

PAS WEEKLY

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Upcoming Events:

NonEnglish Speaking Parents Chat & Chew

Wednesday, Oct. 16, 8:30am

Fall Festival

Thursday, October 17, 4-6pm

Interim Reports (Grades 4-8)

Monday, October 21

School Advisory Council (SAC)

Monday, Oct. 21, 3:45-4:45pm

Kindergarten Literacy Night Grades 1-8 Parent Portal Wksh

Tuesday, Oct. 22, 6-7:30pm

Pumpkin Patch Party

Friday, Oct. 25, 4:30-7:30pm

Winter Coat Drive Ends

Friday, October 25

Harvest Food Drive Begins

Monday, October 28

Girls Volleyball vs. Sherwood

Wed., Oct. 30 (Home Game)

Character Day (Grades 1-5 only)

Thurs, Oct. 31



Our annual **Fall Festival** is **THURSDAY 4-6PM**. Tickets will go home with students on Thursday. Additional tickets may be purchased at the festival. **Also, it is never too late to volunteer!** Sign up in Membership Toolkit.



Kindergarten Parents/Guardians - Please join us for a special back to school Literacy Night on how to support your child's academic growth. The meeting is Tuesday, October 22, 6-7:30pm in the atrium. Childcare provided.

Grades 1-8 Parents/Guardians: Do you need help accessing the parent portal, your one-stop shopping for grades, attendance and test scores? Do you need help obtaining your clearances? The Office of Family & Community Engagement (FACE) will conduct a workshop on Tuesday, October 22, 6-7:30pm in PAS Computer Lab. Childcare provided.



Join us for book discussions on How We Fight White Supremacy by Akiba Solomon & Kenrya Rankin &/or Just Mercy, Adapted for Young Adults by Bryan Stevenson. See the enclosed flier for details.

Ways to Stay Connect @ PAS

The School District of Philadelphia, Penn Alexander, and the PAS Home and School Association provide several ways to stay connected and informed about your child's education, special events, as well as emergency closings and calendar changes.

PAS Home and School Association (HSA): pennalexanderschool.org

The HSA of PAS provides financial and community support to enrich the academic, personal, and neighborhood resources of the school. The mission of the Home and School Association includes acting as a vehicle for families to partner with the school and to be involved in school improvement activities. The Home and School Association is a 501(c)(3) organization that sponsors community-building events for children and their families, provides information to parents about how to support their children at the school, and raises funds to enhance student programs.

PAS School Advisory Council

The PAS School Advisory Council (SAC) provides a forum for open discussion and problem solving, and gives all stakeholder groups (administrators, parents, students, staff, and the larger community) a voice in school-based decision-making.

School District:

Parent Portal: <https://www.philasd.org/face/family-resources/parent-and-family-portal/>

Twitter: @PHLSchools; www.twitter.com/PHLSchools

Facebook: School District of Philadelphia @ PhillySchools

PAS and HSA primary communication connections

- **The Pony:** Every Monday, PAS sends home a large envelope of information, called the Pony, to students' families. *If you prefer to get this weekly packet delivered to your email instead, please sign up for **Membership Toolkit**.*

- **Membership Toolkit** (replaces MySchoolAnywhere): This helpful tool will be used for PAS's online family directory, sending the e-Pony, volunteering and more. Even if you were registered for MySchoolAnywhere, you will need to register again. You can sign up from this page: <https://pennalexanderschoolhsa.membershiptoolkit.com>

Websites

- **PAS school website:** <https://pennalexander.philasd.org/>

General school info, contact info for teachers, school calendar, information about academics and more

- **HSA website:** <https://www.pennalexanderschool.org/>

Purchase tickets to events, make donations, find out how to volunteer, and (coming soon) order PAS gear

Social media

- **Penn Alexander HSA Facebook page:** A private, invitation-only group for parents/guardians of PAS students. Email pasfacebook2@gmail.com to join.

- **Twitter:**

Principal Wapner: @PrincipalPAS; www.twitter.com/PrincipalPAS

HSA: @PennAlexander; www.twitter.com/PennAlexander

Fall Festival - October 17

We need your NUT FREE yummy homemade goodies!



