



Paideia Academy

April 19, 2013

Calendar:

STARTS AT 5:30!

- April 26 -** CARNIVAL 5:30!
- May 16 -** K & 1st grade General Music Concert, 6:30 PM
- May 20 -** Final Spanish Camp payment due
(Checks payable to Concordia)
- May 29 -** Final Wolf Ridge payment due
(Checks payable to Paideia)

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,

I am excited to share that we completed all of our Reading and Math MCA testing this week! They have certainly earned a weekend filled with lots of play time. Everyone in the building was thoroughly impressed by the seriousness with which our students took the test-taking procedures, and I would like to commend the entire staff and all the students for making sure that our testing environment was appropriate and well-managed.

During the evenings this week, we made the most of our time as well. We started the week with a deep discussion among teachers, parents, and administrators about the curriculum, resources, and professional development needed to transition to the implementation of the new Minnesota State Social Studies standards, support our proposed Health and Advisory courses for all grade levels, and improve our students' reading progress and performance at all grade levels. On Tuesday, we engaged in more great conversations during a Uniform Committee meeting, Finance Committee meeting, Human Resources Committee meeting, Marketing Committee meeting, and full Board meeting.

On Wednesday night, Paideia sponsored a workshop by the National Association for Mental Illness that focused on recognizing mental health concerns in adolescents. It was a well-attended event by parents and staff members from Paideia and local districts. I look forward to working with them again to continue addressing the needs of our immediate and local community.

Next week will continue to keep the Paideia community busy! Between our Kindergarten Academics Orientation meeting, a special Board meeting, and the amazing CARNIVAL, we will celebrate our academics, our school's future, and fund raise to support all of it, while also just enjoying being together. Have a wonderful (yet snowy) weekend!

All the best,
Marci Levy-Maguire

From the Office

If you have moved and have not notified the office of your address change, please log in to your SchoolView account and submit a change of address request. Click on Student Information, and then click on "Change Request Form".

Spring Clean Up Event!!!

The Community Services Committee announces the annual Paideia grounds clean up. Join us after school on Tuesday April 30th from 3:30 to 4:30 (Thursday May 2 in case of rain) to pick up the garbage and yard waste revealed after the long winter. We will clean up the school grounds and the Augustana field. Meet us on the playground and pick up a waste bag. Please bring your own gloves. Don't forget to log in your volunteer hours.

Volunteer needed:

One volunteer needed for school year 2013-2014 to work with the office staff in running the Scrip and Kwik Trip gift card program. Susan Carter has done a wonderful job organizing this year and it should be an easy role to step in to. The volunteer will need to get trained in this quarter by working with Susan a few Monday mornings.

April 16, 2013 Board Meeting Highlights

- Major initiatives of the month: 2013-2014 Programming work – gathering information, creating teacher and student schedules, discussing MacPhail partnership; Human Resources Work – develop new compensation/benefits/ incentives plan, revise QComp plan, review personnel policies, and review and revise all job descriptions/letters of intent/evaluation plans/job postings for 2013-2014; April 5th Professional Development Day – Eklund Workplace Satisfaction Survey, safety drills with Apple Valley Police Department, DDI analysis and re-teaching meetings (Friends of Education came to observe); complete 3rd quarter observations; finalize MCA testing protocols; Apple Valley Chamber of Commerce Coffee Connection.
 - Next steps: finalize 2013-2014 Programming and HR plans for presentation to the Board; complete 4th quarter observations; meet with all staff members regarding 2013-2014; plan 8th grade graduation and Paideia Academy Reunion.
 - Finance update: current enrollment is 372; we are operating within our revised budget.
 - Committee update: Governance and Long-Range Planning Committee and Human Resources Committee are finalizing details of 2013-2014 proposals for the Board. The Curriculum Committee is starting to look into what resources we need to effectively implement the Common Core and National Health standards. The Facilities Committee is hiring an outside firm to complete a comprehensive evaluation of our current school building. The Marketing and Recruitment Committee is working on a specific plan for recruiting Upper Academy students for 2013-2014.
 - Major technology initiatives of the month include: preparations for MCA testing; schedule changes for fourth quarter Special Education and English Language Learners; report cards posted in Schoolview; getting inventory and barcoding system up and running; teacher training on how to pull data reports and how to use assistive communication devices; continued work on 2013-2014 technology scope and sequence; SMART Responder and iPad implementation in classrooms.
- PTO update: 501-C3 has been approved and the PTO is official; the officer election process has started. The Paideia Carnival is next Friday 4/26/2013, and several volunteers are still needed. The third annual Paideia 5K is Saturday 6/1/2013. Staff Appreciation week is coming up at the beginning of May – several events have been planned. Mrs. Sailors's and Ms. Prins's classes each won an out-of-uniform day for the rebate contest. **There is a special meeting on Wednesday, April 24th, at 7:00pm. Our next regular meeting is Wednesday, May 22nd, at 7:00. Please join us!!!**

Marketing Committee needs you!

Please join us for a Marketing Committee Meeting on April 30th at 5:00 o'clock!

