

PRCS Coyote Howl

March 8, 2021

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Spring Break – March 29 – April 2

Incoming 2021-2022 Resident Pre-Enrollment

Now Available!

Go to <u>goprcs.org</u> > OUR SCHOOL > ADMISSIONS or <u>click HERE</u>



WE NEED HOT SPOTS!

Please drop off any hot spots that are not in use to our main office. They will be reassigned to students on the waiting list.



Scholastic Spring Book Fair Starts March 15 – 28!

Our Spring Book Fair is online! Support PRCS library and help your child discover new books, favorite characters, complete series & more! Free shipping on book-only purchases over \$25 (p.8)

MAIN OFFICE

Hours: 7:30 AM – 3:00 PM

Phone: 818-709-7100



For Covid 19 Safety:

Wear a mask, keep socially distanced. Main Office will be assisting 2 visitors in the main office at a time.

<u>Principal Demirjie's Message:</u> Good Evening PRCS Families. This month will be a Parent/Teacher Conference month for elementary. Your teachers will contact you with further information.

During the week of the 15th, we will have **March Grab n Go for Tk-8**th grades to distribute student materials and District provided headphones for your devices.

- Elementary schedules will be provided by your teachers.
- Middle School Grab n Go will be on Wednesday the 17th by grade level.
 - o 6th grade from 1:00-1:45pm.
 - o 7th grade from 1:45-2:15pm
 - o 8th grade from 2:15-2:45pm.

This Friday's elementary Spirit Day is Picnic Day! Pack a lunch, snack or dinner and have a picnic in your living room or backyard. Take a photo and submit your pictures to prcspublications@gmail.com to be featured in our Weekly Assembly. For MS it will be House Color Day!

On Tuesday, March 9th at 3pm, our school psychologist interns will be presenting a parent workshop via Zoom. The topic will be "Daily Schedules: How to practically approach day to day." See p. 2 & 11.

Parents, for those of you who received Hotspots from us and are no longer using them, please return them back to the school. We do have families in need of Hotspots and our District is no longer providing additional hotspot devices due to having many families with hotspots that are not active or put to use. So please, if you are not using your Hotspots, return it to the main office to further assist our families in need. Have a great week everyone.



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School Announcements

Coffee with the Superintendent on March 9th has been postponed. New date TBA.

Parent Positive Behavior Workshop

Tuesday, March 9th at 3:00 PM

Topic: Daily Schedules: How to Practically Approach Day to Day during COVID-19

Tuesday, March 16th at 3:00 PM

Topic: Resilience & Educational Resources during Distance Learning

Zoom Meeting ID: 695 023 7674 Zoom Link: https://lausd.zoom.us/j/6950237674



(Flyer on p.10)

March Grab n Go: TK – 8th grade student materials & District provided headphones for devices will be distributed.

• ES Schedule will be provided by your teachers.

MS Schedule: Wed, 3/17
 6th Grade 1:00-1:45 / 7th Grade 1:45 – 2:15 / 8th Grade 2:15 – 2:45

PTA - Interested in being part of the PTA Board for the 2021-22 school year? Our current board is looking for a treasurer. If you are interested, please email Adrienne Masi at Adrienne.masi@gmail.com See page 8 for details. Next PTA Association & Election Meeting will be on March 17th at 6:00 PM via Zoom. Meeting ID: 591 101 5611 Passcode: hello

Dine Out – Save the date! **Wednesday, March 24** at the HOOK'D Fish Grill

JOIN THE PTA! Membership is only \$10/person. Click here to join

Menu: https://hookdfishgrill.com/menu/ see p.9

HOOK'D

HOOK'D FISH GRILL 10176 Reseda Blvd Northridge, CA 91324 Tel: (818)960-2006

GSC – Next Governing School Council Meeting will be on March 18 at 3:00 PM.

https://lausd.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZErcOuvgzwvG9BU5JxcPt_pAksKE3Z65MnE

Booster Club: April Booster Club Meeting will be on Tuesday, April 6 at 3:00PM via Zoom TBA.

