

# PRCS Coyote Howl

April 22, 2024

## **April**

4/23 Elementary Only Open House at 6:00 PM – p. 6

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4/25 Middle School Only Open House at 6:00 PM – p. 6

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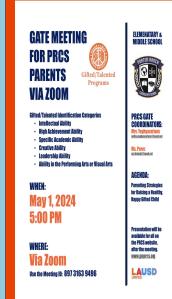
5/15, 5/16, 5/17 Middle School ONLY Minimum Days

5/24 Coffee with the Principal at 8:30 AM

5/27 No School – In observance of Memorial Day

5/31 8th Grade Awards by invitation at 8:30 AM in MPR





**Principal's Message**: Good evening! We extend our heartfelt gratitude to each and every one of you for making STEM Week such an incredible success! From April 15th to April 19th, we witnessed an inspiring showcase of innovation, curiosity, and enthusiasm for science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

Your active participation, whether through student competition, attending demonstrations, engaging in hands-on activities, or supporting our students, contributed immensely to the event. We are deeply thankful to the UTK to 8th-grade students who showed eagerness to explore the wonders of STEM, the Chatsworth Charter High School STEM Team for sharing their expertise, Two Bit Circus for their thrilling Ultimate Recycling Machine assemblies, and Code Ninjas for leading coding adventures.

Special thanks also go to the dedicated parents for their continuous support, the teachers for their commitment to STEM education, and the community members for their valuable contributions. Together, we created memorable experiences that will inspire a lifelong love for learning and innovation. We look forward to building on this success and continuing to foster a culture of STEM excellence in our school and community. Thank you once again for your support and enthusiasm.

### **PRCS Open House!**

- Elementary School Open House: Tuesday, April 23rd, classroom visit 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm
- **Middle School Open House:** Thursday, April 25th, classroom visit 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm Join us before classroom visits at 5:00 PM for Epic Taco Truck, Columbian's Coffee Cart and activities from Porter Valley Country Club and Gametime.

Please enter/exit from the Main Gate ONLY for both Open House evenings. See p. 3

We're thrilled to showcase the remarkable achievements of our students throughout the school year. A big thank you goes out to our dedicated teachers and staff for their continued hard work. We can't wait to welcome our families and share the pride of our Porter Ranch School Community! If you're exploring your child's next grade level, please be considerate and allow current students and families the time to speak with the teacher. Thank you.

### Principal's Message continues...

Parking Relaxed for Open House 4/23 and 4/25: Please note: The LA City relaxed parking is for the following posted signage: Time Limit Restrictions: 15 min Parking (7 am - 9 am & 1:30 pm - 4 pm) and 2-hour parking (9 am - 1:30 pm) on School Days. All vehicles parked in "No Stopping Anytime" or any other posted restrictions, may still be subject to a citation or further action from parking enforcement.

As we wrap up our Run to FUNd event, we would like to thank our families, volunteers, donors and staff once again for making this event the HUGE success that it was...and...remind everyone eligible that if you SUBMIT YOUR DONATIONS FOR CORPORATE MATCHING, we can DOUBLE THE FUNds!. 100% of matching proceeds will go to the benefit PRCS. Visit MYBOOSTER.COM to see if your company matches!

**Yearbooks** are on sale for only \$55 and can be purchased online through the website <u>jostensyearbooks.com</u> or by calling the phone number or scanning the QR code on the flier below. If you have any questions, please email our Yearbook Advisor, Mrs. Mahtani at <u>sarina.mahtani@lausd.net</u>. See p. 12

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School is closed in honor of Armenian Genocide Remembrance Day. The school will resume on Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup>.

Reminder - Middle school has a minimum day on Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup> with a dismissal time of 1:25 PM.

Have a good week everyone.





