



# PRCS Coyote Howl

October 5, 2020

## OCTOBER

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**OCTOBER: Begin with the End in Mind**

**SPIRIT DAY on 10/9/20**

**Elementary is College Day!**

Wear a shirt, hat or the colors that  
show your favorite college!

**Middle School is House Shirt Day!**

Show your house spirit on Zoom!

## Principal Demirjie's Message:

Good evening PRCS families. This is Principal Avak Demirjie with few announcements. LA County has announced that they will be granting waivers for schools to reopen. I would like to let you know that we have to wait for our District leaders to move forward with a plan for our school's reopening. As soon as I receive any type of information regarding school openings, I will communicate with you.

Just a reminder, our picture days will be on Oct. 13th, 14th, and 15th. Picture Day Letter that went out last week is on page 4 of the HOWL. I want to thank PTA for organizing our first ever Family Virtual Bingo Night. We had so much fun! If you have not had a chance to be a member of our PTA, you can do so by visiting our website at [goprcs.org](http://goprcs.org). On Tuesday, October 6th at 9 am, our local district will have a Coffee with The Superintendent and the flyer can be found on page 7. Pre-registration is required at [bit.ly/CoffeeWithTheSup](http://bit.ly/CoffeeWithTheSup)

On October 6th at 3 pm, Booster Club will be having their meeting via Zoom and the log-in is on p.2 of the HOWL. On October 7th at 5 pm, we will be having our Governing School Council (GSC) Elections via Zoom. Pre-registration is required. The link is at the bottom of this message. Our district is providing a parent workshop on the topic of Stay Connected with Your Child During Distant Learning. It will take place on October 7th at 10 am and October 27 at 10am. The zoom links and registration is on p.3 of the HOWL. Korean Dual Language Program (KDLP) virtual tour will be on October 8th at 5 pm. Pre-registration is required. Please see the flier on our website.

[www.goprcs.org](http://www.goprcs.org) From October 5th-11th PTA has organized a Dine Out at Jersey Mike's at the Vineyards. Percentage of the proceeds will benefit our school. Jersey Mike's flyer is on p.5 of the HOWL. If your children still have school library books checked out, please return them to our main office. We are still missing 122 library books.

Our Elementary spirit day for this Friday is College Day. Students can wear shirts, hats, or their favorite college colors. You can take a picture and submit them for our Monday assemblies by visiting our website. For middle school students on Friday, it is wear your House Shirts Day to show your House Spirit on Zoom! Let's all have a great week. Take care everyone and please stay safe.

- **Governing School Council Pre-Registration Link:**  
<https://lausd.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcscuytqzMuE9lh55XnWFqElyST3-Uth2Js>
- **Booster Meeting log-in Zoom information:** Meeting ID: 899 2005 6684 Passcode: 062590



## School Announcements

**New! Governing School Council Election** will be held on **Wednesday, October 7 at 5:00PM**. It's open to all parents of PRCS, please register in advance for this meeting:

<https://lausd.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcscuytqzMuE9lh55XnWFqElyST3-Uth2Js>

**New! Message from PTA:** Use the arts to share your personal **Reflections Arts Contest** on this year's theme: **I Matter Because...** Submissions are due by October 15, 2020. More specific details about how to submit your artwork will be shared soon. If you have any questions, please contact the Reflections Chair, Kristi Matassa at [kmatassa@socal.rr.com](mailto:kmatassa@socal.rr.com) See p.8 Letter and flyer will be attached.

**Message from the Booster Club:** Make a difference! TOGETHER IN MISSION, the Booster Club can continue to support the quality of services we expect for all PRCS students. We are aiming for 100% participation from our families. Let's take care of our Coyote Family by **GIFTing Today!** <https://www.supportprcs.org/gift> to donate.

- **Booster Club Meeting:** October 6 at 300PM – All are welcome!
- **Meeting ID: 899 2005 6684 Passcode: 062590**

**Coffee with the Principal** – Next Coffee with the Principal will be on Thursday, October 22 at 5:00PM.

**Dine Out Week: Jersey Mike's at the Vineyard - October 5 – October 11 - flyer on p.5**

Save the Dates! See flyer attached for details and the QR Code. Jersey Mike's will donate 20% of the sales back to PRCS! Use Promo Code PRCS2020. Applies to Online/app orders only.

