# **PAS WEEKLY**

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Mr. Farrell, Principal

215-400-7760

# **Upcoming Events:**

#### Girls Volleyball vs. Greenfield

Monday, October 29th 3:15PM

#### Character Day (K-5)

Wednesday, October 31st

# Dress Down (\$1) & Pretzel (\$1) Friday

Friday, November 2nd

# Annual 8th Grade Dinner & Theatre Trip

Friday, November 2nd

#### **Scholastic Book Fair**

Friday, November 2-Friday, November 9th

#### Election Day, No School for Students

Tuesday, November 6th

#### **Report Card Conferences**

Wednesday, November 7th-Thursday, November 8th

#### **Noon Dismissal for Students**

Wednesday, November 7th-Friday, November 8th

#### Harvest Food Drive Begins Monday, October 29th



# Report Card Conferences (November 7th & 8th)

Save the Dates! Our first round of Report Card Conferences will take place on **November 7th & 8th.** 

**Kindergarten-5th grade families,** you should have received communication from your child's teacher.

**Middle School families,** report card conferences are scheduled on the following days and times:

Wednesday, November 7, 1-3PM and 4-6PM Thursday, November 8th 12:30-2:30PM and 3-5PM

Parents/Guardians should come to the PAS lunchroom to pick up your child's report card during any of the times above. You will be able to sign-up for individual conferences with your child's teachers at that time.

#### **Character Day (Wed., October 31st)**

On Wednesday, October 31st, students in grades K-5 are welcome to participate in character day at PAS. Students are permitted to dress up as their favorite character. We ask that students refrain from wearing masks. As a reminder, students in grades 6th-8th will be going on school trips on October 31st and must report in school uniform.





#### **PAS Student News-Episode 1**

We are pleased to announce that the first broadcast episode of PAS NEWS, a short news feature created by the students in our WHYY Media Lab program, is available!

#### https://tinyurl.com/PASNews1

PAS collected over 100 Winter coats as part of our **Annual Winter Coat Drive** for those in need over the past month. Thanks for your donations!



#### THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA

#### OFFICE OF STUDENT ENROLLMENT AND PLACEMENT

440 NORTH BROAD STREET, SUITE 111
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19130

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#### Penn Alexander Elementary School 2019 Kindergarten Registration Process

The following are the guidelines and timelines that will govern how the application and selection process will be conducted to register students to the Kindergarten classrooms of the Penn Alexander Elementary School (PAS) for the 2019-2020 school year.

Penn Alexander Kindergarten Lottery Process Timeline		
Registration dates	Tuesday January 22, 2019 to Friday, February 08, 2019	
School staff sends final list to OSEP via email.	February 13	
School District processes applications	February 14-15	
Lottery letters mailed to students homes:	By Friday, February 22	

#### **General Guidelines**

- Only children who reside within the PAS Catchment are eligible for the lottery. All applications received after
  Friday, February 08, 2019 will be placed on a wait list. Two proofs of residency within the catchment area are
  required upon submission of the registration materials. Showing two proofs of residency at the time school
  opens, is also required.
- Office of Early Childhood Education will compile a list of Head Start students residing in the Penn Alexander Catchment to be given to the school. Office of Early Childhood Education will also notify their centers regarding the PAS Kindergarten registration timeline.
- Office of Specialized Services will compile a list of Early Intervention students residing in the Penn Alexander Catchment to be given to the school. Office of Specialized Services will also notify centers regarding the PAS Kindergarten registration timeline.
- Head Start and Early Intervention registration materials must be received within the registration dates.
   Applications received after February 08, 2019 will be placed on a wait list. Two proofs of residency within the catchment area are required upon submission of the registration materials.
- This notice will be reviewed annually and placed on the School District website when the School District announces Kindergarten registration on or before December 1. All notices will be translated into the District's eight major languages.
- All registration forms must be returned to PAS on or before the deadlines between 8:00 a.m. -3:00 p.m.
- All admission decisions will only be communicated in writing via a letter mailed to the home of the student.

