Calendar:

February 14 - Evening Conferences

- Lower Academy Pre-scheduled conferences
- Upper Academy Drop-in conferences in the gym 4-7:30 PM

February 15 - Conferences, No school

- Lower Academy Pre-scheduled conferences
- Upper Academy Teachers available for a few drop-in conferences in classrooms 8 AM-3 PM

February 18 - President's Day, No school

February 19- Board Meeting

March 6 - Spring pictures

March 15 - YEARBOOK orders due.

2013/14 Open Enrollment information January 31- Open Enrollment begins
(This includes siblings intending to enroll for 2013/14)

February 21– Information Night, 6:30-8:00 PM **March 1-** Open Enrollment ends **March 4 -** 4 PM—Lottery Held

From the Director

Dear Paideia Community,

Thank you to all of you who joined us at conferences this week (and those of you who so generously fed the staff)! It was great seeing you all participating in conversations about the wonderful work your children are doing in their classes and how we can all work together to help them reach their potential. I hope you all picked up information on our spring testing calendar and upcoming Family Night while you were here. If not, please make sure to see the information below in the newsletter.

Last weekend, our incredible Mr. Olofson (7th & 8th grade science teacher) led our Science Olympiad team to great success in the regional tournament! It was an amazing experience for all the students and families involved, and it was clear that their planning and preparation paid off for them - not only in terms of the numbers of medals they won, but also in their confidence levels and teamwork. At the tournament, the kids were incredibly supportive of each other and proud of their own and each other's accomplishments. Next stop, the state tournament on March 2nd! I look forward to seeing you there if you can make it.

It has been a busy week for all of us, and I'm sure you're looking forward to the long weekend with your children. I hope you enjoy every minute of it!

Sincerely, Marci Levy-Maguire Director



Paideia Academy Science Olympiad 2013

From the Office

Issues with morning drop off:

- 1. PLEASE have children ready to get out of the car by the time you get to the curb.
- 2. YOU MUST pull all the way up until you can not go any further. Do not stop in the middle of the line, this backs up traffic and makes everyone late!

Yearbooks:

Order your yearbook now! Books purchased before March 15 cost \$20, books ordered after that date cost \$25.

Spring Testing Calendar

MCA	Mon. April	Tues. April	Wed. April	Thurs.	Fri. April	Mon. April	Mon. May	Tues. May	Wed. May
Testing	15th	16th	17th	April 18th	19th	22nd	6th	7th	8th
	MCA Read-	MCA Read-					MCA Sci-	MCA Sci-	MCA Sci-
9:00-	ing, Section	ing, Section	MCA Math,	MCA Math,	MCA Make-	MCA Make-	ence, 5th	ence, 8th	ence Make
10:00	1	3	Section 1	Section 3	up Testing	up Testing	Grade	Grade	-up Testing
10:00-	Break in	Break in	Break in	Break in					
10:30	Classrooms	Classrooms	Classrooms	Classrooms	Break	Break			
	MCA Read-	MCA Read-							
10:30-	ing, Section	ing, Section	MCA Math,	MCA Math,	MCA Make-	MCA Make-			
11:30	2	4	Section 2	Section 4	up Testing	up Testing			

	Mon. May	Tues. May	Mon. May	Tues. May	Wed. May		
Map Testing	13th	14th	20th	21st	22nd	Thurs. May 23rd	Fri. May 24th
8:15 -							
8:30am							
			MAP Reading	MAP Math -			
	MAP Reading	MAP Math -	- 2nd grade	2nd grade	MAP Reading		
	- 5th grade	5th grade	(Webster -	(Webster -	- 7th grade	MAP Math - 7th	
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8:30 -	Lab; Creighton	Lab; Creighton	ing - Room	Clendening -	Lab; Sherrard	Sherrard - Room	Make-up MAP
10:00am	- Room 208)	- Room 208)	208)	Room 208)	- Room 208)	208)	Testing
	MAP Reading	MAP Math -	MAP Reading	MAP Math -	MAP Reading		
	- 6th grade	6th grade	- 3rd Grade	3rd Grade	- 8th grade	MAP Math - 8th	
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			MAP Reading	MAP Math -			
			- 4th Grade	4th Grade			
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			Computer	Computer			
			Lab;	Lab;	Make-up		
			Creighton -	Creighton -	MAP Testing		Make-up MAP
1:00-2:30			Room 208)	Room 208)	- Grades 2-6		Testing

Family Night!

