

APG PTSA + Family Newsletter · 12/17/2021

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Gratitude

Thanks to our tireless **SDC teachers and paraprofessionals** for all the time and care that they devote to APG's Special Education students. During the break, we can all reflect on the importance of inclusivity, and students can create artwork for submission to this year's Inclusive Arts Showcase. The theme is "Rebuilding Our Inclusive Community Together" and can be related to the student's disability, gender, socio-economic status, cultural heritage, language preference, or other unique trait. Submissions are due at the end of Winter Break. Go to sfusd.edu/sped-isw for more info. Open to all students!

To Do

Support Winter Break Grab & Go Meal Distribution—On December 21, Student Nutrition Services is hosting a Free Grab & Go Meals pickup for youth in San Francisco. Volunteers are needed to support this effort. Help manage line flow, share key messages with the public, and support a passionate team! All volunteers must be 18 or older, sign up in advance, and provide proof of COVID-19 vaccination. Sign up at bit.ly/SNSvolunteer. [\[SEE THE FLYER\]](#)

Volunteer for Lunchtime/Afternoon Help—Desperately seeking parent/caregiver volunteers to help at APG for any school day during lunchtime (12–12:40, 12:40–1:40, or 1–1:40) or Monday afternoons (2:15–4), when the school is short staffed—especially with our school nurse on leave—and students seem to have the most needs. To help in the **Main Office**, **Wellness Center**, or **Garden**, please sign up at bit.ly/apghelp-lunchtime.

More Garden Help—If you'd like to help in the Garden outside of lunch hours, go to bit.ly/apghelp-garden to sign up for 2-hour shifts in the mornings or afternoons.

News

We shot past our \$65K Jag Fund goal!

Thanks to the community for pulling together to raise more than **\$70,000** and counting! And, much gratitude to **Celeste Sempere** for leading our Jag Fund efforts.

In case you haven't had a chance to donate, you can give by [Paypal](https://apgsf.com/paypal) (apgsf.com/paypal), [Facebook](#) (look for the blue **Donate** button), or **by mail** (make checks payable to "AP Giannini PTSA" and mail to: **APG PTSA, 3151 Ortega St, SF, CA 94122**).

Free Grab & Go Meals for all children 18 and under on Tuesday 12/21 @ 2–4pm

Pick up 10 days worth of breakfasts and lunches, including fruit, vegetables, and milk. Adults can pick up meals for up to 4 children. [\[MAP OF LOCATIONS\]](#)

Learn more at sfusd.edu/schoolfood. For additional food resources, visit sfusd.edu/foodresources or call 311.

Advanced Winter Concert

[Watch the video here!](#)

2nd place! Congrats to the Girls and Boys Basketball Teams on great seasons!

The Boys Basketball Team lost to Presidio 52-38 in the Championship Game.

The Girls Basketball Team lost to Presidio 47-26 in the Championship Game.

Thank you to all of the students, families, friends and staff that supported the teams throughout the season!

Track Team

Any students interested in joining the Coed Track Team must turn in their [Physical Packet](#). There are no tryouts and everyone who submits their paperwork can join the team. **Track Informational Meeting** will be on **Friday 1/14/2021 at 4pm** in the Gym. **Track Practices** will begin on **Monday 2/14/2021** at 4pm in the Yard.

[APG Athletics Google Classroom—for students](#) | [APG Athletics Website](#) | [Physical Packet](#)
Please email Mr. Cheng (Athletic Director) at chengc1@sfusd.edu with any questions.

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[APG Family Bulletin](#)—school news on Wednesdays

[PTSA + Family Newsletter](#)—PTSA + community news on Fridays

[Counseling & Wellness Family Bulletin](#)—info from APG's counselors

[The Arts Department Quarterly Newsletter](#)—news and events from APG's VAPA department

[SFUSD Public Announcements](#)—school district announcements and email signup

[SFPL eNews](#)—San Francisco Public Library newsletter

[SF Rec Park calendar](#) and [eNews signup](#)—info about free SF Recreation & Parks events

Events

12/18–1/2 • **Winter Recess**—no school—Happy new year!

