### Penn Alexander School

### Week of May 28

## PAS WEEKLY

pennalexander.philasd.org

Mr. Farrell, Principal

215-400-7760

### Upcoming Events:

**Field Day** Tuesday, May 28th

**Career Days (Middle School)** Wednesday, May 29th & Thursday, May 30th

8th Grade vs. Staff Wiffle Ball Game Wednesday, May 29th 9AM

Dodgeball Tournament (Grades 1-8) Friday, May 31st

8th Grade Closing Exercises Monday, June 3rd, 3:30PM

> Last Day of School for Students Tuesday, June 4th

**1st Day of School** (Kindergarten- 8th Grade) Tuesday, September 3rd



### Summer Reading Books!

Last week, your child was sent home with summer reading information and books. Please review this information. Similar to last year, the Equity Circle has planned a book list for adults in our community, the flier is included.

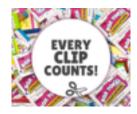


### 2019 Yearbooks

Time is running out to buy a 2019 yearbook! Before we run out, complete the included form, if you would like to purchase a PAS 2019 yearbook. Only 25 left!

### Summer Boxtops

We encourage you to continue clipping and saving your boxtops over the summer. We will have a collection in September.



### Annual School District of Philadelphia Survey

The Annual School District of Philadelphia survey is designed to find out what you think about your child 's school. We encourage you to take the survey for each of your children! Once you start the survey you must complete it all at once. The survey takes approximately 10 minutes to complete.



You will need your child's student ID number, which can be found on your child's report card, and included on a personal flier in this week's pony.

https://webapps1.philasd.org/ parentsurvey/

### END OF YEAR COLLECTION FOR ALL TEACHERS & STAFF



### HELP RECOGNIZE AND THANK ALL OF OUR TEACHERS -CLASSROOM and SPECIALISTS - AND STAFF!

The HSA is collecting donations to provide end-of-year gifts to all of our hardworking teachers, specialists (gym, music, library, computer, learning support, and more), recess and lunchroom staff, custodians, and crossing guards.

The HSA will pool all donations and distribute them on an equitable basis so that everyone knows how much they are appreciated by the PAS community. In order to meet <u>our gift goal, each classroom is asked to contribute at least \$400</u>. Your contribution to the group gift is completely optional. Any amount — \$5, \$25, \$100, or whatever you can comfortably give — is greatly appreciated.

### DEADLINE FOR COLLECTION is the morning of Friday, May 31.

- Cash or Check (made Payable to "HSA of PAS")
  - Put your donation in an envelope labeled "Teacher/Staff Gift" along with your room number(s).
  - ➤ Return to your Room Parent or the PAS Office
- Credit Card
  - > Pay online and select the "Teacher Spring Gift" option on the Shop page
  - https://pennalexanderschool.org/shop/
- Venmo
  - > @PennAlexanderHSA; label as "Teacher/Staff Gift" along with classroom number
- PayPal
  - Penn Alexander Home and School Association; label as "Teacher/Staff Gift" along with classroom number



### **ANNUAL GIVING**

The dedicated volunteer parents of the HSA have been hard at work fundraising all year so that your dollars can step in when the school district funds run short of what we need to cover extracurricular and academic programs, supplies and technology investments, and buildings and grounds improvements at PAS.

### THIS YEAR'S FUNDRAISING GOAL

This year's fundraising goal is \$150,000 to cover everything that we have been doing and to subsidize our fulltime art teacher and program which comes at a cost of \$60,000 annually.

To reach our financial goal, a contribution of \$100 per student is suggested. It is not required. We are grateful for any donation and all amounts are welcome.

We do ask for 100% participation from our families to show our teachers, staff, administrators, and children that we are a community that supports each other and is committed to our neighborhood school.

### **ANNUAL FUND UPDATE**

To date, we have raised \$75,000 with 60% of families participating. We will have a funding shortfall next school year. Please help us get to our financial goal, and more importantly, our goal of 100% family participation by making a gift today. We cannot sustain all of our programs without you!

### WHAT THE ANNUAL FUND SUPPORTS

- Student Enrichment: Full-Time Art Teacher \* Afterschool Programs \* Music Education \* Computers •
- **Teacher Support:** Books and Supplies \* Teacher and Staff Appreciation \* Professional Development
- Student Performances: Musical \* Talent Show \* Music Recitals •
- Building Community: Open Houses \* Equity Circle \* Ice Cream Social \* Fall Festival \* Skating Party •
- Facilities: Gardening \* Repair Playground \* Buildings and Grounds Renovation

WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR ANY LEVEL OF SUPPORT!					
\$5 \$10 \$20 \$25 \$50 \$75					
\$100 (suggested per student)					
\$200\$250\$500\$1,000 Other: \$					
Ways to Give:					
1. Cash or Check made payable to "PAS HSA" and return in your child's PONY along with this form					
2. Credit card: online at https://www.pennalexanderschool.org/					
3. PayPal ( <u>hsatreasurerpas@gmail.com</u> ; list as Spring 2019 donation); Venmo (@PennAlexanderHSA; list as Spring 2019 donation)					
<ol><li>Stock transfer: Please contact Roseann Liu (<u>hsatreasurerpas@gmail.com</u>) for more information</li></ol>					
Contact Info:					
My name: My email:					

My Student(s)/ Room Number(s)\_

My email:



Please help us maintain our beautiful garden and orchard this summer! Sign up to care for the PAS garden for one week, and take home all that you harvest!

