



PRCS Coyote Howl

February 5, 2024



February

2/5 Booster Meeting at 4:00 PM via Zoom – see p. 10

2/16 Elementary ONLY Minimum Day

2/19 Presidents' Day – School closed

2/23 Coffee with the Principal at 8:30 AM

in MPR or via Zoom - p. 16

Topic: Cyber Security & Social Media and Students

2/23 Poker Night at the Vineyards Comm Room – p. 11

2/26 - 3/1 Scholastic Book Fair

March

3/4 Booster Meeting at 4:00 PM via Zoom

3/15 Havana Night Gala at 6:00 PM at PVCC - p. 14

3/20 PTA Association Meeting at 5:00 PM

3/21 Elementary ONLY Minimum Day

3/22 Elementary and Middle School Minimum Day

3/22 Coffee with the Principal at 8:30 AM in MPR

3/25 - 3/29 Spring Break - No School

April

4/1 No School in observance of Cesar E. Chavez Day





Scholastic Book Fair is coming to PRCS!

February 26th - March 1st



Principal's Message:

Porter Ranch Community School has received acknowledgment from the district with a Gold Rating for Safety for its exceptional achievements in safety stewardship, accident prevention, and the establishment of a secure learning and working environment for the 2022-23 year. We extend our gratitude to the dedicated custodial staff, led by Mr. Manny Gonzalez, Plant Manager, and his team – Juan, Kevin, Steve, and Maria – for their unwavering commitment to maintaining our campus's safety on a daily basis.



I want to express my sincere appreciation to the dedicated PTA and so many of our volunteers who organized and put on our Sweetheart Dance for families to enjoy. Your hard work and commitment to creating a memorable event have not gone unnoticed. Thank you to all the families that joined us to making the event a wonderful experience for all.

Our next social event will be at the Vineyards Community Room for a fun Poker Night!

IF YOU LIKE PLAYING POKER...

or HAVE ALWAYS WANTED TO LEARN...

...this is your chance to learn or just play... and WIN BIG PRIZES....for a great cause!"

On Friday, February 23rd, The DREAM team will be hosting a Poker Night fundraiser to support essential school programs this school year and provide vital resources to our dedicated teachers and staff. It's a fantastic opportunity to come together as a community while contributing to initiatives that directly benefit our children's education.

Players of all experience and skill levels are welcome. The event is open to all adults (21 and over), so feel free to invite friends and family to join in the fun and help support the school.

For additional information and to secure your tickets, please visit prcsdream.org/poker. See p. 11

Principal's Message continued....

Please join us for these wonderful social events for parents in February and March!

- Poker Night for parents at the Vineyards Community Room see p. 11
- Havana Night GALA: Early Bird Tickets are now on sale! \$95/Ticket don't wait to purchase! March 15th at Porter Valley Country Club A night you won't want to miss! See p. 14 Click here to purchase here

Please mark your calendars for our upcoming Coffee with the Principal on Friday, February 23rd at 8:30 AM. We have scheduled parent workshops that will cover:

- **Cybersecurity** with Assistant Principal Ms. Kim.
- **Social Media for Students** by our Social-Emotional Counselor, Ms. Mehrabian, and RJ Coordinator, Mr. Hayden. See. p 17.
- Additionally, we are pleased to announce that Ms. Melvin, our COS Director, will be joining our Coffee with the Principal.
- Save the date, and we look forward to your participation!