We need you help recruiting Upper Academy students! Marketing has a tremendous need for parents with skills in marketing, advertising, web design and promotion. During this meeting, we will discuss strategies and steps for getting out the message about our wonderful Upper Academy. Be a key player in crafting and executing Paideia's approach to Upper Academy marketing and recruitment!

Paideia Academy PTO

Paideia Families Needed!

WE NEED YOU! Volunteers are needed the night of the Carnival, April 26th. If you are able to volunteer during the carnival please click here to [sign up](#). Set-up begins immediately after school at 3:30 pm, help is needed for Food/Concessions, Games and Silent Auction. The Carnival begins at 5:30 and each of these areas has one hour shifts from there (5:30, 6:30, 7:30). We will also need Security the night of the Carnival - this simply is making trips around the interior and exterior of the building ensuring our student body has remained in the school building and within designated areas. Final a clean-up crew is needed to put the school back to normal operating position. Without your help we won't be able to run all the areas that make our Carnival so much fun. **We need at least 100 volunteers the day of the Carnival,** I know we can count on you to get the job done! Those with Upper Academy Students, your students are eligible to volunteer as well. We do require that at least one parent volunteer at the same game or in the same room to oversee operations, I'm sure you can appreciate the reason behind this requirement.

Many of you asked what games can we expect. Be prepared to be amazed! The Games Committee has been hard at creative work and is prepared to run: Bottle Blast, Can Bean Bag Toss, Cupcake Walk, DVD/CD Bowling, Duck Pond, Face Painting, Goldfish Ping Pong Toss, Hamper Toss (Pickup your room), Hula Hoop Balloon Toss, Ice House Fishing Pond, Jail, THE MAN CAVE, Mickey and Minnie Coin Toss, Potty Toss, Plinko, Ratz Splat, Teacher Shaving Cream Toss, Spin and Win, and A SPA. Now I know you can't wait to come! Game tickets will be on sale all night!

Out of Uniform Day Contest - the class to collect the most: Bottles of anything (Plastic, unopened, unexpired, non-perishable bottles, i.e. shampoo, soda, lotion, etc. Please no sample sizes.); Used, but in working condition, DVD's or CD's; Cans of Shaving Cream (gift certificates to the Dollar Store is also acceptable) and Face Paint. Your donations are greatly appreciated and will help make our games all the better! Bags will be in classrooms to collect donations.

All officer positions are up for election: President, Vice President, Treasure and Secretary must be newly elected. If you or someone you know would be interested in sitting as a PTO Officer, please complete the nomination form e-mailed from your Grade Level Rep. These forms must be returned to the school office by Monday, May 6th. The PTO will be hosting the School Board Candidate forum at our scheduled May meeting on Monday, May 13th. Prior to this forum we will hold brief PTO Officer Elections, these will be held by voice and all in attendance are eligible to vote. If we have more than one candidate for a position we will hold paper voting and the process will be explained at the May meeting.

Information on Staff Appreciation and the 3rd Annual Paideia Academy 5k will be coming shortly.

If you have questions please contact us at pto@paideiaacademy.org and be sure to [Like us on Facebook](#) to stay informed!

See you at the Carnival!

Genie Klopp

PTO President



Pi Day at Paideia

Grades 5 through 8 had a wonderful morning celebration Pi Day on March 14. The students read books, performed experiments and completed projects all related to mathematical Pi, 3.14.... Check –out our Pi chain hanging above the Great Room, 1000 digits of Pi. The day would not have been complete without eating lots of pie!

Thank you to all families who donated pies for this great event as well as the many parent volunteers!



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Registration for 3rd Annual Paideia Academy 5K Run/Walk SATURDAY JUNE 1st Registration 8am / Race 9am

We encourage you and your family to join us for a walk, run or jog with friends. Bring a snack for after the run, relax in the field, get to know the community and help raise funds for new equipment for the physical education program! The race is sponsored by Paideia Academy PTO and surrounding businesses. Cash or checks made out to Paideia Academy PTO. Children under 5 run/walk for free. All students must be accompanied by an adult. We look forward to being FIT FOR LIFE with you! Contact mdaugherty@paideiaacademy.org or pto@paideiaacademy.org to volunteer!

COST BEFORE MAY 10th :

Student \$15 Adult \$20

Family of 3 \$35

Family of 4-6 \$50

COST AFTER MAY 10th :

Student \$20 Adult \$25

Family of 3 \$50

Family of 4-6 \$75

Family Name: _____ Family email: _____

Runner/Walker Name: _____ Grade/

Relationship: _____

Circle one: Run / Walk T-shirt Size: YS YM YL YXL AS AM AL AXL

This release and waiver is executed on this date: June 1st 2013. Knowingly, and at my own risk, I am participating in the Paideia Academy 5K. I do hereby waive release any and all claims against the groups, Paideia academy, all event sponsors and any employee, volunteer, or official of these organizations from any claim of injury (including death) that I may incur as a result of my participation in the event. I further hereby certify that I have full knowledge of the risks involved in this event, and I am physically fit and sufficiently trained to participate. If, however, as a result of my participation in the Paideia Academy 5K, I require medical attention, I hereby give consent to authorize medical personnel to provide such medical care as deemed necessary.

Printed name of participant: _____ Date: _____

