## WEEKLY **NEWSLETTER**





## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24, 4:30 - 7:30 pm

Dear Parents,

We are still having Parent Teacher Conferences today, Thursday, October 24, from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. If you missed yesterday's conference, we hope you would be able to attend. We invite you to take this opportunity to meet your child's teacher, discuss strengths and challenges, and increase your understanding of the progress your child is making.

- Buses are provided to bring parents and students to school today from Pine Creek and Grace Apartments (see schedule below).
- Language interpreters will be available again today from 5:30 pm 7:30 pm.
- Childcare will be provide in the Auditorium through our Bridges staff for student's ages 5-12 years old.
- Our Special Service Providers and our School Nurse will be presenting workshop sessions related to health during the conference hours.
- Our Agency partners will also have tables in the main lobby to share important information and giveaways.

Our conference will be an OPEN HOUSE STYLE in the Gym (North and South), and the Cafeteria. Your sessions will be one-on-one time with your child's teacher. If you require more time to address issues/concerns, please meet with your child's teacher after conferences to have the most productive time.

Thank you for trusting us with your child's education. I will look forward to seeing you.

José Martinez Principal

**BUS ROUTE FOR PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCE, OCTOBER 24TH, 2019** 



# GRACE OR HIDDEN BROOKS APARTMENTS, PLEASE CLICK HERE FOR TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS!**

October 24 - Parent Teacher Conferences - 4:30 - 7:30 pm

October 24 - No Bridges After School program

October 24 - Flag Football @ Denver West - 4:00 pm

October 24 - Girls Volleyball @ Denver West - 4:00 pm

October 25 - Guest Speaker Series - Auditorium

• Session one - Middle school female students - 9:45 - 10:35 am

• Session two - Middle school male students - 1:20 - 2:05 pm

October 28 - Flag Football @ PBA - 4:00 PM

October 28 - Girls Volleyball @ PBA - 4:00 PM

October 28 - Super Hero Fun Run with DISTRICT 3 DPD - 4:30 - 6:00 pm

October 30 - Flag Football @ PBA - 4:00 PM

October 30 - Girls Volleyball @ PBA - 4:00 PM

November 4 - Flag Football against Slavens @ PBA - 4:00 pm

November 4 - Girls Volleyball against Slavens @ PBA - 4:00 pm

November 6 - Flag Football against Merrill @ PBA - 4:00 pm

November 6 - Girls Volleyball against Merrill @ PBA - 4:00 pm

November 8 - Fall Celebration Festivals - Last 25 minutes of the school day.

November 14 - Flag Football against Denver Green @ PBA - 4:00 pm

November 14 - Girls Volleyball against Denver Green @ PBA - 4:00 pm

November 16 - College Access Day @ the University of Denver - Middle School Students only - 7:00 am

- 2:00 pm - Permission Slips must be turned in to attend

November 18 - Flag Football @ Hamilton - 4:00 pm

November 18 - Girls Volleyball @ Hamilton - 4:00 pm

November 20 - Annual Thanksgiving Lunch - 10:55 am - 12:50 pm - NO COST FOR PARENTS AND

SIBLINGS - RSVP to Akudo Nwokeukwu @ 720-424-0965 if you plan to attend.

November 22 - PBA Professional Planning Day for Teachers - NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

November 25 - 29 - Thanksgiving Break - NO SCHOOL, OFFICES CLOSED

November 28 - Thanksgiving Day

## **REMINDERS!**

#### **IMPORTANT SCHOOL REMINDERS:**

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

## <u>SUPER HERO FUN RUN WITH DISTRICT 3 DPD- OCTOBER 28TH - 4:30 - 6:00 PM - YOU ARE INVITED</u>

Our Denver Police Officers are looking forward to meeting your students again at the Super Hero Fun Run! It promises to be FUN. Participants will be given treat bags to collect treats, books and other surprises as they run the 1 Mile course - followed by an "ice cream" treat. The goal is to encourage positive interaction between students and Law Enforcement. The event is free and you are welcome to wear your SUPER HERO GEAR. Click <u>HERE</u> for flyer.

WHEN - MONDAY, OCTOBER 28TH

TIME - 4:30 - 6:00 PM

WHERE - EISENHOWER PARK, 4300 E. DARTMOUTH AVE.

## PBA COLLEGE ACCESS DAY AT UNIVERSITY OF DENVER - NOVEMBER 16TH - 7:00 AM - 2:00 PM

College Access Day at the University of Denver is an event for Place Bridge Academy 6th – 8th graders

and their families. This event will be a day filled with different sessions about college including financial aid information, student/faculty panels, a campus tour and more! It is completely free of charge. Breakfast, lunch and transportation will be provided! This PERMISSION PACKAGE has been sent home and must be returned on or before Friday, November 1st, 2019.

## ANNUAL THANKSGIVING LUNCH - NOVEMBER 20 - 10:50 AM - 12:40 PM - PARENTS AND SIBLINGS EAT FREE

We will be hosting our annual thanksgiving meal with parents and families on Wednesday, November 20<sup>th</sup> in our cafeteria. There will be no cost for parents and siblings. However, in preparation for this grand meal, we are asking that you respond by telling us that you plan to attend. **Please RSVP to Akudo Nwokeukwu** @ 720-424-0965 if you plan to attend.

