



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.

Calendar:

May 7 - Board Candidate Forum 6:30 PM

May 11 - Human Society out of uniform day \$1
Stamp out Hunger—Bring non-perishable food item

May 15 - Board Meeting 7 PM

May 18 - Movie Night! 6:30-8:00 PM

May 28 - Memorial Day - No school.

May 31 - *Leukemia & Lymphoma Society* out of uniform day \$1

May 31 - Concert at 6:30 PM Grades 5,6,7 & 8 Strings and Band

June 7 - Light Bulb Fair & Upper Academy Film Fest 6 PM

June 13- Last day of school! (8th Grade Graduation 6:30 PM)

BOARD BALLOTS will be available at the office on Monday, May 7.

Ballots must be picked and signed for at the office.

Ballots are due Tuesday, May 15 at 5:00 PM

From the Office

Welcome our new Director Marci Levy-Maguire!

The Board of Directors of Paideia Academy is delighted to announce the hiring of Marci Levy-Maquire as Paideia's new Director, beginning July 1, 2012.

Levy-Maguire has 10 years of public education experience, primarily in environmental education, research, and teacher leadership. Most recently, she was founding Principal of Queens Metropolitan High School in Queens, New York.

Marci holds a Ph.D. in Science Education and a M.S in Secondary School Science Education from the Teachers College at Columbia University, as well as a B.A. in Biology from Barnard College. In 2009, she completed her School Building Leader Certification from the New York City Leadership Academy at Baruch College.

Please join us in welcoming Marci and her family this summer!

For the safety of our students please refrain from bringing dogs into the gym during dismissal. *This includes dogs that are small enough to be carried.*



Volunteer Hours

Are all of your hours recorded in the volunteer logs located in the lobby?

- If not please update.

Is your page totaled for the entire year?

- If not please enter a running total.

There will be an event on June 4th to thank all of our wonderful volunteers—more information coming soon.

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Gifted and Talented

If you see the following students congratulate them for a job well done to the best of their ability. Our Andrew Borg placed 14th of 188 students in the meet, and Team A Paideia placed 11th of 38 teams (just a few points off from placing in the top ten and this after four of our participants stepped in late for students who had practiced all year, but could not be in attendance due to other commitments).

The 5th grade Math Masters team :

Team A – Capt. Andrew Borg	Team B - Capt. Brady Schlaefer
Andrew Trepanier	Emma M.
Maddie Stites	Anna Amodeo
Shane Paulson	Sarah Ewert
Nate Schaefer	Isaac Foreman

Paideia Helps the Community - Mark your calendars!

Friday May 11th—Out of Uniform Day \$1 for the Humane Society

Paideia Alumni

Dear Students of Paideia Academy

As a former Paideia student I am asking for your help. Two other AVHS students and I are working on our 9th grade service project about Animal Abuse. **We need your help! On Friday, May 11th, please bring a dollar for Out of Uniform Day to help prevent animal abuse.** Larger donations are welcome and appreciated; all proceeds will be split evenly between The Humane Society MN Chapter, and Last Hope a local community pet rescue service.

Thank you for your help,
Chloe Culler, Julia, and Paul



Friday May 11th—Send your non-perishable food item with students! (place in paper bag)



Finish the School Year by Giving Back with *Stamp Out Hunger*



Over 49 million Americans are at risk of hunger according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture. On Friday May 11, 2012, Paideia Academy can help our community by taking part in *Stamp Out Hunger*, the nation's largest single-day food drive.

Thursday May 31st—Out of Uniform Day \$1 for Leukemia and Lymphoma

Paideia Academy will again participate in the Leukemia and Lymphoma Dress Down Day Thursday, May 31.

Students can dress down (out of uniform day) in exchange for a \$1.
(Staff \$5)

Paideia PTO

Fellow Paideia Families -

I would like to take this time to tell you a little bit about our newly formed **PTO** (Parent Teacher Organization) and how it came into effect. Our former parent group (PIE) felt it was time to restructure their organization and decided the best way to do this would be to form a PTO. With PTO being formed, our goal is for more parent involvement, new ideas, transparency and a team approach to working with the teachers, the school board and administration. Thank you to those that have already volunteered for positions to finish the school year, and to start up 2012 - 2013. For those of you that have not signed up, and are interested in investing in the success of parent organization and students, I would like to share some ways that you may consider becoming involved the rest of the year, or for next year.

Our PTO is made up of 6 Teams: *Fundraising, Communications, Volunteers, Student Enrichment, Family Programs and Support of Operations*. Over the next few newsletters I will describe these teams in a bit more detail.

FUNDRAISING

The Fundraising team is the foundation to the PTO. **100% of the money raised goes directly back to Paideia Academy.** We support administration and assist in purchasing needed items, we support the staff and students through class supplies, events and other needs. Our focus is the students and assisting the staff in supporting their successful education.

The Fundraising team has many ways to get involved; *Sponsorship and Donations, Dining out, Rebates, Grant writing, Plant Sale, Field Trip Funding, Trivia Night*. Each of these areas has a lead who is responsible for organizing the group and activities with other volunteers.

The priority of the Fundraising Team is to do as much painless fundraising as possible. By doing this, it will enable you to give back while doing the things you would normally do. (ie - purchase gift cards, save box tops, milk tops, Coke Tops, etc. , go out to eat with your family and encouraging a social setting to allow you to get to know other Paideia parents)

We have a couple of fundraisers going on the remainder of the year. The first is Bachman's Gift Card Sale. When you purchase a Bachman's gift card (\$25-\$500), 15% of your total comes back to assist us in funding PTO student projects and events. Trivia Night is another great way to get out for the evening, meet other Paideia families, and have a great time. This event is a popular fundraiser for many schools and we are excited to be hosting it, along with a Silent Auction on June 2nd.

Information on fundraising events, and all PTO news and events is available on our PTO page on the school website, <http://paideiaacademy.org/page.php?ID=82&isSub=true> , or on our board to the left of the office.

PTO Calendar of Events

- May 7:** PTO Executive Board meeting 5:30-6:30pm
 PTO General Meeting 6:30-8pm Paideia Academy School
 Board Candidate Forum (Meet the candidates running for the School Board)
- May 7-11:** Staff Appreciation week
- May 18:** Movie Night
- June 2:** 2nd Annual Paideia Academy 5K Run/Walk 8am
 First Annual Paideia Academy Trivia Night 7-10pm
 @AV American Legion. Staff & Parent a night out, social fun and TRIVIA!
- June 4:** PTO Executive Meeting 5:30-6:30pm
 PTO General Meeting 6:30-8pm Topic TBD
- June 13:** 8th Grade Graduation

Entertainment books

- For sale in the office for \$5.00. These are books that expire Nov. 1st.

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