the school playground, which has served our students for nearly 40 years. It is time to provide a safe, updated, and engaging space where our children can play, grow, and thrive outside of the classroom. A new playground is not just an upgrade—it is an investment in our students' physical development, social growth, and overall well-being.

We invite you to continue partnering with us as we move into this next phase. If you feel led to support the development of a new playground for V. Lindsay, we would greatly appreciate your contribution.

Together, we are not just improving facilities—we are building an environment where our students can thrive in every area of life.

Donation Options

- Amazon Gift List: VLS Thrive Together Campaign
- Local Church: Give through your local church by designating your offering for the "Thrive Together Campaign."
- Central States Conference Church on Adventist Giving: select "Thrive Together Campaign."
- Cash App: Send your donation to \$VLSDASchool with the comment "STEM/Library."



Classroom Corner ELA/ Reading



Principal Damon

In this final quarter, our scholars from Pre-K through 8th grade have been diving into an exciting and engaging unit centered around podcasts and communication. This schoolwide unit has allowed students at every level to practice real-world skills that

prepare them to be thoughtful communicators, careful researchers, and confident speakers.

Throughout this unit, students have been learning:

Understanding Podcast Roles

Students are learning what it means to be a host, a researcher, and part of a team working toward a shared goal.

Research and Fact-Checking

Scholars are learning how to research information, check facts, and understand that evidence is proof that supports ideas and answers.

Asking Follow-Up Questions

Students are practicing how to ask thoughtful follow-up questions and how to listen carefully so they can respond with understanding.

Knowing Your Audience

We are learning how to identify an audience and understand demographics, including how knowing your audience affects word choice and communication style.

Vocabulary and Shades of Meaning

Students are studying words and shades of meaning, learning how word choices can change tone, clarity, and meaning.

Reviewing Skills from the Year

This unit also allows us to revisit many of the reading, writing, listening, and speaking skills we have practiced throughout the school year.

Classroom Corner: ELA/ Reading

As we reflect on the growth of our scholars across grade levels, we are especially proud of the progress made throughout the year:

🧒 Our Pre-K and Kindergarten Scholars have grown tremendously — moving from recognizing letters and sounds to blending words and becoming developing readers. Watching their confidence grow as they begin to read has been a true joy.

📖 Our Lower Elementary Students have become strong critical thinkers and have developed a growing sense of fluency as they read with increased confidence and expression.

🗣️ Our Upper Elementary and Middle School Students are truly becoming the rising leaders of tomorrow. They have learned to speak publicly, write clearly, and read with confidence, preparing them to share their voices and ideas with boldness.

To our parents — thank you for hanging in there with us this year. Your support at home, your encouragement, and your partnership in your child's learning have made a tremendous difference. We see your effort, and we deeply appreciate you.

It has been a joy watching our scholars grow as readers, writers, listeners, and speakers. I am incredibly proud of their progress and the confidence they have built this year.

Our scholars are not only learning to read and write — they are learning to communicate with purpose.

Ms. Damon
ELA Instructor



Classroom Corner Math/ P.E./ Music

Dear Parents and Families,

We are excited to share all the wonderful progress, achievements, and upcoming events as we move into the final stretch of the school year! The month of May is shaping up to be a time of celebration, reflection, and finishing strong. Our students have worked incredibly hard, and we are proud of all that they have accomplished.



Dr. Dixon

Homeroom Highlights – Mission Accomplished!

We are thrilled to announce that our students have raised over \$100 for our missionary efforts! Because of their hard work, dedication, and generosity, we will now be able to support TWO missionary donation projects instead of just one.

This is a powerful example of what happens when students come together with a purpose. Not only did they learn about giving and service, but they actively participated in making a difference in the lives of others.

In May, we will:

- Officially send out our missionary donations
- Celebrate this accomplishment with a well-earned class party 🎉

We are incredibly proud of our students for demonstrating compassion, teamwork, and a heart for service. This is what true learning looks like—going beyond the classroom and impacting the world.

Math – Excellence in Action!

We want to take a moment to celebrate the outstanding progress our students have made during MAP testing, especially in math. Their growth, focus, and determination truly showed, and we could not be more proud of their efforts.

Classroom Corner: Math/ P.E. / Music

But that's not all...

We also hosted our first-ever World Math-Olympics Tournament, and our V. Lindsay students did an AMAZING job!

🏆 Students:

- Set new records
- Competed with excellence
- Earned Gold and Silver medals

👉 Excellent job, students of V. Lindsay! 🎉🎉

♟️ Chess Club – Growing Strong!

