

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL!

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for allowing us serve your children. I want to invite you to attend our CSC meeting next week Tuesday, October 30th, 2018, at 4:30 pm. **I will be sharing our 2018 School Performance Framework (SPF) results with you.**

**The SPF is like a report card for schools, telling us important information about how much our students have improved their scores on state tests from year to year, and how engaged and satisfied our students and families are with our school. We are then able to use this information to make any necessary changes in the classroom and to bring in additional supports where needed.**

I will look forward to seeing you next week Tuesday, October 30th at 4:30 pm.

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## CITIZENSHIP QUIZ!

One of the requirements in the naturalization process is taking the United States Naturalization Test. To help you prepare for the naturalization test, we will be quizzing your students each week with 2 questions from the 100 civics (history and government) questions. Answers to those questions will be released the following week. Please follow us on this column and on School Deets to practice them.

### CIVICS QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS FROM LAST WEEK!

**QUESTION:**How many U.S. Senators are there?

**ANSWER:**  
• 100

**QUESTION:**UPPER ACADEMY -What are the two parts of the U.S. Congress?

**ANSWER:**  
• The Senate and The House of Representatives

**Check out our "SHOUT OUT" COLUMN BELOW TO SEE OUR WINNERS!**

### CIVICS QUESTIONS! NEW THIS WEEK - OCTOBER 15TH, 2018.

**LOWER ACADEMY - How old do citizens have to be to vote for President?**

**UPPER ACADEMY - We elect U.S. Senators for how many years?**

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## UPCOMING EVENTS!

**October 25** - Parent Teacher Conferences

**October 25** - No BRIDGES AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

**October 26** - BRIDGES AFTER SCHOOL Fall Festival - 1:30 - 4:00 pm

**October 29** - Simply Safe – Fire Safety Program 1st – 5th grade

**October 30** - Simply Safe – Fire Safety Program 1st – 5th grade

**October 30** - CSC Meeting - Library - 4:30 pm

**October 31** - Fall Play - 2nd Period Middle School classes - 9:55 - 10:55 Auditorium

**November 1** - Fall Play - Open to Parents & the community - 4:30 - 5:30 pm - Auditorium

**November 6** - 8th Grade Field Trip Career Fair – National Western Complex - 9:00 – 12:30 pm  
**November 15** - Thanksgiving Lunch - 10:55 am - 12:50 pm  
**November 16** - **NO school for ECE students**  
**November 19 - 23** - Thanksgiving Break - **NO SCHOOL**

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## REMINDERS!

**PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES IS TODAY - OCTOBER 25, 5:00 - 7:30 PM**  
**BUSES ARE NOT PROVIDED!**

**OCTOBER 31 AND NOVEMBER 1 - FALL PLAY AT PBA AUDITORIUM**

Watch Your Back for Stingy Jack! A Funny and Haunting Jack-O-Lantern Tale by Jamie Gorski, will be performed on Wednesday, October 31st from 9:55 to 10:55 a.m. for all 2nd Period Middle School classes and on Thursday, November 1st from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. for the community. **Both performances are free of charge and will take place in the PBA Auditorium. Come watch our students at their best! Parents invite family and friends**

**THANKSGIVING LUNCH - THURSDAY NONMEMBER 15**

We will have our Thanksgiving lunch celebration on Thursday, November 15 from 10:55 am - 12:50 pm. All families are welcome to join their child for lunch. The price is \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children 2 - 18 who are not registered at Place Bridge Academy. A reservation form will be sent home with your student, or you may make reservations in the front office.

**NOVEMBER 19 - 23 NO SCHOOL - THANKSGIVING BREAK**

**SHOP AMERICAN FURNITURE WAREHOUSE (AFW)**

Shop American Furniture Warehouse, Make any purchase at any AFW location, online or by phone ANYTIME or INVITE FAMILY/FRIENDS and support our school. Use Promo Code "SCHOOL" During check-out or mention our school or our **School ID: PBA354** See more details [Here!](#)

**ADULT ENGLISH LANGUAGE CLASSES - AUGUST TO DECEMBER**

Beginner Class - Mondays and Wednesdays - 10:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Intermediate Class - Tuesdays and Thursdays - 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

**IMPORTANT SCHOOL REMINDERS**

**SCHOOL DAYS** - Monday - Thursday - 8:45 am - 4:00 pm, Friday - 8:45 am - 1:00 pm  
**BREAKFAST- Free for all students** - 8:15 am - 8:45 am

**ABSENCES AND TARDIES PROCEDURE**

Please call the Main School line at [720-424-0960](tel:720-424-0960) and press 1 for the Attendance Line, include your student's name, lunch (id) number and why your child(ren) will not be at school. Also, don't forget to call us @ [720-424-0960](tel:720-424-0960) before 3:30 pm to let us know if your child will not be riding the bus home!

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## SPORTS!

Our volleyball and flag football teams are working hard to continue to do their best. Not only on the court and field, but in the classroom. Yesterday the volleyball team took on Slavens and lost a heart breaker in the 3rd game. Our flag football team also played Slavens and lost a tough one.