LAUSD Covid-19 Testing – Who can take the LA Unified Covid 19 Test? (p. 16)

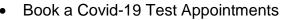
Los Angeles Unified Students

Register in advance for this meeting:

- Los Angeles Unified Employees
- Household Members of LAUSD Students and Employees
- Children Participating in Los Angeles Unified Child Care Programs

To make an appointment, go to dailypass.lausd.net

Daily Pass is now a new feature in the Parent Portal: (p.17)



- Get Covid-19 Test Results
- Answer the Daily Health Check
- Get a Daily Pass that admits you onto a campus

Please make sure to have a Parent Portal Account set up to view important information: Schoology, Progress Reports, IGP and now Daily Pass!

LOG IN or REGISTER FOR PARENT PORTAL HERE































Elementary News



Leader in Me

MARCH HABIT:

Tell us how you **Sharpen the Saw** in a video and send it to prcspublications@gmail.com to be featured in our Weekly Leader in Me Assembly!

Balance is best!

ES Spirit Day for Friday, March 12 is Picnic Day! Pack a lunch, snack or dinner and have a picnic in your living room or your backyard and take a photo! Please submit your pictures to prcspublications@gmail.com to be featured in our Weekly Assembly picture montage.



Report Cards – March will be Parent/Teacher Conference Month. Report cards should be ready to view in the Parent Portal > Progress Report after March 5. LOG IN or REGISTER FOR PARENT PORTAL HERE

Hand 2 Mind – English Language Arts (ELA) and Math manipulative materials are being sent to students' address on file by the District. Teachers will let students/parents know how and when to use the materials. Deliveries of the grade specific Hands 2 Mind materials will be completed by the end of February. Parents can complete the link below if they did not receive their kits, wrong grade level or missing items. https://fulfillment.icolorprinting.net/

Middle School News

MS Spirit Days - March Events - Sponsored by ASB

- o Friday, 3/12
 - House Color Day Sports Team Day Friday, 3/19









Grab n Go Schedule: Wed, 3/17-6th Grade 1:00-1:45 / 7th Grade 1:45 - 2:15 / 8th Grade 2:15 - 2:45



Individualized Graduation Plan (IGP) is now a button available to view in the Parent Portal. Please make sure to have a Parent Portal account set up to view important information: Schoology, Progress Reports, IGP and Daily Pass! LOG IN or REGISTER FOR PARENT PORTAL HERE

10 Week Progress Report Card - Grading period closed on March 19. When the grading period closes, the progress report will be available to view on Parent Portal > Progress Report.

MS Homework Club - Drop in on Zoom and ask any math homework questions. 2:15 PM – 3:15 PM every Tuesday thru Friday. P. 4

NEW Zoom link for March: https://lausd.zoom.us/j/85447426665?pwd=M3FvYjNlNjJKbkkvN1pYK1Flak5LUT09

SRLA featured article By Emma Kavcioglu, 8th Grade Student at Porter Ranch Community School

srla.org link here:https://www.srla.org/news/2021/2/22/emma-lucky-for-the-little-things

Emma, Lucky for the Little Things

Emma considered herself lucky because she was able to join SRLA and take part of the Los Angeles Marathon in 2020. When just 5 days later the world was locked down due to the Coronavirus pandemic, Emma had to come back to running with a new mindset. She realized she was lucky for the little things.

Emma completing her first Los Angeles Marathon in March, 2020.

I still remember the day that I became a part of the SRLA family. My P.E teacher and fourth-grade teacher, who would become my SRLA leaders, announced and explained the program to me and I went on a limb and signed up. I had never really thought about how long 26.2 miles was and how much work it would even take.