  Admission decisions will not be communicated over the telephone nor will admission letters be given to parents coming to the Office of Student Enrollment and Placement.

#### This week AmazonSmile will increase the donation rate!



## You shop. Amazon gives.

Most of us use Amazon.com, did you know that you can now make your purchases using AmazonSmile.com and a donation will be made on your behalf directly to Penn Alexander HSA.

To date, AmazonSmile has generated **\$1,086.84** in contributions to PAS thanks to people like you simply placing Amazon orders through AmazonSmile.

**STEP 1: SWITCH TO AMAZONSMILE:** Use AmazonSmile when making your everyday Amazon/Amazon Prime purchases.

Go to amazonsmile.com under Help & Setting<Your AmazonSmile, set Penn Alexander Home and School Association as your charity. And start Shopping!

#### STEP 2: SPECIAL PROMOTION: October 29 - November 2

This Week AmazonSmile will increase the donation rate on eligible purchases. So if you were planning a purchase make it this week and maximize your impact.

Thank you again

**Small Dollars, Make BIG Things Happen** 

# This Thanksgiving, while you give thanks for food, friends, and family, don't forget those who have little to be thankful for...

Thanksgiving is a time for sharing, caring, family, and, well, food. Unfortunately, there are many people in our community who won't spend Thanksgiving surrounded by food, family and friends. Many of them are homeless, needy and otherwise destitute. We know you care about needy families in University City as much as we do.

The University City Hospitality Coalition (UCHC) has been serving University City's homeless and needy for ALMOST THIRTY-FIVE YEARS and is an all-volunteer non-profit organization. Five evenings a week, 52 weeks a year, the UCHC provides hot meals to our homeless and needy neighbors, as well as bag lunches on Saturdays. We also provide a medical clinic, a legal clinic, dental assistance, a mailing address, and referrals to shelters, job placement, and other services.



#### Please help us help families in need this Thanksgiving...

Through the faculty, students and families of the Penn Alexander School, we will, for the SEVENTEENTH year, be collecting canned fruits and vegetables for our meals. We need your help to continue feeding poor and homeless families in University City. Because of the number of people we serve, we prefer "commercial" size cans, #10 (\$\approx\$7 lb.) or #3 (\$\approx\$3 lb.), of common fruits and vegetables. Thank you for your continuing support.

### Your giving doesn't have to end here...

Here are five other ways you can give of your time and resources to UCHC:

- 1. Tell a person in need about UCHC. Handouts are attached to pass on to anyone you think could use a meal.
- 2. Volunteer at a meal site. Groups of 2-3 are welcome 5:00-7:00 PM, especially over school holidays.
- 3. Use this form to send us a tax-deductible monetary gift. Because UCHC is an all-volunteer organization, 100% of your gift will be used to help our needy clients. Please make checks payable to UCHC.
- 4. **Join our mailing list**, using this form.
- 5. **Donate to UCHC through United Way.** If your company has a United Way program, you can designate your donation to UCHC. Our United Way number is 09178.

Name:	 
Address:	 
E-mail:	 
Check all that apply:	
☐ I would like to be added to the mailing list	
☐ I have enclosed a monetary donation of \$	

 $\square$  I have or plan to make a donation through my company's United Way program

Have your child return the completed form to school or mail it to: UCHC, PMB 410, 3720 Spruce St., Philadelphia, PA 19104

For more information on UCHC, visit us on the web at: http://uchc.phillycharities.org/

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Thurs.	St. Mary's Church	3916 Locust Walk	6:00 p.m.
Fri.	Woodland Presbyterian	42 <sup>nd</sup> & Pine	6:00 p.m.
Sat.	Sandwiches	3916 Locust Walk	Noon
Sun.	Hillel Foundation	215 South 39 <sup>th</sup> Street	6:00 p.m.

