

# Leonardo da Vinci eK-8 School

## 2014 SCUSD All-City Honor Band

Come see our fantastic All-City Honor Band musicians at the SCUSD All-City Honor Band Concert on Thursday, April 10th at John F. Kennedy High School! They will be performing at 7pm and will feature the best middle school and high school band musicians in our district, including these students from LdV: Nathan Habtemariam, Paul Salzburg, Mary Her, Kelly Lei, Sarah Cerda, Calvin Elliott, Hannah Fuller, Gabriel Girardi, Billy T. Hernandez, Leilani Hernandez, Eva Anders, Matthew Allin and Kaylee Kazee. The concert is FREE and we'd love to see you there!

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### Dates to Remember

**April 7**  
Soccer vs Didion  
girls @ 3:30 • boys @ 4:45  
Open Studio 3:15-4:15 pm

**April 8**  
Open Studio 3:15-4:15 pm

**April 9**  
Soccer vs SES  
girls @ 3:30 • boys @ 4:45  
Science Fair Family Night  
6-8 pm

**April 11**  
Renaissance Faire  
Middle School  
1:30 dismissal

**April 12-20**  
Spring Break

**April 19**  
Learning Garden Workday  
8 am-noon

**April 25**  
FROZEN Pajama Party  
3:15-5:30 pm  
LdV Blues Band @ Comics  
& Collectibles 6 pm

**Science Fair Projects  
MUST BE picked up  
on THURSDAY  
at 3 pm.  
Unclaimed projects  
will be disposed of.**

Your school-related event could be featured here!  
This newsletter is distributed every Monday of the school year. The submission deadline is 8:45 am on the last, non-holiday Thursday preceding distribution.  
Please email your articles to: dsandsons@sbcglobal.net. Events and services advertised in this newsletter are not necessarily endorsed by LdV PTC or SCUSD.  
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**Next Issue: April 21  
Deadline: April 10**

Leonardo da Vinci School  
Integrated Thematic Instruction Through Arts & Sciences

## What are you wearing to the Renaissance faire?

Period costume or work clothes...your presence & help is appreciated.

### Calling All Parents ....

The yearbook committee is busy gathering photos to be used in the yearbook and we need your help!!! As you know, there is a portrait page and a candid collage page designated for each class. In order to ensure that each class does indeed have a collage page, we need 20 -25 photos per class, representing each student. Some classes have class photographers that assist the teacher with this, others do not. For those that don't, we have to rely on all the parents in those classes to fill in the gaps.

Currently, there are two classes requesting assistance with gathering these photos as follows: Wallace and Little. If you have any photos that you would like to share, please email them to terrie\_hammad@hotmail.com or download them to a CD and drop it off in the HISTORY box located in Diane's office.

Let's pull together and make this happen! The kids really enjoy seeing candid shots of themselves and their classmates. There is nothing quite like hearing the excitement in their voices the first time they see these photos!

The final yearbook deadlines are almost upon us, so please look to see what you have and send them to me today.

Thank you so much for your assistance!  
—Terrie Hammad, LdV Historian and Yearbook Coordinator

### Garden Work & Egg Hunt

We have a garden workday on Saturday, **April 19th, 8 am - noon**. There will be a dinosaur egg hunt at 10:30 for all Dolphins who bring their parents to help get some garden work done.

### Dolphin!

Dolphin art by LdV 8th grader Brian C..

### Science Fair Family Night

Come by the auditorium Wednesday night between 6-8 pm to see all the amazing projects our students worked so hard on.

### Open Studio for I Can Do That!

All Students, all grades come and study the art of topography and the artist Lou Dorfsman. Students will create a final project, to be sold, just in time for Mother's Day. The funds generated from this exciting project will benefit the I Can Do That! program.

April 7: Monday 3:15-4:15 33B

April 8: Tuesday 3:15-4:15 Outside 33B  
Open Studio is a free After school Art Studio opportunity available to every child at LDV. Students will create artwork for a LDV or community service project. Parents, please plan to stay during all Open Studio visits. We need you as volunteers for the students and it eases the various end of project timing. Yes, you can bring a friend's child to the open studio but please make sure each parent has had a conversation about attendance and pick-up to keep the Open Studio's light and fun for each child. Open Studio is made possible by the LdV PTC. Have questions? please email: molliemorrison@sbcglobal.net

### School Cents Final Push for Points!!

Just a reminder that April is that last full month to collect and record Arden Fair receipts for the School Cents program!

Big Bonus this month, bring in your 3rd quarter report card and the school will get 1000 points for every Advanced or A in the major subjects on the report card!!

This could really boost our totals into 2nd place! Don't forget the 1st place school gets \$3000, 2nd place gets \$2500 and 3rd place gets \$1500.

Shop & support LdV!!

### We STILL Need Ren Faire Volunteers!

The annual LdV Renaissance Faire is this **Friday, April 11!**  
Help to set up Thursday, April 10 at 3 pm, or Friday at 3 pm to clean up would be greatly appreciated.

Please contact me if you are able to come join us - UnChu Littlefield at tateskitchen@gmail.com

## President's Ponderings

Old traditions and new traditions.... LdV is an ever-evolving community with a mix of old and new traditions. This week we celebrate two long-standing LdV traditions. On Wednesday evening is our Science Fair family night. Come by the auditorium between 6 and 8pm and see all the amazing science projects our students and classrooms have created. Everyone is invited!

Then on Friday is one of our largest annual traditions, the LdV Renaissance Faire. WE STILL NEED VOLUNTEERS! All students will be participating and everyone is encouraged to come in costume. This year there will be some new activities, but unless we get more volunteers some stations will need to be cut! So please help. Contact UnChu Littlefield tateskitchen@gmail.com for more information. Did I mention WE STILL NEED VOLUNTEERS!

As I mentioned before, LdV is an ever-evolving community and LdV parents are continually coming up with new ideas for events. This month the PTC has decided to sponsor two new activities that we hope will become long-lasting LdV traditions; the Dolphin Solar Yacht Club and the LdV Robotics Club. A group of LdV middle school students is already hard at work building a solar powered boat for competition in the SMUD-sponsored Solar Regatta, and we hope that the robotics club will be forming soon. Look for more information about these activities in the newsletter in the coming weeks. And if you have an idea for a club or activity that will enrich the education that our children receive, don't keep it a secret. Maybe yours will be the next great LdV tradition.

Of course we celebrate many traditions that go far beyond LdV. Next week will be spring break, and however you choose to spend it, I hope it will be a blessed and peaceful time for you and your family enjoying your own traditions. And if you would like to mix a little of the old with something new, then join us on Saturday April 19th for a Garden Work Day and "Dinosaur Egg" hunt. The work day runs from 8am-noon and the egg hunt will be at 10:30 for all Dolphins who bring their parents to help get some garden work done. We hope to see you there!

Have a great week and a wonderful break. See you at school! Ciao!

David DeNuzzo - PTC President

## Feel like a Hot Cup of Coffee or Tea when Cafe da Vinci is Closed?

LdV PTC School Climate Committee has donated a KEURIG K Cup coffee maker for the use of teachers and parents. It is located in the front office for your use. You are welcome to bring your own pod and cup, or purchase a pod from Diane for only \$1. We have several strengths of coffee, as well as hot chocolate, chai latte, and hazelnut coffee.

Available for ONLY \$1

# FROZEN

## Pajama Party!

Help us raise money for a  
new Kindergarten Tricycle Track

Friday, April 25th

3:15 - 5:30 pm

Only \$5\*

\*admittance includes a slice of pizza, and a soda

*There will also be a snack bar  
with popcorn, soda & a variety of candy for sale*

save the date!