That last-minute decision however was the best thing I have ever done because the 2019-2020 season was some of the best times that I have ever had. My friends and I had pasta parties and sleepovers, which were then followed by a race and even more celebrating. It was amazing. **Then in March, we were luckily able to run in the LA Marathon.** I got a great time and had seen so much improvement in my running and overall fitness throughout the season.

Then just 5 days later, the world stopped. The coronavirus, or Covid-19, had taken over the world and forced everyone into lockdown. It was a blast of shock, fear, and uncertainty that followed my personal euphoria. When the world stopped initially, everyone stopped. Like most, I wasn't doing as great mentally or physically and was overall just lacking.

"The pandemic just gave me an understanding of how lucky I am to be surrounded by great people that want the best for me, and how lucky we were to just see each other and motivate each other to run in these troubling times."

Emma during one of the 20 - 21 virtual races.

As time went on and just staying at home and not seeing the people you care about and doing the things you love became normal, I was itching to do something. Especially just having finished a great season. I just wasn't ready to let that go. I knew that what I needed to get back into my usual go-getter mentality, I needed running back.

The SRLA 2020-2021 season began, and running in a pandemic brought many new changes. **There were no more pasta parties, sleepovers, or live races. But even with these changes, I found myself so happy to just see my coaches and team and go on normal runs.** One of my coaches recently had a newborn child, and I find myself so grateful for him. I struggle to wake up at 6 am for practice in the morning and I don't have a newborn baby crying all night to tend to.

The pandemic just gave me an understanding of how lucky I am to be surrounded by great people that want the best for me, and how lucky we were to just see each other and motivate each other to run in these troubling times. Even though I jokingly complain to my coaches and teammates when I arrive tired at the crack of dawn to begin running, I really wouldn't trade running and being part of SRLA for the world.

This year is unlike any other, but through adversity, I and those around me have improved so much and will be forever grateful for this season, SRLA, and each other.

YOU CAN HELP STUDENTS LIKE EMMA AND HER TEAMMATES KEEP RUNNING THROUGH ADVERSITY Donate, volunteer, sponsor or run with our students to make a difference with SRLA.

PRCS Middle School SRLA 2020-2021 Team Members:

Emma Kavcioglu Kylee Rose Emily Cardona

Justin Tran Christian Romero Kyle Applegate

Tyler Lee John Matassa David Tejeda

Gavin Markgraf Haig Jarekian Advisors: Mr. Morales and Ms. Wendorf



Written by Emma Kavicioglu

This year being part of an SRLA team has been one for the books. It wasn't possible to attend live races or meet as often as once before. However, even though the Pandemic has brought many changes, there are plenty of things that stay just the same! In order to train for the culminating event that is coming March 21st, our team has been still sticking to a schedule. Along with constant runs individually over the week our team meets early at our local park before school on Thursday mornings and have weekend practices where we do long runs! This year has definitely been an odd one for SRLA. Usually all the runners on the team would be running in the LA Marathon live race in March. However because of this pandemic that has changed and training has been compromised us as runners will have the option of the amount of distance we want to do this year!













MIDDLE SCHOOL AFTER SCHOOL HOMEWORK CLUB

TUESDAY - FRIDAYS

2:15 PM - 3:15 PM

Via Zoom with Mr. Harwitt

NEW Zoom Link:

https://lausd.zoom.us/i/85447426665?pwd=M3FvYiNINiJKbkkvN1pYK1Flak5LUT09

All middle school students are encouraged to drop in ask any homework questions!

CARNIVAL OF KNOWLEDGE

Presented by CHATSWORTH CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL School for Advanced Studies & G+STEAM

PM Times	item
6 - 6:20	Opening
6:25 -6:45	Session 1
6:50 - 7:10	Session 2
7:15 - 7:35	Session 3
7:40 - 8	Session 4

Wednesday @ 6pm March 24, 2021

Join us for a community celebration of Student
Achievement, Performances and Activities!

www.chatsworthhs.org/carnival/

Register for Zoom ID

Sessions to choose from include: Academic / College Counselors and Enrollment, CTE / Electives, Science, Mathematics, English, History / Social Sciences, Languages other than English, English Language Development, PE / Health / Athletics, School for Advanced Studies, Clubs and Organizations, G+STEAM Magnet





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Together We Rise!



