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LA PALOMA ACADEMY  
CENTRAL CAMPUS  
WEEK OF AUGUST 8, 2016

## 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.



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And check out our  
Facebook page, too!

2050 N. Wilmot Rd., Tucson, AZ 85712

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### AUGUST

Character Trait: Citizenship

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ <b>AUGUST 10:</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Duds for Dollars</li></ul></li><li>✓ <b>AUGUST 17:</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Special Duds</li></ul></li><li>✓ <b>AUGUST 24:</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Duds for Dollars</li></ul></li><li>✓ <b>AUGUST 22-26:</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Book Fair</li></ul></li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ <b>AUGUST 24:</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Coupon Book Fundraiser</li></ul></li><li>✓ <b>AUGUST 30:</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dentist On-Campus Visit</li></ul></li><li>✓ <b>AUGUST 31:</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Duds for Dollars</li></ul></li></ul> |
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## THANK YOU

Thank you to all parents and families who attended Open House! Our teachers and staff enjoyed going over classroom expectations, goals, and academic requirements with all who attended. We look forward to helping your student(s) achieve great things this year.

## PLEASE VOLUNTEER

The commitment of our parents is key to La Paloma's success, and we are always looking for volunteers. Just remember that if you would like to help out in the classroom or chaperone a field trip, you must fill out a volunteer application, which includes the information for the Arizona fingerprint and background check, beforehand. The initial processing takes 24 hours, but the remainder can take several weeks. Once the application is processed visitors are welcome, but must register at the office.

With the start of a new school year, your fingerprints from last year may have expired. Call the front office to schedule an appointment to have your fingerprints renewed for this year.

**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 12:00 p.m.

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



## ATTENDANCE POLICIES

La Paloma Academy is committed to:

- Working with students and their families to ensure that all students attend school regularly
- Understanding there are a variety of factors that may influence school attendance
- Providing strength-based and culturally appropriate interventions and services, including parent education and referrals to school/community-based resources
- Addressing excessive absenteeism, chronic tardies, and early departures as quickly as possible
- Communicating the issue to the parents/guardians
- Partnering with parents/guardians and students to develop strategies to address the absenteeism and produce a change in behavior

Please review the Student-Parent Handbook for the full attendance policy.

## PARKING LOT EXPECTATIONS

Parents, please help keep our parking lot safe!

- **YELLOW CURB:** This is a quick Drop-Off/Pick-Up zone. Please remain in your vehicle. No parking. Do not exit your car.
- **RED CURB:** This is a Fire Lane. No stopping. No parking.  
FOR YOUR CHILD'S SAFETY - DO NOT DROP OFF OR PICK UP IN THIS LANE!  
Always pull your car as close to the yellow curb as possible to drop off or pick up your child.
- **AFTER SCHOOL:** Students who are getting picked up can wait in front of the school from 3:15-3:30 p.m. (K-6), 3:30-3:45 p.m. (7/8). Students must report to the After-School Program by 3:30 p.m. (K-6) or 3:45 p.m. (7/8). If you are waiting and don't see your child in front of the school, please park your car in the parking lot and go to the office to have them paged from the After-School Program.

For your child's safety, make sure they wait right in front of the school and wait until you pull up. Students who wander out to the parking lot or dirt lot are not safe. Please reinforce this with your student.

- **INSIDER TIP:** 3:15-3:25 p.m. is the busiest time in the parking lot. Try to arrive after 3:25 p.m. to avoid the traffic.

## 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).

## PARKING INFORMATION

There is a new building under construction across from campus, which is creating traffic issues. If you are picking up your children after school, please follow the signs and exercise patience, so after-school pick-up can go as smoothly and safely as possible for all students and families. Thank you.

## 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

## 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.

## LPA CENTRAL ONLINE

Don't forget to stay in touch with your student's teacher through their blog. Each parent has a link to follow their student's progress. We encourage you to use it throughout the year!

Visit [LPACentral.org](http://LPACentral.org) to see school news, our event calendar, lunch menu, and more. We are also on Facebook! Like our page for daily school updates and helpful information.