

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 27 Director Search Committee 6 PM

September 30 Evening Conferences

October 1 Conferences, NO SCHOOL

Thinking of our staff:



Kristie Foreman has been diagnosed this week with a brain tumor and is undergoing treatment. If you would like to make a donation to their family, please place in a marked envelope and give to the office. Kristie has two (of four) children attending Paideia and works as a substitute. She has most recently been long-term subbing for upper academy science.

Robbie Gunther's family has suffered a recent house fire. The school office is collecting cash and gift card donations for her family; please place in a marked envelope and give to the office. Robbie has been the speech therapist at Paideia for the past three years.



WHEN SCHOOL IS OUT, THE Y IS OPEN!

INTERSESSION CLUB UPDATE:

YMCA SAC runs such an impressive program that we have decided not to hold any intersession clubs. We are encouraging families to use the YMCA program. There will be 2nd quarter club flyers coming out late next week.

- ◆ Your child does NOT have to be registered for before and after school care to sign up for RELEASE DAYS.
- ◆ If you have questions you may contact us by leaving a voice message at 952-953-6200 ext. 105.
- ◆ Or stop by during program hours and see the fun we are having!

Registration forms attached.

From The Office

We have 6th and 8th grade openings!

Parents, if you know any families that may be interested in these openings, please have them contact the office ASAP. If a student you referred enrolls, you will earn 20 volunteer hours! Thanks for spreading the word!

Is your student in the correct uniform?

These are
uniform
pants...



These
are
NOT..



This is
uniform
Polo Shirt...



This
is
NOT.



Paideia Academy will host a FLU CLINIC!

When: October 4

Time: 3:00—6:00 PM

Fee: Flu Shot \$26

Flu Mist \$32

- Ages 3 & up
- Cash or Checks (made to MVNA)
- Health Insurance card
(not all insurances are accepted)
- Photo ID needed for adults

Signing up for a conference

Thursday, September 30 4:00 – 8:00 or Friday, October 1st 8:00 – 4:00

Please schedule a conference with your child's teachers using Genbook, our online scheduling program. This program will show you the times that teachers are available to meet with you. It operates in real-time, it will send you a confirmation e-mail when you have finished creating your appointment, and it will allow you to cancel your appointment if you realize that you need to schedule a different time.

If you would like to meet with the specialist teachers, you can use Genbook to schedule a conference time to meet with them too.

Here are the directions for scheduling a conference:

Go to the site: <http://paideia-academy.genbook.com>

Click on the option "15-minute conference."

Find the teacher that you would like to conference with and click on their name.

On the calendar on the left side of the screen, click on either September 30 or October 1.

When your chosen date is highlighted on the calendar, click on a time for your conference.

Enter your information into the form and don't forget to include your child's name in the "Additional Info" section. Then click "continue."

On the next page, confirm that you typed everything in correctly and then click "Confirm Appointment."

You will now see a confirmation that your conference has been scheduled and you will receive a confirmation e-mail as well.

You are all set! If you need to cancel your conference, you can click on the link at the bottom of your confirmation e-mail. This will walk you through the steps you need to follow to cancel your conference.

If you have any questions about the site, please contact Teri Hanson by e-mail at thanson@paideiaacademy.org
If you do not have internet access, please call your child's teacher and they can schedule the conference for you.

Genbook™

From The Office Cont.

High School Fair

It's never too early to consider your child's educational future!

Paideia's High School Fair is Tuesday, Oct. 5 from 6:30 - 8 pm.

Representatives from area high schools are giving their time to provide families an opportunity to learn about their secondary education options. This is an informal event and open to all upper academy families and students.

Mark your calendars and be sure to come.

Green Team



Paideia goes Green!

Pop Quiz!

What is the largest source of Paideia's garbage?

1. Classroom paper and trash
2. Art materials
3. Lost & Found items
4. Pop cans
5. Lunch waste

If you chose 5, lunch waste, you are absolutely correct! According to our maintenance staff, lunch waste accounts for 80% of the waste generated by Paideia.

So we said, "Enough!"

Let's find a better, more responsible way to reduce and manage our lunch waste. In addition to your efforts to reduce waste in home lunches, starting Q2, we will be introducing...

ORGANICS RECYCLING!

What is organics recycling? It means that we are separating out items that can break down naturally and become compost. We will be sending them to a commercial composting facility, which means that they can accept more materials than a backyard compost bin.