# **OPEN HOUSE SCHEDULE**

### **ELEMENTARY - TUESDAY, APRIL 23**

- Classroom Visits from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM
- TK 5th Grade
- 🚫 Enter/Exit Main Gate Only



# **MIDDLE SCHOOL - THURSDAY, APRIL 25**

- Classroom Visits from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM
- MS 6 8 Grade
- Enter/Exit Main Gate Only



# EPIC TACO TRUCK & FUN ACTIVITIES APRIL 23RD & 25TH

- Food Trucks and Activities starts at 5:00 PM
- Enjoy Epic Tacos and Columbian Coffee Cart at the Main Gate.
- Experience tic-tac-toe golf, pickle-ball, goggle toss, and more. Sponsored by Porter Valley Country Club. For each PRCS family that becomes a member of PVCC, PVCC will donate back to Friends of PRCS.





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CONGRATULATIONS

**BRIGNAC FAMILY** 

**4 UNIVERSAL STUDIOS TICKETS** 



# **Elementary News**

# Wear your Leader in Me colors every Monday!

TK - Sapphire Blue Kinder - Royal Blue 1st grade - Green 2nd grade - Purple 3rd grade - Orange 4th grade - Red 5th grade - Yellow

### **APRIL HABIT**

"SYNERGIZE" Working Together!

I get along well with other people and work well in groups. I value the strengths of others and allow myself to learn from them. I know that by working together as a team we can get more done and come up with better solutions than we could alone.

### Spirit Days! Friday, April 26th

Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup> Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup> Friday, June 7<sup>th</sup> Crazy Hair Day - Make your hair wild and crazy!

May the Fourth be with you...Wear your favorite Star Wars gear!

Disney Day - Wear your favorite Disney gear!

Monochromatic Day - Dress in the same color from head to toe!

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Elementary After School Academic/Intervention: Grades 1-5: Porter Ranch Community School will be offering an after-school academic/intervention from February 5 through May 2, 2024. Academic Support/Intervention is on a first come, first served basis. Any 1<sup>st</sup> grade students participating will need to be accompanied by their parent to the designated room and picked up at the end of the class time. Parents that have students that attend the YMCA after school must notify the YMCA that their child will be attending the after-school program and will arrive to the YMCA at a later time. Please see the attached schedule titled "After School Academic/Intervention Class" for more details on days, times and room numbers. Schedule/location CLICK HERE

## **Elementary Minimum Days:**

Dismissal UTK –  $2^{nd}$  Grade at 1PM /  $3^{rd}$  –  $5^{th}$  Grade at 1:15 PM

- May 24<sup>th</sup>
- June 7<sup>th</sup>
- June 10<sup>th</sup>



# **End-of-the-year Kinder and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade celebration events in June:**

- Kinder Celebration will be on Friday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 9:00 AM
- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Celebration will be on Monday, June 10, 2024 at 9:00 AM.

# **Middle School News**

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**UPDATE!** 8<sup>th</sup> **Grade**: 8th Grade: Save the Date! We will be having our 8th grade Award Ceremony on Friday, May 31st in the MPR at 8:40 AM. Gates will open at 8:30am. This is an opportunity to come together to recognize and celebrate their academic achievements in middle school at PRCS. This is an invitation only event. Invitations will be sent home on Friday, May 17th.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade End of the Year Letter with important dates and events have been sent home with 8<sup>th</sup> grade students and also shared by Ms. Gittins with parents via email.

On Par Requirements/Culmination Requirements Reminders for Middle School

- No Fails
- Students may not earn more than 2 "U's" in Work Habits
- Students may not earn more than 2 "U's" in Cooperation
- Students must demonstrate satisfactory school citizenship

As always if you have any questions, please email Ms. Gittins <a href="mailto:heather.gittins@lausd.net">heather.gittins@lausd.net</a>

15 Week Progress Report will be available for viewing on the Parent Portal beginning May 3rd.

### **Parents/Guardians of 6th grade students:**

Important Message from Nurse Press: This is an important message regarding 7th grade immunization requirements. Students must have a Tdap immunization, as well as the 2nd dose of Varicella on file at school to advance to the 7th grade. If your child has already received these immunizations, please bring in or fax a copy of the vaccine record to the school. If your child has not had either of these immunizations, please schedule an appointment with your medical provider or local pharmacy. Students who do not show proof of these immunizations will not be cleared to enter 7th grade in the fall. Notification letters will be sent home to those students who are missing immunizations prior to the end of this school year. If you have any questions regarding immunization requirements, please visit our school website at goprcs.org, or you can email our school nurse at <a href="mailto:jennifer.press@lausd.net">jennifer.press@lausd.net</a> – see p.17