## LdV Soccer Update - Week #4 (March 24-28)

### Boys & Girls still undefeated !

Both teams started the week on Monday with an away match against SES, the second meeting between the two teams. The girls won a close one 4 to 3 and the boys won 4 to 0. Wednesday's match vs Still was postponed and will be made up on April 1st.

Girls: 5 wins 1 Draw

Monday #6: LdV 4 SES 3

Goals: Alexis Dunbar 1  
Carmen Singer 1  
Trinity Dunbar 1  
Tymiko Okino 1

Boys: 5 wins 1 Draw

Monday #6: LdV 5 LAS 2

Goals: Luis Magana 2 (brace)  
Daniel Hernandez 1  
Kyle Westman 1

Next Week: #7 Tue April 1st LdV vs Still @ Still 3:30b & 4:45g

#9 Wed April 2nd LdV vs MLK @ MLK 3:30b & 4:45g

\*\*Watching the soccer matches counts as volunteer time!

The Queen has her  
outfit all picked out  
...do you?  
Renaissance faire  
is this friday!



## LdV Blues Band Live!

The next performance of the LDVBB will be Friday April 25 6 pm at Comics and Collectibles at 1904 Fruitridge at the corner of Fruitridge and Freepoint.

## Water Please

I am looking for a parent volunteer to water the front and side flower beds a couple of times a week. Either stay a little at drop off time or come a little early for pick up? Please see Diane in the front office or email [diane-soule@scusd.edu](mailto:diane-soule@scusd.edu) if you can help.

## Please Sign Up to Help at the Scholastic Book Fair!

The Book Fair runs from May 22 through May 30, 9 am to 3:30 pm, and during Open House night on May 28, from 5:30 to 8 pm. We also need volunteers for setting up the Book Fair on May 21 from 3 pm to 6 pm, and take down on May 30 from 3 pm to 6 pm.

The Scholastic Book Fair can't happen without a small army of volunteers to help! Signing up can't be any easier than this:

Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

1. Click this link to go to our invitation page on VolunteerSpot: <http://vols.pt/Y35BSh>
2. Enter your email address: (You will NOT need to register an account on VolunteerSpot)
3. Sign up! Choose your spots - VolunteerSpot will send you an automated confirmation and reminders. Easy!

Note: VolunteerSpot does not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact me and I can sign you up manually.

Contact Sara Kennedy at 916-220-5033 or [sarakennedy@comcast.net](mailto:sarakennedy@comcast.net) with questions.



## Word of the Week

While many children look up to professional athletes, they are not always the best examples. In fact, the news is often full of bad examples of sportsmanship. A better place to look for role models is at home or in the community. When hometown heroes like parents, teachers, and coaches encourage FAIR PLAY (our character education word of the week), everyone benefits.

Fair play can be encouraged in all children's play, from sports to board games. You can encourage fair play by discussing with your child noteworthy examples of sportsmanship found in the news.

"Sports do not build character. They reveal it." —Heywood Brown

## From the District

### Public Input Sought On Superintendent Characteristics

A community meeting has been scheduled for Monday, April 7, to gather public input on the desired characteristics of a permanent superintendent to replace Jonathan Raymond, who resigned last year to spend more time with his family in Boston.

In the wake of his departure, Sacramento City Unified School District's Board of Education contracted with Leadership Associates to assist in the recruitment and selection of the district's next superintendent.

The public can also participate in an online superintendent search survey posted at [www.scusd.edu/supesearch](http://www.scusd.edu/supesearch).

- WHAT: Community Meeting on Superintendent Characteristics
- WHEN: 6 p.m. on Monday, April 7
- WHERE: The Serna Center, 5735 47th Ave.

**Changes to Fingerprint Counter Days and Times of Operation - Fingerprint hours and days of operation are: 8-11am and 1-5 pm on Mon, Wed, Fri.**

**Common Core Workshops** - Contact Dr Iris Taylor at [iris-taylor@scusd.edu](mailto:iris-taylor@scusd.edu) or 643-9120 for more information.

**Free TB Testing** - Tests taken this year will be "good" until 2018. Testing is done by the District at the Serna Center every other week from 3:30 to 5 pm. It's a two step process: given on Tuesday and read on Thursday. The schedule is on the website.

**Examen de tuberculosis (TB) gratis en la Serna Center** - Los exámenes hechos este año están válidos hasta el 2017. El distrito ofrece los exámenes cada otro martes entre las 3:30 y las 5:00 de tarde en el Serna Center (5735 47th Ave - al este de la autopista 99). Hay dos partes del examen - dan las inyecciones los martes y leen los resultados los jueves. Las fechas particulares de los exámenes están disponibles en nuestra oficina.

**Citizenship Classes** - at Jones Skills and Education Center 5451 Lemon Hill Ave. Classes every Tuesday from 3:30-6:30 pm.

## Zangle News

SCUSD is replacing its outdated student information program Zangle with Infinite Campus, a state-of-the-art data management system used by more than 2,000 school districts across the country. Infinite Campus rolls out on April 21. The switch to Infinite Campus is necessary because Zangle's parent company is no longer in business. Right now, SCUSD is operating Zangle without service support, maintenance or new upgrades.

Fortunately, Infinite Campus is very easy to use, can be accessed from anywhere and has a mobile app so parents can check attendance and grades with their phones.

Under SCUSD's implementation timeline, Zangle will be available for use until 5 p.m. on April 11. Neither Infinite Campus nor Zangle will be available April 12-20 (Spring Break) for the transition to the new system.

## Highway 50 Fix

Do you take Highway 50 to get to work or school? The Fix50 W/X Viaduct project on Highway 50 near downtown Sacramento will begin April 22—two weeks earlier than originally planned – and during construction you'll probably want to give yourself more travel time. Caltrans will be keeping more lanes open during construction than originally planned. Rather than closing one side of the freeway at a time to do the work, at least two lanes on the construction side will stay open. All lanes in the opposite direction of the construction will stay open as well. Ramp closures will also be reduced. Eastbound construction will take place April 22 through May 21, with no work during Memorial Day weekend. Westbound construction will be May 27 through June 25. Fix50 project website, [www.fix50.com](http://www.fix50.com), will continue to provide daily updated information regarding construction and project status.

## Is LdV Track in Your Future?

I am trying to get the LdV Track Team up and running for next year. Track season begins mid-March, but coincides with soccer. In the past the soccer coaches have said that as long as track meets don't interfere with soccer games, kids can do both sports. If your child will be attending 6-8th grade in the 2014-15 school year they are eligible to join the track team. If your child is interested please contact me, we may have to do some fundraising. If you are interested in track please contact me so we can begin planning for next year. If your child is unsure - no rush - feel free to attend one of this year's meets to get a feel for what we are about. Track meets take place on 4/3, 4/10, 5/1 at 3:30 pm at Rosemont HS or Burbank HS. The championships are on 5/10 at 8am at Rosemont. If you are interested, please email me at [ljbaker@surewest.net](mailto:ljbaker@surewest.net) (please use track in the subject line). Thank you, Chloe Baker, LdV 7th grade student

**Science Fair Projects MUST BE picked up on THURSDAY at 3 pm.  
Unclaimed projects will be disposed of.**

## Driving on a Field Trip?

The district requirements for insurance (when driving kids on field trips) are as follows: minimum of liability \$50,000/\$100,000 and property is minimum \$25,000.

## About the Newsletter

This newsletter is provided by the LdV PTC in conjunction with the LdV School Community Liaison. Please read it weekly in order to keep up with what is happening in our community. This is where you can get ideas about where and how to participate. This is also where you can announce any school related activities by submitting a short article about the event. Please be sure to include the date, time, and a contact name and number.

