



Addison eAdvisor

Aug 19th, 2018

Calendar: Upcoming Addison Events

- Mon, Aug 20-Fri, Aug 24 **Sun Safety Week**
- Wed, Aug 22 **Site Council Meeting**, *Library, 3pm*
- Fri, Aug 24 **Picture Day**, *8am*
- Tues, Aug 28 **Back to School Night** - *6pm Grades K-2, 6:45 All, 7:15 Grades 3-5*

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NEW! Principal's Message

Dear Addison Families,

It was so wonderful to see and reconnect with many of you this past Tuesday at the **Back to School Coffee!** Thank you for attending and to our PTA organizers for hosting this exciting event. Our school spirit is strong so as a reminder, please ask your child to wear his/her Addison School clothing or blue every Friday!

We had an exciting and smooth first week of school. I have to applaud the students and staff in their flexibility and collaboration as we began adapting to our new space and schedules. Our immediate feedback from students was that they enjoyed the new recess and lunch schedules and appreciated playing and eating outside with a smaller group. There were a lot of questions about our new space and routines so this past Wednesday, I hosted a 1st-5th grade school-wide assembly to offer students an overview of our changes, discuss how to safely use our new spaces, and explore norms related to "How We Want Our School To Be." Overall, I felt like we're off to a great start!

I spent each morning last week on Addison Ave. observing the traffic patterns of families arriving to school. As predicted, I noticed a lot of foot, bike, scooter, and car traffic on Addison Ave. between Webster and Middlefield. I talked to Officer Dan Seghetti about how to keep families safe on this stretch of road. We agreed to block off Addison Ave. (adjacent to the school) with cones and signs so families could safely use the bike lane and enter near the Imagination Garden if they choose to stay on the road. Therefore, **please do not drop off students on Addison Ave. by vehicle or if needed, pull past the Imagination Garden entrance.** Another option for bicycles and scooters is to walk their wheels on the sidewalk adjacent to the school. Along with our staff and parent volunteers, we will continue to explore how to keep

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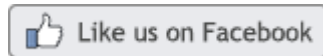
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our students safe when arriving and leaving school throughout our remodel.



Speaking of safety, **next week is Sun Safety Week!** Staff and students are encouraged to wear hats everyday so it becomes a habit to wear when playing outdoors. We will be tallying which classroom has the most amount of hats each day to award a Sun Safety prize. Teachers will be discussing sun safety in the classrooms as these are important conversations where we live.

Some other upcoming events to note...**next Friday is Picture Day!** Packets will be coming home on Monday. Also, Walking Field Trip forms will be sent home next week. Please return to your child's classroom teacher as soon as possible. Finally, please mark your calendars for **Back to School Night on Tuesday, August 28th.** The Kindergarten- 2nd grade presentations will be from 6-6:45pm in the classrooms, school-wide presentation from 6:45-7:15pm in the Courtyard, and 3rd- 5th grade presentations will be from 7:15-8pm in the classrooms. Finally, **our first Site Council Meeting is on Wednesday, August 29th from 3-5pm in the Library.** These meetings are open to the public and our construction manager will be attending each meeting this year to give updates and answer questions.

If you missed my Back to School Coffee presentation, I wanted to share some of the goals of our teachers established as we prepared for a new year. When asked "What type of learning do you want to foster?" their responses included "engage in joyful learning that encourages imagination and creativity". When asked

"What types of students do you want to grow?" teachers responded "empowered, resilient, risk-takers, inclusive, kind, and social justice warriors". Finally, when asked "what type of environment do you want to create", teachers said "a space that balances work and play, is accessible to ALL learners and a space that they can safely make mistakes". This is the work ahead at Addison and what we are striving for this year. We are looking forward to partnering with you on this journey and the great year ahead!

