

PAS WEEKLY

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| 215-400-7760

Upcoming Events:

Student Grab & Go Meals

Wednesday, December 23,
9am-2pm

Winter Recess Begins (Virtual School Closed)

Thursday, December 24

Winter Recess Ends (Virtual School ReOpens)

Monday, January 4

GSA

Thursday, January 7, 3:30pm

EC Presents: Equity & PAS Community Conversation

Thursday, January 7, 7pm

Student Grab & Go Meals

Thursday, January 8, 9am-2pm

School Advisory Council (SAC)

Wednesday, January 13, 3:45pm



Goodbye 2020 Hello 2021

As we head into winter recess and the final days of 2020, I want to take this time to reflect on the year. Even during our most challenging times, we welcomed babies, opened our hearts and minds, embraced new ways of learning, and so much more. To that end, I would like to share a poem I saw earlier this year.

What if 2020 isn't cancelled?
What if 2020 is the year we've been waiting for?
A year so uncomfortable, so painful, so scary, so raw —
that it finally *forces* us to grow.
A year that screams so loud, finally awakening us
from our ignorant slumber.
A year we finally accept the need for change.
Declare change. Work for change. Become the change.
A year we finally band together, instead of
pushing each other further apart.

2020 isn't cancelled, but rather
the most important year of them all.

— *leslie dwight*

The Gift of Music

While we may not be able to fill the school atrium with the sound of music, we hope this performance by our 4th & 5th graders under the direction of Ms. Lam will warm your heart: <https://youtu.be/3z1-f65vL7k>

. Please see the enclosed for the K-3 Winter Showcase

FREE Internet expanded

PHL ConnectED - free internet access for eligible families has expanded its program. You may be eligible if you have internet in your home and 1) Participate in a public benefit program with income qualifications; OR 2) your child is an English Language Learner; OR 3) your child receives special education services. **Call 211 for assistance.**



Sunrise Movement Hub Forming at PAS

Check out the new club forming at PAS for students ages 13 and older! Watch this [video](#) to learn about the Sunrise Movement and check the pony flier for more details, including a PAS Hub logo contest . Contest is open to all students at PAS. Deadline is January 8, 2021



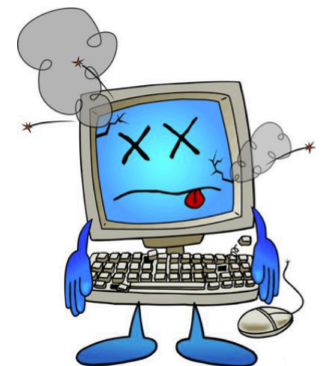
Parent Portal - Made Easy with the App!

The School District Parent Portal for student attendance, grades, reports and more has an app! Get grades and attendance pushed to your smartphone with the Infinite Campus Parent App. Click on either of these links for more information: [iPhone or iPad App](#) or an [Android device](#)



CHROMEBOOK ISSUES?

During the first weeks of online learning, we have noticed some students are still having difficulty with the loaned Chromebooks. If you would like assistance, please complete [this form](#).



THE SADIE TANNER MOSSELL ALEXANDER
UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
PARTNERSHIP SCHOOL PRESENTS:



K-3
WINTER
SHOWCASE

DECEMBER 2020

[CLICK HERE TO BEGIN](#)

SITE PASSWORD - pasmusic

See what our youngest musicians have been working on this
past month in virtual music class!

PAS Trivia Night Winners!

Thank you to the Student Council for hosting a family trivia night! Congrats to the winners!



Shout-Out to the Class Reps!

★ Ahmed Ahmed ★ Eva Melver-Jenkins ★ George Vandean ★ Hanane Ali ★ Jonah Lazar ★ Lorelai Corcoran ★ Margaret Perner ★ Michael Hernandez ★ Shoeb Sadi ★ Wilhelmina Roberts-Beg ★ Wynn Glazer





Attention!

Due to the holiday break, meal distribution will take place on Wednesday 12/23 from 9-2

There will be NO meal distribution the week of 12/28/2020. Distribution will resume on Friday 1/8/2021 from 9-2

For other distribution locations:
<https://www.phila.gov/food/>

Sunrise Information Session!



The Sunrise Movement is a youth climate action that is focused on implementing the Green New Deal. We are dedicated to educating our community about our climate crisis, and advocating for government officials to take action in improving our climate.

The PAS Sunrise Hub is a group that meets every Friday to discuss current news topics, and ways to participate in the Green New Deal upbringing (along with some other social issues.) We participate in seminars and trainings over zoom with over 300 hubs around the country that also are a part of the Sunrise program.

We are looking to recruit **seventh graders** to join our team, and fight to make our country green. **Seventh graders** will be able to join an information session during one of our teams meetings on Friday January 8th. You will learn about the green new deal, our program, and our future actions. Feel free to send any questions to the emails below.

Important Note: Sunrise Movement requires members to be 13 years or older but we encourage all 7th graders to attend one of our information session to find out more.

Date January 8, 2020

Time 11:30 am - 12:00 pm

Email sunrisemvmtwestphilly@gmail.com

Email 8394526@philasd.org

Website <https://www.sunrisemovement.org/?ms=SunriseMovement>

Sunrise Hub Art Contest!



Hey Everyone! There is a group in our Penn Alexander called The Sunrise Movement.