Fri 1/7 • **Staff Appreciation Breakfast** (first Fridays) We still need many items! Please go to bit.ly/apg-staffbreakfast to donate.

1/7–1/16 • **Sloat Garden Fundraiser**—mention AP GIANNINI for APG to get 10% of purchases

Wed 1/12 • **School Site Council** meeting @ 4pm (second Wednesdays)—Open to the public via meet.google.com/orh-whxb-yxc

Sat 1/22 • **Community Garden Work Day** @ 9am–1pm—Come support APG through building, gardening, art, and maintenance projects [\[SEE THE FLYER\]](#)

Volunteer

School Site Council (SSC)—Seeking English Learner community members to participate in the [APG SSC](#), which represents teachers, parents, administrators, and interested community members who work together in the school governance process. Meetings are open to the public, and are held on the second Wednesday of each month at 4pm via [Google Meet](#).

PTSA Help—Please reach out to ptsa@apgsf.com if you are interested in any of the following roles. Job sharing is welcome!

Chinese or Spanish Translator—Help translate essential PTSA communications on an ad hoc basis, and only when convenient for you. We welcome any help we can get! There is no fixed time commitment—we appreciate any time you might be available to help translate flyers!

APG Gear—Help purchase and sell APG schwag. The time commitment varies depending on inventory/purchasing needs and sales flow.

Volunteer Coordinator—Coordinate any volunteer needs that come up throughout the year. The time commitment is approximately 1 hour per week at most, plus optional attendance at the monthly Board Meeting.

Counseling Office

For attendance needs and early pickups, please contact the counseling office secretary, Ms. Beverly Byrd, at ByrdB@sfusd.edu or **415.759.2773**. You can also copy your grade level counselor on attendance emails:

6th · Allyson Lau · LauA3@sfusd.edu · 415.759.2773 **x3131** · Work cell: 628.900.2736*

7th · Joaquin Jang · jangj1@sfusd.edu · 415.759.2773 **x3331** · Work cell: 628.900.2739*

8th · Steven McDaniel · McdanielS@sfusd.edu · 415.759.2773 **x3127** · Work cell: 628.900.2811*

Dean · Jonah Backstrom · BackstromJ@sfusd.edu · 415.759.2773 **x3137**

*Work hours only—please text or leave a voicemail for a return call.

SFUSD Resources

SFUSD technology resources—sfusd.edu/familytechnology

SFUSD Student Family School Resource Link—Support for students, families, and school staff in navigating SFUSD resources. Submit a request at familylink.sfusd.edu, email familylink@sfusd.edu, or call **415-340-1716**.

SFUSD Free School Meals—Three meals a day free for all students. Kids with home lunches are welcome to take free milk, fruit, and vegetables. [\[WEB PAGE\]](#) [\[INSTA\]](#) [\[FB\]](#) [\[TWITTER\]](#)

SF Resources

Free food resources—**SF-Marin Food Bank** has a food locator. For more food resources: **call 311 any time** or go to sf.gov/get-food-resources.

Free produce—**Alemany Farm** supports self-harvest and distributes produce through their **Free Farm Stand** (Sundays 12–1pm at Parques Ninos Unidos on 23rd & Treat).

Noticias en español—Regístrese para recibir las últimas noticias sobre COVID-19: joinsubtext.com/mlesp [\[ESPAÑOL\]](#)

Links

PTSA Calendar: apgsf.com/calendar

PTSA Website: apgsf.com

Instagram page: instagram.com/apg_middle_school_ptsa

Facebook page: facebook.com/APGSE

Join the APG family Google group: bit.ly/apg-subscribe

Join the WeChat group: wechat@apgsf.com **[CHINESE]**

Join the APG PTSA: bit.ly/apg-joinptsa

School Website: sfusd.edu/school/ap-giannini-middle-school

APG Gear Shop: apgsf.com/shop

Amazon Smile: smile.amazon.com (choose **A P Giannini Middle PTA** as your cause)

Donate to APG: bit.ly/apg-jagfund

Contact the PTSA: ptsa@apgsf.com

Newsletter feedback: newsletter@apgsf.com