

Paideia Academy

May 3, 2013

Calendar:

May 6-10 Staff Appreciation week

May 9 - Staff Talent Show, 6:30 PM

May 16 - K & 1st grade General Music Concert, 6:30 PM

May 17- Upper Academy Dance

May 20 - Final Spanish Camp payment due

(Checks payable to Concordia)

June 1 - 3rd Annual Paideia Academy 5K Run / Walk

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.

Board Election Timeline:

May 3 - Voting Guides available at the front desk

May 13 - Candidate Information Forum at 7:00pm, hosted by the PTO

May 13 to May 21 - Voting period

- Ballots are due at 5:00pm on Tuesday May 21
- Ballots may be obtained through the school office or at the PTO Candidate Forum

From the Director

Dear Paideia Community,

What an amazing **CARNIVAL** last week!! I cannot thank the PTO enough for organizing this incredible event, those of you who attended and/or gave donations, and the staff who volunteered their time to get pied with shaving cream or just attend. It was truly a *community* event, and it was a whole lot of fun! Thank you for helping to raise funds to support Paideia in providing exceptional academic and extracurricular programs for your children.

I have been lucky enough to spend much of this week in classrooms observing teachers and students as they continue their exploration of their grade-level content and begin to prepare for next year's work. It has been wonderful to see all the progress that both our students and staff have made this year! From Kindergarteners who can now write sentences to third graders using model drawing to solve measurement problems to seventh graders exploring natural selection through experimentation with different types of "beaks", the progress has been incredible. Just as exciting for me has been watching our teachers utilize multiple types of data to prepare their instruction, increase their abilities to differentiate for individual students, and include more student-centered activities in their classes.

Next week is Teacher Appreciation Week, and I urge you all to share your thanks with any teacher who has made a difference in your child's life. Our teachers work incredibly hard every day to meet the academic and social-emotional needs of your children, ensure that their education is consistent and coherent, communicate effectively with families, and continue to develop their own knowledge and skills of curriculum, instruction, and assessment. No matter how long or short a teacher has been teaching, they all put their all in every day.

I look forward to seeing you all at next Thursday's (5/9/13) **Faculty Talent Show**! Hopefully it will stop snowing by then. Enjoy the weekend with your family!

Sincerely, Marci Levy-Maguire Director

From the Office

Pay for lunch by check? All lunch checks dropped off between April 24 and May 3 will be entered into your student's lunch account on May 6. Please disregard any "below balance notices" you receive during that time.

Congratulations to Troy Strand on his commission to create a composition for the Chain of Lakes!



Paideia Academy Fundraiser



Bring your donations to the office on May 8, 9, & 10!

GOAL is \$300!

<u>If</u> we reach our goal the students and staff will earn an OUT OF UNIFORM DAY on Thursday May, 16th!

• Out of Uniform must be appropriate school clothing: No sweatpants, pj's, leggings, yoga pants, or tank tops, skirts must be 2 inches above knee, no boots and no heels above 1"

2nd Annual Staff Talent Show!



Volunteers

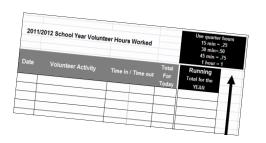
Thank you to the staff and families who participated in the Spring Clean-up Event! Your work was much appreciated!

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.

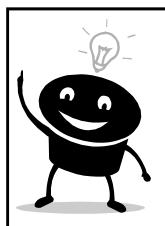


3rd Annual Paideia Academy 5K Run / Walk Saturday, June 1!

We encourage you and your family to join us for a walk, run or jog with friends.

We look forward to being FIT FOR LIFE with you!

Contact mdaugherty@paideiaacademy.org or pto@paideiaacademy.org to volunteer!



Light Bulb Fair 2013 Tuesday, June 11 12:00-4:00 p.m.

Deadline to Register: Friday, May 11

Open to all Paideia Students, K-8

You may work alone or with one friend

The Light Bulb Fair may be a great fit for you if you...

- 1. ENJOY BEING CHALLENGED
- 2. CAN WORK ON DEADLINES
- 3. *ENJOY* RESEARCH
- 4. *ENJOY* SHARING YOUR KNOWLEDGE
- 5. *ENJOY* CREATING VISUALLY APPEALING DISPLAY BOARDS
- 6. WANT TO BECOME A TEACHER FOR A DAY

Choose a Topic of Interest, Create questions about the topic and become an expert!

Want to Participate? Flyers went home with students on May 3
Contact Mrs. Pettinger with questions kpettinger@paideiaacademy.org
Complete the form; Return no later than Friday, May 10
Looking for ideas-go to Mrs. Pettinger's webpage

Once your registration is submitted, you will receive an informational packet

Paideia Academy PTO

HOME STRETCH...

May has sprung and the end of school is in sight. Now that the Carnival has come and gone we see the end of the year quickly approaching, but that doesn't mean we won't be finishing the year with a bang!

May 6th through 10th is Staff Appreciation week. The PTO has purchased flower pots that will be given to staff on Monday, May 6th. We request that you have your students write their homeroom teacher a thank you or note on Tuesday, May 7th. On Wednesday, May 8th the 6th-8th Grade families are taking their turn hosting a meal for our teachers by bringing in lunch for the staff. On Thursday, May 9th we would appreciate your students writing notes or thank yous to staff who are not their primary teacher. During this week we will also encourage you to treat our staff in small special ways. Check out the PTO Board near the lunchroom for our Staff's "favorites". Do what feels right to your family.

We're trying a new Spring Plant sale fundraiser this year. Eisele Greenhouse, who provided the beautiful poinsettias at the end of the calendar year will donate 15% of your entire spring purchase to Paideia when you use the coupon during the month of May. Eisele Greenhouse is located just south of Paideia in Lakeville on County Road 46 between Cedar and I35. Perhaps the weather will allow us to get those gardens and potted plants in soon! Please feel free to provide additional coupons to your neighbors, friends and family. Coupons came home in backpacks this week, extras are at the volunteer table.

The Annual 5K Run/Walk is coming on on Saturday, June 1st - we'll have great weather for it, I'm sure! Registration forms came home in backpacks this week. All participants must complete a seperate registration form; extras are at the Volunteer table. Please feel free to invite family and friends from outside the Paideia community to participate as well. The funds raised from the 5K will directly benefit Paideia's Phy Ed program. Please contact us if you are interested in volunteering to help plan/organize the 5K or if you are available to volunteer the day of the 5K. Strollers and kids under 5 are free.

Paideia Academy PTO is holding Executive Officer Elections. Nomination forms are at the Volunteer table. Please consider joining our team and leading the PTO into another successful year. Nomination forms are due by Monday, May 6th. Elections will take place at our May 13th meeting. We are also happy to be hosting the School Board Candidate forum. Come with questions for the school board candidates before casting your vote.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

May 6-10 - Staff Appreciation

May 6 - PTO Board Nominations Due

May 7 - Wendy's Night

May 10 - 5k Early Registration Due

May 13 - PTO Meeting - School Board Candidate Forum

May 17 - Upper Academy Dance

June 1 - 5K run/walk

Be sure to be at Monday's Morning meeting to find out who won the title of Carnival Queen!

Happy Spring, Ginie Klopp PTO President