PTA Elections & Association Meeting



Wednesday, March 17 @ 6pm

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5911015611?pwd=T1BNeUVKVFhGeWExNC8wcDZzUExRdz09

Meeting ID: 591 101 5611 Passcode: hello

Our current 2020-2021 board slate is:

Alice Lee - President

Arezo Abedi - VP of Programs

Kristi Matassa - Secretary

Adrienne Masi - Historian

Meena Vishwanathan - Treasurer

Sherine Fahim - Auditor

WE ARE ON THE **LOOKOUT** FOR ANYONE WHO WANTS TO GIVE A LITTLE OF THEIR TIME TO HELP CONTINUE THE GREAT LEGACY OF **PORTER RANCH COMMUNITY SCHOOL PTA!**



We are really looking for a Treasurer at this time. Meena has been so amazing to keep accepting this nomination, however, a new treasurer is needed for next year.

*Each of the positions has a 2-year term limit. You must be a PTA member to hold a board position. Only \$10 to be a member. <u>Click here</u> to support and become a member!

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Questions? Comments? Suggestions? Email Alice Lee, PTA President at alice534@hotmail.com

Spring Book Fair is coming!



March 15th - March 28th

Shop New

PRC PTA's Spring Virtual Scholastic Book Fair

- Exclusive online shopping experience for PRCS Families!
- Over 6.000 products including Book Fair Exclusives, New Releases, Value Packs and more!
- All book only purchases of \$25 and over SHIP FREE directly to your home!
- All purchases directly benefit our school!

Questions? Please contact Meena Vishwanathan at Vishwanathan.meena@gmail.com





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ALL DAY FUNDRAISER

Wednesday, March 24, 2021

Porter Ranch Community School PTA

Place an order at

Hook'd Fish Grill

and 20% of your

purchase will

support PRCS!

Place your order at

http://hookdfishgrill.com/

and enter

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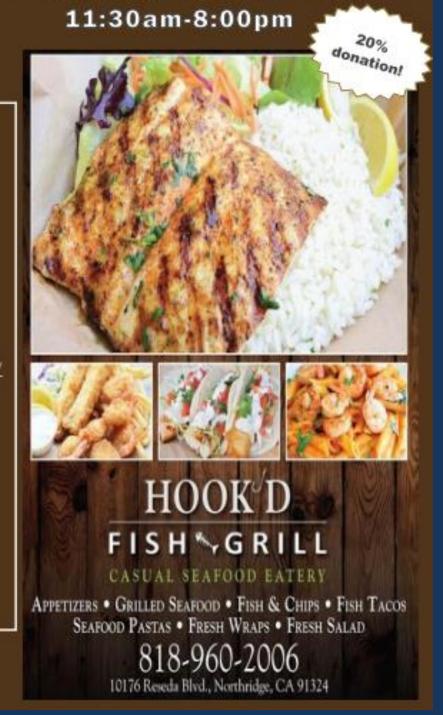
in notes section.

Or show this flyer

on your smartphone

at the register.

P7/4° everychild.one voice.°



March



Parent Workshops & Informational Meetings

PARENT POSITIVE BEHAVIOR SUPPORTS STRATEGIES DURING DISTANCE LEARNING



Tuesdays

Time: 3:00 PM

March 9

March 16

please join us! of parties



Zoom
Meeting ID:
695 023 7674

Zoom Link: https://lausd.zoom.us/j /6950237674

Tuesday, March 9 at 3:00 PM

Topic: Daily Schedules - How to Practically Approach Day to Day during Covid 19

Tuesday, March 16 at 3:00 PM

Topic: Resilience & Educational Resources during Distance Learning

Presentation by School Psychologist Interns: Yong Ho Daniel Choi & Karla Organista

Any questions, please email jennifer.endler@lausd.net

















Local District Northwest

Parent and Community Engagement Unit (PACE)

Rosa Parks Learning Center

Presents | Presenta Parent Workshop | Taller Para Padres

High Frequency Words Dalabras de Alta Frecuencia



Date / Fecha: March 18, 2021 (18 de marzo de 2021) Time / Hora: 3:00 p.m.