**Korean Dual Language Program Virtual Tour for 2021-2022 School Year** – flyer on our website click [here](#)

**Date:** Thursday, October 8

**Time:** 5:00PM

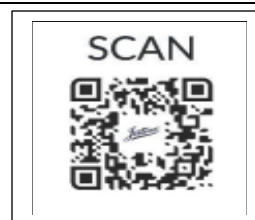
If you have any questions, please contact Jen Endler at [jennifer.endler@lausd.net](mailto:jennifer.endler@lausd.net)

**Square One Art Fundraiser** - October 16 – November 20. The Square 1 Art fundraiser provides you the opportunity to purchase keepsakes and gifts featuring your child's art! Every order profits PRCS! ES Room Parents will be sharing the details!

**Yearbooks for 2020-21 on sale now!** [www.jostensyearbooks.com](http://www.jostensyearbooks.com)

For more information on 8th grade dedications, photo submissions, and other Yearbook updates, please continue to check the weekly edition of the HOWL, or email Mr. Hayden at [aaron.hayden@lausd.net](mailto:aaron.hayden@lausd.net)

See page 5 for REPLAYIT Photo submission instructions and p.6 for the flyer



## Elementary News

**GATE Gifted/Talented News** – Up to date information about gifted/ OLSAT testing can be found on <https://achieve.lausd.net/Page/16576>

**Spirit Day Fridays: College Day** is October 9! Wear your college gear! Wear a shirt, hat or the colors that represent your favorite college! Don't forget to take pictures and submit, [prcspublications@gmail.com](mailto:prcspublications@gmail.com)

**Weekly Leader in Me Assemblies is looking for student participation! Flag Salute, Leader in Me Message!**

Submissions: Please submit your videos and photos no later than every Friday by 5:00 pm to [prcspublications@gmail.com](mailto:prcspublications@gmail.com) - see flyer for details on our website at [www.gopracs.org](http://www.gopracs.org) click on Leader in Me!

## Middle School News

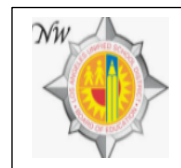
**Honor Roll for Spring Semester 2020** – Drive thru Honor Roll Recognition will be held on **Friday, October 9 at 3:00PM – 4:00PM**. Current 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade student that are eligible for the 3.66 – 4.0 GPA from 2020 spring semester will receive an invitation from Mrs. Almany by email.

**Progress Reports** – 10 week grading period closes on October 9. Monitor grades and assignments for your child on Schoology. If you still need to set up a LAUSD Parent Portal account to view your child's Schoology, please contact Jen Endler at [Jennifer.endler@lausd.net](mailto:Jennifer.endler@lausd.net) for any assistance.

## Parent Informational Meetings & Workshops

**Coffee with the Superintendent** is on Tuesday, October 6 at 9:00AM.

- Flyer on p.6 Registration is required: [bit.ly/CoffeeWithTheSup](https://bit.ly/CoffeeWithTheSup)



**NEW date added! Stay Connected with Your Child During Distance Learning**

- Wednesday, October 7** at 10:00AM on Zoom – flyer on p. 7
- Register here [https://lausd.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_mXbW2o7TS0KbF8CT3oxDdg](https://lausd.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_mXbW2o7TS0KbF8CT3oxDdg)

**Stay Connected With Your Child During Distance Learning**

- Tuesday, October 27** at 10:00AM on Zoom - flyer on p.7
- Join the meeting:** 830 2142 7396 **Password:** LEARNING



**Save the Date! Community of Schools TOWN HALL Meeting**

- Thursday, October 20 at 6:00PM on Zoom Link TBA

## Distance Learning Resources

**Counseling Office - Mrs. Almany's Bitmoji Office Link:** <https://www.goprcs.org/counselor-s-corner>

- Counseling Office Hours
  - Mondays** 10:00AM – 11:00AM / 1:00PM – 3:00PM and
  - Tuesdays – Fridays** 9:00AM – 12:00PM