Fondly,
[Amanda Boyce](#)
Addison Principal

NEW! Community Contributions to PiE Make a Difference

Support Our Students and Teachers - Pledge to PiE Today

The 2018-2019 PiE fundraising campaign is underway. Pledge your contribution early and check it off your list! Our kids depend on the support of the whole community. Many essential programs and critical staff positions depend on funding from PiE. From our classroom aides, to teachers for STEAM-focused electives, music and art, to caring counselors and mentors, PiE-funded staff impact on our kids every day. Between now and September 4, you can double your impact via the \$500,000 Back-To-School Challenge Grant which matches every dollar donated to PiE. Please donate today! <http://papie.org/donate/>



NEW! Arches of Addison

The Addison Community is fortunate to have many **wonderful volunteers** who make this place so great! Here are a healthy handful of Addison All-Stars who made back-to-school extra special this year!

Back-To-School Info and Kinder Potluck: Kim Li, Christina Langdon, Adrienne Germain, Sarah Kimball, Michelle Gustavson, Mark Crady, Rachel Thomas, Lisa Bertlesen-Kivett, Sush Vij, Stephanie Seale, Raluca Perkins and Lauren Williams

Back-To-School Coffee: Takumi Matsuzawa, The Marku Family & Douce France, Sush Vij, Adrienne Germain, Sarah & Pat Gibbs, Kim Li and Lauren Williams.



NEW! Volunteers Needed - School Picture Day is Almost Here!

School Picture Day is this week (Friday, August 24th). We need volunteers to help to get the students in and out of the Library (individual photos) and out on the field (class photos) and back to class. If you are able to help, please contact [Lauren Williams](#). Added bonus for your efforts - you will receive free school photos of you child!

Pre-orders for picture packages may now be placed online at <https://ios.mydorian.com> using your school's access key provided here **83C6HDYT**. Online pre-orders using your school's access key are available up to 4 days after picture day.

NEW! Addison Yearbook Editors Want Your Photos!

Do you have photos of your Addison scholars on their first day of school? We'd love to include them in the the Addison Yearbook. Please send your photos to addisonelementaryyearbook@gmail.com

NEW! Auction Donations Needed

The Auction team is looking for items and services to auction off. If you would like to:

- donate Gift Cards to restaurants and stores
- donate sports or event tickets
- host or co-host a party
- offer a weekend at your vacation home
- use your expertise to put together a package to donate, for example: 'best whisky in the world', 'Red Wines to Die For'

Please fill out this [Auction Donation Form](#) or send your donation idea to addisonauction@gmail.com.

NEW! AUCTION TICKETS

Addison Auction - 20th October 2018

Time - 6 pm - 10 pm

Location - Lucie Stern Community Center

Drinks and a light dinner will be served

Jungle/Safari wear is suggested

Tickets - \$50/person, \$75/person @ door

For more information, please visit Addison's auction page at: <http://addison.paloaltopta.org/addison-auction/>

You can purchase your ticket on the [One Payment Form](#)

NEW! Enroll Now - After School Classes Start Soon!

The list of after school classes for Fall 2018 is up and ready. Please visit <http://addison.paloaltopta.org/wp-content/uploads/After-School-Programs-at-Addison-%E2%80%93-Fall-2018-1.pdf> to sign up.

Choose from several great options including Run For Fun, Personality Development Confidence Building, Starfire Math, Academic Chess, Joy's Jackrabbit Running Track Club, Hands on Science, Jano Hindi, Code with Circuits, Basketball, LEGO Engineering Workshop, and Yoga.

Community Announcements

NEW! Superintendent's Weekly Message

We will re-post Karen Hendricks' Weekly communications here each week, in case you missed it on her previous Infinite Campus email to you. Click here for the message: <https://www.pausd.org/news>

NEW! Measure Z - School Improvement Bond Measure

The PAUSD Board of Education has placed a \$460 million school improvement bond, Measure Z, on the November ballot to support the District goals of high-quality teaching and learning, equity and access, and student wellness and safety.

When the Palo Alto Strong Schools Bond was approved ten years ago, it was only estimated to address approximately half of the facility needs identified at that time. Since that time, new projects have been identified resulting from changes in learning technology, educational curriculum and student enrollment trends. As the Strong Schools Bond upgrades are being completed, PAUSD is planning the next phase of improvements to enhance school security and upgrade classrooms and labs to meet 21st-century instructional standards.

