



PRCS Coyote Howl

Week of September 4, 2017

Important Dates

SEPTEMBER

It's GIFT Time!

<http://www.goprcs.org/giving>

- 4 No School – Labor Day
- 5 Parent Training “Leader In Me” in the Bungalow Room 35 at 8:30AM
- 6 PTA Meeting at 8:30am Location to be determined
- 8 Picture Day for K – 8
Lifetouch picture forms have been sent home with students. Please check their backpacks
- 13 Dine Out at Sharky's in Chatsworth -11AM – 9PM Dine in or Take Out - 20% of net sales with flyer
- 15 Coffee with the Principal at 8:30AM in MPR
- 15 Family BINGO Night sponsored by PTA from 6:00PM – 8:00PM in MPR
- 20 PTA Association Meeting at 8:30am in the MPR
- 21 NO SCHOOL – Unassigned Day
- 27 4th Grade Parents only - Sacramento Trip Meeting at 6:30PM in MPR
- 28 SSC Meeting at 3:00PM Location to be determined

MINIMUM DAYS

ELEMENTARY:

- 11/13, 11/14 and 11/15 for Parent Teacher Conferences
- Main gate and the Mason gate will open 10 minutes prior to end time and close by 1:00PM

MIDDLE SCHOOL:

- 11/1 Minimum Day end time 12:27PM
- Gate on Sesnon will open at 12:15PM and close by 12:45PM
- Please pick up your child by 12:45PM

ON CAMPUS FOR VISITORS OR VOLUNTEERS:

Must sign in at the main office and have a visitor sticker or volunteer badge on at all times while on campus for safety. Parent or guardians may come on campus when the main gates open for pick up.

ALL TUESDAYS FOR K - 8 WILL BE EARLY OUT FOR STAFF DEVELOPMENT

**Kinder end time 1:44PM
1st - 5th end time 1:34PM
6th - 8th end time 1:22PM**

CAMPUS SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENT

For all of our student's safety, the gates on Mason Ave and near the main office will open 10 minutes prior to end of the elementary school day. The gate on Sesnon Blvd will open 10 minutes prior to end of middle school day. For campus safety, no one is allowed to wait on campus until the gates are open for visitors and volunteers - Please make sure to sign in and pick up your LAUSD volunteer badge in the main office or make sure to receive a visitor's sticker.

Schoolwide News

Leader In Me Program- We are launching a new leadership and anti-bullying program at PRCS. **“The Leader In Me”** It’s based on Stephen Covey’s book The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People. Each month the students learn about the 7 habits for children. The first habit we are learning is “Be Proactive!” Join us for a parent training on September 5 at 8:30am in the Parent Center Room 34 for more information. <http://www.theleaderinme.org/main-menu-items/resources/7-habits-posters/>

It’s GIFT Time!

We are thrilled to announce that the most critical fundraising campaign of the school year is back for 2017- 2018. **WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!** <http://www.goprcs.org/giving>

Each school year, GIFT is responsible for ensuring that our kids receive a first rate education by pledging financial support for our learning academies in K – 8

GIFT donations go directly to budgeted student programs and services such as:

- **NEW ACADEMIES IN ARTS, STEM & LEADERSHIP**
- **GIFTED CURRICULUM**
- **CLASSROOM & SUPERVISION AIDES**
- **YMCA P.E. PROGRAM**
- **COMPUTER LAB INSTRUCTOR**
- **READING/MATH ONLINE PROGRAMS**
- **DANCE/THEATRE INSTRUCTOR**
- **SCIENCE LAB AIDE, MATERIALS, FIELD TRIPS**
- **MIDDLE SCHOOL ENRICHMENT & EVENTS**
- **TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT**
- **ROBOTICS/ENGINEERING LESSONS**
- **THE LEADER IN ME PROGRAM**