Middle School After School Homework Help: Grades 6-8: Porter Ranch Community School will be offering an after-school Homework Club from February 5 through May 2, 2024. Homework Help is on a first come first serve basis. Please see the attached schedule titled "After School Academic/Intervention Class" for more details on days, times, and room numbers. Target Intervention is only for middle school students that have been invited through invitation only. Schedule/location CLICK HERE

# Middle School Minimum Days: Dismissal at 1:25 PM

- April 26<sup>th</sup>
- May 15th, May 16<sup>th</sup>, May 17<sup>th</sup>
- June 7<sup>th</sup> and June 10th

Minimum Day

8th Grade Culmination will be on Tuesday, June 11, 2024 at 9:00 AM.

# GATE MEETING FOR PRCS PARENTS GII VIA ZOOM



## **Gifted/Talented Identification Categories**

- Intellectual Ability
- High Achievement Ability
- Specific Academic Ability
- Creative Ability
- Leadership Ability
- Ability in the Performing Arts or Visual Arts

# WHEN:

**May 1, 2024 5:00 PM** 

# WHERE:

**Via Zoom** 

Use the Meeting ID: 897 3163 9496

# ELEMENATARY & MIDDLE SCHOOL



# PRCS GATE COORDINATORS:

Mrs. Yeghyazarians nellie.veghyazarians@lausd.net

Ms. Perez ani.balanji@lausd.net

# AGENDA:

Parenting Strategies for Raising a Healthy, Happy Gifted Child

Presentation will be available for all on the PRCS website, after the meeting. www.goprcs.org



# PRCS ES & MS 23-24 SBA Testing Calendar

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Tuesday

Monday

Week 1

May 6-10	5/6	5/7	5/8	5/9	5/10
5th Grade	NO Testing	NO Testing	5th Grade CAST	5th Grade Placement Test	5th Grade Make-ups done
8th Grade SCIENCE	MS CAST Per.1,2,5		MS CAST Per. 4		MS CAST MAKEUP
RESOURCE ONLY 5th Grade	5th Grade Resource ONLY ELA CAT	5th Grade Resource ONLY ELA PT	5th Grade Resource ONLY ES CAST	5th Grade Resource ONLY Math CAT	5th Grade Resource ONLY Math PT
RESOURCE ONLY 8th Grade	8th Grade Resource ONLY ELA CAT	8th Grade Resource ONLY ELA PT	8th Grade Resource ONLY MS CAST	8th Grade Resource ONLY Math CAT	8th Grade Resource ONLY Math PT
Week 2 May 13-17	Monday 5/13	Tuesday 5/14	Wednesday 5/15	Thursday 5/16	Friday 5/17
3rd, 4th, 5th Grade + 3rd & 4th Grade Resource	3rd, 4th, 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade ELA CAT	3rd, 4th, 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade ELA Performance Task	3rd, 4th, 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Math CAT	3rd, 4th, 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Math Performance Task	3rd, 4th, 5 <sup>th</sup> grade Make-ups + 5th grade Resource Math-Placement Test
MS 6th-8th Grade	MS CAST Makeups	MS 6th-8th Grade ELA CAT	MS 6th-8th Grade ELA PT MS Minimum Day	MS 6th-8th Grade Math CAT MS Minimum Day	MS 6th-8th Grade Math PT MS Minimum Day
RESOURCE ONLY 6th & 7th Grade	NO TESTING	6-7th Grade Resource ONLY ELA CAT	6-7th Grade Resource ONLY ELA PT	6-7th Grade Resource ONLY Math CAT	6-7th Grade Resource ONLY Math PT

# COFFEE WITH THE PRINCIPAL

Parent Workshop: Digital Safety
• Presented by AP, Helen Kim





FRIDAY, APRIL 26TH @ 8:30 AM

IN PERSON (MPR)OR VIA ZOOM



Questions for Ms. Melvin SCAN or TOUCH QR Code

Meeting ID: 819 4758 6672

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WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR PARTICIPATION!