Val-o-grams are now available for sale to send to your students, their friends, teachers and the whole class. Please click on the link below, or on the flier to place your orders. Val-o-grams will be on sale till Feb 8, or till quantities last. ValogramOrderForm Thank you for supporting 8th Grade. Questions? Please email vishwanathan.meena@gmail.com. See p. 13

STEM Expo Week: April 15th - April 19th. Calling all parents with science backgrounds to volunteer to be a mentor for students (3rd to 8th grades) in support of STEM EXPO science fair projects. We are looking for parent volunteers from any Science Technology Engineering or Math (STEM) background (e.g. healthcare, environmental sciences, biology, chemistry, engineering, computer software, data science, physics etc.). Please see p.15 or click on the Google form link for more details. Google Form HERE

Online – Tutoring and On Campus Intervention: Parents still have the opportunity to sign up for On-Demand Tutoring, Paper Co. for K – 8th grade students, and Home-Based Tutoring for students that qualify. If you have any question about intervention on campus, see. p. 5 or online tutoring, see p. 6-7 If you have any questions regarding tutoring please email our Coordinator, Mrs. Milliken at stm0046@lausd.net

Elementary After School Academic/Intervention: Grades 1-5: Porter Ranch Community School will be offering an after-school academic/intervention from <u>February 5 through May 2, 2024</u>. Academic Support/Intervention is on a first-come, first-served basis. **Any 1st-grade students participating** will need to be accompanied by their parents to the designated room and picked up at the end of class time. Parents who have students who attend the YMCA after school must notify the YMCA that their child will be attending the after-school program and will arrive at 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. See p. 5

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 who have been invited through invitation only. See p. 5

Have a good week everyone.

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

FEBRUARY HABIT: Think Win Win

Everyone Can Win!

I can problem solve when an issue comes up with another person. I think about what other people want and not just what I want.

Innovation & Technology – Come learn about the future.

PRCS 5th grade students are invited to get a head start on experiencing the future in technology through hands-on learning including drones, robotics and Esports. February 24th at 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM at Chatsworth Charter High School. Please RSVP using the QR Code

See flyer on p. 9

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Elementary Minimum Days: Dismissal UTK – 2nd Grade at 1PM / 3rd – 5th Grade at 1:15 PM

- February 16th
- March 21st
- March 22nd
- May 24th
- June 7th
- June 10th



End-of-the-year Kinder and 5th Grade celebration events in June:

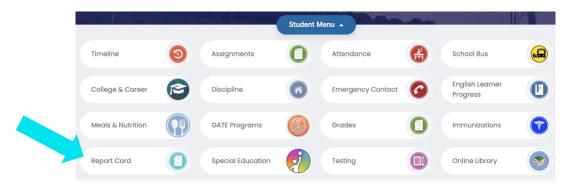
- 5th Grade Celebration will be on Monday, June 10, 2024 at 9:00 AM.
- Kinder Celebration details will be announced soon.....

For ES student absences, please follow the guidelines below:

Elementary students – please communicate with your child's teacher and you can also let the Main Office know by calling 818-709-7100 or email Ms. Natalie at natalie.bluemke@lausd.net or Ms. Darlene ddm7013@lausd.net

Middle School News

5-week progress report will be available via the parent portal on Saturday, February 17. Students must be ON PAR to receive an ON PAR treat on Friday, February 23rd. Progress report will be available for viewing in the **Parent Portal under > Report Card**.



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8th Grade Parents: End of the Year Letter with important dates and events have been sent home with 8th grade students and also shared by Ms. Gittins with parents on Friday evening via email. Please see p. 8 for the letter.

For your child to qualify for **Grad Night 2024** students must meet culmination requirements by the Spring 10-week report card.

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 heather.gittins@lausd.net

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

Middle School Minimum Days: Dismissal at 1:25 PM

- March 22nd
- April 26th
- May 15th, May 16th, May 17th
- June 7th and June 10th



For MS student absences, please follow the guidelines below:

Middle school students can turn in their absence note when they return to the middle school office or parents can contact Ms. Adriana at 818-709-7126 or email Adriana.fonesca@lausd.net

After School Academic/ Intervention Class

ES February 5- May 2, 2024

1st through 5th Grade

Open for all students in designated grade. First come, first served.