Paideia Academy Family Night

An international Family Night and Potluck Dinner

When: 6:30pm-8:00pm, Thursday March 7th

Where: Paideia great room for dinner, surrounding rooms

for activities

Why: To learn about different cultures and traditions, and to meet Paideia staff, students, and families.



Paideia Academy has a Family Night on March 7th that is going to be spectacular! We are going to celebrate the cultures of our students and their families. We are asking for some families to contribute to Family Night by bringing in a dish from their culture.

To be sure that we have the right amount of food, we would like for kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade to bring main dishes; 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade to bring appetizers; and 6th, 7th, and 8th grade to bring desserts.

In order to help us organize this best, we ask that you share the grades that your children are in, your last name, the origin of the dish, and the ingredients. Please fill out the form below and e-mail it to jcreighton@paideiaacademy.org or kschnase@paideiaacademy.org by Friday, March 1st.

*Please inform them of any of the following ingredients in your dish:

Peanuts (nuts), Dairy, Eggs, Gluten, Pork, Fish, Chocolate or if the dish is vegetarian/vegan.

Thank you for all that you do! It will be a blast sharing and trying foods from all over the world.

Grade:	Family Name:	Country of Origin:	Ingredients

Technology

Sixth graders in Mrs. Sailors and Mr Mitsch's Social Studies class review for a test using Smart Responders. Smart Responders have the ability to communicate with a Smart Board and allow students to answer true/false, multiple choice and fill in the blank questions. Each student answers questions on his or her Smart Responder. Teachers can gather results after the review as a means of formative or summative assessment.



Paideia Participates in Math Counts Competition

On Friday, February 1, seven Paideia students participated in a divisional Math Counts competition. 185 students participated from the region. The students partook in 3 testing rounds which included 2 individual rounds and 1 team round. Three Paideia students ranked in the top 100 individuals: Joey Dokken placed 26th, Tracey Treat placed 90th and Brantly Craig placed 99th. Our school team placed 13th in the team competition. Great Job!



Spring Picture Day March 6

(Spring photos are optional)

- If you wish for your student to have his or her photo taken, send them with the completed order form on March 6. (Students will receive order forms later this month)
- Only students with orders will have their photo taken.
- These photos will not be in the yearbook.
- We 3 need parent volunteers to help with the photo session.
 Please contact the Mrs. Watkins if you are able to volunteer. (hours 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM)

Concerts

A Little Night Music

Brought to you by Paideia 2nd and 3rd graders

Thursday, February 28th at 6:30 pm

in the Paideia Great Room

Please join us for an evening of singing, moving, and playing instruments!



Come and Sing Together

Brought to you by the Paideia 4th graders and the Paideia 5th grade general music students

Thursday, March 14th at 6:30

in the Paideia Great Room

Join us for an evening of singing, moving and playing!

Community

On Saturday, Feb. 16, 11 a.m.—noon at the Galaxie Library, **The Twin Cities Community Gospel Choir** is going to be having a *FREE* concert for Black History month. Enjoy the soulful interpretation of the African-American gospel.





April 17, 2013 5.30pm - 7.30pm Paideia Academy (The Great Room) 7200 West 147th Street Apple Valley, MN 55124

Recognizing Early Warning Signs of Mental Illness in Children and Adolescents

Early intervention and treatment is essential for a child's success. This two-hour workshop provides information on the biological nature of mental illness and how parents and teachers can work together as allies to support these students.

Please register at

http://ews-april2013-applevalley.eventbrite.com

NAMI Minnesota, 800 Transfer Road, Suite 31, St Paul, MN 55114 - 651 645 2948 www.namihelps.org









Planning Meeting—Wed., Feb. 20 Large Commons @ 6:30 PM

Your help is needed!

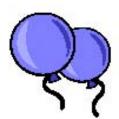
Please contact PTO@paideiaacademy.org

If you own your own business watch for opportunities to sponsor/donate.



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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.

Our Vision

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