## Neighbor Concerns

Our main office has received a number of calls from neighborhood residents. Specifically, the general concerns are: driveways being blocked, cars parked the wrong way on the streets, SPEEDING, driving over/through leaf piles and children running out into the street. Could we make an effort to be good neighbors?

## Check Your Child's Schedule

The lunch and recess schedules for all grade levels are readily available on the school website ([leonardodavincischool.org](http://leonardodavincischool.org)). If you are picking your child up for an appointment, or bringing a lunch they left behind, it is easier and quicker to find them in class than on the playground. Please consider timing your trip around your child's schedule. Thank you.

## Your Family Pet Belongs at Home

LdV is a pet free campus. For the safety (and cleanliness) of our community please leave any size pets at home (unless okayed by teacher for sharing). Thank you.

## Déjà Vu?

If you read the newsletter weekly, some of the content may see familiar. Many parents choose to read the newsletter sporadically, and articles are run repeatedly so they can catch up. It may be frustrating for you (and me) but read carefully since pages might seem the same but rest assured no two issues are exactly alike!

## LdV on the Web & Facebook

The weekly newsletter can be found on the NEW LdV web site: [leonardodavincischool.org](http://leonardodavincischool.org). You may also download Tally Sheets in either Word or Excel. The files can be completed and emailed to [diane-soule@scusd.edu](mailto:diane-soule@scusd.edu). When you email a tally you will receive a reply. If you do not receive a reply it means your email was not received.

**Like Us on Facebook and stay up to date on LdV events!** <https://www.facebook.com/LeonardodaVinciK8>

Please Remember the FB page is purely informational and to support our school and it's culture. Please "like" us if you would like news about LdV, meeting reminders, and event updates.

## New Days! Dolphin Store Open Monday & Thursday PM

The LdV Dolphin Store is open after school on Mondays and Thursdays (until 3:15 pm). The store has school supplies and healthy snacks for students.

## From the Office

### Bring a Doctor's Note & Leave a Reason

If your child misses school for a visit to the Doctor or Dentist, please bring a school excuse note for their attendance. It does make a difference on a student's attendance report.

The attendance code for a Doctor's visit is "M" which is unlimited and without the doctor's note it is an "A". All students get 10 health absences "A" for the year, after that a doctor's note is required.

Many parents call the absence line and state that their child will be absent, but do not state the "REASON" please remember to so.

### Please Bring Your ID

If you are taking your child for early dismissal or are sending someone from your emergency card list, please note ID will be required. It is school policy to show proper ID before a student is released. It is for the safety of your child, please do not grouse at the staff who are keeping our children safe!

**Attendance News** Now you can simply dial 557-0389 and leave your child's absence information. **Wondering about attendance codes?** P = Personal absence - Education Code section 46014 is for: student's court appearance (requires verification), funeral services (one day, in state...three days, out of state; need verification such as a funeral program or name and address of the funeral home), parent's employment conference (requires prior principal approval), student is the custodial parent of a child who is ill or has a medical appointment during school hours. Observance of a religious holiday or ceremony (recommend 3 days advance notice to school).

**Did You Know...** When your child has chicken pox, a skin rash, lice or other infectious health challenges you need to follow up with the main office when your child returns to campus. A doctor's note that the child has been treated and is okay to be back among our other students after a rash or chicken pox is required by SCUSD health services.

**Fingerprinting Requirements:** Yes, you do need to be fingerprinted to go on a field trip... whether you are driving children or not. The District requires any adult who is not fingerprinted to be in sight of a certificated person at all times, but it is vital that teachers be free to watch their students, not the grown ups who are there to help. So fingerprint please!

**What Time Does Your Child Get to School?** School begins at 9 am. Unless your child attends a before school class or breakfast, our campus is not open until 8:30 am. Please do not leave children without adult supervision before 8:30 am.

**Where Do You Drop Off?** If you are dropping off in the back parking lot, are you stopping at the gate openings with your car and blocking the entrance for others (children and parents) who are walking into school? Please pay attention to where you stop, and especially as you pull away. Lots of humans use the parking lot and appreciate your full attention!

Please do not allow your children to walk through our parking lots! Small unaccompanied children are hard to see.

**How Do You Get Here?** If you are driving your children to school and come in from Freepoint Blvd, do you know you are supposed to take a quick right and come to the school on Shielah Way, enter through the back gate and then drive away on Stacia Way. This keeps the traffic flowing and is easier on our neighbors. Thank you for going with the flow!

**Notice of Pesticide/Herbicide Use:** LdV is scheduled for service by SCUSD's Small Grass Crew weekly. The crew may or may not spray every Wednesday. If they do spray, they will post notice in the front lower window of the front door. A copy of SCUSD's Pest Management Program listing all chemicals applied to all sites is available in the front office.

**Attendance:** Students are allowed 10 excused (illness with a parent's excuse, death in immediate family, child's appearance in court) absences per the year. Each additional absence from illness must have a doctor's note to be cleared.

**Call In Sick and Tardy:** Please phone in your students' absences and tardies by calling 557-0389 and leave the child's name, room number, date of absence and reason for being out of school (i.e.: illness, doctor appointment, religious, out of town, death in family). Absence verification must be made daily.

You may also send your notification by email to [sally-uhl@scusd.edu](mailto:sally-uhl@scusd.edu). Unverified absences will result in truancies.

**Llamada para avisar de enfermedad o retraso:** Favor de llamar a 557-0389 para avisar que su hijo/a va a estar ausente o va a llegar tarde. Deje su nombre, el nombre de su hijo/a, el número del salón, el día de ausencia o retraso, y la razón ("está enfermo/a", "tiene una cita con el doctor", tiene un funeral familiar", etcetera es suficiente). Le pedimos que llame antes de las 10:00 de la mañana para evitar una ausencia sin excusa.

**Late to School?** Students who are over 30 minutes tardy must be accompanied to the main office by their parent or guardian to obtain a tardy slip. All tardies over 30 minutes must have a parent signature or an official doctor's note. Three tardies over 30 minutes without such documentation will result in a truancy notice.

**Badges:** Every parent on campus must sign in to the main office. If you are working anywhere on campus get a "Volunteer" badge and sign in the Volunteer book. If you are visiting a classroom, please sign in the book under Mona Lisa and wear a "Visitor" badge. Please sign out in the appropriate book before leaving. These precautions are for the safety of everyone on campus.

**Allergy Alert** For the safety and consideration of our students with severe nut allergies we are striving to become a "nut free campus." Thank you for your support of our efforts.



## Looking for Something to Do?

### You Could Light Up Our Life

Many years ago, LdV parent David DeNuzzo was inspired to pursue the opportunity to run a fantastic new to LdV fundraiser...A Fireworks Booth. David did all the research, attended classes, filed paperwork, found us a premium location, and has basically lived at the booth every July ever since. With all the really hard work done, David would like to pass the baton to a parent or parents who could work with him this year and take it over from there. **THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT FUNDRAISER TO LdV.** The work you do on this summer fundraiser will complete your hours for the year! And you will have a lot of fun! PLEASE contact David at [dfd@denuzzo.com](mailto:dfd@denuzzo.com) with questions or to volunteer.

### Join the PTC Board

Are you interested in serving on the PTC? Many positions are open including (but not limited to) President elect. Please contact Cindy at [UNDC@aol.com](mailto:UNDC@aol.com)

### Grounds Clean Up

We are looking for parents of all abilities but would be grateful for anyone with masonry, carpentry or plumbing skills. Contact Ryan at [rmetta@mac.com](mailto:rmetta@mac.com) with questions.