**Student Health and Human Services - HOTLINE** 213-443-1300

School Mental Health – We promote mental health, well-being and academic achievement of all LAUSD students. Please visit LAUSD SHHS and click on <https://achieve.lausd.net/domain/662#spn-content> to get access for more info to mental health services. Referral forms are available on the site or call 213-241-3840 and request mental health services. Hours are 6:00AM – 6:00PM – Monday thru Saturday on the HOTLINE at 213-443-1300

**IT Helpdesk is available at 213-443-1300**

- Parents, students, employees having trouble with their devices or hot spots.
- Hours for IT Helpdesk, Fieldtech 7:30AM - 4:45PM, Monday – Friday
- Password/reset issues for 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](http://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:** [www.goprcs.org](http://www.goprcs.org) and click on Computer Device & Hotspot Internet Request

Enter Access code: **Lausd2020** and only choose **PORTER RANCH SCHOOL (1230301)** Once registered, please wait for the school to contact you – Device Distribution date will be sent by the email on the request. .

**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](mailto:laura.castillo@lausd.net)

**Parent Portal Pin Code** – Parents have 3 ways to obtain the Parent Portal Pin Code:

- Main office – In person only with a valid ID during office hours 7:30AM – 3:00PM
- Jen Endler – Parent Community Rep – Office Zoom Hours Please Email for an appointment. [Jennifer.endler@lausd.net](mailto:Jennifer.endler@lausd.net)
- Call the LAUSD Hotline 6:00AM – 6:00PM Monday thru Saturday. Call 213-443-1300  
**OPTION 2 & 3 will require to zoom to verify ID on camera.**



October 1, 2020

## Picture Day Letter

Dear Parents of PRCS,

I am happy to announce that picture day will be happening October 13 – 15. In order for us to hold picture days on campus, we have strict Covid Safety Guidelines and schedules to uphold. PRCS Staff and School Portraits Photographers need to coordinate to photograph over 1200 students over the 3 days. I would like to ask everyone to be patient with us as we are learning to navigate a new way of doing picture days. We have taken into consideration that at PRCS families have multiple siblings in K – 8 and therefore we will have a schedule by last name. This is a Grab n Go style for picture days. Drive through the carpool lane and staff will provide directions. No parking and no students are allowed to be dropped off at any time on campus. Students will be escorted by staff to take pictures in the designated kinder classroom. One student/siblings will be permitted at one time with the photographer. Students will be escorted back to their car after their picture is taken.

Please arrive on time during your last name time slot and be camera ready! ***For 8<sup>th</sup> grade students, this will serve as your culmination picture. As a tradition at PRCS, 8<sup>th</sup> grade culminating students like to dress for success, business attire.*** \*There is no makeup picture day scheduled for this school year. If students cannot make the picture day with School Portraits, we will send instructions at a later time from our Yearbook Advisor, Mr. Hayden to ask parents to send in a picture for the yearbook.

**Due to Covid Safety Guidelines, everyone must adhere to the schedule listed.**

DAY 1	10/13/2020	DAY 2	10/14/2020	DAY 3	10/15/2020
LAST NAME	APPOINTMENT TIME	LAST NAME	APPOINTMENT TIME	LAST NAME	APPOINTMENT TIME
A	9:00 - 10:00	H - I	9:00 - 10:00	N - O	9:00 - 9:45
B	10:00 - 11:00	J	9:45 - 10:15	P	9:45 - 10:30
C	11:00 - 12:15	Ka - Kh	10:15 - 11:00	Q,R	10:30 - 11:00
D	12:15 - 1:00	Ki - Kw	11:00 - 11:45	S	11:00 - 12:15
E, F, G	1:00 - 2:00	L	11:45 - 12:45	T, U, V	12:15 - 1:15
		Ma - Me	12:45 - 1:45	W, X, Y, Z	1:15 - 2:15
		Mi - Mu	1:45 - 2:30		

Picture order forms from School Portraits will be sent out next week. Pictures can be pre-ordered online or can be purchased with an order form printed and brought with you on picture day.

Please remember while on campus, follow social distancing at all times and a face mask must be worn properly and will be only removed just before pictures. Photographers will be behind the camera only and will not have any contact with students and will not be responsible for helping students with grooming before pictures. **Restrooms will not be available on campus.**

I would like to thank everyone in advance for your understanding and cooperation to make picture day a success!