Our Chess Club is continuing to grow in an exciting way! Over the past month alone, the club has doubled in size, showing just how engaged and interested our students are in developing their strategic thinking and problem-solving skills.

We are also excited to announce that we will be hosting our first Chess Tournament on May 13! 🎉

This will be a great opportunity for students to:

- Showcase their skills
- Compete in a fun and structured environment
- Build confidence and sportsmanship

👉 We are wishing all of our V. Lindsay students the very best in the competition!

💰 Math Money Lab – Finishing Strong

As we wrap up the month of May, our Math Money Management Lab will come to an end. This has been one of the most exciting and practical learning experiences for our students.

Throughout this lab, students learned:

- How to earn and manage money
- The importance of saving
- How to make smart spending decisions



Classroom Corner: Math/ P.E. / Music

Now, they will begin to see the rewards of their efforts. Students who practiced discipline, saved wisely, and made thoughtful choices will experience the benefits firsthand. This is more than math—this is real-life preparation, and we are proud of the growth we've seen in our students.

🎵 Music – Finishing on a High Note

As we approach the end of the school year, we have a few important reminders and exciting updates in music:

🎹 Keyboard Return Reminder

- Students must return their keyboards in order to receive their deposit back
- Please make sure all equipment is returned in good condition

🎵 Final Song Preparation

- We will be working on one more song before the school year ends
- Students are already excited and engaged in preparing for this final piece

We are looking forward to ending the year on a high note—literally!

🏃 Physical Education – Pushing for Greatness

In PE, students continue to expand their skills by learning new athletic activities and developing overall fitness.

During the month of May, we will be focusing on an exciting goal:

🏆 The Presidential Physical Fitness Challenge

Our students will:

- Test their physical abilities
- Track their performance
- Strive to reach the Top 10% fitness levels

This is a great opportunity for students to challenge themselves, build endurance, and develop healthy habits that will benefit them for years to come.

We are encouraging all students to:

- ✓ Give their best effort
- ✓ Stay motivated
- ✓ Support one another



Classroom Corner: Math/ P.E. / Music

☀ Final Thoughts

As we enter the final month of the school year, we are focused on:

- Celebrating achievements
- Finishing strong academically
- Continuing to grow in character, discipline, and confidence

We appreciate your continued support and partnership in your child's education. Together, we are building not just strong students—but strong individuals prepared for success.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please feel free to reach out.



Classroom Corner Science/ Social Studies / Bible / Art



Ms. Fields

Dear V. Lindsay School Families,

We have reached the beautiful month of May, and what a blessing it is to celebrate the final weeks of an amazing school year together! Our students have worked hard, grown academically, built friendships, and developed confidence in so many ways. We are proud of each child and thankful for your continued support throughout the year.

During these final weeks, our classrooms are filled with excitement, reflection, and meaningful learning as we review all that we have studied this year.

What We're Doing in May

Academic Review & Celebration

- Reviewing Bible, science, social studies, and art concepts learned throughout the year
- Fun learning games, partner challenges, and team review activities
- Memory verse and Bible review celebrations
- Student goal reflections: "How have I grown this year?"
- Setting goals for summer learning and healthy habits
- Reflecting on ways to be kind, responsible, and successful next school year

STEM Activities & Hands-On Learning

- Building towers and bridges using simple materials
- Coding challenges and technology activities
- LEGO building projects
- Science experiments and design challenges
- Project-based learning activities that encourage creativity and teamwork
- Creating inventions to solve everyday problems
- Teamwork activities that build critical thinking skills

Classroom Corner: Science/ Social Studies/ Bible / Art

Creative End-of-Year Fun

- Class art projects
- Spirit Week fun days
- Teacher Appreciation celebrations
- Outdoor learning and movement activities



A Message to Our Families

Thank you for trusting us with your children this school year. Your support, prayers, and partnership have meant so much. We are finishing strong and encouraging every student to give their best effort through the very last day.

Final Encouragement

"For I know the plans I have for you," says the Lord... plans to give you hope and a future.
– Jeremiah 29:11

We believe each student has a bright future ahead because they have worked hard, shown growth, and continued to persevere. We are seeing improvement in science understanding and critical thinking skills, stronger confidence in learning, and a growing love for reading, discovery, and researching new information. Their future is bright because they are learning how to think, create, and believe in themselves.

With gratitude,
Ms. Fields



Chaplain's Corner

Shaped by Purpose

This month, V. Lindsay will come together for our Spring Week of Prayer centered on the theme “Shaped by Purpose.” Throughout the week, students will be reminded that they are not here by accident, but are intentionally created by God with unique gifts, talents, and a divine purpose.