### Highlight Your Culture

Volunteers are needed to create interesting cultural displays for the CIE display case located in the main hall by the office. The case can be adopted by an individual, family, or group of friends to highlight a cultural of their choice. Choose a culture to highlight or a topic that celebrates our cultural diversity, then decide on the month and contact Anna Consulo at [Anna.Consulo@riteaid.com](mailto:Anna.Consulo@riteaid.com) or call 916-803-2170.

### Collate and Conversate

Seven hundred and thirty newsletters are collated and stapled every Monday morning. If you would like to help we would love your company and its worth at least an hour of volunteer time (one newsletter a week guarantees you at least 37 hours for the year). We begin at 8:30 am (no children please).

### Lunch Recess

Volunteers are always needed to help keep an eye on the playground and halls at lunch. Please see Campus Monitor Randy Reyes if you can help.

### An Opportunity to Showcase Your Business or Talent

If you: Own or have connections to a food or beverage business, or are a talented chef in your own kitchen; Are an interior designer or have a flair for space planning and making spaces look cool; Are in the marketing/communications field; Are an entertainer or DJ; Enjoy planning unique events; Have a company you'd like to promote or showcase...You won't want to miss the opportunity to be a part of this year's biggest party! Contact Kim Niemeyer at [niemeyers@comcast.net](mailto:niemeyers@comcast.net) or Gwynnae Byrd at [gwynnaeb@gmail.com](mailto:gwynnaeb@gmail.com) for more information on how to participate!

### NEW Photos Wanted!!!!

So many events, so little time. The yearbook deadlines are fast approaching, so I am currently looking for photos of the following events: Winter Faire, Father Daughter Dance, Author's Day Event and Ms. Diane kissing the guinea pig. Additionally, I wanted to let everyone know that I will also be asking for photos of the following future events: Dr. Suess' Birthday, The Tempest Performances, The Mother Son Dance, The Science Faire and the Ren Faire. If you have any shots that you would like to share for the yearbook and/or the historian binder, please send my anything you have. Diane has created a box in her office called HISTORY. You can either drop a CD there or email me directly at [terrie\\_hammad@hotmail.com](mailto:terrie_hammad@hotmail.com). Thank you so much for your assistance.  
—Terrie Hammad, LdV Historian & Yearbook Coordinator

## Are The New Online Tests Really Different?

Starting next month, SCUSD students will join thousands across California participating in a practice run of new online tests that will eventually replace the paper-and-pencil California Standards Tests (CSTs). The new tests, called Smarter Balanced Assessments, allow students to demonstrate what they are learning through writing and by solving complex problems, which makes them different from the multiple-choice, bubble-in CSTs.

For example, consider this released test question from the fourth grade math CST:

*Which decimal should replace the question mark to have the numbers in order from least to greatest?*

• 0.28 • 0.32 • 0.54 • ? • 0.86

Is the answer: A) 0.24 B) 0.45 C) 0.61 or D) 0.93?

To compare this question to a Smarter Balanced Assessment math question, go to <http://sampleitems.smarterbalanced.org/itempreview/sbac/index.htm>.

The Smarter Balanced Assessments are aligned to the new Common Core State Standards, which define what students should know and be able to do at every grade level.

Common Core Standards focus on skills in addition to content, and challenge students to think critically, solve problems, analyze text and create written arguments. The standards are generally more demanding and rigorous than the outgoing California Content Standards.

To take a full Smarter Balanced Practice Test, go to <http://www.scusd.edu/changes-state-testing>.

This year's spring testing is a "test of the test" aimed at providing the state with information about which questions fairly and equitably allow students to demonstrate what they know. It also allows schools to learn

SCUSD is committed to helping parents learn about both the new tests and the Common Core Standards through a series of workshops. Go to <http://www.scusd.edu/commoncoreworkshops> to see the schedule.

### Pencils, Paper, Oh My!

Dear LdV families, we will need no. 2 pencils and graph paper for our students to use during our Smarter Balanced Testing. If you are able to donate no. 2 pencils and graph paper, please bring them to the box in the parent volunteer office. Thank you for your continued support of our students!

### Last Chance to Support Cafe da Vinci

With the change in the weather, Cafe da Vinci will be wrapping up cocoa and coffee sales this Monday and Friday morning. This year's baristas have excelled at service with a smile and we are very proud of them!

### Unsung Hero & Friends



Our new PTC Science & Tech Chair, Celia Rosecrans and her band of judges spent last Friday night making very difficult decisions about over 180 science fair projects. This is a very long evening of reading, analyzing and agonizing over choices, and we really appreciate Celia and the other judges for all they did in service to our LdV scientists! THANK YOU!

*(For those of you unfamiliar with Unsung Heroes, this is where we acknowledge the parent who goes a little farther...the teacher who inspires a little more...the staff person who really shines...the student who makes a special effort. Submit your Unsung Hero's name with a brief explanation of who they are and why you chose them along with your name. If you'd like to acknowledge a job well done even if you don't know who to credit, that's okay too. Email, call or leave a note for me. —Diane Soule, Editor)*





## Fund Raising News

### School Cents Program at Arden Fair

We are currently in 3rd place!! Let try to stay in the top 3! Don't forget to turn in your receipts from your holiday shopping. You can take them to the Customer Service Counter at Arden Fair or put them in the box in Diane's office. Check your receipt piles at home because they will take receipts from up to 90 days ago! Thanks for supporting LdV!

### Looking for Ways to Complete Your Class Fund Dues?

We still have Z Best books available for sale at \$20 each. For each book you sell, the school gets \$10 and \$10 would go to credit your child's Class Fund dues. You can contact Laura Walter @ [laura.q.walter@gmail.com](mailto:laura.q.walter@gmail.com) or stop by Diane's office and check with her.

**Clip, Save, and Send In Box Tops & Labels for Education** Help the LdV PTC raise much needed funds and points for school-wide programs and events by submitting box tops and labels in a zip-top plastic bag or envelope with your student's classroom number on it and send it to school.

**Labels for Education** can be found on Campbells Soup, Pace, Pepperidge Farm, Glad products, and more. Go to [labelstoreducation.com](http://labelstoreducation.com) to see product lists and special offers. We use these labels for points that help us purchase balls and other playground equipment.

**Boxtops 4 Education** can earn money for LdV in three ways: **1. Shop and clip:** boxtops are found on General Mills cereal, Hanes apparel, Ziploc food storage, Arvey office supplies, Hefty bags and more; **2. Shop online:** boxtops can be earned shopping online for Lands End, Toys R Us, and more; **3. Earn Bonus points:** by going online to [boxtops4education.com](http://boxtops4education.com)

**Don't Forget to Use Your Something EXTRA Card...** Truly the easiest and cheapest fundraiser at LdV...it costs you nothing to remember to use your EXTRA card (registered to help LdV) when you shop at Raley's and Bel Air. You get points and groceries and we get cash, its a win-win!

**...and your Target card** Whenever you use a Target card (debit or credit), Target donates 1% of your purchase to the school of your choice. (Plus you get a 5% discount and free shipping online).

**It's Never Too Late for Magazines** You or your family and friends can order magazines throughout the year by shopping at the online site [www.gaschoolstore.com](http://www.gaschoolstore.com) and using our SCHOOL CODE 2692168. Late orders will not warrant prizes. Thanks for supporting LdV! Any questions or concerns, contact Laura Walter at [laura.q.walter@gmail.com](mailto:laura.q.walter@gmail.com)

**Thank You for Your Old Car...** Action Donation Services will take cars, boats or RVs and turn them into money for the school and possibly cash and a tax donation for you. Call toll free 866 244-8464 or go to [www.actiondonation.org](http://www.actiondonation.org) for your no obligation evaluation of your donation.