# PRCS BOOSTER CLUB

**ANNUAL BUDGET & ELECTION** 

Meeting

Tuesday, May 28 @ 4 pm | Zoom

Meeting ID: 916 5287 4225 | Passcode: 063884



www.prcsdream.org



PRCS BOOSTER CLUB



**JOIN OUR TEAM!** 

The PRCS Booster club is looking to expand the D.R.E.A.M team for the 2024-2025 school year.

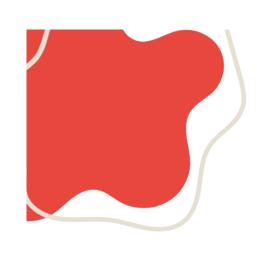
We are looking for new members to help with:

- Fundraising
- IT/Web design
- Graphic design
- Marketing

- Program sourcing
- Prize sourcing
- Events
- & More

IF YOU HAVE IDEAS FOR PROGRAMS, RESOURCES, FUNDRAISING EVENTS & MORE, OR ARE INTERESTED IN A BOARD POSITION, WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

For more information, contact Shauna Isenberg prcs.booster@gmail.com





2024 YEARBOOK



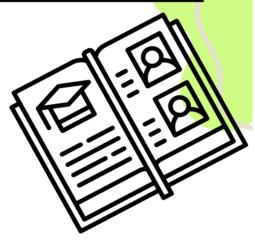
# buy the yearbook!

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**SCAN** 



# PRCS ATHLETICS EXHIBITION



# All Events will start at 4:15PM and conclude by 5PM

DANCE: Tuesday, May 7th - GYM

VOLLEYBALL: Wednesday, May 8th - GYM

BASKETBALL: Thursday, May 9th - GYM

SOCCER: Friday, May 10th - Soccer Field

CHEER: Friday, May 10th - GYM



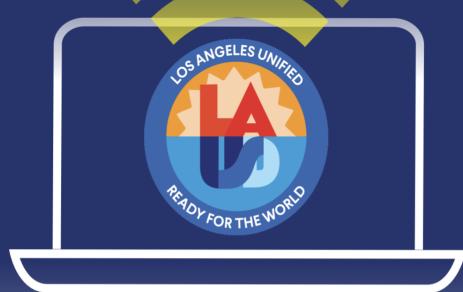


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# TIME IS RUNNING OUT! NEED A CHROMEBOOK?

Emergency Connectivity Fund (ECF) program is ending soon.

We highly encourage you take advantage of this great opportunity!



Benefit

·Home use device

Who Can Apply?

All students that are in need of a home use Chromebook

Sign up at device.lausd.net

# PORTER RANCH COMMUNITYSCHOOL





### Resident 2024 - 2025 Enrollment Information:

- Enrollment packets for the 2024-2025 academic year can be picked up from the Main Office beginning Friday, March 8, 2024.
- Completed enrollment packets will be accepted at the Main Office beginning Monday, March 11, 2024, and time-stamped in the order received.
- TK, K, 2nd, 3rd, 6th and 7th Grade are at Maximum Capacity for 2024-2025. A Maximum Capacity Waitlist is available at www.goprcs.org. The school will contact you if a spot becomes available.
- Make sure to verify you reside within the PRCS boundaries by using the Resident School Finder, accessible at or SCAN QR Code. https://rsi.lausd.net/ResidentSchoolIdentifier/schoolfinder.jsp.





### **IMPORTANT Enrollment Packet Information:**

- Completion of the enrollment packet does NOT guarantee a spot until enrollment is processed and approved.
- Completed enrollment packets will be time-stamped and processed in the order received.
- Any missing documents are considered an incomplete enrollment packet and will not be processed.
- Required Document information will be included with the enrollment packet.