Now you may be asking...what is Sunrise?

The Sunrise Movement is a movement for young kids, like you, to stop global warming and create millions of good jobs in the process. We're building an army of young people to make climate change important across America! Sunrise was recently introduced to our school. We hold meetings every Friday.

We're holding an awesome contest to create a logo for our hub, which will be used for social media, flyers, and more!

The only rule is you need to incorporate a sun in the logo! To submit your design, email your design to 8393936@philasd.org. We hope you talented artists participate to help our cause!

THE PAS EQUITY CIRCLE
INVITES YOU TO JOIN US FOR A

SUMMER READING DISCUSSION



THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 2021, 7-8:30 PM

TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2021, 7-8:30 PM

READINGS THAT WILL BE PART OF THE DISCUSSION:

1619: THE IDEA OF AMERICA & 1619: UNDEMOCRATIC DEMOCRACY

OTHER TOPICS TO COVER:

TALKING TO CHILDREN ABOUT RACE

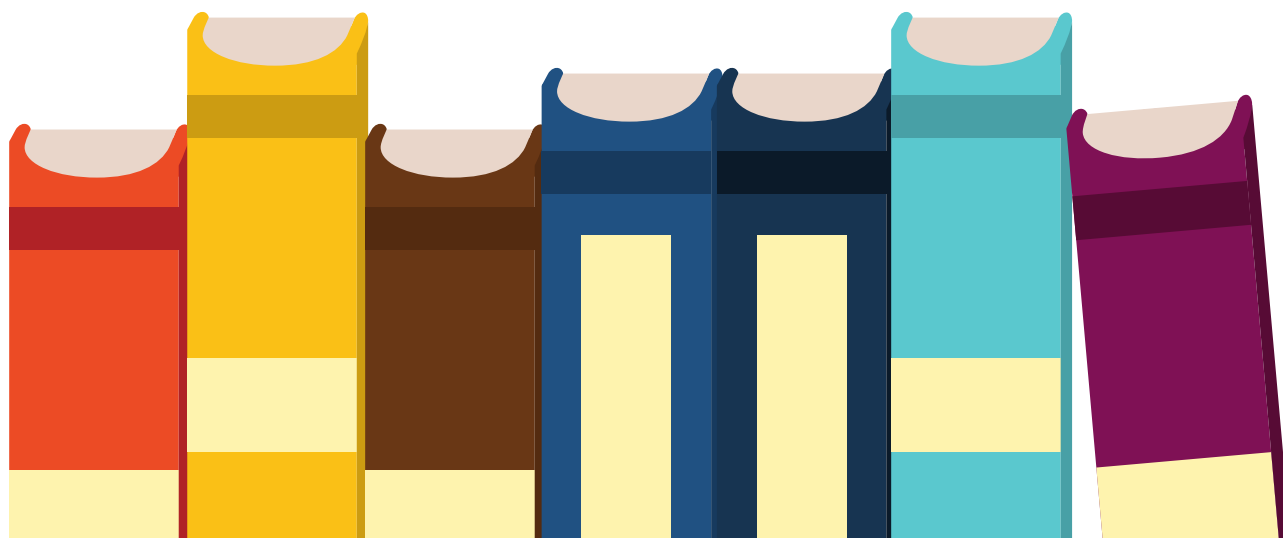
READING LINK: <https://tinyurl.com/PASSummerReading2020>

ZOOM LINK: <https://tinyurl.com/SummerReadingDiscussion>

Meeting ID: 898 5143 5625, Passcode: 924885

PLEASE RSVP HERE: <https://tinyurl.com/SummerReadingSignUp20-21>

YOU ARE WELCOME TO JOIN ONE OR BOTH SESSIONS THIS MONTH!



A photograph of a child in a blue jacket leaning over a long white table in an art studio. Other children are visible in the background, also working at tables. The room has light-colored walls and a wooden floor.

UNIVERSITY CITY ARTS LEAGUE WINTER 2021

215-382-7811 www.ucartsleague.org

JOIN OUR AFTERSCHOOL POD CLASSES

This year UCAL has adjusted the afterschool program to provide the community with the childcare and support we need while maintaining a safe, quarantined environment.

Our classes are running with limited space for a socially distant learning environment ensuring students have access to socializing without putting anyone at risk. If you are in a pod, we invite you to join a class as a group! Visit our website for our safety policy, which is subject to change based on CDC recommendations. You can also find information about our online programming for families who wish to join us from home.

AFTER SCHOOL PRICING | WINTER 2021 | 10 WEEKS

1 class per week \$230

5 classes per week (-10%) \$1,035

UCAL NEEDS

YOUR SUPPORT!

It's no secret that UCAL is struggling financially as we head into the 2021 school year. If you're able, please invest in your art community and donate to UCAL when you sign up for classes this session. We need your support to continue to serve our community.

AFTER SCHOOL SCHEDULE | WINTER 2021

Monday, January 4th, session begins

UCAL CLOSED: January 18th

FULL DAY CAMP: February 15th

Friday, March 12th, session ends

DAILY SCHEDULE

3:00pm - 4:00pm Parent dropoff & playtime

4:00pm - 5:30pm Art classes

5:30pm - 6:00pm Free play & parent pickup



University City Arts League is a nonprofit organization dedicated to education and cultural enrichment in the arts. We serve people of all ages in the diverse community of West Philadelphia.