**Other Online Shopping** If you shop on-line for gifts, or everyday purchases from merchants like Apple, Cabela's, Old Navy, Lands End, Barnes & Noble, and Staples, we need your help! Box Tops for Education has a Marketplace, which is a portal to all the places you probably already go to buy books, clothing, toys, electronics and even flowers online. Take the extra step and go to [www.boxtops4education.com](http://www.boxtops4education.com) first and register to support LdV. Merchants donate anywhere from 1-10% of your total sale to the school, it's easy as that and doesn't cost you a penny.

### How Do You Shoparoo?

It's so simple even I can do it. Look up Shoparoo on your smartphone, download the app, answer some easy questions (you can choose to be anonymous) then shop! Within 2 weeks of your shopping at stores like Raley's, Target, WalMart, Trader Joe's, even Berkeley Bowl - take a picture of your receipt through the Shoparoo app and submit it. You can cross out any purchases or credit information you wish. It's that simple. Shoparoo then uses the information to help retailers market their products. It remains anonymous and LdV wins!

### Shopping Online for Business or Personal Needs?

Go to our website: [leonardodavincischool.org](http://leonardodavincischool.org) or the LdV Facebook page; Click on the Amazon link; Log in to your Amazon account just like you normally would; Complete your purchase. It's just that easy and LdV will earn up to 8% on all of your Amazon.com purchases!

### Dolphin Yacht Club

Would you like to support the Dolphin Yacht Club? Help us make a splash in our first year at the Northern California Solar Regatta. 7th and 8th grade LdV students are building a full sized, solar powered boat to race against other middle and high school teams from all over Northern California.

#### Get your name on our solar boat!

We are hoping for donations of expertise (engineers, designers, videographers, etc); materials, and funds. Please contact Joe Scarpa if you want to help in this exciting project or want more information. [joe@jscarpa.com](mailto:joe@jscarpa.com) (please put "solar" in the subject line).

**Individual and Corporate Sponsorships** are available. Forms are on the website and in the front office.

Thank you Bay Alarm for your support!



### What's Happening After School?

**After School Art** lessons with Leslie Colby: "great things to make and build" - sculpture, paper maché, painting & more. Tuesdays from 3:15-4:45 pm \$12 per class. Contact Leslie at 502-1227

**On Stage / Off Stage** Questions? Contact [cynthia.speakman@gmail.com](mailto:cynthia.speakman@gmail.com) or 916-502-0336 with questions.

**LdV Ballet Folklorico Club** for boys & girls K-8 grade. The group will perform at LdV's annual Cinco de Mayo Festival. Contact Mrs. Garcia (916)585-6020 or pick up a registration form (front office)

**Spanish Immersion Classes for Kids** New Classes of different levels start every month. Pick up a form in the front office or contact Mrs. Garcia (916)585-6020 for info.

**Beginning or Advanced Orchestra** program meet Monday or Tuesday afternoon in room from 3:15pm - 4:05pm in Room 1. **Meet our new LdV Orchestra teacher, LdV parent, Shari Gueffroy**, [sharigueffroy@gmail.com](mailto:sharigueffroy@gmail.com) and 916-320-2730.

**Kid Tuff Empowering Program** helps build character, visual alertness and mental and physical toughness in all children. Three month program is \$75. Forms in front office. Contact Nora Finch 601-9076 for information

**Early Engineers** [www.earlyengineers.org](http://www.earlyengineers.org) or 419-7644

### From the Community

**Strive for Strength 7th Annual Retreat:** Monday, April 14, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Sacramento Asian Sports Foundation Community Center, 9040 High Tech Court, Elk Grove

The middle and high school girls who make up Strive For Strength plan this retreat so girls their age can learn more about topics such as self-image, family and friend relationships, bullying prevention, and emotional and physical health.

This year's retreat features motivational speaker Lauren Cook, performer Noelle Bean, and My Sister's House executive director Nilda Valmores, as well as fun team building activities.

The retreat's registration fee, \$35, can be waived if applicants let us know of their need on the sign-up form. Here's the website for more information: <http://strive4strength.homestead.com>.

### LdV Alums Offering Tutoring

After school tutoring in LdV neighborhood, email **Kenzie** at [mackenziej1@comcast.net](mailto:mackenziej1@comcast.net)

My name is **Nicholas DaRosa**. I graduated from LDV in 2010, and I am presently a senior at Christian Brothers. I am interested in tutoring LdV students in math and science. Last year I tutored a student in Algebra II, and I am currently tutoring a student in Pre-Calculus and another student in chemistry. I am happy to tutor any student for a reasonable rate. Please call Nick at 916-955-7254.



-TENTATIVE TESTING SCHEDULE -

Please do not schedule appointments during your child's testing times. No early dismissals or tardies!

Monday April 7	Tuesday April 8	Wednesday April 9	Thursday April 10 <sup>th</sup>	Friday April 11 <sup>th</sup>
Session 1 - Grade 3.1/3.2	Session 1 - Grade 3.1/3.2	Session 1 - Grade 3.1/3.2	NO TESTING	NO TESTING
Session 2 - Grade 3.3/4.1	Session 2 - Grade 3.3/4.1	Session 2 - Grade 3.3/4.1		
Session 3 - Grade 4.2/4.3	Session 3 - Grade 4.2/4.3	Session 3 - Grade 4.2/4.3		
<b>Monday April 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Tuesday April 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Wednesday April 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Thursday April 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Friday April 25<sup>th</sup></b>
Session 1 - Grade 3.1/3.2	Session 1 - Grade 3.1/3.2	Session 1 - Grade 3.1/3.2	Session 1 - Grade 3.1/3.2	Session 1 - Grade 3.1/3.2
Session 2 - Grade 3.3/4.1	Session 2 - Grade 3.3/4.1	Session 2 - Grade 3.3/4.1	Session 2 - Grade 3.3/4.1	Session 2 - Grade 3.3/4.1
Session 3 - Grade 4.2/4.3	Session 3 - Grade 4.2/4.3	Session 3 - Grade 4.2/4.3	Session 3 - Grade 4.2/4.3	Session 3 - Grade 4.2/4.3
<b>Monday April 28<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Tuesday April 29<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Wednesday April 30<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Thursday May 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Friday May 2<sup>nd</sup></b>
Session 1 - Grade 5.1/5.2	Session 1 - Grade 5.1/5.2	Session 1 - Grade 5.1/5.2	Session 1 - Grade 5.1/5.2	Session 1 - Grade 5.1/5.2
Session 2 - Grade 5.3/6.1	Session 2 - Grade 5.3/6.1	Session 2 - Grade 5.3/6.1	Session 2 - Grade 5.3/6.1	Session 2 - Grade 5.3/6.1
Session 3 - Grade 6.2	Session 3 - Grade 6.2	Session 3 - Grade 6.2	Session 3 - Grade 6.2	Session 3 - Grade 6.2
<b>Monday May 5<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Tuesday May 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Wednesday May 7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Thursday May 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Friday May 9<sup>th</sup></b>
Session 1 - Grade 5.1/5.2	Session 1 - Grade 5.1/5.2	Session 1 - MS	NO TESTING	NO TESTING
Session 2 - Grade 5.3/6.1	Session 2 - Grade 5.3/6.1	Session 2 - MS		
Session 3 - *Grade 6.2	Session 3 - Grade 6.2	Session 3 - MS		
<b>Monday May 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Tuesday May 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Wednesday May 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Thursday May 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Friday May 16<sup>th</sup></b>
Session 1 - MS	Session 1 - MS	Session 1 - MS	Session 1 - MS	Session 1 - MS
Session 2 - MS/*Grade 6.2	Session 2 - MS	Session 2 - MS	Session 2 - MS	Session 2 - MS
Session 3 - MS	Session 3 - MS	Session 3 - MS	Session 3 - MS	Session 3 - MS
<b>Testing Rooms</b>	<b>Session Schedule Grades 3-6</b>			
1. Room 33B	Session 1 Window	9:00 - 10:30		
2. Room 34	Session 2 Window	10:30 - 12:00		
	Session 3 Window	1:00 - 3:00		
	<b>Session Schedule Middle School</b>			
3. Library/RSP will be used for students who need accommodations, more time, etc.	Session 1 Window	9:00 - 10:45		
	Session 2 Window	10:45 - 12:30		
	Session 3 Window	1:15 - 3:00		