Measure Z will provide funding for school improvements, including:

- Ensuring school facilities are accessible for students with disabilities and equitable for all
- Upgrading schools to current seismic safety standards to help keep students safe in the event of an earthquake
- Completing needed repairs at school facilities
- Increasing school safety and security, such as fire alarms, door locks and emergency communications systems to bring security systems up to current standards
- Providing classrooms and labs to support up-to-date science, technology, engineering and robotics instruction
- Providing up-to-date facilities to maintain outstanding performing and visual art programs

More information will be shared at the upcoming PTA meetings throughout the district. Please make an effort to learn more about Measure Z and how you can help support our schools.

NEW! STEAM LAB Saturday @CH: Kaleidoscopes

Sat, Sep 8, 2:30-3:30PM, Children's Library, 1276 Harriet St.

MakeX will be demonstrating 3D printers and 3D modeling software in the Teen Zone. Registration Required. Grades K-5 only.

NEW! Urgent: Speak Up Now for our Students - in seconds!

The CA legislature is voting NOW on CA PTA approved bills, directly impacting our PAUSD students. It takes just two taps on your phones to make a difference:

- Pupil Suicide Prevention and Training (AB 2639)
- Invest in Pre-K (AB 1754)
- Increase K-12 school funding targets (AB 2808)
- Help for our Foster Youth (AB 2043)
- Help for our Homeless Youth (AB 1406)

Sign up for FREE Palo Alto PTA Council iPhone mobile alerts on the Click My Cause Two-Tap App <https://clickmycause.com/download/>.

NEW! CONNECTING PALO ALTO COMMUNITY WORKSHOP - AUGUST 23

Community Meeting on Rail Grade Separation

Thursday, August 23 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

El Palo Alto Room, Mitchell Park Community Center, 3700 Middlefield Road

Join us to help evaluate potential railroad crossing grade separation ideas throughout Palo Alto. Specific ideas related to separating the street from the railroad will be presented for Churchill Avenue, Charleston Road and Meadow Drive, and Palo Alto Avenue. There will also be further discussion of the Citywide tunnel and trench ideas. Your feedback and ideas will be used to help identify the universe of grade separation ideas to be considered when shaping the citywide solution.

NEW! Free local Parent Hikes led by experienced Sierra Club Parent Volunteer

Do you like going on 8-10 mile hikes up 2,000 feet while your kids are at school? Go on a Parent hike Mondays from about 9:30AM-2:30PM. Weekly dates dependent on weather and interest -- on local trails throughout the Bay Area. If interested, please

email Sonya Bradski, PAUSD Parent, Volunteer non-profit, Sierra Club Hike Leader. Questions or to be added to hike announcements contact Sonya at sonyangary@gmail.com

NEW! Classroom Volunteers Needed - An Hour a Week Could Change a Student's Life

If you've enjoyed spending time in your child's classroom, please join other parents volunteering in east Menlo Park or East Palo Alto schools where there are virtually no parent volunteers. You'll help tutor kids in grades K-5. Over 80% of students are performing below grade level in reading and math and are eager to work with you. Our volunteers go once a week to the same classroom for about an hour, building relationships with students throughout the school year. All Students Matter provides training and coordinates everything. We start in mid-September. You can make a real difference! To learn more or sign up, visit www.allstudentsmatter.org or contact Keri Tully at keritully@gmail.com

NEW! Youth Community Service (YCS) is Hiring!

Join our team at YCS and make a difference in the lives of young people through service learning. This is a part-time position with a flexible schedule. Please visit our website for the full job description and application instructions: www.youthcommunityservice.org

NEW! Learn to Knit!

Thu Sep 13, 4:30-6:30PM, Mitchell Park Library, 3700 Middlefield Road

Teens and adults are invited to spend Thursday evenings knitting in a relaxed, social setting. This is a great opportunity to share your love for knitting, meet new friends and help others with their projects -- and learn something new if you're new to knitting or have always wanted to learn! Register on PACL website (<https://paloalto.bibliocommons.com/events/search/index>). Grades 6-12.

