

MESSAGE FROM CAROL

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UPCOMING EVENTS

JAN 14 Wildwood Spirit Day -**THIS FRIDAY**

Wear **PURPLE**

JAN 17 MLK Jr Day - no school

FEB 21-25 President's Week - no school

IMPORTANT LINKS

Summary of December 8, 2021 Board Meeting Alameda County School Guidance **PUSD Visitor Screener** FAQ Regarding COVID-19 PUSD Elementary Parent Calendar

ATTENDANCE REPORTING

To report a Student Absence or Tardy

MESSAGE FROM CAROL CRAMER

Thank you for your continued support in ensuring that our schools are as safe as possible during the current Omicron surge. We are hopeful that in the next week or two positive case rates will plateau and start coming down. Until then, we want to reiterate a few reminders:

- Communicate all symptoms and positive cases via the PUSD Health Screener.
 - Due to an extremely high volume of emails and voicemails, it is not necessary to also contact the nurses. Our health clerks will reach out to you as they process screener results.
- You must also report student absences to the attendance line.
- The District is offering "clearance to return" testing to both staff and students each
 school day at the main entrance to Ellen Driscoll Theater, 325 Highland Avenue, by
 appointment only. This is scheduled by the site Health Clerks.
 - This testing is not for vaccinated students who have been exposed to a positive case.
 - Appointments are available at the following times:
 - 7:00 am 8:00 am (M-F);
 - 10:00 am 11:15 am (M-F);
 - 2:15 pm 3:15 pm (W only); and
 - 4:30 pm 5:15 pm (M, T, Th)

Many people have asked how they can help. We need help in the following ways:

- 1. If you are willing to be a substitute teacher, or a substitute aide, please contact Kim Randlett from our Human Resources Department (krandlett@piedmont.k12.ca.us). This week Governor Newsom changed the requirements for substitute teachers.
- 2. We are currently looking for volunteers for our testing site. If you have some availability to volunteer, please sign up here.

Thank you for your understanding and support.

We have a new date for **Open House, Thursday April 7th**. School Dismissal will be at noon that day. We are hopeful that we will be able to offer an in person Open House that evening and will confirm timing in March.

We're planning a little fun gathering for students on Friday and wanting to promote some school spirit by encouraging students to wear PURPLE. No purple clothing? Students may pin on a purple item such as a construction paper shape.

TRANSITIONAL KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION NIGHT

The State of California is expanding eligibility for Transitional Kindergarten. Students who turn five between September 2, 2022 and February 2, 2023 will be eligible for Transitional Kindergarten next year. A TK information event will be held via zoom on

January 13th at 7pm.

2022-23 ENROLLMENT

Enrollment for next school year will open on Friday, January 14. Continuing students do not need to re-enroll. Younger siblings who are entering the Piedmont schools for the first time must complete the <u>enrollment process</u>.

PARENTS CLUB NEWS

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi Wildwood Parents,

I know that we are all tired of Covid as it has dragged on for much longer than we could have conceived, but I want to thank you for your continued perseverance in following the protocols and supporting the health and well-being of our children.

Our district now offers Clearance to Return testing in order for students and staff to return to classrooms as quickly as possible. This service is made possible through the dedication of our district nurses and health clerks, along with the generosity of volunteers willing to help, volunteers from parents to health care professionals to school board members. It's encouraging to see our community come together with the shared goal of keeping our students in school. Volunteers are still needed, especially in the mornings. Please sign up if you are able.

Sincerely,

Grace

Grace Harris, WPC President gracekangharris@gmail.com

WILDWOOD NEWS

COUNSELING CORNER

TIP FOR THE WEEK:

We talk a lot in our classrooms at Wildwood about a "Growth Mindset". You may be familiar with this, but if not or you if you want a refresher, this article provides a helpful overview:

Raise A Smart Kid Who Loves To Learn



Also, I know there is a lot going on for everyone with this recent Covid surge. Please don't hesitate to reach out if you wish to brainstorm ways to support your child. I am happy to re-send you any information previously sent out around supporting yourself and/or your children with anxiety during this ongoing pandemic.

<u>Colleen Stormer</u>, school counselor <u>cstormer@piedmont.k12.ca.us</u> 510-594-2731

COMMUNITY NEWS

Help us Recognize our Health Staff!

Our district nurses and health clerks are working tirelessly for two to three shifts a day, five days a week, to bring testing to the students and staff of PUSD in addition to all of the other work they are doing with contact tracing, screener follow-ups, sick calls you get the idea. With the incredibly hectic pace of their days, the only plate of theirs that may not be full - is their lunch plate! Help us recognize their incredible work and provide them with sustenance at the same time by either dropping off baked goods and healthy snacks during their testing shift times at Ellen Driscoll, or contributing to this PUSD-wide recognition effort. Funds will be used to order them custom lunches, coffees, and whatever else sounds good to them through the month of January! To contribute, please venmo @april-gruber (last four 9401) or scan this QR code:



MORE SCHOOL INFO + RESOURCES

WPC WEBSITE
WILDWOOD SLACK
PUSD CALENDAR

PUSD ELEMENTARY ACADEMIC CALENDAR

WILDWOOD FAMILY CALENDAR

IN-PERSON RESOURCES

PREVIOUS WHATNOTS:

| Previous

Whatnot submissions are due on Tuesdays. Please email: whatnot@piedmont.k12.ca.us

School Schedule:

8:30 start Daily

2:00 Dismissal for Kindergarten MTThF

3:00 Dismissal for Grades 1-5 MTThF

1:45 Dismissal for K-5 on Wednesdays

12:00pm Minimum and Conference Day Dismissals for Grades K-5

• June 2: Last Day of School

Lunch Option: If you are interested in ordering Choice Lunch, please review this brochure for details on their program, and how to set up an account. If you have any questions, or would like to volunteer to distribute lunch, please contact. Andrea Curran:

andreajcurran@gmail.com