# 2014 Science Fair Results

## K-4<sup>th</sup> :

1<sup>st</sup> Place: *Pickles vs. Bananas*, Mike Hammond, grade 4

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: *Density of Liquids and Objects*, Gianna Solari, grade 2

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: *Testing Urban Myths*, Ella Fodor, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

Honorable Mentions:

*The Most Interesting Silly Fruit Experiment*, Ms. Brown's Kinder class

*Density*, Seth Rosecrans, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

*How does the length of a pipe affect pitch?*, Evan De La Vergne, 1<sup>st</sup> grade

*Pendulums*, Jennifer Richards and Alyssa Story, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade

*Which is Stronger?* Tobin Arrant, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

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## 5<sup>th</sup> Grade:

1st Place: *Salt vs. Ice*, Ben Powell

Tie:

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: *Temperature Race*, Xavier Nelson

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: *What are we breathing?* Jo Heinlein

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: *Sippers vs. Slippers*, Bridget Hebert

Honorable Mentions:

*Dirty Truth*, Liam Nathan Benson

*What Silver Remover Works Best?* Claire Rios

*Rockets*, Caleb Spickelmier

*Which is better? Liquid Nitrogen or Freezer?* Alex DeNuzzo

*What letter do kids pick, A to D?* Adian Fong

*Self Inflating Balloons*, Justis Cooper

*Lateral Drills vs. Dribbling Drills*, Heaven Samayoa-Mathis

*Sizzles in Bubbles*, Darin Thao

*Burst my Bubble!* Audrey Burkhardt

*Not all water is created equal*, Mariana Garcia

*Do you see what I see?* Cole Kerksieck

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## 6<sup>th</sup> Grade:

Tie:

1st Place: *The connection between smell and memory*, Safi Pergallo and Jessalyn Herrera

1st Place: *Mummy Apple- Apple Mummy*, Molly Grattidge and Roxanne Hamlin

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: *How clean is your water?* Maia Campos

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: *Surface Tension vs. Water Temperature*, Ian Neto and Conlee Graybill

Honorable Mentions:

*Keep your cocoa hot*, Baylee Phang

*The Basketball Performance Experiment*, Elijah Holland

*Hot coffee anyone?* Rachel Adams

*Laundry Detergent Comparison*, Adrianna Martinez and Alyvia Flores

*The look, feel, and weight of leather*, Trinity Dunbar and Lauren Towne

*What impact does color have on taste?* Mae Krause and Ada Birdsong

*You can drink your pool*, Nik Girouard and Carson

*History and Science*, Emil Ramos and Luca Imhof

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## 7<sup>th</sup> Grade:

1<sup>st</sup> place: *Are those microbes knocking?* Claire Hammond

2<sup>nd</sup> place: *Look vs. Taste: Can our eyes fool our taste buds?* Eva Anders

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: *The Naked Egg*, Victoria Bustos

Honorable Mentions

*Eye Think Eye See Better*, Dylan Anderson

*Fire Ball*, Ryver Voyles

*Family Fingerprints*, Cece Sidley

*Can you measure mental?* Quinn Sherry

*It's written in the stars*, Parker Scarpa

*A dog's tongue is a doctor's tongue*, Kianna Walker



# RESERVE YOUR YEARBOOK DEDICATION PAGES



Surprise your student with a message in their yearbook, commemorate your student's years at LdV with a dedication, create a memory page for your student and their friends....

Full page - \$100

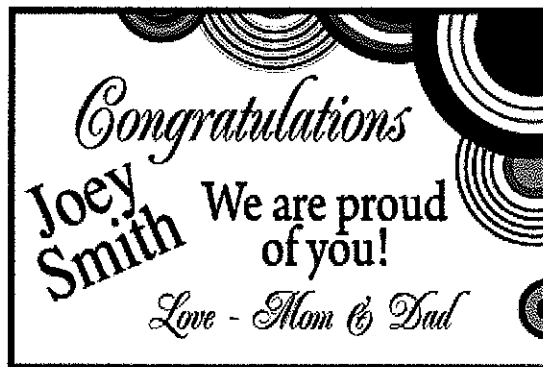
Half page - \$55

1/4 page - \$30

1/8 page - \$25

Design Fee - \$10 (optional)\*

\*If you provide artwork that is ready to go, there is no design fee.



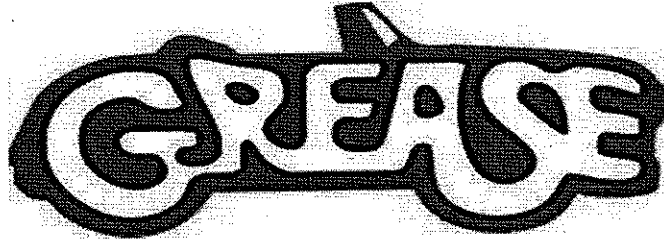
## Space is limited!

Dedications will be sold on a first come, first served basis.

Please contact Brandi Sidley IMMEDIATELY  
to reserve your spot.

916-505-7917 or [brandi@sidleystudios.com](mailto:brandi@sidleystudios.com)

Ms. Devon Davis' Dragonfly Theatre, Presents



Summer Performing Arts Camp (for 1<sup>st</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Graders)

Location: Leonardo da Vinci School

June 23-June 27<sup>th</sup> 2014

7:30AM-5:45PM

Performing Arts Camp 9:00AM-3:00PM

Extended Day (**included**) 7:30-9:00AM and 3:00-5:45PM

\$250.00 (if student is registered before May 15, 2014)

\$275 (if student is registered after May 15, 2014)

Performance June 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:00PM

Reception will follow with awards, root beer floats, and treats!

***Grease***, is the word: summer 2014! Join a spectacular musical play production! The script has been adapted but some of the *Grease* music will be incorporated. Every student will sing, dance, act and be cool under summer stars. The performing arts are a wonderful way to develop confidence, teamwork, and an appreciation for the arts that will extend into a lifetime of skills. Most of all, the performing arts are exciting and fun!

**Ms. Davis, Director and Producer:** Before becoming a school administrator, for ten years, Ms. Davis produced large play and musical productions for Courtyard School, Very Special Arts, San Juan Unified Performing Arts Center, and her own Dragonfly Theatre Company. Ms. Davis has a B.A. in theatre arts and background in teaching children to love the performing arts. She has been long planning to reopen her company and bring large play productions to life.

**Ms. Thai Nicole, Singing Teacher:** Ms. Thai Nicole is a rising R and B performer and she grew up singing, leading her church choir and performing. The children will love her!