Sincerely,  
Avak Demirjic, Principal



# JERSEY MIKE'S APP FUNDRAISER

October 5 - October 11, 2020



**DOWNLOAD  
OUR APP**  
← SCAN WITH CELL



Good goes beyond the sub! **Order online or on our app** using promo code **PRCS20** on **October 5 - October 11**—and we'll happily **donate 20% of your sale** in support of **Porter Ranch School**. Enjoy some great subs and help Jersey Mike's support this worthy cause.

VALID ONLY AT:

**20101 WEST RINALDI ST. • PORTER RANCH • 818-488-7588**

Valid 10/5 - 10/11/20. Valid online/app only, with promo code PRCS20

# *Preorder Your 2020-2021 Yearbook Today!*



Link to Josten's online store to purchase the yearbook, as well as 8th grade dedications-

<https://www.jostens.com/apps/store/customer/2247908/Porter-Ranch-Community-School/>

\$35 to pre-order the yearbook!

The only thing scarier than Halloween during a pandemic is not having a yearbook to commemorate this once in a lifetime schoolyear!

Yearbook Adviser-Mr. Hayden -  
[aaron.hayden@lausd.net](mailto:aaron.hayden@lausd.net)

Josten's Yearbook link: <https://www.jostens.com/?affiliateSearch#affiliateSearch>



**JOIN US this fall for Porter Ranch CS  
VIRTUAL MUSIC class lessons  
with INCREDIBLE TEACHERS and  
open to STUDENTS in Grades K - 5**



**There is still time to register!**  
More information at [www.jointheorchestra.com](http://www.jointheorchestra.com)



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**SCHOLARSHIPS & free INSTRUMENT rentals are AVAILABLE**

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**[www.jointheorchestra.com](http://www.jointheorchestra.com)**

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Join the Orchestra!  
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Can still register for  
After school enrichment!  
For more information go to  
[www.jointheorchestra.com](http://www.jointheorchestra.com)

### Instrument Choices

- **Kindergartners** may choose violin or [Kinder Music Fun](#).
- **First graders** may choose the violin, recorder or piano/keyboard.
- **Second graders** may choose violin, recorder, ukulele, or piano/keyboard.
- **Third, fourth and fifth graders** may choose violin, cello, flute, clarinet, alto sax, trumpet, trombone, [pBone mini](#), ukulele, or piano/keyboard.

Los Angeles Unified School District  
Office of Parent and Community Services  
Local District Northwest

**Coffee with the  
LDNW Superintendent**



Coffee with the Local District Northwest Superintendent is intended to be an opportunity to meet with the LDNW staff to discuss current issues and exchange information. Each meeting will include presentations by PACE, Operations, Instruction, District/LD staff, and Superintendent Joseph Nacorda. Board Member representatives will also provide updates. These meetings will give parents the opportunity to provide input on new and continuing initiatives, and discuss the impact at the local schools.

**Dates for 2020-2021:**

- Tues., Oct. 6, 2020
- Tues., Dec. 1, 2020
- Tues., Feb. 9, 2021
- Tues., March 9, 2021


**Time:**

- 9:00 am-11:00 am

**Registration link to attend webinar:**  
[bit.ly/CoffeeWithTheSup](https://bit.ly/CoffeeWithTheSup)

*After registering, you will receive a confirmation email about joining the webinar.*

**Contact Information:**  
Local District Northwest PACE  
6621 Balboa Boulevard  
Van Nuys, CA 91406  
818-654-3600




Local District Northwest  
Superintendent Joseph Nacorda

**October 6 at 9:00AM - 11:00AM**

Registration link to attend webinar:  
[bit.ly/CoffeeWithTheSup](https://bit.ly/CoffeeWithTheSup)

To see the flyer ctrl + click on link



**Canoga Park/Chatsworth  
Community of Schools  
invites parents for an online  
training**



**Stay Connected with Your Child during  
Distant Learning**

Please join our webinar to participate in a Parent Workshop.