Our goal is to achieve **100%** family participation; our target is for \$750 per family - although, we gratefully accept any level of financial support. We offer matching programs, a 3 month payment plan and this year we are offering two opportunity drawings. The first drawing is open to all donors who have contributed by **11:59 pm Thursday, August 24**, we will hold a drawing for an Amazon Gift Card at the first Coffee With the Principal meeting **on Friday, August 25**. Our second exciting drawing will be for an Apple Watch - this opportunity will be open to all donors who contribute by **September 8th** – winner will be announced at the **September 15**, Coffee With the Principal meeting. **Please don’t delay - GIFT today!**

AFTER SCHOOL YOUTH SERVICES ANNOUNCEMENT

The elementary school program is available for elementary school students in grades second through fifth through eighth. Students must be able to participate independently in an environment of general supervision. They need to be able to arrive and leave the program at their own discretion and with direction provided from their parent/guardian. If your child will need to stay after school, please pick up a Youth Service Contract. Sign and turn it in to the coaches after school. Forms are available in the main office. Any students that are staying after school must be supervised by Youth Services. Students will be allowed to wait by the carpool until 3:30pm on regular dismissal days and 2:30pm on early Tuesdays. We are required to have the students supervised for their safety and will be in the lunch area or the gym on inclement weather days. Please speak with your child about after school safety.

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After School Enrichment Programs

Sign up for after school enrichment classes - Registrations are open. Please see flyers attached.

Middle School

Homework Club with Mrs. Amighi in Room 111 Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays

- 3PM – 4PM beginning on Wednesday, September 6
- First come, first serve – limited space and is open to all middle school students to attend.
- Sponsored by BOOSTER Friends of PRCS
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LAUSD PASSPORT – please sign up for LAUSD PASSport today! Parents need to have a PASSport account in order to view the Schoology parent portal. If any parents need assistance, please contact Jen Endler at jennifer.endler@lausd.net

TRAFFIC SAFETY REMINDERS:

- Parking lot speed limit is **8 mph**
- No pick up or drop offs in the staff parking lot
- No double parking to drop off or pick up
- Double parking blocks visibility for other children and vehicles
- Students must be picked up curb side
- No Jay Walking
- Please carpool to reduce the number of vehicles at the school

New Hours!

Middle School Counselor

Ms. Almany's Hours:

Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays: **8:00am – 1:00pm**

AMAZON SHOPPING REWARDS PROGRAM

Remember to click on the Amazon banner on the PRCS home page to enter Amazon.com to ensure a percentage of your Amazon purchases are credited to PRCS.



PORTER RANCH COMMUNITY SCHOOL

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Brought to you by Friends of Porter Ranch Community School

PARKING HOURS ON CAMPUS FOR PARENTS AND VISITORS

Carpool Lane Parking

Regular Schedule	8:05am – 2:00pm
Early Tuesdays	8:05am – 1:00pm
Minimum Days	8:05am – 12:00pm

Faculty Lot

Regular Schedule	*8:15am – 2:00pm
Early Tuesdays	*8:15am – 1:00pm
Minimum Days	*8:15am – 12:00pm

***Time for parents and visitors to park has changed to 8:20am in the Faculty Parking Lot to ensure staff to have priority and for safety. Thank you for your cooperation.**

Attention PRCS Volunteers:

All Volunteers – If you are interested in volunteering at our school, you must first be approved by the Volunteer Management System. A prospective volunteer must access the online registration process and submit the application at <https://volunteerapp.lausd.net> then turn in all paperwork to the main office.

- Submission of online application, printed and signed
- Volunteer Commitment Form, signed and dated
- Tuberculosis test clearance signed by a doctor – if you are a returning volunteer, TB test will be on file. TB tests are valid for 4 years from the test date.

Only when you have been approved, you will receive a volunteer badge which you will be required to wear in clear view when you are volunteering at our school. Always make sure to sign in and out at the Main Office. Thank you in advance for your dedication to our school! If you have any questions, please email Jen Endler in our Parent Center. Jennifer.endler@lausd.net