NEW! Author Visit @CH: JoAnne Wetzel

Wed, Sep 12, 4:00-5:00PM, Children's Library, 1276 Harriet St.

JoAnne Wetzel will be at Children's Library to read her new picture book, Mermaid School, about a mermaid's first day at school. No registration needed. All ages welcome.

NEW! Palo Alto Players presents Disney's TARZAN, a musical adventure for the whole family

Sep 8-23; Thur 7:30pm, Fri 8pm (9/8 only), Sat 2pm (9/15 and 9/22 only) & 8pm, Sun 2pm; Lucie Stern Theater, 1305 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto, CA 94301

Tarzan, the king of the apes and his lady love, Jane, swing to the Lucie Stern stage in Palo Alto in this musical adaptation of Disney's epic animated adventure. Swinging excitement and heart-pumping music by Phil Collins, make Tarzan an unforgettable theatrical experience for the whole family. Recommended for ages 3 and up. Please note: Children under 3 will not be admitted to the theater. Tickets (\$25-55*) can be purchased at www.paplayers.org or by calling the Box Office at 650-329-0891.

*Students/Educators enjoy \$5 off regular priced tickets to any performance, except preview night. Additional discounts available for groups of 10 or more. For more information, visit, www.paplayers.org. For \$10 off adult tickets, use code TARZANCAST before 9/9.

NEW! Classic Math School Open House

August 21st, Tuesday, at 7:00 pm in Green Middle School (750 North California Ave, Palo Alto), room N6.

We would like to invite parents with students (K-10) to our annual Classic Math School Open House. This is a great opportunity to meet our teachers, learn first hand about Classic Math School overall teaching philosophy, methods, and principles. Your questions will be answered, while your students will be offered a Free Interactive Placement Test (preregistration by email is required). Light refreshment will be served.

NEW! Palo Alto Chinese School is Accepting New Enrollment NOW for 2018

2019 school year started on 8/17/2018. Palo Alto Chinese School has been serving the community in Chinese language instructions for 55 years, and is accepting new enrollment. Class meets every Friday 7-9 PM at JLS Middle School. There are two tracks. The Mandarin track is offered from Preschool to Grade 12, for students from heritage families. The Chinese as a Second Language (CSL) track is offered from intro, beginning, intermediate to advanced level for students with various exposure to Chinese language. Please join us for a school open house and classroom visit on 8/24. For more info, check <http://www.paloaltochineseschool.org>/or email contact@paloaltochineseschool.org.

NEW! Stanford Study on Housing

\$45 for Participation in a Stanford Study on Housing.

The department of Sociology at Stanford University is conducting ongoing research on the housing crisis in the Bay Area. We are currently conducting interviews with people who are living in a space that may have only been intended for one family or folks that live in the area who are employed in low wage service work. For participating in a 1-hour interview, you will receive a \$45 Target gift card. Contact Ellie Rosa at ellielm@stanford.edu or (707) 228-6534 to participate.

\$45 para participar en un estudio de Stanford sobre las viviendas.

El departamento de sociología de Stanford está llevando a cabo entrevistas sobre la crisis de la vivienda en el norte de California. Actualmente estamos llevando a cabo entrevistas con personas que viven en un espacio que puede haber sido destinado solo a una familia o personas que viven en el área y que trabajan en un servicio de bajo salario. Para participar en una entrevista de 1 hora, recibirá una tarjeta de regalo Target de \$45. Póngase en contacto con Ellie Rosa en ellielm@stanford.edu or (707) 228-6534 para participar.