[Register here](#)

[https://lausd.zoom.us/join/7W\\_m0XW2o7TS0KbF8CT3oxDdG](https://lausd.zoom.us/join/7W_m0XW2o7TS0KbF8CT3oxDdG)

Date	Time	Language
Wednesday, October 7, 2020	10:00 a.m.	English/Spanish



If you have any questions, please contact:  
Tricia Gillikin ([plg4613@lausd.net](mailto:plg4613@lausd.net))  
Robert Goldstein ([rdg6546@lausd.net](mailto:rdg6546@lausd.net))  
Alice Lee ([alice.lee@lausd.net](mailto:alice.lee@lausd.net))



**Local District Northwest  
Parent and Community Engagement Unit**

**Online Training for Parents**

**Topic:** Stay Connected With Your Child During Distance Learning

Parents and Guardians,  
Please join our video conference to participate in a parent workshop.

Please visit [zoom.us](https://zoom.us). Click [JOIN A MEETING](#). Use this code to join  
the meeting: **830 2142 7396** Password: **LEARNING**



Date	Time	Language
Tuesday, October 27, 2020	10:00 a.m.	English/Spanish

**If you have any questions, please contact:**

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Robert Goldstein ([rdg6546@lausd.net](mailto:rdg6546@lausd.net))  
Morena Camp ([morena.camp@lausd.net](mailto:morena.camp@lausd.net))  
Sandra Becerra ([Sandra.x.becerra@lausd.net](mailto:Sandra.x.becerra@lausd.net))

# I Matter Because...

**2020-2021**



**Call for  
Entries**

**Deadline For Entries:** **October 15, 2020**

**For Details, Contact:** Kristi Matassa [kmatassa@socal.rr.com](mailto:kmatassa@socal.rr.com)

Learn more and get involved! [PTA.ORG/REFLECTIONS](http://PTA.ORG/REFLECTIONS)



## PTA Reflections 2020-2021

Use the arts to share your personal  
Reflections on this year's theme:

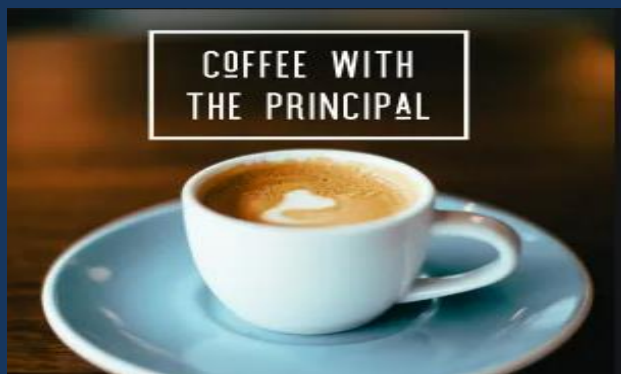
## I Matter Because...

Submissions are due to the Reflections  
Chair, Kristi Matassa, by October 15,  
2020. More specific details about how  
to submit your artwork will be shared  
soon. If you have any questions, please  
email Kristi at [kmatassa@socal.rr.com](mailto:kmatassa@socal.rr.com)

### Arts Categories

- Dance  
Choreography**
- Film Production**
- Literature**
- Music  
Composition**
- Photography**
- Visual Arts**





**Porter Ranch  
Community School**  
Building Lifelong Learning Practices

Join us for the October

**Coffee with the Principal**  
Thursday, October 22 at 5:00PM

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PRIVATE PHOTO SUBMISSION

## Get your pictures in the yearbook.

The yearbook staff invites students and parents to submit photos for the yearbook. If you've got great photos of school and community events or you and your friends just having fun, we'd like to see them.

Our photographers can't be everywhere. Help us get as many photos as possible to create a terrific book everyone will want to have.

**The last day to submit your photos is:**

February 1st 2021

### SUBMIT YOUR PHOTOS ONLINE

**LOG ON TO:** [images.jostens.com](https://images.jostens.com)

**Enter Login ID:**

415468760

- Browse to select the photo(s) you wish to upload, click on "Select My Images."
- Enter information about the photo and provide contact information in case the staff needs additional information.
- Click "Upload Chosen Images."

It's that easy! Submit your photos today!

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BOOSTER CLUB  
2020-21**



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