Pastor Liz

Throughout the week, our scholars will explore stories of individuals in the Bible who were called and chosen by God—often before they even understood their own purpose. Our prayer is that every student will begin to understand that their purpose is not something they have to search for on their own, but something that is discovered through a relationship with Christ.

As we worship, reflect, and grow together, we believe this week will be a meaningful time of spiritual development for our students. This special week will remind our students that they are not here by accident. Each of them is uniquely created and intentionally shaped for something meaningful. It is our desire that they leave encouraged, confident in who they are, and committed to living a life that reflects God's purpose for them.



Celebrating Our Kindergarten Graduates!

We are excited to celebrate our Kindergarten Class of 2025 as they reach this important milestone! These young scholars have grown tremendously this year—academically, socially, and spiritually—and we are so proud of all they have accomplished.

From learning foundational skills to building confidence and friendships, this class has truly set the stage for a bright future. Their joy, curiosity, and eagerness to learn have been a blessing to our school community.

We invite you to join us as we celebrate their achievement!



Inside V. Lindsay's STREAM Experience

The month of April was an exciting one at V. Lindsay as our students continued to experience hands-on, engaging learning in and beyond the classroom. From exploring Science City at Union Station to working in our labs, creating through art, competing in chess, and collaborating on innovative projects, our students are actively living out what it means to learn through STEM and STREAM education.

We are also proud to announce a major milestone—V. Lindsay SDA School is now officially STEM.org accredited. This recognition places our school on a national and global platform as a leader in STEM education. It affirms the intentional work being done in our classrooms and the commitment we have to preparing students for the future through critical thinking, creativity, and hands-on learning experiences.



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2026–2027 Enrollment Now Open



V. Lindsay SDA School — 2026-2027 Enrollment is OFFICIALLY Open!

Enrollment for the 2026–2027 school year is officially open, and families can now register and enroll completely online. Visit WeAreVLindsay.com to get started today. Our team is ready to welcome you, walk you through the process, and answer any questions you may have along the way.

Something Big is Coming — Introducing the “We Are V. Lindsay” App

V. Lindsay is not just keeping pace with technology — we are leading the way. We are beyond excited to announce the soft launch of the “We Are V. Lindsay” mobile app, available now at WeAreVLindsay.com. This is a historic moment for our school community, and it is only the beginning.

By May 2026, the app will be available for download on the Apple App Store and Google Play Store — putting V. Lindsay literally in the palm of your hand. We are currently in our soft launch phase, so we appreciate your patience and grace as we fine-tune the experience. Your feedback during this season is invaluable and will help us make the app everything our community deserves.

So what can you expect? Here is a glimpse of what the “We Are V. Lindsay” app is bringing to our school family:

- **Parent Communications** — Direct, real-time connection between school and home
- **School Updates & Announcements** — Never miss an important moment
- **Photo Gallery** — Celebrate the memories being made every day at V. Lindsay
- **And more to come** — We are just getting started

This is more than an app. It is a statement. V. Lindsay SDA School is moving forward — with faith, with vision, and with our community at the center of everything we do. We invite you to be part of this next chapter.

Enroll today at WeAreVLindsay.com.

Download the app in May.

The best is yet to come.



Final Message from the Superintendent

As this school year comes to a close, I want to take a moment to express my deepest gratitude to each of you for your support, your trust, and the opportunity to serve as Superintendent over the past three years. This journey has been one of the most stretching and transformative seasons of my leadership. Beginning as principal, teaching our 5th–8th grade students, and serving as Superintendent all at once was a significant responsibility, but it was also a season filled with purpose, growth, and impact.

I am incredibly thankful for the dedicated individuals who have stood alongside me during this time. To our teachers, thank you for pouring your gifts into our students. A special thank you to Miss Damon for stepping in and helping to strengthen our school community. To our parents, thank you for trusting V. Lindsay with your children and for choosing this school as a place where they could grow, learn, and thrive. And to our students, past and present, you are the heart of everything we do. Watching you grow, achieve, and develop into confident, respectful young people has been one of my greatest joys.

This journey has not been without its challenges, but it has been deeply meaningful. It has been a season of transition, growth, and building, and I am proud of all that we have accomplished together.

As I prepare to transition from this role, I share that my family and I will be moving to Orlando. While this chapter is coming to a close, I do so with full confidence that V. Lindsay will continue to thrive. The foundation is strong, the vision is clear, and the community is committed.

It has been an honor to serve you, to grow with you, and to give my all to V. Lindsay. I will always carry this experience, and each of you, with me.
With heartfelt gratitude,

Schari Fontus
Superintendent, Central States Conference

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