ZOOM ID: 810 9218 0155

Passcode/Contraseña: 601688

Led By / Dirigido Por:

Parent and Community Engagement (PACE) Team

Morena Camp (morena.camp@lausd.net)
Ritma Estupiñan (ritma.estupinan@lausd.net)
Robert Goldstein (rdg6546@lausd.net)
Sandra Becerra (Sandra.x.becerra@lausd.net)





TO VISIT THE SITE FOR MORE INFORMATION

CLICK HERE

angeles math week

March 8-14, 2021

A full week of family time with stories, games, and math activities in English and Spanish for families with students in K-8.

mindresearch.org/lausd-math-week







Get access to the LAUSD Parent Portal to view Schoology, Report Cards, Progress Reports, IGP for MS. Now the Daily Pass to schedule Covid-19 Tests, get Covid-19 test results and more! IF you need assitance or you need the 4-digit pin code, please email the Parent Center Director, Jen Endler at jennifer.endler@lausd.net or call the LAUSD Hotline M – F from 6AM – 6PM at 213-443-1300.







Progress







Student Testing



Special Education Services



Online Forms &



Emergency Can Information



Transportation and Bus Routes



Preparing for High School



Progress Reports



Gifted/Talented Programs



Schoolog







Digital Citizenship Resources for Parents





Parent Common Sense Resources – Click on topics

Parent Concerns Videos Cyberbullying Privacy and Internet Safety Facebook, Instagram, Videos Stype Stop Cyberbullies Stype Stop Internet Safety Tips For Kids

 Special Needs and Learning Difficulties

and Social Media

<u>View More Parenting Tips</u> <u>English</u>

o Tips for Kids with

Learning Difficulties

Tech 101 Integration

View / Download
 English & Spanish

Tip Sheets











New day added- 2 options to participate- same zoom code

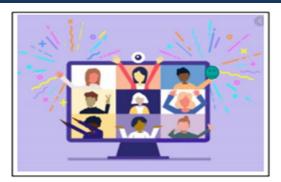
Northwest Stars Twinkle Time

Come join us as we socialize-virtually. We have created a space where children TK-2nd grade can come interact through song, dance, making snacks, and most of all use our imaginations.

Virtual Field Trip on Wednesdays 12:30-1:00

After School on Thursdays 1:40-2:10 p.m.

Meeting ID: 897 6804 7212



ZOOM HANG OUT! 6™ – 12™ GRADE

Middle School and High School Students are welcome! Come hang out virtually with students from local middle schools and high schools. Our Advisors from LAUSD's Systems of Support will be available to talk about life, what everyone has been up to and what advice you may have for others while we are off campus. This is a hang out where you can talk about what's on your mind. Get support with the challenges you have and offer support to others. Know you are not alone in how you are feeling.



Join Us Every

Tuesday 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM

Mtg:935-9066-4090 PW: 503754

Thursday 7:45 AM - 8:45 AM

Mtg:973-7162-4221 PW: 071917

All 6th – 12th graders are welcome!





Positive Culture Club



Parents start your week off right!

Join us Monday mornings at 9:30

https://lausd.zoom.us/j/8536821412



We provide our community of school parents with a safe place to access support and resources to promote social-emotional skills and wellness in a virtual setting.

You are invited to join the LDNW Systems of Support Advisers in building community and sharing a continuity of resources and support!















Creating a Positive Culture CLUB

We are here to support YOU!