Current Maximum Capacity Waitlist Grades:

• TK, K, 2nd, 3rd, 6th and 7th Grade

The Google Form Link to sign up for the waitlist is available at www.goprcs.org





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# Ready For 7<sup>th</sup> Grade?





Get the whooping cough shot and 2 chickenpox shots if you haven't had them yet!



Ask your doctor for any other recommended vaccines.



The Tdap vaccine and 2 doses of chickenpox vaccine are required for all  $7^{TH}$  graders. Your school will need your vaccine records. Talk with your doctor today.

ShotsForSchool.org



# Clinic and Wellness Centers School Mental Health

**Student Health & Human Services** 

# **PARENT WORKSHOPS**

# Topic changes each month:

- **Anxiety:** Parents will learn about anxiety and strategies to support their child.
- **Grief and Loss:** Parents will learn how to support their child who has experienced a loss.
- **Mental Health Wellness:** Parents will learn how to support their child with strategies for good mental health basics, identifying stressors and talking about feelings.

Parent Workshops 2nd Wednesday of the month 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

## **Dates:**

November 8 Mental Health Wellness

December 13 Anxiety

January 10 Crief and Loss

February 14 Mental Health Wellness

March 13- Anxiety

April 10 - Grief and Loss

May 8 - Mental Health Wellness

# Via Zoom

https://lausd.zoom.us/j/84788708406? pwd=R082anhTVVFNMVV0cVRGT3ZHY VA1OT09

Meeting ID: 847 8870 8406

Password: workshop



\*\*For further information, please contact Cecilia Elias at (323) 290-7737 (Option 3).

# **PRCS & LAUSD Resources**

IT Helpdesk is available at 213-443-1300

Parents, students, employees - devices or hot spots tech support

- Hours for IT Helpdesk, Fieldtech 7:30AM 4:30PM
- To chat with IT Help Desk, Click On: IT HelpDesk / Chat Live Will need LAUSD Student ID #
- Password/reset issues for Student Mymail Please contact your teacher

**Tech - Trouble Shooting Tips:** Mymail, Schoology and Parent Resources! LAUSD Schoology resources for students, parents, and teachers can be found on our website at <a href="www.goprcs.org">www.goprcs.org</a> along with other how-to tutorials and instructions for different platforms. Under STUDENTS > TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT

# PRCS (818)709-7100



# PRCS updates at goprcs.org

Elementary TK – 5

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Middle School 6 - 8

Adriana Fonseca adriana.fonseca@lausd.net

**General Questions** 

Gemma Cabrera gnc5435@lausd.net

**Parent Information or the Parent Portal** 

Safia Daks safia.daks@lausd.net

Jennifer Endler <u>jennifer.endler@lausd.net</u>



### **LAUSD HOTLINE NUMBERS:**

General: 213-443-1300 Mental Health: 213-241-3840



Student Health and Human Services

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Community of Schools CanogaPark/Chatsworth

(747)-224-4581 Visit website HERE













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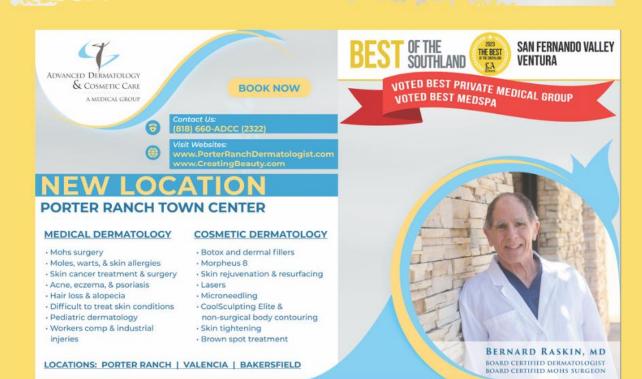
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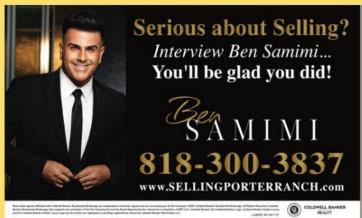
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