As a volunteer, you will be responsible for:

Watering

Weeding

Harvesting

Attend a training session Wednesday, May 22<sup>th</sup> or Tuesday, May 28<sup>th</sup> at 3:15 in the garden! RESERVE YOUR WEEK NOW at: https://tinyurl.com/pasgardenadoption



### **MEMORIES, FUN AND FRIENDS**

### Order your 2019 PAS Yearbook Today! Every child featured. Great candids on every page!

Making new friends and making memories with old friends are important parts of the school year. Help your student keep the fun and memories alive for years to come with a yearbook, a time capsule of the events and people that made this year unique.

Use this form to order the Penn Alexander School yearbook today. **The pre-order cost for the 2019 full-color yearbook is \$30.00**. **After May 5, the cost of the yearbook is \$35.00**. **8**<sup>th</sup> **graders do not need to order a yearbook as it is included in the DC trip.** 

Simply enter the number of yearbooks you wish to order in the box below. Multiply that number times the book price and enter the subtotal line. Enter the Total Amount enclosed. Fill in the rest of the information

Yearbooks may also be purchased online at www.pennalexander.org

-----ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK BY MAY 5, 2019 to SAVE \$5-----

Student Name	Grade	Room #	Quantity

### Please return this slip to the main office

Quantity\_\_\_\_\_\_x \$30 each (after 5/5, \$35= Total Amount Enclosed\_\_\_\_\_\_

Please complete for credit card payment:

Name on Credit Card	('	Visa/Mastercard only)			
Card Number:	Sec code	Exp Date			
Address:	_City/State/Zip				
I give permission to PAS HSA to charge my credit card for the total amount listed above.					
Signature of card holder:					

Cash or check payable to PAS HSA or order online with a credit card

### PENN ALEXANDER SUMMER 2019 READING

In partnership with our Equity Circle, Penn Alexander would like to offer these books as part of our summer reading program. The summer provides an opportunity for us to reflect and explore challenging issues, stories, and questions about social justice both inside and outside of our school. If you are unable to purchase any of the books, please contact pasequitycircle@gmail.com for assistance.



### NEW BOOKS FOR SUMMER 2019:

How We Fight White Supremacy By Akiba Solomon & Kenrya Rankin

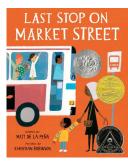
Just Mercy, Adapted for Young Adults By Bryan Stevenson

### BOOKS KEPT FROM SUMMER 2018:

The New Jim Crow By Michelle Alexander

Homegoing By Yaa Gyasi The 57 Bus By Dashka Slater

### STUDENTS' SUMMER 2019 READING



The New Jim Crow

Grades 1-3:

Last Stop on **Market Street** By Matt de la Peña



Grades 4-5:

Wonder By RJ Palacio



Grade 6:

**Flying Lessons** & Other Stories Edited by Ellen Oh

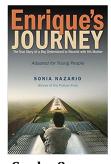


Grade 7:

The Family Romanov By Candace Fleming



Angel on the Square By Gloria Whelan



Grades 8:

**Enrique's** Journey By Sonia Nazario

### Upcycling It's time to clean out your desk drawers + clear the clutter --School supplies upcycling is here!

PAS is joining schools around the country utilizing resources in creative ways by upcycling new and gently used school supplies. Beginning Wednesday, May 22nd, you can drop off any of the items on the list below in the PAS atrium for reuse during the 2019-2020 school year. Items should be clean and in good working order. We're looking for: marble composition books with wide rule (if partly used, remove used pages), plain pocket folders (OK if they contains a name concealable with a label), erasers, #2 Dixon Ticonderoga pencils, other pencils, Crayola crayons (boxed or loose), personal hand sharpeners, white school glue, glue sticks, safety scissors, protractors, and 6 and 12 inch rulers. It's a win-win: supplies get put to good use and you get to clear the extras and leftovers out of your home and office!