Items that go in organics recycling include:

- Food waste (including meat products)
- Paper napkins, bags, cups, plates, and wrappers
- Compostable trays and flatware
- Milk cartons

We will also be offering expanded plastics recycling capabilities for items such as plastic pods, yogurt cups, etc.

Watch for further information!

If you'd like to help as a monitor for the first several weeks of the program, contact mhall@paideiaacademy.org.

Thank you to everyone who attended the PIE Meeting on Monday. We hope you enjoyed our special presentation by Jay Larson and were able to see the momentum the teachers and staff have going this year. Jay explained "BE THE ONE" and the umbrellas you see around the school along with where Paideia PRIDE is going. His reference notes are attached for those who were not able to attend or those who want to keep this information and **BE THE ONE** in your child's life, the school, or in life.

Our next meeting will be held on October 4, from 6:30 to 8:00 pm and will focus on safety.



Jay Larson Leadership Training
Paideia Academy

Over-Arching Purpose 2010-2011 School Year

- To care
- To volunteer
- To accept
- To lead
- To try
- To reach out
- To encourage
- To stop
- To advocate

PRIDE

Persistence

Not giving up
Continuous effort
Consistent
Moving forward
Tenacious
Resourceful

Respect

Acceptance
Recognizing differences
Tact
Active listening
No Judgment

Integrity

Be yourself
Professionalism
Role
Give your best
Do what you say
Trustworthy
Honest
Confidentiality

Determination

Willingness
Persevere
Engaged
Optimistic
Committed
Realistic
Passion
Patience
Dedicated
Effort
Hard work

Empathy

Forgiveness
Recognize others
Understanding
Acknowledge
Try to relate
Listen
Tolerance

Fundraising

Do you like painless fund raising? Do you order anything on line?

If you do, then One Cause is the program for you! Click, Shop, Contribute!

When you start your everyday shopping at OneCause.com, you will contribute up to 20% of every eligible purchase to your chosen cause or school, at no extra cost to you! Simply shop online at hundreds of well-known merchants, save money with valuable Coupons & Deals and earn contributions on every eligible purchase. If you are remodeling and would like to make credit card purchases, then this is the program for you! Register, log in to OneCause, and then search for your favorite retailers. Online purchases and gift cards are available with credit card purchases!

Start your online shopping at OneCause now! www.onecause.com

Paideia SCRIP Cards AVAILABLE at Monday morning meetings and in the office! Don't forget your checkbooks!

Online ordering is **EASY** and available at www.shopwithscrip.com. Paideia Academy enrollment number **EAAC1D2C18284**. Preferred payment is check, or cash if paying with exact change.

SPECIAL BONUS - Old Navy/Gap/Banana Republic- You purchase and receive a \$75.00 gift card and Paideia gets back \$10.50 on EVERY card! Limited time only, so order yours today! If you have a remodeling project coming up, please consider purchasing Scrip for Home Depot, Lowe's Home Improvement, or Menards!

Reloadable Gas cards include Chevron, Exxon, and Mobil. Purchase yours today and reload at home through www.shopwithscrip.com.

Shop with Scrip has many cards that can be purchased and reloaded on their Website!

Examples are AMC Theatres, Athleta, B Dalton Books, Banana Republic, Barnes & Noble, Burger King, Chevron, CVS, Domino's Pizza, Exxon, Gap/Old Navy, Gymboree, Lowes Cineplex, Lowe's Home Improvement, Mobil Gas, Papa John's Pizza, Piperlime, and Starbucks!

Be a champion for your school\$\$

Boxtops for Education is pairing up with RainbowFoods! Register online at www.ChampionsForEducation.com as a parent and earn 10 points for Paideia immediately! Also, it enters us into a contest to have all our points matched (up to \$2,000 per school)

YMCA School Age Care

NOTES FROM THE SITE DIRECTOR

Communication is a valuable asset to helping the YMCA achieve its mission of building strong kids, strong families, and strong communities. In order to keep you updated of events occurring throughout the year, the staff will be sending out a monthly newsletter. Also please be sure to check your family folder often for any other information you might need. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask Kim or Jay.

A copy of the Parent Handbook can be found at www.ymcatwincities.org.

In the handbook you can find helpful information, including the new policy for Release Days and what to do on Snow Days!

Our Release Days for the first half of the year will be registered for at the beginning of the school year once again. Please be aware that the forms will be distributed during September and will be due by the first of October.

We look forward to another school year filled with fun and adventure for your kids!