



JLS PTA eNews

May 23, 2021

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Important Dates

- **May 26**- Principal Parent Coffee, 8:30 AM | All Grades Choir Concert, 7 PM
- **May 27**- Connections Parent Coffee
- **May 31**- Memorial Day Holiday, No School
- **June 2**- Principal Parent Coffee 8:30 AM | All Grades Band Concert, 7 PM
- **June 3**- All Schools Minimum Day, Last Day of School | 8th Grade Promotion Day
- **June 4**- First day of Summer Break



Principal's Coffee May 26, 8:30 AM

Please use the following zoom link <https://pausd.zoom.us/j/99873767585>

Principal Chats are archived on the JLS Website [here](#).



From Mr. Ambrose- JLS Librarian

Library Books are Due!

Please return JLS library books to the school library *as soon as you can* but definitely by May 28! NOTE: exceptions are made for books you need for class. The library is open daily from 8 am - 3 pm (M, T, W, F). Thursdays from 8 am - 4 pm.

Summer Reading!

Make a good summer great...READ! Wondering what to read? [Check out the titles HERE](#) for suggestions. Fill out [a reading log](#) (3 books) and then come back in the fall for [a free book and an ice cream sandwich](#) to celebrate the beauty of books!

2021-22 JLS SITE COUNCIL SEEKS NEW PARENT REPRESENTATIVES

JLS is looking for parents to volunteer for the Site Council. The Site Council is a representative body made up of parents, staff, and students. It is responsible for developing and monitoring the Single Plan for Student Achievement, allocating resources to meet the goals identified in the plan, and providing broad-based input on school effectiveness.

Membership on the Council consists of four parents, four students, and eight staff members. Parent membership consists of three elected positions and one position appointed by the PTA. Elected parent members of the Site Council hold office for two years, provided that they continue to be a parent at JLS; otherwise, the term of office is one year.

If you have questions about the Site Council and/or are interested in serving on the Site Council, please contact Judy Lukensmeyer, Site Council Coordinator, at jlukensmeyer@pausd.org.

8th Grade Promotion Volunteers Needed

Who: Attention 7th Grade Parents

What: We are looking for twenty 7th Grade parents to come help volunteer at our 8th Grade Promotion

When: 4:45 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. on Thursday, June 3rd at JLS

How: Please sign-up on this [Parent Volunteer Promotion Sign-up Sheet](#)

?: Any questions please reach out to Adam Nelson at anelson@pausd.org or Hanisi Accetta at haccetta@pausd.org

Once individuals have signed up, we will send a more detailed email with all the specific logistics. Thank you in advance for all your help in making our 2021 JLS Promotion a wonderful success!

Seeking New Editors for PalyLink (Palo Alto High School Enews)

If you are a rising or a current Paly family, the editors of palylink are seeking 2 to 3 new editors for the 21/22 school year. Editing the link is a great way to volunteer; the hours are flexible, it is a great way to stay on top of what's happening at Paly, and the software is very easy to use. The editing team works on a rotating basis so ideally you will only need to edit every 4 or 5 weeks. If you are interested, please email Sally Yencken (sallyyencken@gmail.com) or Manuaela Wei (manuelawei@gmail.com).

From Principal Grierson

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****UPDATED** PTAC Gabrielle Conway Memorial - Thank You!**

Last Sunday (5/16), over 80 people gathered to honor Gabrielle Conway, a long time and dedicated community and PTA volunteer (Walter Hays PTA, Jordan/Greene PTA, PALY PTSA/ PTA Council). Thank you for attending the zoom or live event held at Lucie Stern Courtyard. An honorary plaque will be placed on the new PTSA picnic bench at PALY. In lieu of flowers, please consider financially support the Gabrielle Conway Memorial Scholarship. This award encourages women going into STEM, engineering, and the sciences. Any female graduate of our school district (PAUSD) are eligible to apply for the scholarship. Please contact your school's college counselor. Question? Email Jade at president_19_20@paloaltopta.org Make your check payable to: "PAUSD"

Mail check to:
PAUSD Business Office
Attn: Roxana Valdez
25 Churchill Avenue
Palo Alto, CA 94306
Memo: Gabrielle Conway Memorial Scholarship

Community Conversation on Advancing Youth Wellbeing, Resiliency, and Suicide Prevention Through and Past the Pandemic Era with Project Safety Net
Wed, May 26, 2021 4:00 PM – 5:30 PM

How can we build a resilient community with and for our youth? As we all continue to live in the COVID-19 environment, we are reflecting on the impacts of the past year and simultaneously trying to figure out next steps. [Project Safety Net](#) invites you to continue the community conversations at PSN's Community Forum hosting a panel representing youth, adults, school, and mental health professional perspectives. They will offer insight into their own experiences, lessons, and hopes of the pandemic era to support the youth in our communities and strengthen the safety net. [CLICK HERE](#) to register.

****NEW** Wheelkids Middle School Bike Skills Classes.**

Rising 6th grade middle School families should consider signing up for [Wheelkids Middle School Bike Skills Classes](#). Please see Palo Alto's [Walk and Roll Suggested Route Maps](#) for walking or biking to school safe routes. When driving, please share the road, providing 3 feet of passing distance to bicyclists. Park away from the school to avoid drop-off/pickup congestion and get a healthy walk in. For more educational resources, please click: [Safe Routes to School website](#).