Cap is 20 students per class

Grade	Teacher	Room	Content	Days	Times
1st	Yang	7	ELA	Mondays, Thursdays	2:45-3:30 PM
1st	Park	8	Math	Wednesdays, Fridays	2:45-3:30 PM
2nd	Woodings (2/5-3/16)/ R.Berenson (3/18-5/2)	<mark>16/</mark> 17	ELA (2/5 -3/16) Math (3/18-5/2)	Mondays, Thursdays	2:45-3:15 PM
2nd	Maxfield	31	ELA/Math	Thursdays	2:35-3:35 PM
3rd	Berenson, M	26	ELA	Mondays, Wednesdays	2:55-3:55 PM
3rd	Yeghyazarians	23	Math	Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays	2:55-3:40 PM
4th	Khan	111	ELA/Math	Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays	2:55-3:40 PM
4th	Min	208	ELA	Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays	2:55-3:35 PM
5th	Gaudet	212	Math	Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays	2:55-3:35 PM
5th	Cullen	206	ELA/Math	Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays	2:55-3:35 PM

KDLP Language Development

Open for all KDLP in designated grade. First come, first served.

Cap is 20 students per class

Grade	Teacher	Room	Content	Days	Times
K-2	Bae	13	KDLP	Mondays, Thursdays	2:45-3:15

MS February 5- May 2, 2024

Middle School Homework Club

Open for ALL Middle School students. First come, first served.

Cap is 35 students per class

Grade	Teacher	Room	Content	Days	Time
6-8	Zakeri	230	Math/Science	Mondays, Thursdays	3:30-4:30 PM
6-8	Kita	222	ELA/History	Mondays, Thursdays	3:30-4:30 PM

MS February 5- May 2, 2024

Middle School Target Intervention **BY INVITATION ONLY**

Grade	Teacher	Room	Content	Days	Times
6-8	Westerhout	121	Math	Mondays and Wednesdays	3:30-4:30 PM

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1-TO-1 HOMEWORK HELP/TUTORING

To support students and families, LAUSD is providing on demand homework help with a personal virtual tutor. This support is available to all LAUSD students at no cost to families in multiple languages.

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Home-Based Tutoring are virtual tutoring services delivered to students in their homes under parent supervision, provided by an approved LAUSD tutoring vendor. Tutoring is available for English language arts and/or math.

Who is eligible?

Your child may qualify for tutoring in English language arts, math or both based on ELA and/or math performance data. Please check Parent Portal to see if your child qualifies.



Where can I find more information?

Your child's school will inform you of dates and times for optional informational meetings. You can also visit www.lausd.org/tutoring or email tutoringworks@lausd.net for more information.

How do I enroll my child

Beginning **September 18**, **2023**, you will be able to sign up via Parent Portal or <u>enroll.lausd.net.</u> You can then select a vendor, and preferred days and times.

When does my child start?

The vendor will contact you with a start date. Please be sure you are available to supervise tutoring sessions.

If you need a device or home internet connection, please visit <u>device.lausd.net</u>.



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February 2024

Dear 8th Grade Parents and/or Guardians,

Plans are underway for the "End of the Year" activities and culmination ceremony for your 8th grade students. Listed below are details of our upcoming activities. Our 8th grade Grad Night and Formal require pre-sale tickets. *Our ON PAR/Culmination Requirements* are the following: No Fails, no more than 2 "U's" in work habits, no more than 2 "U's" in cooperation, all Chromebook/textbook debts are cleared, and demonstrate satisfactory school citizenship.

Event	Date	Cost	Time
Spirit Wear: All Stars Class of 2024	More information to follow	More information to follow	More information to follow
Panoramic Picture/Formal Portraits *Students must wear appropriate attire*	Friday, April 12, 2024	There will be a fee and order forms will be sent out closer to the date.	Periods 1-3
Grad Night *ON PAR EVENT	Friday, May 3, 2024	\$90	After School @ Universal Studios
Honor Roll *Invitation to follow	Friday, May 31, 2024	No Fee	Period 1 @ PRCS MPR
Formal *ON PAR EVENT	Tuesday, June 4, 2024	\$90	6:00 pm-9:00 pm @ Porter Valley Country Club
Culmination *ON PAR EVENT	Tuesday, June 11, 2024	No Fee	9:00am @ PRCS Field

8th Grade Class Fund Request: More information to follow in February.

