

Paideia Academy Newsletter



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~Our Vision ~

We envision a new generation of engaged, productive global citizens.

~Our Mission ~

The Mission of Paideia Academy is to challenge and inspire learners by providing a rigorous, content-rich, classical education incorporating languages, music, and the arts while nurturing positive character development.

Mark Your Calendar

September 3 Teachers' Workshop, NO SCHOOL

September 6 Labor Day, NO SCHOOL

September 20 Picture Retakes, uniform required

Welcome!

What a great first week! The staff worked hard all summer to create a positive learning environment for your student (s), and it shows! The kids come in with smiles on their faces each morning!

With all new things comes minor glitches. Please be patient as we fine tune our procedures. We are working hard to ensure the safety and best interests of your children.

Please join us on Monday, August 16 at 6:30 PM for our Meet the Teachers event. This will be your opportunity to hear about curriculum, fieldtrips, classroom discipline, etc. This event is for parents/guardians only.

As always, I am here to help. If you wish to meet with me feel free to make an appointment with Sandy or drop in after Monday morning meetings.

Jill Godtland
Director.

School Social Worker Intern

Paideia Academy is researching the option of supervising a school social worker intern. Lyn Gerdis and I have been working on obtaining placement of an individual. If you work in mental health or social work fields and you are interested in assisting, please contact me at jgodtland@paideiaacademy.org.



"COFFEE TALK"

Beginning on September 8th at 9 AM I will be hosting a monthly coffee talk. This will be a time for small group discussions on a chosen topic.

Space will be limited to 8 people. Sign-ups will occur at the front desk with Sandy. Look in next week's newsletter for the topic to be announced.

From the Office

Attention New Paideia
Parents!

Please help us in our efforts to get the word out by taking this quick 5-question survey about your media habits.

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/paideiamedia>

(New families only, please.

The questions are most pertinent to those that have recently enrolled.)

Kindergarten Vision and Hearing Screening

Paideia Academy will provide a vision and hearing screening for all kindergarteners on September 14th. Students in grades 1-8 can also be screened for \$10 each.

A vision and hearing screening form will be available in next week's newsletter.

Please contact Sharon Owens at sowens@paideiaacademy.org if you have any questions or concerns.

DISMISSAL PROCEDURE

1. All students are to be picked up at the South side. (Please see the attached map.) We will be following the designated traffic pattern by entering the on the Southeast side of Bogart's. Using the first Garret. Ave entrance is strictly prohibited. All traffic will follow along to the South side of Paideia. Please have your numbers displayed clearly.
2. At the corner, we will make two lines of traffic. Please fill up one line completely, then, when prompted by the traffic director, create the second outside row. This will allow us to dismiss 18 cars at a time. Once the first row of cars is full and has completely exited, the second row will be filled. **NO CARS ARE ALLOWED TO PULL OUT BEFORE THE CAR IN FRONT OF THEM.**
3. Cars will exit around the Paideia building and then make a RIGHT TURN ONLY onto 147th Street. Please be aware of the Safety Patrol Officers stationed by the (West) entrance. They will be monitoring the crosswalk. All parents/guardians parking and picking up their children early from school but **after 3:15 pm** should park in the West lot and use the gym door.

Indoor Dismissal: Students are dismissed at 3:30 p.m. Students must be picked up between 3:30-3:50 pm, unless participating in a supervised, Academy related program. Only individuals listed on the EMERGENCY CONTACT card will be allowed to pickup students from the Academy. Valid photo identification will be required of all individuals picking up students. If someone arrives at the Academy to seek the release of a student and the person's name is not on the emergency contact card the student, by law, cannot be released. Parents must park at the West side of the building and enter through the northwest gym doors.

ARRIVAL PROCEDURES

Entrance/Exits/Parking: The Southeast entrance serves as the main entrance to Paideia Academy. This door is only accessible during Academy hours and is monitored at all times. All students must enter and exit the building using the entrance at the southeast corner of the building. Morning drop off is between 7:55 am and 8:15 am and afternoon pick up is between 3:30 pm -3:50 pm. Students may not be dropped off earlier than 7:55 or picked up later than 3:50 pm.

The South curb and West curbs are reserved for drop off and pick up. There shall be **no** parking along these curbs at any time.

Drop Off: Vehicles must enter the parking lot from the East side of the building off of Garrett where staff/parent volunteers will monitor students entering the Academy. It is not necessary for students to wait for staff/parent volunteers to open the car doors.