Students, Parents, Teachers & Administrators



We provide a safe place for all stakeholders to discover resources to manage social-emotional skills in a virtual setting.

Join us Tuesday afternoons & Thursday mornings



Thursdays 7:45am - 8:45am

Zoom Code: 935 9066 4090

Zoom Code: 973 7162 4221

Safe Steps to Safe Schools FAQ click HERE





GET YOUR COVID-19 TEST, USE THE DAILY PASS & STAY SAFE

If we all take these Safe Steps to Safe Schools, together we help stop the spread of COVID-19 and get back to the classroom.

GO TO: dailypass.lausd.net

Commit to Healthy Behaviors

Wear your mask, socially distance and wash your hands to prevent the spread of COVID-19.







Use the Daily Pass

With the Daily Pass, employees, parents, and students can book their COVID-19 test appointments, get their results, answer the Daily Health Check questions and get a Daily Pass that admits you onto a campus or office.



Get tested for COVID-19

Knowing where the virus is in the community is how we know when to go back to school safely.



For help scheduling a COVID-19 test or using the Daily Pass, contact your school site or call the Los Angeles Unified Helpdesk at (213) 443-1300.



WHO CAN TAKE AN LA UNIFIED COVID-19 TEST?



COVID-19 testing in the Los Angeles Unified School District is now available as we do everything we can to protect the health and safety of all in the school community.

Testing is available to:









Schedule your COVID-19 testing appointment:

Go To: dailypass.lausd.net

For assistance: Call your school Call the hotline at (213) 443-1300





By practicing healthy behaviors and participating in the testing program, together we can reduce the spread of COVID-19 in our community.

Distance Learning Resources

IT Helpdesk is available at 213-443-1300 or 213-241-3840

- Parents, students, employees devices or hot spots tech support
- Hours for IT Helpdesk, Fieldtech 7:30AM 4:30PM
- 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. Click on **STUDENTS** or **PARENTS**

Device or Hotspot Request go to: Parent Portal to request or go to our website at www.goprcs. org > DISTANCE LEARNING > Computer Device & Hotspot Internet Request. Enter Access code: Lausd2020 and

PORTER RANCH SCHOOL (1230301) only choose:

Once registered, please wait for the school to contact you – Device Distribution date will be sent by the email on the request. This is only for new requests.

Absence Notes while Distance Learning

- Elementary Parents can send an email to their child's teacher,
- Middle School Parents can send an email to Ms. Laura at laura.castillo@lausd.net

Parent Portal Pin Code – Parents have 2 ways to obtain the Parent Portal Pin Code: Zoom is required to verify ID

- 1. Jen Endler Parent Community Rep by Office Zoom Appointments. Please Email for an appointment. Jennifer.endler@lausd.net
- 2. Call the LAUSD Hotline 6:00AM 6:00PM Monday thru Saturday. Call 213-443-1300 Special Winter Break Hours below.

While our office is working remotely, please email us and we will be able to assist you.

Elementary K - 5

Lisa Adams email: lisa.adams@lausd.net Safia Daks email: safia.daks@lausd.net

Middle School 6 - 8

Laura Castillo email: laura.castillo@lausd.net

General Questions

Donna Patterson email: dpatte1@lausd.net

Parent Information or the Parent Portal

Jennifer Endler email: jennifer.endler@lausd.net

LAUSD HOTLINE NUMBERS:

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

Visit: https://achieve.lausd.net/Page/16559#spn-

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Hours Monday thru Friday 6:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Special Education: 213-241-6701 Or visit achieve.lausd.net/sped

Grab n Go Meals – visit for locations and hours: https://achieve.lausd.net/Page/16904



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FOR CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
OR A QUOTE – PLEASE CALL
TODAY!

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PREMIER SPONSOR

2020-2021



Porter Ranch Community School would like to thank Toll Brothers along with our Councilmember, John Lee, for their continued support and commitment to PRCS.