

# 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**  
**September 30 Evening Conferences**  
**October 1 Conferences, NO SCHOOL**  
**October 11-22 Fall Break**



### What is a "Teacher Workshop day?"

The Paideia Staff wants to thank the parents and community members for allowing us to incorporate professional development workshops into our schedule. This is not simply a day for teachers to prepare for the next week or simple training. Professional development goes beyond the term

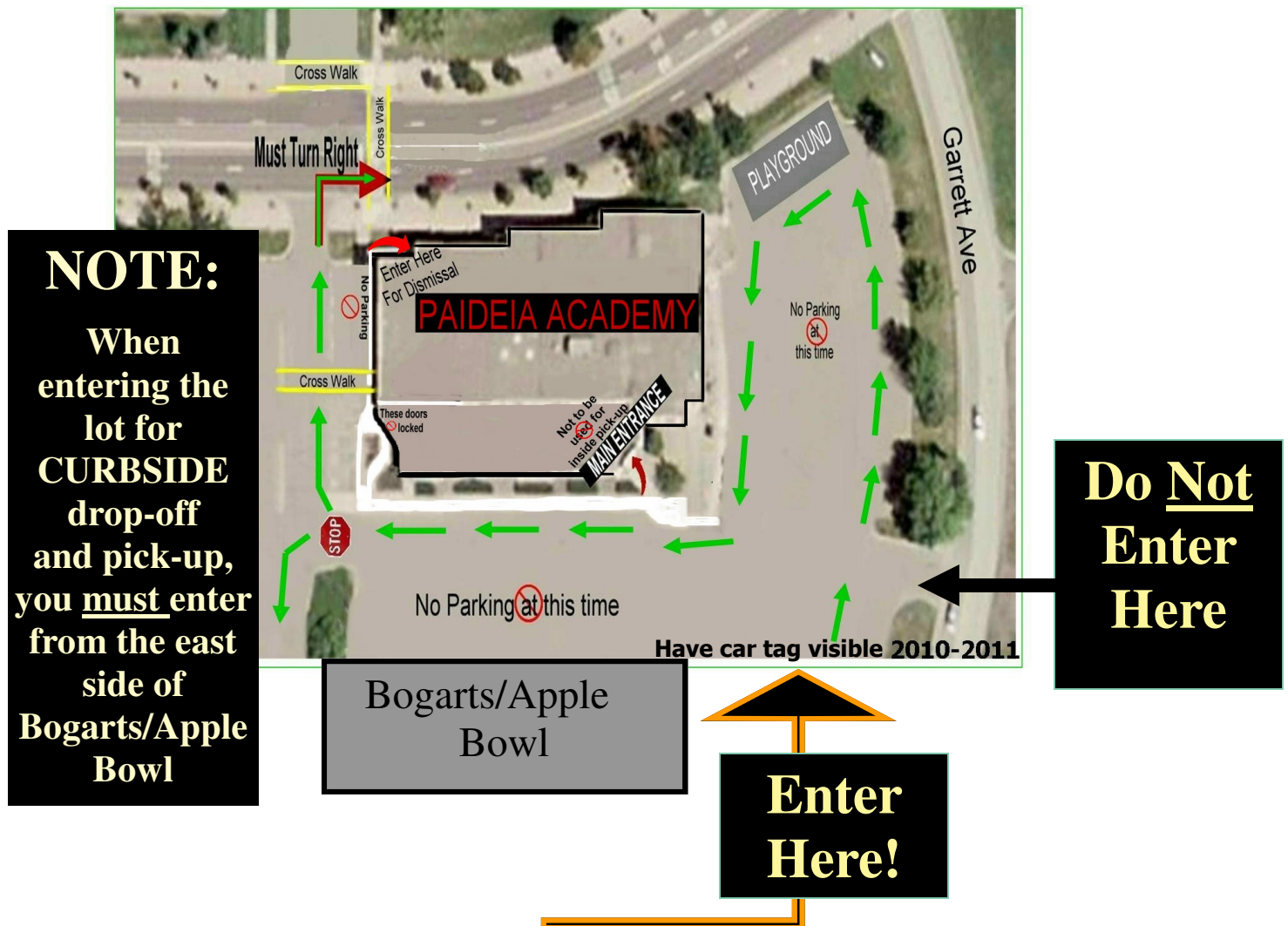
'training' with its implications of learning skills, and encompasses formal and informal means of helping teachers not only learn new skills but also develop new insights into pedagogy and their own practice, and explore new or advanced understandings of content and resources. Professional development includes support for teachers as they encounter the challenges that come with putting into practice their evolving understandings of pedagogy and curriculum. The bottom line with any professional development is the increase in student achievement. To that end, I would like to highlight some of the professional development workshops and topics our teachers have attended or will be attending within the next few months.

This week, we had several teachers attend a training on Singapore Math. This will allow the teachers to better implement model drawing within the classroom. Additionally, the teachers were able to see the scope and sequence of the entire Singapore program and how each component builds upon each other. Several other teachers will be attending a Guided Reading workshop that will help them effectively teach reading in the younger grades. Last month, the administration team went to a workshop on data driven training. This two day workshop was of great insight on how to use data from assessments to drive instruction. Lastly, the entire teaching staff attended a diversity training to help us better meet the needs of all students.