8th Grade Grad Night 2024: Universal Grad Bash at Universal Studios Hollywood. Ticket includes admission and transportation. This is a student only event in California middle schools. There will be adult chaperones on site. Deadline to turn in payment is Friday, April 22th. Registration forms will be sent out in February. Please make checks out to PRCS PTA. For Grad Night information, please contact Meena Vishwanathan, 8th grade coordinator at vishwanathan.meena@gmail.com. This is not an LAUSD sponsored event. Ticket is non-refundable. Students must meet Culmination Requirements by March 22nd to attend this ON PAR event.

8th Grade Formal: Hosted at Porter Valley Country Club 6:00pm – 9:00pm. Tickets include dinner, DJ, photo booth, and more! This is a faculty chaperone event only. The formal is optional for students who would like to attend. Parents are responsible for pick up and drop off. Registration forms will be sent out in March. Please make checks out to PRCS PTA. This is not an LAUSD sponsored event. Ticket is non-refundable. Students must meet Culmination Requirements by May 3rd to attend this ON PAR event.

8th Culmination: Students must wear appropriate attire for school culmination. Students must meet Culmination Requirements to attend this ON PAR event.

8th Grade Honor Roll: Honor Roll awards, cords, and plaques will be handed out in the MPR. Invitations will be sent out in May. Parents are invited.



PRCS 5TH GRADE NNOVATION & TECHNOLOGY

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5TH GRADERS ARE INVITED TO GET A HEAD START ON EXPERIENCING THE FUTURE IN TECHNOLOGY THROUGH HANDS-ON LEARNING INCLUDING DRONES, ROBOTICS & ESPORTS.



Chatsworth HS
10027 Lurline Ave
Chatsworth, CA 91311

For information contact:
Kimberly Wright, BSAP Coordinator at
kmw0987@lausd.net

Register now through this QR CODE



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PRCS BOOSTER CLUB A desired and the second second

Monday, Feb. 5 @ 4 pm | Zoom

Meeting ID: 983 1324 8465 | Passcode: 298303



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POKERNIGHT



FEBRUARY 23, 2024

THE VINEYARDS COMMUNITY ROOM

TIME: 6:00 to 10:00 pm | TICKETS: \$200 | includes : Chips, Dinner & Beverages





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PRC PTA FEB NEWSLETTER



We hope everyone had a great time at BINGO NIGHT!







PORTER VALLEY COUNTRY CLUB PARENT NIGHT OUT! 6-11PM

EARLY BIRD \$95 TICKETS NOW ON SALE! **SEE ADDITIONAL FLYER

3 Course Dinner



March 15

Music & Dancing

LUNAR NEW YEAR

Feb 9

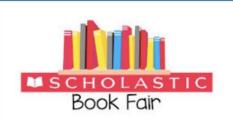
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FLYER FOR MORE DETAILS



BOOK FAIR 2/26 - 3/1

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EMAIL BETTY TO HELP VOLUNTEER: BANDJ620@GMAIL.COM

VAL-O-GRAMS

ON SALE NOW THROUGH 2/8/24 OR UNTIL SOLD OUT!

\$1 - LOLLIPOP

\$2 - HERSHEY'S BAR

\$3 - GLITTER SLIME

\$5 - PLUSH



\$25 class set - UTK - 2nd

\$30 class set - 3rd-5th

\$35 class set - MS





CLICK HERE FOR GOOGLE FORM





JUST FILL OUT GOOGLE FORM AND SEND PAYMENT!!
THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE 8TH GRADE!

