



# THE LINK

LA PALOMA ACADEMY  
CENTRAL CAMPUS  
MAY 15, 2017

## SPIRIT WEEK

May 15-19 will be Spirit Week at La Paloma Central. Every day will be a different way for students to show their school spirit:

### Monday

Favorite Sport Shirt Day

### Tuesday

Twin Day

### Wednesday

Crazy Hair Day

### Thursday

Crazy Sock Day

### Friday

Favorite Singer Shirt Day

## OPEN ENROLLMENT

We are currently holding open enrollment for all grades for the 2017-2018 school year. If you know anyone seeking exceptional education for the upcoming school year, don't forget that La Paloma also offers a FREE breakfast program and FREE before- and after-school care. Go to [www.LPACentral.org](http://www.LPACentral.org) to register.



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

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### MAY

Character Trait: Review of Kindness

- ✓ **MAY 15-19:**
  - Spirit Week
- ✓ **MAY 19:**
  - Kindergarten Celebration, Udall Park, 9-11 a.m.
- ✓ **MAY 23:**
  - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation, 6:30 p.m.
- ✓ **MAY 25:**
  - Last Day of School
  - Honor Roll Assemblies
  - Half-Day, No After-School, No Lunch

## A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL WHO ATTENDED THE MOTHER AND CHILD PAINT NIGHT!

## KINDERGARTEN CELEBRATION

Kindergarteners will be celebrating the end of the school year and their promotion to 1st grade, at Udall Park on May 19, from 9-11 a.m.

## 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE GRADUATION

The end of the school year is rapidly approaching, and we want to be certain that everyone has time to plan for our upcoming 8th grade graduation ceremony, which will take place May 23 at 6:30 p.m.

## SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Please note that, while students may have the summer off, La Paloma Academy will be open. Our summer office hours will be Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

## HOME BUYERS CLASS

Have you ever wondered if home ownership is right for you? It may be easier than you think! Find out at one of our Home Buyers Classes, where real estate and lending experts will share their knowledge, provide tools, and answer questions. Classes are one hour in length, followed by a half-hour Q&A session. Food and childcare will be provided. Central families are welcome to attend seminars at La Paloma South and Lakeside locations.

**Talk with lending experts  
at the following May classes:**

May 16, 6-7:30 p.m. (South)  
Topic: *Obtaining Credit and Financing*

May 23, 6-7:30 p.m. (Lakeside)  
Topic: *Learning About VA Loans*

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**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)



## NEW SNACK SHACK HOURS

Students should note that the Snack Shack is open after school one day a week:

- Wednesday 1-3 p.m.

## 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.

## 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.

## 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.

## 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).

## 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.

## LOST & FOUND

Have you taken an end-of-the-year inventory of your student's belongings and found several items missing? Before the year is over, check the Lost and Found at the front office to claim items that have gone astray.

## 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.**