



# THE LINK

LA PALOMA ACADEMY  
CENTRAL CAMPUS  
WEEK OF OCTOBER 3, 2016

## HOMELESS RESOURCES

If your family lives in any of the following situations:

- A shelter, motel, vehicle, or campground
- On the street
- In an abandoned building, trailer, or other inadequate accommodation
- Doubled up with friends or relatives because you cannot find or afford housing

Then, you have certain rights or protections under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Act. Contact Homeless Liaison Kathleen Phillips, at [kphillips@lpatucson.org](mailto:kphillips@lpatucson.org), for more information.



Join our email list at [LPACentral.org](http://LPACentral.org)!  
And check out our Facebook page, too!

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### OCTOBER

Character Trait: Respect

- ✓ **OCTOBER 3-7:**
  - Galileo Benchmark Testing, K-8
- ✓ **OCTOBER 3-26:**
  - Fall Grams on Sale
- ✓ **OCTOBER 5:**
  - Duds for Dollars
- ✓ **OCTOBER 7:**
  - Honors Assemblies  
Grades 1-2, 8:45-9:15 a.m.  
Grades 3-4, 9:30-10 a.m.  
Grades 5-6, 10:15-10:45 a.m.  
Grades 7-8, 11-11:30 a.m.
- ✓ **OCTOBER 7:**
  - End of 1st Quarter, Half Day, No After-School
- ✓ **OCTOBER 10-14:**
  - Fall Break, No School
- ✓ **OCTOBER 28:**
  - Harvest Fest, 6-8:30 p.m.

## AUTUMN IS HERE

Fall Grams are now on sale. Order yours or send one to someone special. All Fall Grams will be delivered on October 31.

## BEFORE SCHOOL

Just a reminder that our Before School Program is always happy to welcome students who arrive early; however, please keep in mind that, for the sake of safety, we ask that you DO NOT drop off your student before 7:30 a.m. There is no staff to supervise the students either inside or outside of our building until that time and we can't be responsible for students who are dropped off prior to 7:30 a.m. Thank you for helping us to keep our school community safe.

## PICTURE TAKING POLICY

We understand your desire to take cute pictures of your children playing with their friends while at school. However, we need to keep in mind that not all parents want pictures of their children taken for a number of reasons.

In order to respect all of our families, we are asking that you **DO NOT** take pictures of students at school unless you have clearance from the office. Anyone seen trying to capture those precious moments on campus will be asked to put the camera or cell phone away and take pictures off campus. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Phone: (520) 721-4205 | [www.LPACentral.org](http://www.LPACentral.org)

School Hours: Grades K-6: 8:30 a.m.-3:15 p.m. • Grades 7-8: 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Every Wednesday is a half day. School ends for K-6 at 11:30 a.m.; grades 7-8 end at 12 p.m.

Please send inquiries to: [vvalencia@lpatucson.org](mailto:vvalencia@lpatucson.org)



## IMPORTANT PARKING INFORMATION

Our neighbor, Pinnacle Peak Restaurant, is allowing LPA to use their parking lot during our peak times:

- 7:45 - 9:00 a.m.
- 2:45 - 4:00 p.m.

This will help lessen student drop-off/pick-up congestion. It is VERY IMPORTANT that all cars drive SLOWLY through the parking lots—both Pinnacle Peak’s and ours. Please keep your speed below 10 mph. If cars drive recklessly through Pinnacle Peak’s parking lot, we will lose the privilege of using their property.

Thank you,  
Brendan Ewald  
Principal

## STUDENT LUNCH ACCOUNT

We are excited to offer **MySchoolBucks®**! This online payment service provides a quick and easy way to add money to your student’s meal account using a credit/debit card or electronic check. You can also view recent purchases, check balances, and set-up low balance alerts for **FREE!**

Enrollment is easy!

1. Go to [www.MySchoolBucks.com](http://www.MySchoolBucks.com) and register for a free account.
2. Add your students using their school name and student ID.
3. Make a payment to your students’ accounts with your credit/debit card or electronic check.

*A program fee may apply. You will have the opportunity to review any fees and cancel if you choose, before you are charged.*

If you have any questions, contact MySchoolBucks directly:

- [support@myschoolbucks.com](mailto:support@myschoolbucks.com)
- 1-855-832-5226
- Visit [myschoolbucks.com](http://myschoolbucks.com) and click on Help

## TAX CREDITS

Arizona law allows taxpayers to receive a tax credit of up to \$400 for donations that benefit our students. A tax credit reduces what you owe in state taxes, dollar-for-dollar. For more information, including a printable form, please go to our website, [LPAcentral.org](http://LPAcentral.org).

## ATTENTION PARENTS

Make sure your child gets to school on time. The last school bell rings at 8:30 a.m. and breakfast will be served in the classroom at this time. If your child is tardy, he or she will not be served breakfast in the morning.

## DRESS CODE REMINDER

We require students to adhere to our uniform dress code. Solid-color polo shirts in the school colors: red (not maroon), white, or navy blue can be worn, or La Paloma polo shirts available in the office for \$14 each. Slacks, shorts, jumpers, capri pants, and skirts in khaki or navy blue are acceptable (no other “bottom” colors are permitted). Uniforms should not be either excessively baggy or too tight. The dress code applies to all students at all times during the school day, including after-school and school-sponsored events and activities.

## UNIFORM ORDERS

Uniforms and sweatshirts are now available to order! The following items are offered:

- T-Shirts - \$10
- Polos - \$14
- Pullover Sweatshirts - \$20
- Zip-Up Sweatshirts - \$22

## SNACK SHACK

The Snack Shack will be open on Wednesdays, from 1-2:30 p.m., and Fridays, from 3:15-4:15 p.m.