NEW! Silicon Valley Boychoir Auditions

Fri, Aug 24, and 31 by appointment, 600 Homer Av., Palo Alto

Auditions for the Fall semester will be held at the choir's rehearsal location near downtown Palo Alto. Open to 2nd-5th grade boys. High school and middle school boys with choral experience may audition for upper levels. SVB provides a personalized approach to teaching singing, music theory, and sight-reading, while providing flexible scheduling for busy families. In addition to their own winter and spring concerts, SVB performs for local events including appearances with Stanford University Symphonic Chorus and Orchestra, West Bay Opera, Schola Cantorum of Mountain View, and singing the national anthem at sporting events. Email info@svboychoir.org or visit <http://svboychoir.org>

NEW! All families invited to host an AFS Exchange Student

"One of these days we'd like to host an exchange student."

Hosting helps a high school student become fluent in English and experience life in America. It is also a fun chance to see your own country and daily routines in a different light. "Becoming a host family took us out of our comfort zone and provided many new experiences." Elementary, middle and high school families are eligible.

To get a conversation started contact Veronica Buxton at vbuxton@afsusa.org.

AFS USA is a premier, non-profit volunteer cultural exchange program approved by the State Department. <https://www.afsusa.org/team/san-francisco-bay/contact-us/>

NEW! Volunteers need for a Stanford Social Skills Study

Stanford's Center for Interdisciplinary Brain Sciences Research (CIBSR) is recruiting volunteers for a Social Skills study. We are looking for boys aged 8-18 years diagnosed with a developmental or intellectual disability to take part in a research study investigating the effect of behavioral training methods on social skills. Participation includes a visit to Stanford for 3-4 days, cognitive testing, two optional MRI scans, and social skills training with a behaviorist. For more information, please go to: www.is.gd/StanfordSocialSkills

NEW! Ragazzi Boys Chorus Free SingFest in San Mateo

Registration Open; Saturday, September 8, 2018, 9:30am - 12 noon, 300 E. Santa Inez Ave., San Mateo

Join us in Central San Mateo and let your 7-10 year old boy test-drive this 'best choir of the Peninsula' for himself at a free half-day minicamp where he'll learn some songs and have a blast. Low-key, no-obligation auditions are integrated into the morning; no previous singing experience needed. Boys offered Ragazzi membership start rehearsing in September, 2018. Beginning groups start slow, then grow, meeting at our locations in Redwood City and San Mateo for choral singing and theory instruction. Ragazzi's opportunities include singing the National Anthem at a San Francisco Giants game, Opera roles, collaborations with Stanford's choruses and the San Francisco Symphony- and even world-wide touring. SingFest is free, and spots will go fast at bit.ly/SINGFEST. Can't make it to SingFest but want to audition? Go to <http://ragazzi.org/join-us/book-audition/>

NEW! Love to Sing? Ragazzi Boys Chorus Auditions for 7-10 year olds

By appointment through mid-September; 178 Clinton St, Redwood City

Ragazzi Boys Chorus, a 'best choir of the Peninsula' and 'best non-profit', has just the right amount of structure and fun! Schedule your 7-10 year old boy for a short group audition. He'll sing with one of our teachers and have a blast; no prior experience or preparation needed to try out. We're in Redwood City, plus a new San Mateo rehearsal location. Ragazzi's sings the National Anthem at a San Francisco Giants game, plus locally and around the world. Boys develop lasting friendships and independence at camp and on tour. Appointments and more info:ragazzi.org/join-us/
Watch: www.youtube.com/user/RagazziBoys?feature=watch.
More: <https://www.facebook.com/Ragazzi.Boys.Chorus/>

NEW! Ragazzi Boys Chorus' Music and Movement class open

Register Now; Mondays 3:15 and 4:15 sessions, Sept. 17 - Dec. 3, 178 Clinton St, Redwood City

Ragazzi Boys Chorus' engaging class for active young boys is now open. It's a great option for boys not quite old enough for Ragazzi's main program. This class is tailored for boys ages 5-7 with little or no previous musical experience. A child-developmental approach fosters boys' creativity and curiosity. Students explore rhythm games, channel their energy through music learning and learn concepts they can apply in any musical setting. \$300 for 12 weeks; sibling discounts. Contact swilen@ragazzi.org, 650-342-8785. Register & more info at <http://ragazzi.org/join-us/music-movement/>

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