Please drop-off with ingredient list by before 9am on the day of Fall Festival: Thurs. Oct. 17, 2019.

Guidelines for baked goods:

This is a **NUT FREE Bake Sale. Help keep our food allergic kids safe.

Please wrap items **individually in plastic, foil, or waxed paper.

** Please also **include an ingredient list** (use form below)

** Please **label/identify** items that contains any major **allergen** (top 9 allergens = peanuts, tree nuts, wheat, milk, egg, soy, sesame, fish and shellfish).

**Please drop off your items in the office before 9am on the day of the Fall Festival: Thurs Oct. 17, 2019

Questions? Contact Kelly Diffily at kdiffily@gmail.com or 215.370.9903

****Read [HERE](#) for tips on safely preparing foods to avoid cross-contamination with food allergens. Or visit www.foodallergy.com**

2019 PAS Fall Festival BAKE SALE ITEM

ALLERGENS:

(please circle all that apply):

PEANUTS

TREE NUTS

WHEAT

MILK (inc. BUTTER, CHEESE)

EGG

SOY

SESAME

FISH

SHELLFISH

INGREDIENTS (please list):

from the kitchen
of: _____



دردش و تحدث

New Resource for NonEnglish Speaking Parents

非英语家庭的新资源

موارد جديدة للاباء و الامهات الغير ناطقين باللغة الانكليزية

Chat & Chew in Arabic, Bengali or Chinese with PAS Bilingual Counseling Assistants Radwan Mahmoud, Abu Rahman, and Chengyi Wen

家长聊天活动时，会有双语中文辅导员协助

تحدث و دردش بالعربية و البنغالية و الصينية مع المساعدين الاستشاريين الذين يجيدون التحدث باللغتين الانكليزية و اللغات المذكورة أعلاه وهم رضوان محمود (العربية) ، ماني (البنغالية) ، تشنغ وين (الصينية) .

--Learn about free resources to help your child --Enjoy light refreshments --Socialize with other parents	يمكنكم التعرف على الموارد المجانية لمساعدة أطفالكم استمتعوا بالحلويات الخفيفة استمتعوا بالتحدث وربط صداقات مع الاباء و الامهات الاخرين	快来参加！发现帮助孩子 免费资讯！ 提供饮料 与其他家长建立联络	
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Wednesday, 8:30am, PAS Library

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تواريخ هذه اللقاءات : أيام الاربعاء الساعة 8:30 صباحا وفق

October 16	اكتوبر \ تشرين الاول 16	10月 16日	
November 20	نوفمبر \ تشرين الثاني 20	11月 20日	
December 18	ديسمبر \ كانون الاول 18	12月 18日	
January 15	يناير \ كانون الثاني 15	1月 15日	
February 19	فبراير \ شباط 19	2月 19日	
March 18	مارس \ اذار 18	3月 18日	
April 15	ابريل \ نيسان 15	4月 15日	
May 20	مايو \ ايار 20	5月 20日	

JOIN US AT OUR SAC MEETING!

Penn Alexander School Advisory Council (SAC)

Monday, October 21, 2019 3:45-4:45PM

PAS Library

The Penn Alexander School Advisory Council (SAC) is comprised of peer-elected stakeholders including parents, staff and community members. The SAC is a forum for discussion and collaboration with the PAS administration on school-based decision making with a focus on student achievement and school improvement.

COME SHARE YOUR VOICE!

The SAC meetings are public meetings that are open to all families and community members. The first thirty minutes of each meeting is reserved for family or community members to address the SAC in a public forum, each speaker will be given three minutes to speak. If you wish to speak at a SAC meeting, please email SAC Chairperson, Jessica McCollum at tjmccollum@gmail.com by 3:45PM on the day before the meeting. If you are not able to attend, you can submit a public testimony that will be shared with all SAC members.

To learn more about Penn Alexander's SAC and review a list of SAC members, please visit our SAC website-pennalexander.philasd.org/school-advisory-council/

October Meeting Agenda

Monday, October 21, 2019, 3:45-4:45PM

	Agenda Item	Time Estimate
1	Open Forum (sign-up required in advance)	30 minutes
2	Approval of minutes from May 2019 SAC Meeting	5 minutes
3	Principal Report	25 minutes