Next games are Tuesday October 30th at PBA.

Keep working hard Roadrunners!

**Please feel free to contact me with any questions!**

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# COUNSELOR'S CORNER!

## Helping Children Control Their Anger!

Children need to know that anger is an acceptable feeling. Too many times they get the message that they are not supposed to ever be angry. We teach that feeling mad is okay but acting mean is not. Parents can help their children to control their anger by helping them to identify their feelings and the physical reactions that their body is having.

Parents can help their children find ways to release the anger. For example: "Wow, I can tell you are getting really frustrated with your homework. I see that you are clenching your fists and breathing faster. Maybe it would help you to take a short break and then come back to try again." By talking to your child in this way you are naming their feeling (frustration), noticing how they are acting (breathing fast and clenching fists), and giving them a way to stay in control (take a short break to relax).

### THREE IMPORTANT RULES TO MANAGING ANGER:

1. Never hurt yourself.
2. Never hurt others.
3. Never break things.

If children and adults follow these rules, we will all feel more in control when angry feelings occur. Parents need to be a good role model when handling their own anger in order for children to learn to control their anger instead of letting the anger controlling them.

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## SCHOOL NURSE!

## HEALTHY HALLOWEEN!



- Have a healthy dinner before trick-or-treating
- Use nontoxic face paint or make-up instead of masks, test on a small area of the face the day before to be sure there is no skin irritation and wash it off before going to bed.
- Use reflective tape on costumes. Carry glow sticks or flashlights
- Avoid loose costumes, restrictive clothing, or costumes that are too long and wear shoes that fit to prevent falls
- Cross streets at crosswalks and look both ways.
- Go in groups with a responsible adult supervisor.

- Don't go into other people's homes.
- Avoid homemade or unwrapped treats. Wait until you get home to examine all your treats and throw out all opened, broken seals or unmarked treats.
- Consider celebrating at a community center, church or another organized event

For questions or concerns please feel free to contact me!

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## BRIDGES AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM!

Dear Parents,

I hope you're having a great fall and loving this change of weather! Below are important dates and some reminders for your students who attend our **BRIDGES** after school program:

### **NO BRIDGES TODAY - OCTOBER 25 - PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES**

#### **PARENT PICK UP PROCEDURE**

If you are picking up your children from **BRIDGES** you can pick them up in the Cafeteria by 5:50 P.M. After that time they must be picked up in the front of the school building. Depending on the weather students will be outside in the front or inside the foyer by 6:00 PM. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

#### **NEW BRIDGES CLASSES STARTING SOON**

- Imagine Learning Tutoring (K-4<sup>th</sup> grades)
- Robotics (6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade)
- Secret Agent Science Lab (Kindergarten through 4<sup>th</sup> grades)
- Hip Hop Dance (Kindergarten through 4<sup>th</sup> grades)
- Break Dance (6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grades)

#### **SPECIAL BRIDGES PROGRAM ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2018**

Please join your children for our Fall Festival. This is being sponsored by our community partners, Calvary Church Denver and their volunteers. There will be many fun activities including face painting, pumpkin decorating, arts and crafts, outside games, a balloon artist, a visit from our local Fire Department including the firefighters and their fire truck, and of course...food! It will be on Friday, October 26<sup>th</sup> from 1:30 PM to 4:00 PM. We hope you can be here to share in the fun!!!

For more information on BRIDGES please feel free to contact me.

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## SHOUT OUT!

### CIVICS BEE WINNERS!



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS OF OUR LAST WEEK'S CIVICS  
BEE QUESTIONS!

THEY ARE:

LOWER ACADEMY- AYBU NOOR

UPPER ACADEMY - MAAB ELHAMROUNI

**Hans Broers**  
**8th Grade Social Studies Teacher**  
**720-424-0960**

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**FREE FAMILY NIGHT - DENVER MUSEUM OF  
NATURE AND SCIENCE!**

Denver Museum of Nature and Science is hosting a FREE FAMILY NIGHT PACKED WITH FUN ACTIVITIES on **November 5, from 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm**. If you are looking for a something to do with your children, this is guaranteed to be a good one! Check this out!

The poster features logos for the Smithsonian Science Education Center, the Denver Museum of Nature & Science, and The University of Memphis Center for Research in Educational Policy. It includes the address 2001 Colorado Blvd, Denver, CO and the website www.dmns.org. The main title is 'Free Family Night' in large yellow letters. Text on the poster includes 'Visit the Museum at night!', 'No food or beverages will be available', 'Free Planetarium show at 5:45, 6:30, 7:15, and 8:00', and 'Explore the second and third floor diorama halls and two exhibits'. The event is on Monday, Nov. 5th, from 5:30-8:30 PM. It features two exhibits: 'Mindbender Mansion' and 'iCUBA!'. A request for RSVPs is included with the contact email McDonaldT@si.edu. Small text at the bottom credits the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry for 'Mindbender Mansion' and the American Museum of Natural History for 'iCUBA!'.



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