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\$275.00 (if student is registered after May 15, 2014)

**Registration Form**

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Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade (in fall) \_\_\_\_\_

Student pant size: \_\_\_\_\_ Student Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks out to Devon Davis.

Emergency Card and questionnaire packet will be sent to students who register.

**Return Registration Form to Box in Parent Center. Thank you!**



**MOTHER & SON**  
**Dance**  
**DECADES OF DANCE**

# **SAVE THE DATE!**

**Friday, May 16th from 7-9:30pm**

Take a step back in time with your mom (or other favorite lady in your life, aunt, grandmother, etc.) at this special event where we'll visit past decades starting with the 1950s and work our way up to 2014! This is a great opportunity for the guys to spend an evening together with their favorite lady dancing, playing games, winning great prizes, and more!!!

Raffle tickets will be available for pre-purchase (and will be on sale at the event). Each ticket will be worth \$1 and can be used towards games, photos, goodies from the fun shop, & prizes!

**SNACKS  
SWEETS  
FUN SHOP**

**DRESS UP  
IN YOUR  
FAVORITE  
DECADE!**

**GAMES  
COOL PRIZES  
LIVE DJ  
DANCING  
PHOTOS**

**PRIZE FOR  
BEST  
DRESSED  
PAIR!**

## **TICKETS ON SALE SOON!**

Brought to you by the Class of 2019

No In and Out Privileges

# SCHOOL CENTS



arden fair

kids club!

1,000 Bonus Points for attending  
Arden Fair Kid's Club!\*

Saturday, April 5th from 12PM - 1PM

Join us for Trevor Wyatt MAGIC - Houdini Magic Class!

\*1,000 bonus points per child. Check in at Arden Fair table  
to earn your points!

Shop these stores in April and receive  
TRIPLE points for your school:

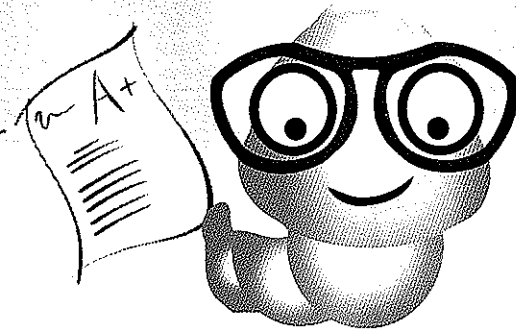
Ann Taylor, Icing, Kid's Foot Locker, LEGO, and Lids

**It's your final push!**

Earn (5) points for each dollar spent at any Arden Fair store or restaurant!

**Show Us Your a's!**

Drop off a photo copy of your 3rd quarter report card, or  
present it to Arden Fair Guest Services  
and earn 1,000 bonus points for each of your A's!  
Hard work pays off!



**Every School is a winner!**

1st Place: \$3,000

3rd Place: \$1,500

5th-7th Place: \$750

11th Place: \$300

2nd Place: \$2,500

4th Place: \$1,000

8th-10th Place: \$500

## arden fair

If you have any questions, please call the School Cents Coordinators at (800) 762-1641.

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# BACKYARD ART ACADEMY

Now in its 16th summer, Backyard Art Academy offers students experiences that "go beyond crayons and markers. Using a rich array of art materials, students are exposed to a variety of classic and contemporary techniques and mediums. Classes are held in a Pocket neighborhood location in Sacramento from 9 to noon with flexible drop off and pick up after 8:30 and before 12:30. An evening art show and reception will be held Thursday, August 7 to showcase summer work.

## Wet & Wild Watercolor

For students entering the 3rd grade and up. Suitable for beginner and returning students.

**June 23-27, 9-noon**

Make a splash this summer painting vibrant watercolors! Students will learn basic techniques, cool tricks, and color theory while painting a variety of subjects: still life, landscape, floral, and abstract. This class will include a walking field trip to paint the Sacramento River.

## Yard Art and Mosaics

For students entering 4th grade and up

**July 14-18, 9-noon**

This year's art for the outdoors will focus on stained glass. We'll make stepping stones, a garden gazing ball, or a beautiful small table top.

## For the Birds

For students entering 3rd grade and up

**July 28-Aug. 1, 9-noon**

Our fine feathered friends will be the inspiration for whimsical bird sculpture combining gourds, wood, wire and paper mâché. In addition, we will paint a bird house for the garden and do other bird-related art.

## Painting for Primary Kids

For students entering 1st thru 3rd grade

**Aug. 6-10, 9-noon**

We will take our inspiration from the world around us, exploring different paints and styles, painting from the garden, our imaginations, and painting a big bunny rabbit! The emphasis for younger students will be on art as a process and not the finished product.

## Acrylics for Teens to Adults

For 7th graders to adults

**Sundays June 29, July 13, 20, 27, Aug. 3, 3-5:30 p.m.**

Learn by painting. We will do three to four paintings (one in oil), learning different techniques as we go. There will be plenty of opportunities to make up a class if you miss one!

Please see class fee and registration form on reverse side



## Registration and Fees

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Class selection \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Circle one: **\$145** or **\$120** (one day of parent participation)

To enroll, send this form and a non-refundable \$30 deposit to:  
Leslie Colby, 181 Audubon Circle, Sacramento, CA 95831.

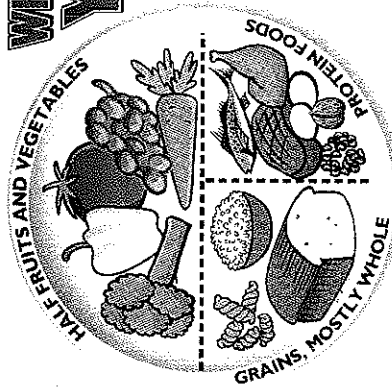
Questions? Contact Leslie Colby at 916-502-1227 or  
backyardartacademy@yahoo.com

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What's on  
**YOUR**  
plate?



**IMPORTANT NEWS FOR PARENTS:**  
**Kids are choosing -- and eating -- more fruits and veggies for lunch at school!**

Over the last two school years, we've been putting more fruits and veggies on kids' plates for school lunch. You may recall seeing the "DON'T4GET!" campaign we're using to promote the new guidelines for our meals, which (among other changes)

**DON'T4GET!**

take at least ONE of each of these five items total to your meal every day as a complete lunch!

- GRAINS
- DAIRY
- FRUIT
- VEGGIE
- PROTEIN

... and at least THREE of the five items total to your meal every day as a complete lunch!

require kids to take at least one -- and preferably more than one -- fruit or veggie with each day's lunch. Well, the changes appear to be working! A new study published in the *American Journal of Preventive Medicine* found that **76% of kids selected fruit for lunch** (compared to 52.7% before the change) and **41% of kids included a vegetable choice** (compared to 24.9% before). Best of all, the study found no corresponding increase in food being thrown away, suggesting that kids are eating more of that good stuff rather than wasting it. **At our schools, we're continuing to focus on food quality to make sure even more kids eat and enjoy their fruits and veggies!**

Learn more at [www.CHOOSEMYPLATE.gov](http://www.CHOOSEMYPLATE.gov) or [http://kidshealth.org/kid/stay\\_healthy/food/plate.html](http://kidshealth.org/kid/stay_healthy/food/plate.html)

Now Appearing...

# SPRING BREAK!

A FUN!FUN! PRODUCTION. STARRING YOU AND YOUR FRIENDS. SPECIAL LIMITED ENGAGEMENT.