Mental Health Awareness Month (May 1-31)

The month of May is Mental Health Awareness month. Please consider checking out the following resources:

NAMI: [National Alliance of Mental Illness](#)

CDC: [CDC Mental Health](#)

Santa Clara County: [Behavioral Health Services](#)

PAUSD: [Mental Health Resources](#)

****UPDATE** RECORDING OF PTA Health & Wellness Webinar**

May 19th Webinar: What Children and Youth Need to Heal and Thrive in a Post-Pandemic World - If you missed May 19th's Webinar, [CLICK HERE](#) to listen to the webinar with Professor Rebecca London. Winners of the book raffle "Rethinking Recess: Creating Safe and Inclusive Playtime for All Children in School" may pick up their copy from PAUSD District Office (25 Churchill Ave) Monday to Friday from 8A-4P at the front reception.

****UPDATE** COVID Vaccines for 12 years old & up are now available - sign up NOW for Sunday May 23**

Great news! PAUSD will be having COVID Vaccination appointments for our students 12 years old and older needing a 1st dose. All the clinics will be located at the Peery Family Center at Palo Alto High School. We will have 1st dose clinics May 23rd. 2nd dose appointments will be 3 weeks later. Those eligible and interested may sign up through the links below:

<https://mhealthsystem.com/SWYPAUSDCovid>

For consent forms and map of PALY click the following link:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1BzLEh8QL1OrI85Z4WdYNGhA8cDZ_ndUv?usp=sharing

Estimada comunidad de PAUSD, ¡Una gran noticia! Tendremos citas de vacunación COVID para nuestros estudiantes de 12 años en adelante que necesiten una primera dosis. Esta clínica estará ubicada en el Peery Family Center en Palo Alto High School (mapa adjunto). Tendremos clínicas de 1ra dosis el 16 y 23 de Mayo. Las citas para la segunda dosis serán 3 semanas después.

Los elegibles e interesados pueden registrarse a través de los enlaces a continuación: <https://mhealthsystem.com/SWYPAUSDCovid>

亲爱的PAUSD 家庭，您们好！

在此告知您一个好消息！我们将为本学区需要第一剂COVID 疫苗的12岁及以上的学生

开放接种预约，疫苗接种地点位于 Palo Alto 高中的Perry Family Center (附地图)。第一剂接种日期是5月16日及5月23日，第二剂约诊为3周后。

如果您符合资格并想接种疫苗，请在以下网站注册：

<https://mhealthsystem.com/SWYPAUSDCovid>

[Where to go for Free COVID Vaccines](#)
[Where to go for Free COVID-19 Testing](#)
[California State PTA COVID-19 Resources](#)
[Family Resources here: Health Wellness Resources](#)
[Teen Mental Health Resources](#)
[Children's Mental Health Resources](#)

****NEW** COVID Information for Spanish Speakers**

Please click on the following links for Free COVID vaccines [CLICK HERE](#)

[Facts About COVID-19 Vaccine](#)

[Qué esperar después de la aplicación de la vacuna contra el COVID-19](#)

[Seguridad de las vacunas contra el COVID-19](#)

[Mitos y datos acerca de las vacunas contra el COVID-19](#)

[Preguntas frecuentes sobre la vacunación contra el COVID-19](#)

Spanish language forum: "COVID-19 Vaccine: My Wellness, My Community!"

Learn more about important vaccine topics. Pre-recorded in Spanish [El Foro Comunitario: Vacuna COVID-19](#)

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***NEW** Learn about South Palo Alto Bike Path plans**

The City of Palo Alto is undertaking an effort to improve bicycling along East Meadow Drive, Fabian Way, and the Waverley Bike Path in South Palo Alto. These corridors serve as key walk-and-roll routes for students traveling to multiple schools and connect the community to the new Highway 101 Pedestrian/Bike Bridge Project at Adobe Creek, as well as other Palo Alto communities.

Join us for a series of upcoming virtual events to share your input and learn more about potential bikeway enhancements under consideration. Learn more about the project and register at cityofpaloalto.org/Bikeways.

Virtual Route Tour 2 – Thursday, May 27 @ 6:30 PM

Engagement Summary – Tuesday, June 22 @ 6:30 PM

The City of Palo Alto would like your feedback on how to make walking and biking better along the Waverley Bike Path, East Meadow Drive, and Fabian Way.

Student safety is a goal of this project, so the City would like to design this with as much student involvement as possible. Take the survey [here](#) and share your experiences using these corridors.

Visit the project website at cityofpaloalto.org/bikeways for more information.

Auditions for the 2021-22 Paly Varsity Dance Team are fast approaching!

Prospective and returning dancers will learn audition combos Monday June 7th through Thursday June 10th from 9-11am on the outdoor basketball courts behind the small gym; auditions will be Friday June 11th with signups for time slots. Please email coachalanna@palydance.com for any questions, and fill out our interest form at bit.ly/padt2122

Volunteer Tutors Needed for DreamCatchers After-School Program

DreamCatchers, an after-school tutoring program serving low-income PAUSD middle schoolers, is currently enrolling volunteer tutors in **rising 9-12 grades!** We ask for a two-hour commitment per week on one of our program days, Monday through Thursday, 4-6 pm or 6-8 pm. The program will take place in-person at Palo Alto High School and PAUSD middle school sites (TBD), and there will likely be an online option via Zoom. Please enroll by August 1 by filling out our application: tinyurl.com/DCTutors21-

22. Our tutoring and mentorship program will begin in mid-August, one week after the beginning of school. Any questions? Please email Chris at chris@dreamcatchersyouth.org.

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