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# HELP FUND AN AFTER-SCHOOL CLUB: PARTICIPATE IN THE BOXTOP PROGRAM!



#### **OUR GOAL:**

100% FAMILY PARTICIPATION

50 Boxtops Or Equivalent Per Family Per Month

#### **OPTION 1: CLIP-MORE**

1. Download the Boxtops app for bonus tops and coupons!

https://www.Boxtops4education.Com/bonusapp Choose 19104 zipcode and select sadie alexander

2. Register your Shoprite and Sam's Club cards online for bonus tops & coupons.

https://www.Boxtops4education.Com/earn/in-store-offers

- 3. Clip, save, and send in coupons in an envelope with your child in the pony.
- 4. Maximize your impact, ask friends and family to participate, too.

#### **OPTION 2: CLIP-LESS**

Donation Amount:

1. Don't have time to clip coupons but still want to make an impact?

Make a ONE TIME donation of \$45 (the equivalent of option 1)
Include this form along with check or cash in your child's pony.

Child's Name:

Child's Class Number:









# LAUNCHING PAS CSA

(CSA stands for Community Supported Agriculture)

PENN ALEXANDER HAS PARTNERNED WITH
PHILLY FOOD WORKS TO BE
A CSA PICK UP SITE
(PICK UP FROM THE MAIN OFFICE WEDNESDAYS 3-5:30PM
PLACE ORDER BY 10AM TUESDAYS)

Local Farm Fresh & Organic Foods
DELIVERED RIGHT TO PAS or YOUR HOME

\* FLEXIBLE SUBSCRIPTIONS \*

TO REGISTER :: https://phillyfoodworks.com/register.php

Use the code PAS to receive \$15 off your first share and Philly Food Works will also put \$15 on the PAS account to help support future events at our school

Thanks to Philly Food Works for supplying gourds & pumpkins to our First Annual Pumpkin Patch event on 10/19!

PHILLY FOODWORKS









## Spruce Hill Little Tot Halloween Parade and Party Wednesday, October 31st at 4pm

Spruce Hill Community Association's annual Little Tot Halloween parade will begin at 45th and Larchwood and end in a block party with snacks and treats on the 4200 block of Osage.

#### The Woodlands Fourth Annual Woodlands Gobble Wobble 5K Fun Run

Saturday, November 3rd Registration: 9:00AM Race Start: 10:00AM

This 5K wobble takes you through the historic grounds of William Hamilton's 18th century estate, 19th century cemetery and modern day urban oasis. Outrun the West Philly Turkey and support the neighborhood's best running spot. The race takes place on the paved road within The Woodlands Cemetery, with the start and finish line near the Hamilton Mansion.

Please bring canned food for a food drive to benefit the efforts of the Friends of the Kingsessing Library. The Friends group will be onsite during the race to talk more about their work in the community.

#### Hot Mugs at University City Arts League Sunday, November 4th, 10am-1pm 4226 Spruce Street

\$15 Handmade Mugs filled with bottomless coffee or hot chocolate. Also, donuts, bagels, neighbors, and art!

# ARCHAEOLOGY IN THE A.M. Saturday, November 10th, 10am-12noon Penn Museum, 3260 South Street

Designed for teens and young adults with developmental or intellectual disabilities, Archaeology in the A.M. pairs exploring the lives of the ancients with making new friends through interactive drop-in activities. Free with Museum admission. EBT cardholders receive a discounted admission price of \$2.00 per person for up to four visitors.

Learn more at https://www.penn.museum/

#### West Craft Fest Sunday, December 9, 10am–4pm The Rotunda, 4014 Walnut Street

Holiday gifts galore by Philly artists, crafters and makers. Check off your entire gift list with unique, locally made treasures at this West Philly favorite event.

#### Please send community news to pasenews@gmail.com. Thanks!

#### Disclaimer

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