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LA PALOMA ACADEMY
CENTRAL CAMPUS
MAY 7, 2018

DUDS FOR DOLLARS

Every Wednesday is Duds for Dollars day at La Paloma Central. Students who pay \$1 to their teacher will be allowed to wear any school-appropriate clothing they like. The monies collected via this fundraiser will be used in the classroom or for special activities.

Please be prepared for the Special Duds Day on May 16! Students will be instructed on the apparel they will be allowed to wear on that day. At no time are students allowed to wear pants with tears, flip-flops or spaghetti strap tops.

EARLY RELEASE ON WEDNESDAYS

It's important for parents to remember that students are released early every Wednesday throughout the school year. Students in grades K-6 are released at 11:30 a.m., and students in grades 7-8 are released at 12 p.m. The After-School Program will be available until 6 p.m. every day unless otherwise noted.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY

Character Trait: **Review of FCC**

MAY 7-11:

- Teacher Appreciation Week

MAY 9:

- Duds for Dollars

MAY 11:

- Teacher Appreciation Lunch
- Mother and Son Fun Day, 5:30- 7:30 p.m.

MAY 16:

- Special Duds

MAY 18:

- Character Lunch with the Principal

MAY 22:

- 8th Grade Promotion

MAY 23:

- Free Dress Down Day

MAY 24:

- Last Day of School
- Half-Day
- NO After-School

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK:

While we all appreciate our teachers every day, we set aside May 7-11 to express our gratitude for everything our great teachers do. We'll be having a Teacher Appreciation Lunch in the cafeteria on Friday, May 11. We encourage every student to bring something nice for their teacher that day, like a special treat or a gift card. Let your teacher know how much you care about them!

MOTHER AND SON FUN DAY

Moms and their sons can share a fun time with an obstacle course, wet slides, food, beverages, and raffle prizes. Please get your tickets soon! We need to sell more than 50 tickets to make this happen! Tickets are \$15 per mother-son pair (\$5 for each additional sibling) and can be purchased at the front office.

SUMMER CAMP

Summer Camp will be held, May 29-July 20, from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. For eight weeks we'll keep your kids—and their brains—busy with monthly themes, daily activities, swimming, volleyball, tae kwon do, movies, bowling, museums, and twice-a-week enrichment classes. Plus, daily breakfast, lunch and snacks are included in the \$140/week fee. Note: Save \$10 per week for each week you prepay. La Paloma Summer Camp is DES approved. Enrollment ends May 24.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

La Paloma Academy is registering kindergarteners for the 2018-2019 school year. If you, or anyone you know, has a child who will be five years old prior to September 1, 2018, they are eligible for La Paloma's FREE full-day kindergarten. Our kindergarten curriculum includes language arts, math, science, social studies, health and safety, and character education. La Paloma also has FREE before and after-school care.

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.

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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



CHECK OUT LPA CENTRAL ONLINE

LPAcentral.org offers our newsletters, special events and school reminders that is user-friendly, easy to navigate, and can be fully translated into Spanish. The website also features Family Link, allowing parents to follow their student's academic progress. We encourage you to use it throughout the year! Visit LPAcentral.org to see school news, our event calendar, lunch menu, informative blogs, and more. We are also on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram! Like our Facebook page for daily school updates and helpful information.

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.

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.



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PARKING LOT SAFETY

Please remember that we have small children and families walking in the parking lot. So, drive carefully and slowly on school property. Pinnacle Peak Restaurant has allowed La Paloma Academy to use their parking lot during our busy times, from 7:45 to 9 a.m., and from 2:45 to 4 p.m. It's extremely important parents remember to drive slowly through this parking lot. Parents driving too fast will cause us to lose the use of the Pinnacle Peak lot.

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.

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 Kelly Houk, at khok@lpatucson.org, for more information.