Parents are to remain in their vehicles. If your student needs assistance exiting the vehicle, you are to park on the SE side of the building and walk them in.

It is imperative that cars do NOT pull out and around cars as this creates a huge safety risk. Please wait for the car in front of you to pull away. NO student should be dropped off or picked up at any location other than the curb unless the parent is parking in the west lot and accompanying the child(ren) into the building.

WEED AND FEED PARTY

Wednesday, August 18 - 6 PM!

Come and help weed the gardens that have grown beyond expectation.

Bring:

Gloves

Trowels

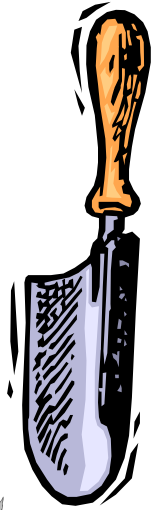
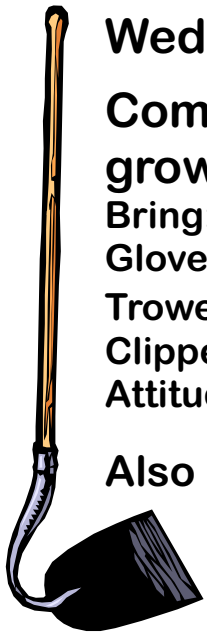
Clippers

Attitude!

WE WEED and THEN WE FEED!

Also bring a salad or desert and a beverage...

KOBE will provide the hotdogs!



In the News

A multi-media,
multi-grade level
exhibit of recent art
by Students Of
Paideia Academy in
Apple Valley, MN

August 19 -
September 30

Artist Reception
August, 19 6-8 pm

Gallery Editions, Ltd.
Gallery
7707 147th
Street West
Apple Valley, MN

PAIDEIA ART

PRESENTS



Parents In Education

PIE COMMITTEE KICK-OFF MEETING

PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT!

Monday, August 16th

6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Please plan on attending this very informative first meeting of the year. You will have the opportunity to meet your child's teacher, review curriculum and learn about field trips and other plans for the school year.

This meeting has been extended to incorporate three, thirty-minute sections of time so that you can rotate to all of your family's teachers.

In addition, you will:

- Learn about the purpose and the programs of the Parents In Education committee
- Hear about school policies

Earn double volunteer hours for attending!

Like all PIE meetings, this meeting is for parents only.



Green Team!

Are You Green?

We're looking for volunteers to become involved with the Green Team! We will be forming a student club, conducting educational projects, and taking field trips, all related to waste reduction and recycling. It will be fun as well as educational! We need several group leaders who can commit to every other Wednesday after school, as well as a number of helpers who can work with the group on an occasional basis. If interested please contact greenteam@paideiaacademy.org.

These efforts are being made possible by a Community POWER grant from the Solid Waste Management Coordinating Board.

www.rethinkrecycling.com



Paideia SCRIP Program - Painless Fund Raising!

What is SCRIP?

SCRIP is a gift card program offered by national and local retailers that work with non-profit organizations. The gift cards that you purchase through the **Paideia SCRIP Program** gives you the opportunity to purchase the cards at face value. With no cost to you, Paideia will receive a small percentage of your card purchase directly back from the companies listed in the SCRIP program.

How can you get Gift Cards?

1. You can place a paper order by using the SCRIP order form, which will also be available in Friday newsletters or in the office. **Payment and forms are due every second and fourth Mondays of the month by 9am, which also includes online orders.** In doing this, orders can be placed on Monday and returned to your student as soon as possible.

2. You can place an order online at www.shopwithscrip.com. If you are a new user, please create a new account in the **GREEN** box using Paideia's enrollment code, **EAAC1D2C18284**. Existing families can just log in the **ORANGE** member's box. Orders can be placed at any time with payment sent to the office or paid through Presto Pay on the shop with scrip website.

3. AVAILABLE NOW! A limited inventory of SCRIP gift cards will be for sale in the office, at Monday morning meetings, and at PIE and Board meetings. Cash is accepted, but **checks are preferred**, so don't forget to bring your checkbook!

4. A few companies offer instant cards and/or rechargeable cards -

- **INSTANT SCRIP, or SCRIP NOW!** - Home Depot and Amazon.com
- **Rechargeable Cards** - i.e. Starbucks, Burger King, CVS, Domino's, Papa John's, AMC Theatres, Old Navy/GAP/Banana Republic, Lowe's, Barnes & Noble, etc.

