Paideia Academy

August 24, 2012



Calendar:

September 3 & 4 - Labor Day, No School (Please note: this is 2 days off)

September 17- PTO Meeting (Olweus Anti-Bulling Program) 6:30 PM

September 19 - Picture retakes

September 20 - Evening Conferences

September 21 - Conferences, No School

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.

From the Director

Dear Paideia Community,

Thank you for your feedback on our Family Survey! We received 52 responses from our school community, and the good news is that our Family Handbook and policies/procedures were rated highly, overall. The vast majority of respondents reported that our Family Handbook clearly outlines meaningful and useful policies and procedures that support us in fully enacting our mission and vision. Some areas for improvement indicated by the results are: communication (specifically about academic expectations and individual student progress and performance), clarity about our uniform policy, support for new Paideia families, and thorough implementation of all policies and procedures. Some good ideas were offered as well to hone our policies and make them more practical. I truly appreciate your feedback and look forward to presenting revisions to the Board of Directors at the September meeting and sharing the final draft with all of you as we begin our second quarter.

This week has been an exciting one as I have been able to spend time in classrooms, work individually and in small groups with teachers to discuss data-driven instruction and instructional strategies to support our diverse student body, and attend a forum in Minneapolis on closing the achievement gap. We are doing so many great things here at Paideia! We have a terrific foundation for ensuring that each of our students participates in an inspiring, rigorous, content-rich education, and I feel very lucky to play a part in supporting us all to meet our potential.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Sincerely.

Marci Levy-Maguire

Do you like Paideia Academy?

Would you want friends or other family members to attend here? Do you happen to know of anyone who is thinking about attending Paideia?

Well, opportunity knocks. There is room in the Upper Academy for some students. This is a rare opportunity as usually there are waiting lists to get in. If you know of anyone that might be interested in attending our school, now is the time for them to enroll. Please let anyone you know that might be interested in attending Paideia in grades 6-8 that we have some openings. It would be nice to get them in before September 4, when most of the other public schools start.

2012 Paideia Academy Board of Directors

The Paideia Academy Board of Directors is seeking nominations for the position of School Board Director. The elected candidate who will fill this vacant position will serve for the remainder of the current 2012-2013 school year, which ends on June 18, 2013.

Parents/legal guardians of children enrolled at Paideia, staff, and community members are all eligible to be nominated for this position. You are welcome to nominate someone else or yourself.

The following skills or areas of expertise are desired but not required:

- Legal
- Human Resources
- Long Range and Strategic Planning
- Real Estate
- Marketing
- Finance and Accounting
- Engineering

To be considered, please fill out the attached Nomination Form and Candidate Questionnaire and submit it to the Governance and Long Range Planning Committee by the deadline. In addition, all nominees are required to attend the September Board of Directors Meeting on Wednesday, September 19th, 2012 at 7:00p.m. to present themselves to the current Board of Directors. Each candidate will be given three minutes for their presentation after which time the Board of Directors will select a candidate by a majority vote.

Nominations will open on Monday, August 27th and close on Friday, September 7th at 5:00pm.

All Nominations, Canadidate Questionnaires and any questions about joining the Board should be submitted to Allen Johnson - Chair of the Governance and Long Range Planning Committee at ajohnson@paideiaacademy.org.

Please consider joining the Board or nominating someone you feel would be a great addition to this team!

Nomination Form: http://www.paideiaacademy.org/Portal/Attachments/Nomination%20Form%20(replace%20member).pdf

Questionnaire: http://www.paideiaacademy.org/Portal/Attachments/2012%20Candidate%20Questionnaire%20(replace%20member).pdf



What: PAPTO is the Paideia Academy Parent Teacher Organization

Who: All Parents and Guardians of Paideia Academy Students are members with voting rights on the PAPTO, no membership dues! All Paideia Academy Staff are members with voting rights on the PAPTO. The Executive Officers are currently

made up of Paideia Academy parents - volunteers who are working to formalize the PAPTO. More on them later.

When: PAPTO Executive Board meetings will take place on the 2nd Monday of each month. These meetings will be planning meetings for events and fundraisers - all PAPTO members are welcome to attend and participate. Speakers or presentations will often take place immediately following the Executive Board meeting. Watch the newsletter for up coming meetings.

Where: PAPTO meetings will generally take place at Paideia Academy.

Why: The Mission of the Paideia Academy Parent Teacher Organization is to establish a close relationship between school and home by advancing the opportunity for involvement with the Paideia Community through:

- Communication
- Family Programs
- Fundraising
- Student Enrichment
- Support of Operations

Volunteerism

Executive Board: There are four officer position on the PAPTO. These positions are President, Vice President, Treasure and Secretary. Amy Monson, co-founder of Paideia Academy, was set to be the President of the PAPTO. Fortunately for the Monson family, but unfortunately for Paideia, Amy's husband accepted a job offer out of state and so the family moved prior to the start of our school year. This left the President position unoffically filled. On September 10, the PAPTO will hold a Special Meeting. At this meeting Ginie Klopp (prior PIE Chair) will officially apply for the President position. In addition, the PAPTO will review the existing Org Chart and Bylaws in preparation for the filing of Non-Exempt status with the IRS.

Tedra Johnson is the sitting Vice President, Kelly Parcher is the sitting Treasure and Jenny Gonzales is the sitting Secretary.

September 10, 7:00 pm - Special Meeting September 17, 6:30 pm - Olweus Speaker, Anti-Bullying Curriculum

Last call for Directory/Carpool Interest Forms! Click the link below or grab a copy form the PTO board in the lobby. Return to office by Wednesday August 29th. http://paideiaacademy.org/Portal/Attachments/FY13%20Paideia%20Family%20Directory%20and%20Carpool%20Interest%20Form.pdf

Fundraising

- A booklet from Innisbrook will be in the student backpacks. The sale will be running thru September 12th, with delivery in October. The proceeds from this fundraiser will be put towards the purchase of a Poster Maker for the school.
- Don't forget to turn in your box top, milk caps, labels for education and coke points to your homeroom teacher next week. Process will go to the school. The winning upper and lower academy class will be getting an out of uniform day.

Help our school!



DID YOU VOTE THIS WEEK?

All we need to do is vote for our school each week until September 8.

Our school can receive up to \$10,000 in Targetcards!



For every 25 votes our school receives, Target will send our school a \$25 gift Card! Visit the Give with Target app at Facebook.com/Taget





HELP!!! VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need to get the front gardens done.

If you can help
Saturday morning (tomorrow)
from 10 AM—Noon, please come!

Bring tools and a wheel barrow if you have them!



Scrip Cards for sale at the office!

Make your everyday purchases fundraise for Paideia!

KWIK TRIP CARD ARE BACK IN STOCK!

KIDS & MORE SALE AUGUST 24-26, 2012

FREE ADMISSION!

Ames Arena, 19900 Ipava Ave, Lakeville

FRIDAY, AUG 24 5-9 pm PRE-SALE

SATURDAY, AUG 25 8 am - 5 pm PUBLIC SALE 5:30-7:00 pm VOLUNTEER ½ PRICE PRE-SALE

SUNDAY, AUG 26 9 am - 2 pm DISCOUNT SALE, Many items ½ price

Cash & Credit Cards accepted