### THANKSGIVING LUNCH TIMES BY GRADE LEVEL:

- ECE 12:00 (in their classrooms)
- Kindergarten and 1st Grade 12:40 1:00 pm
- 2nd and 3rd Grades 10:35 10:55 am
- 4th and 5th 12:00 12:20 pm
- 6th, 7th, and 8th Grade 11:34 11:54 am

#### **NEW DPS 2019/2020 WEATHER DELAY SCHEDULE**

All DPS schools (regardless of start time) will be delayed by two hours if a Weather Delay is called by DPS. This Weather Delay Schedule is designed to provide school buses additional time to pick up students and reduce student wait time in severe weather. The decision to close or delay school will be made by the superintendent based on information provided by representatives from DPS Transportation Services, transportation agencies and the weather bureau. Please click HERE to review the new process in the event DPS calls a weather delay..

#### FREE ADULT ENGLISH LANGUAGE CLASS - AT PBA PARENT WELCOME CENTER

PBA is offering a FREE ADULT ENGLISH LANGUAGE CLASSES at our Parent Welcome Center in partnership with Emily Griffith. Beginner Class - Mondays and Wednesday from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm Intermediate Class - Tuesday and Thursday - 9:00 am - 12:00 pm. Call 720-424-0965 for more information.

## DENVER HUMAN SERVICES REPRESENTATIVES AT PBA TO HELP YOU WITH ELIGIBILITY ASSISTANCE AND EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

Representatives from Denver Human Services will be here at PBA every Tuesday and Wednesday to help you with EMPLOYMENT AND ELIGIBILITY ASSISTANCE. If you have questions about employment services, eligibility, re-determination process, and other resources that relate to General Assistance and/or any Eligibility programs, be sure to come meet with a DHS Specialist here at PBA (SEE DETAILS BELOW).

## FOR EMPLOYMENT SERVICES - EVERY TUESDAY FROM 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM - PBA RM 89 (NEXT TO PARENT WELCOME CENTER)

- Job Readiness Training
- Vocational Training
- GED Preparation Resources
- Referrals to community
- Agency resources

## FOR ELIGIBILITY - EVERY WEDNESDAY, 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM - PBA RM 89 (NEXT TO PARENT WELCOME CENTER)

- Rental Assistance Application \*
- Motel Vouchers
- Family Reunification
- State ID/Birth Certificate Waivers
- · Medicaid, SNAP, TANF Assistance

<u>Please Note: Rental assistance application will be accepted until 1:00 pm by appointment only – call 720-483-6606 to schedule your appointment.</u>

## **JOBS FOR YOU**

Are you looking for a job? The DoubleTree by Hilton Denver – Stapleton North located at 4040 Quebec Street, Denver, CO 80216 has job openings for our PBA families. You do not have to know how to speak English to be hired. If hired, ECO PASSES will be provided to cover your cost of transportation (RTD or Light Rail) to work, however, you must be full time employee working 32 hour or more to qualify. For more information or to apply, please call Rosemary Fierra, Assistant Director of Human Resources at 303-262-7703, or Megan at 303-321-6666.

#### CAREER PATHWAYS AT ASIAN PACIFIC DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Asian Pacific Development Center has career opportunities that will help you get skills to start your path in the food service industry. if you are interest, contact Rondi Noden, at rondinoden@apdc.org or

303.923.6371. Click HERE for flyer.

#### 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: PBA 354** See more details <u>Here!</u>

## **SPORTS!**

This week starts our regular season for Volleyball and Flag Football. Both teams will travel (weather permitting) to West Leadership Academy located at 951 Elati St. Games will start at 4:00 pm. Please remind your student-athletes to bring warm clothing as the weather changes quickly in Denver.

Next week's games are Monday October 28<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday October 30<sup>th</sup> both at PBA.

As always, please feel free to contact me with any question(s) you may have.

Good Luck, Roadrunners!

Kathleen Nickless
Athletic Director
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## **COUNSELOR'S CORNER!**

### Tips for Parents to Use in Motivating a Child

- Success is the greatest motivator. Recognize, reinforce, and celebrate the child's successes and progress even the small victories.
- Compliment children for good decisions.
- Reinforce the child for small gains in a difficult subject area. Reward direction, not perfection.
- When reviewing a test or report card with a child, always comment first on the positive aspects.
- Take an active (but not intrusive) interest in the child's hobbies and activities.
- Enjoy family activities in which all family members work cooperatively toward a common goal (e.g., gardening, family game nights, community service).
- Help children set realistic goals for their academic, social, and athletic performances. Use these goals to monitor and assess their progress.
- Speak positively and supportively about the child's school and teachers. If the child senses a
  parent's hostility toward the school, it is unlikely that the child will be motivated to succeed
  there.

Tami Koenig MA, School Counselor: Phone: 720-424-0973 Email: tami\_koenig@dpsk12.org

## **BRIDGES AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM!**

#### NO BRIDGES TODAY, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24, DUE TO PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCE.

All BRIDGES students must leave the building at 4:00 PM to ride their bus or be picked up. During conferences BRIDGES will be offering activities in the Auditorium for students in Kindergarten to 8<sup>th</sup> grade from 4:30 to 7:30 pm while their parents are meeting with teachers. Parents please drop off your students in the Auditorium and pick them up when you are finished with conference. We will not let students leave the Auditorium without a parent. We look forward to seeing you during conferences.

BRIDGES PROGRAM DIRECTOR PHONE: 720-424-0960 before 4:00 PM CELL PHONE: 720-437-1183 after 4:00 PM EMAIL: Roxie\_Berkman@dpsk12.org

## 2019/2020 PBA SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR FOUND HERE



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