If you have any questions about this program, please feel free to contact us via phone or email. If you choose to order using the attached form for **first quarter**, please return the order form and payment to the office no later than **23 August 13 September 27 September**

Gift Card Program Coordinators

Annick Dahnke 952.583.6909 adahnke1965@yahoo.com and Julie Crafton 952.892.3261 rdcraft@frontiernet.net

PAIDEIA SCRIP CARD PROGRAM - PICK UP OR ORDER YOURS TODAY!

Now available in the office, Monday morning meetings, PIE and board meetings! Checks or exact change please. Great way to save/budget for vacations, Christmas, and birthday parties!

(Rechargeable cards need to be done through the shop with scrip website.)

Grocery

Cub Foods - \$25.00, \$100.00
Wal Mart / Sam's Club - \$25.00, \$100.00, \$250.00

Gas

Holiday - \$25.00
Kwik Trip - \$20.00
SuperAmerica - \$25.00, \$100.00

Fast Food / Coffee

Arby's - \$10.00
Burger King - \$10.00
Choptele - \$10.00
Great Harvest Bread - \$10.00
Little Caesar's Pizza - \$20.00
Panera Bread - \$120.00
Starbucks - \$10.00 (Rechargeable)
Subway - \$10.00
Wendy's \$10.00

MISC

American Express - \$25.00
Barnes & Noble - \$25.00 (Rechargeable)
Best Buy - \$25.00
Blockbuster \$10.00
Dick's Sporting Goods - \$25.00
Great Clips - \$25.00
Home Depot - \$25.00
itunes - \$15.00
Kohl's - \$25.00
Marshall's TJ Maxx - \$25.00
Old Navy /GAP / Banana Republic - \$25.00 (Rechargeable)
Toy-R-US / Babies-R-US - \$20.00
Walgreen's - \$25.00

Fundraising Cont.

DUE TO POPULAR DEMAND
WE ARE ORDERING MORE
RED TIE DYE T-SHIRTS

Student Name _____
Grade _____ Teacher _____
Parents Name _____
Phone _____ email _____

Youth Size: \$10.00 each

Small(6-8) _____ Medium(10-12)- _____

Large(14-16) _____ X-Large _____

Adult Size: \$10.00 each

Small _____ Medium _____ Large _____ X-Large _____

Adult Extended Size: \$13.00 each

2XL _____ 3XL _____ 4XL _____

The shirts are 100 % cotton so they run small.

Cash or Check written to "Paideia Academy" only

Total Cost : \$ _____ Total Quantity : _____

DUE IN OFFICE NO LATER THAN AUGUST 20th
NO LATE OR E MAIL ORDERS ARE ACCEPTED



Welcome to a new school year!
The Southwest Area YMCA School-Age Care (SAC) program is so happy to be a part of Paideia Academy.

My name is **Liz Harper** and I am the School-Age Care Site Director. I am really looking forward to getting to know the children and families at Paideia Academy and doing all the wonderful curriculum and enrichment activities we have planned for the kids. While I started out going to college for a teaching degree, I found another passion in nature which led me to a bachelor's degree in Environmental Design and work as a landscape architect. Before coming to work for the YMCA, I continued my enjoyment of teaching through coaching. I coached basketball for the Special Olympics as well as for teenage girls in low income families. I also spent some time as an early childhood education teacher in urban areas as well as tutoring for the Denver Parks and Recreation during my time in Colorado. Spending time outdoors has always been important to me and is evident by a few of the hobbies I enjoy: canoeing, camping, hiking, and snowboarding.

Our Assistant Site Director is **Zack Hunsinger**. He is currently going to school to earn his teaching degree and loves playing unusual sports as well as old favorites like soccer. You might see Zack riding his motorcycle about town on his way to get some shrimp pasta or steak, two of his favorite foods!

The SAC program follows a curriculum which focuses on eight core components:

- Homework support
- Character development
- Service learning
- Language and literacy
- Science, math, and technology
- Health, wellness and fitness
- Arts and humanities
- Social Competence and conflict resolution

This week's theme is "Round up at the OK Corral" with activities including: western door hangers in arts and humanities, crystal gardens in science, and barnyard in health, wellness, and fitness, among others. Get ready for "High Flyers" next week!

We are looking forward to a fun packed learning environment here at Paideia!

YMCA School-Age Care Staff