# Upcycling



### You Are Invited!

2019 Colors of the Rainbow Team Match Grand Final Competition

### Sunday June 2, 2019

Levitt Auditorium, University of the Arts 401 South Broad Street, Philadelphia (handicapped accessible)

Doors open at: 1:30 PM Competition begins at: 2:00 PM

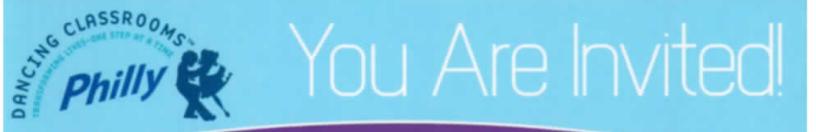
This event is FREE to the public

### **QUESTIONS?**

Please contact Kate Lombardi: kate@dancingclassroomsphilly.org 215.268.3973 x103

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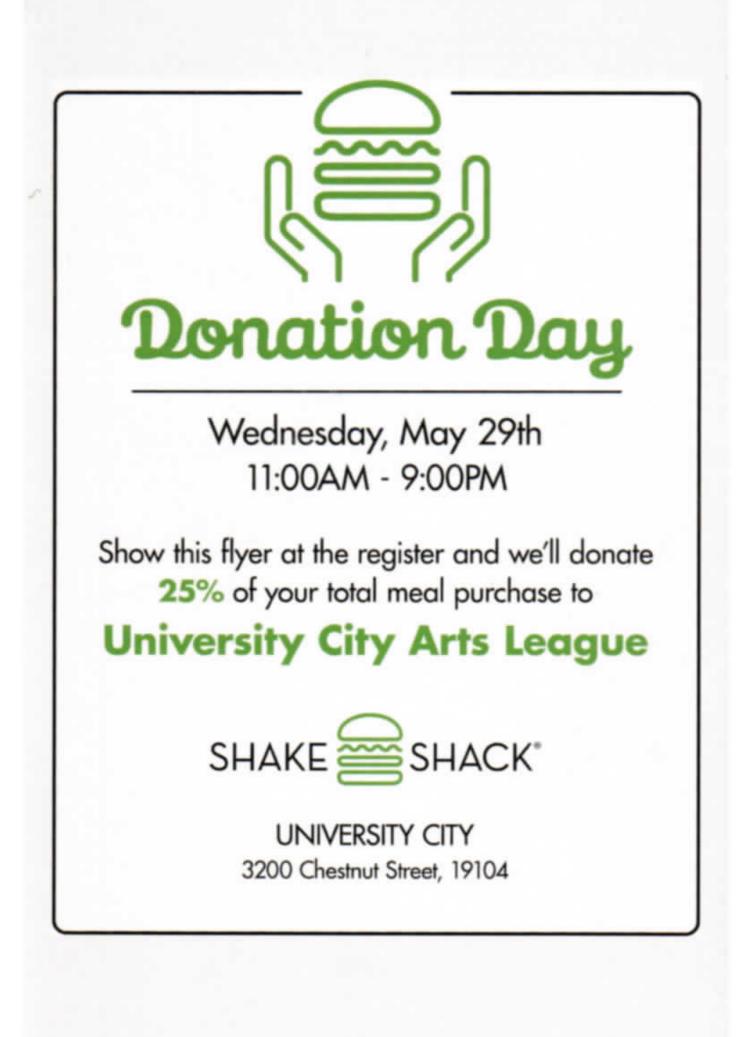


The **12<sup>th</sup> Annual** Colors of the **Rainbow** Team Match Grand Final Competition

### Sunday June 2, 2019 At 2:00 P.M.

### Levitt Auditorium University of the Arts

401 South Broad Street Philadelphia, PA 19012



## Begin your Summer Journey/

# JUNE 3 - AUGUST 3 2019 SUMMER OF WONDER

# Join us for a summer full of fun!

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### 2019 SUMMER OF WONDER Walnut Street West Library

### Summer of Wonder Kickoff with the Amazing Mr. Q!

Saturday, June 8 | 1:00 p.m.

The Amazing Mr. Q performs hilarious magic, puppets, mischief, and mayhem! After the show we will have snacks, crafts, and Summer of Wonder sign-up opportunities.

### **Snacks and Snippets**

#### Mondays\*, 2:00 p.m.

Kids ages 6-18: do you have a story to tell? Are you the next big playwright, screenwriter, graphic novelist, or poet? Whether you already have story ideas or still need inspiration, come enjoy some snacks and brainstorm! All forms of creative writing are welcome and snacks will be provided.

June 10–August 12 \*no program June 17

### Pajama Storytime

Last Monday of each month 6:00 p.m.

Wear your pajamas and bring your favorite stuffed animal friend to the library for an extra special story time with Miss Echo.

June 24, July 22, August 19

### Crafternoons Tuesdays, 2:00 p.m.

Come make fun different take home arts and crafts with Miss Echo every week!

June 11–August 6 \*no program June 18

### **Family Movie Matinees**

### Every other Thursday 3:30 p.m.

Get out of the heat and watch a movie at the library! Some snacks will be provided.

June 13, 27; July 11, 25; August 15

### Summer Story Quilt

#### Tuesday, August 13 | 3:00 p.m.

Come help create a story quilt of your favorite things you did this summer! The finished quilt will be displayed in the library. Children of all ages welcome. Quilt squares are limited to the first 25 attendees.



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