As you can see, we have been quite busy trying to improve our instruction. We will continue to keep you updated on professional development and its impact on student achievement.

## From The Office

### Drop Off / Dismissal Notes:



For the safety of the children you now need your **CAR TAG** to pick up in the Gym

**NO PETS ALLOWED on the grounds during drop off & dismissal .**



As stated in last week's newsletter, if your student is at school past 3:50 pm (excluding clubs and meetings), you will be charged a \$10 per student baby-sitting fee. After 4:10 pm, the fee will increase to \$20 per student. Payment is expected on the day of late pick-up. All fees go directly to the teachers/staff that have given up their free time to stay late and watch your children. As a reminder, the YMCA is a great after school option and is endorsed by Paideia Academy. Registration forms are located at the front desk..

## From The Office cont.

Coffee Talk with the Director  
September 8, 2010  
9 am  
Small Commons Area



Come and enjoy a fresh cup of coffee and some conversation. This week's topic will be a question and answer session that will help determine future topics. Please submit questions or topic ideas to Jill Godtland at [jgodtland@paideiaacademy.org](mailto:jgodtland@paideiaacademy.org). All attendees need to sign up with Mrs. Watkins in the office. Space is limited to the first 10 people.

### Kindergarten Vision and Hearing Screening

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

Registration form is on website.

Kinder Enrichment monthly payments of \$312.00 are due by September 5.

**Last call... 6-8 Word Masters!** If you like words, reading, writing, and problem solving this is for you. You can find registration information at the office. If you have questions about Word Masters for grades 6-8 please contact Susan Sailors [SSailors@PaideiaAcademy.org](mailto:SSailors@PaideiaAcademy.org)



## Generation Green

- Last Chance to sign up for Generation Green club. Get your registrations in by Tuesday! Our first club meeting is Wednesday, September 8.
- Please complete the Recycling survey, even if you do not recycle. <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/6Q6CNNL>. Survey closes this weekend.
- We will begin lunch composing in Q2. If you are interested in assisting in implementation, please contact : [greenteam@paideiaacademy.org](mailto:greenteam@paideiaacademy.org). We need lunchroom assistants for approximately 1 month to help everyone learn the new procedures. You do not need to volunteer every day.

## Parents In Education

### BE THE ONE!

September 20, 2010  
6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Special Speaker, Jay Larson will present the reasons we see all the umbrellas around the school. He'll shed light on what Be The One Means and why the Paideia Pledge was created. Also, he will explain why it is important that we as parents, teachers and students make the commitment outlined in the pledge.

#### Fundraising:

Where does all the money go and why do we need it?  
What other fundraiser can I expect?  
How do I help?

Attend the September PIE Meeting to find out!

**Earn double volunteer hours for attending!**

Teacher supported child care available if you can't arrange your own.



# Fundraising

## Scrip

Did you know we have over 50 different retail/restaurant gift cards available for purchase at the office? All you have to do is come to the front desk and look at our inventory. Of you see some cards you would like to buy, you can purchase them with a check or exact cash and carry your cards home with you.

Also available at Monday Morning Meeting and at [shopwithscrip.com](http://shopwithscrip.com) (enrollment code EAAC1D2C18284).



Dear Parents:

Welcome back to school! For over 37 years, *Labels for Education*® has supported schools across the country by providing more than \$110 million in free educational merchandise. This year, the *Labels for Education* program is getting even better with a new look and focus on the Arts, Athletics and Academic enrichment programs that can spark children's successes. *Labels for Education* is also adding new partnerships and resources. To learn more, sign-up for e-newsletters at [labelsforeducation.com](http://labelsforeducation.com).

With your help, Paideia Academy can make this year the best ever! To meet our goals, we need to collect 50,000 points. Participating in the program is easy — simply save UPC's from participating products and send them to our school. Some of the products eligible for redemption during the 2010-2011 program year include:

- Campbell's® soups
- SpaghettiOs® Pasta
- Campbell's® beans, gravies, and canned pasta
- Prego® Italian sauces
- Swanson® stocks, broths and canned poultry
- Campbell's® tomato juice
- Pepperidge Farm® breads, cookies, and frozen products
- Pepperidge Farm® Goldfish® crackers
- All V8 Splash® Beverages
- All V8 Fusion® Beverages
- Campbell's® Foodservice products

Campbell's has made it easier for Paideia Academy to reach our collection goals with products worth 5 points! The following products are worth 5 points for the 2010-2011 program year:

- 26 varieties of Campbell's® condensed soup in specially marked cans
- All Campbell's® Microwavable Soups
- All V8® Soups
- All Campbell's® Select Harvest® Soups
- SpaghettiOs® Pasta (Original and Meatball)

Visit [labelsforeducation.com](http://labelsforeducation.com) for a complete list of eligible products and point values.

Help multiply our efforts by asking your friends and family to collect UPC's on behalf of our school.

If you have any questions, or would like to help with our *Labels for Education* collection drive, please contact our program coordinator Liz Townley at 952-953-6200.

Thanks so much for your support. Together with *Campbell's Labels for Education* — we can build a better school for our children.