Val-O-Grams will be delivered to classrooms on 2/13/24





Questions? vishwanathan.meena@gmail.com

You're Invited



PRC PTA GALA MARCH 15

6-11PM

Porter Valley County Club



Early Bird Special \$95/Ticket until 2/16. Purchase your tickets NOW!

3 Course Dinner, Drinks, Dancing, and more!

Parent Night Out - Let's come together and celebrate our school community!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Let's continue to inspire future generations to pursue science and build a bright future. Signup using the QR below to participate in an information session planned for the end of January to learn more.

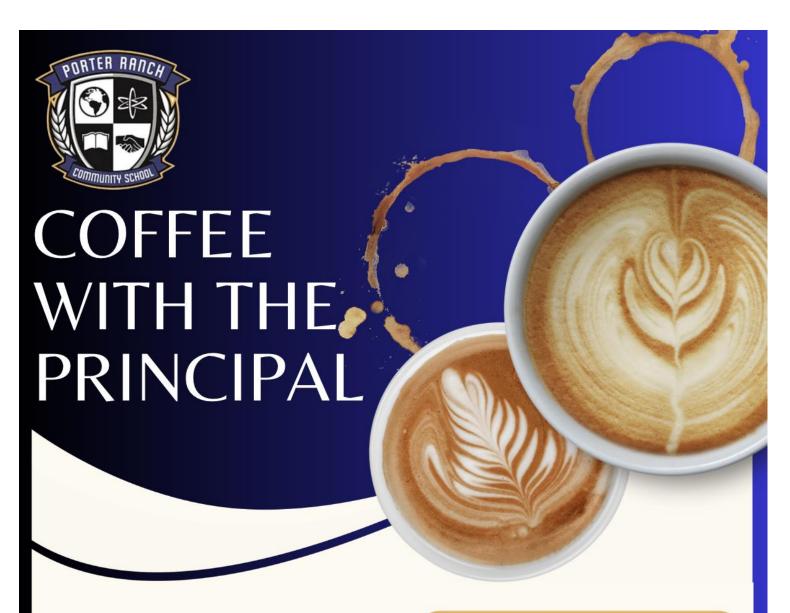








Question may be directed to asadhu@gmail.com



PARENT WORKSHOPS:

- CYBERSECURITY
 - PRESENTED BY AP, MS. KIM
- SOCIAL MEDIA & STUDENTS
 - PRESENTED BY SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL COUNSELOR, MS. MEHRABIAN AND RJ COORDINATOR, MR. HAYDEN

FRIDAY, 2/23 AT 8:30 AM

IN PERSON IN MPR OR VIA ZOOM

Meeting ID: 835 0647 7272

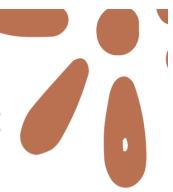
IN ADDITION, COS DIRECTOR, MS. MELVIN WILL BE JOINING COFFEE WITH THE PRINCIPAL.

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR PARTICIPATION!



Porter Ranch Community School

Parent Workshop: Social Media and Students



Friday, February 23rd, 2024 right after Coffee with the Principal which begins at 8:30am

Learn about the risks and benefits of students using social media, how to set limits and boundaries, and how to build connection with your student around this important issue.



Michelle Mehrabian, LCSW, PSW and

Aaron Hayden, M.A. Ed., RJC

Clinic and Wellness Centers School Mental Health

Student Health & Human Services



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 Grief 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).



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

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- 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 www.goprcs.org along with other how-to tutorials and instructions for different platforms. Under STUDENTS > TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT

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PRCS updates at goprcs.org

Elementary TK – 5

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Middle School 6 - 8

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LAUSD HOTLINE NUMBERS:

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



Student Health and Human Services

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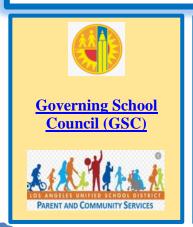
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- · Pediatric dermatology
- · Workers comp & Industrial

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- · Morpheus 8
- Skin rejuvenation & resurfacing
- · Lasers
- Microneedling
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