Break begins at the end of classes:

Friday, April 11

Classes resume:

Monday, April 21

Monday, April 21

**Breakfast**  
Whole Grain Waffle Sticks

**Lunch**  
Tyson Mesquite BBQ Chicken Drummie  
Or  
**Hot Off the Grill!**  
Grilled Cheese Sandwich

**Side:** Goldfish Pretzels  
**Side:** Hot Corn Kernels

Tuesday, April 22

**Breakfast**  
Italian Turkey Sausage Breakfast Square

**Lunch**  
Tyson Chicken Tender Filets  
Or  
Kettle Cooked Saucy Beef & Cheese Taco w/ Taco Sauce

**Side:** Refried Beans  
**Side:** Whole Grain Tortilla Chips

Thursday, April 24

**Breakfast**  
Chicken Tortilla Crispito Wrap w/salsa

**Lunch**  
House Baked Whole Grain Crust Wedge Cheese Pizza  
Or  
Crispy Breaded Baked Chicken

**Side:** Whole Grain Roll & Jelly

Friday, April 25

**Breakfast**  
Banana Muffin

**Lunch**  
Don Lee Farms Whole Grain Crusted Corn Doggy  
Or  
Popcorn Chicken Chunks w/ Lite Ranch or BBQ Dip

**Side:** Idahoan Mashed Potatoes w/ Gravy  
**Side:** Whole Grain Biscuit & Jelly



Monday, April 28

**Breakfast**  
Maple Burst Mini Pancakes

**Lunch**  
Mini Beef Cheeseburger Buddy Sliders  
Or  
Kona Coast Teriyaki Chicken

**Side:** Hawaiian Style Whole Grain Brown Rice

Tuesday, April 29

**Breakfast**  
Apple Cinnamon Texas Toast

**Lunch**  
Tyson Chicken Tender Filets  
Or  
Kettle Cooked Saucy Beef & Cheese Taco w/ Taco Sauce

**Side:** Refried Beans  
**Side:** Whole Grain Tortilla Chips

Wednesday, April 30

**Breakfast**  
Turkey Bacon Scramble Square

**Lunch**  
Zesty Chicken Patty on Whole Grain Bun  
Or  
Fernando's Cheese & Bean Whole Grain Burrito w/Taco Sauce

Wednesday, April 23

**Breakfast**  
Pancake Pork Sausage Wrap

**Lunch**  
Spicy Sichuan Chicken  
Or  
BBQ Beef Rib-B-Q on Whole Grain Hoagie Roll

**Side:** Hawaiian Style Whole Grain Brown Rice

# K-6 & K-8 Menus April 2014

**Sacramento City  
Unified School District  
Nutrition Services**  
Brenda Padilla, M.S., Director  
**Student Lunch Price \$2.00**

*This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer. Menus subject to change.*

## Credit Policy

If your student forgets meal money, credit will be given for up to three days for each meal. Students and households will be reminded of negative balances. To avoid charges, prepayments are accepted in line or on-line at [www.EZSchoolPay.com](http://www.EZSchoolPay.com). Please clear balances promptly as they carry over each year. Thanks!

### Thursday, April 3

**Breakfast**  
Chicken Tortilla Crispito  
Wrap w/salsa

**Lunch**  
House Baked Whole Grain  
Crust Wedge Pizza,

Pepperoni  
Or  
Cheese

### Friday, April 4

**Breakfast**  
Sunnyfresh French Toast  
Sticks

**Catch of the Day!**  
Rainbow Trout Melt  
on Whole Grain Bun  
w/Tartar Sauce

Or  
**Campbell's** Mega  
Noodle Soup w/Cheesy Bread  
Stick

**Side:** Mega Noodle Soup

### Tuesday, April 1

**Breakfast**  
Apple Cinnamon Texas Toast

**Lunch**  
Tyson Chicken Tender Filets  
Or  
Kettle Cooked Saucy Beef &  
Cheese Taco w/Taco Sauce

**Side:** Refried Beans  
**Side:** Whole Grain Tortilla  
Chips

### Wednesday, April 2

**Breakfast**  
Turkey Bacon Scramble  
Square

**Lunch**  
Zesty Chicken Patty on  
Whole Grain Bun  
Or

Fernando's Cheese & Bean  
Whole Grain Burrito  
w/Taco Sauce

**Available Daily**  
*Lunches include:*  
**Garden Salad Bar & Hot Veggie Sides & Milk—Non or Low-Fat, Unflavored**  
*Entrée Choices:*  
**Meatless: Both w/ Mozzarella Stick**  
**#1 Vegan Sunbutter & Jelly Sandwich**  
**#2 Yogurt Meal**  
**Other Hot lunch entrees:**  
**#3 (see monthly non-cheese options)**  
**#4 House-Made (see daily menu)**  
**Menu is Subject to Change**

### Tuesday, April 8

**Breakfast**  
Turkey Sausage Breakfast  
Bagel

**Lunch**  
Tyson Chicken Tender Filets  
Or  
Bow Tie Pasta w/ Beef  
Marinara Sauce

**Side:** Honeymaid Graham  
Sticks

### Monday, April 7

**Breakfast**  
Pillsbury Blueberry Mini  
Waffles

**Lunch**  
Mandarin Orange Chicken  
Or  
Artisan Style Whole Grain  
French Bread Cheese Pizza

**Side:** Hawaiian Style Whole  
Grain Brown Rice

### Wednesday, April 9

**Breakfast**  
Sunrise Pork Sausage  
Sandwich

**Lunch**  
Sweet Baby Ray's BBQ  
Roasted Chicken  
Or  
Cheeseburger on a  
Whole Grain Bun

**Side:** Baked Potato Spuds  
**Side:** Whole Grain Biscuit  
& Jelly

### Friday, April 11

**Breakfast**  
Blueberry Muffin

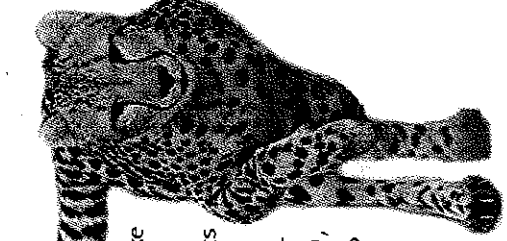
**Lunch**  
**Catch of the Day!**  
Trout Treasure Shapes  
Or

Crunchy Chicken & Cheese  
Taco w/Taco Sauce

**Side:** Goldfish Crackers

# INTENSE.

The most effective (and time efficient) exercise for good cardio health is alternating short, cheetah-like bursts of intense activity with longer periods of easier effort. So-called "high intensity interval training" starts with a few minutes of warm-up, then the fun begins: 30-60 seconds of cheetah-style, all-out, hard-as-you-can-go, 100% effort (biking, running, swimming, etc.), followed by 3 or 4 minutes of 50% effort, repeated up to 5 or 6 times, for no longer than half an hour.



**EAT BETTER. PLAY HARDER. LIVE HEALTHIER. LEARN EASIER.**  
**WELLNESS IS A WAY OF LIFE!**

## NUTRITIONFOOD

**A slice of our pizza is typically much healthier than a slice from a pizza shop or the supermarket. We use crust that's whole-grain rich, reduced-sodium sauce, and lowfat mozzarella cheese -- indeed, it's not a stretch to say that school pizza has been completely redesigned to be a nutritious choice for kids. Still tastes great, too!**

**A TASTY MORSEL FOR PARENTS**

### Thursday, April 10

**Breakfast**  
Pillsbury Triple Berry French  
Toast

**Lunch**  
Chicken Hot Dog  
on Whole Grain Bun  
Or

Fernando's Cheese & Bean  
Whole Grain Burrito  
w/Taco Sauce

**Side:** Baked Beans  
**Side:** Whole Grain Tortilla  
Chips