

PAS WEEKLY

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Upcoming Events:

School Closed - Presidents Day

Monday, February 15

8th Grade Yearbook Photo

Tuesday, February 16

EC Summer Reading Discussion

Tuesday, February 16, 7pm

FACE Workshop for Parents Developing a Growth Mindset

Wednesday, February 17, 1pm

GSA

Thursday, February 18, 3:30pm

Student Grab & Go Meals

Friday, February 19, 9am-2pm



K-2 Hybrid Update

As many of you know, the City has directed teachers serving K-2 students to remain home until the arbitrator makes a determination about returning to in-person learning. As of yet the district has not changed the start date of February 22 for in-person learning for K-2 despite teachers not being able to set up their classrooms. **Teachers will send out any schedule changes that are needed for this week.**

To learn more about the plan for hybrid learning, click [here](#).



Parent Help Needed NOW - K-7 Student Photo

As we work to create a yearbook for this year, we need some help from our parents! To create each class page, we need all families to submit a "portrait" of their K through 7th grader class pages! Please click [HERE](#) for instructions. So that we meet our yearbook production deadline, we need all families to participate by **March 1**. **Thank you for lending a hand to create our yearbook this year!**

FACE Workshop For Parents

Please join us for a workshop on **Developing a Growth Mindset in Your Child** on Wednesday, February 17pm at 1pm (feel free to eat your lunch during our session).

JOIN ZOOM MEETING:

[HTTPS://US02WEB.ZOOM.US/J/9751540779?pwd=SLC5Y2O3T2VUUMRLA01WDEXVMZNRQT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9751540779?pwd=SLC5Y2O3T2VUUMRLA01WDEXVMZNRQT09)

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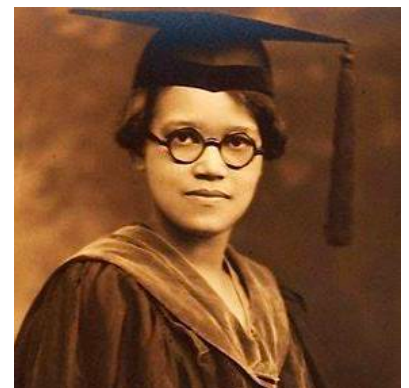
Black History Month

Our teachers started Black History Month by focusing on the Black Lives Matter Week of action and coinciding principles. For more about their plans for the month, click [here](#). You can also check out our ongoing resources for the staff [here](#).



Alumni Shout Outs!

Reil Abashera '17 Unity During a Global Pandemic: How the Fight for Racial Justice Made us Unite Against Two Diseases appeared in the PennGSE Perspectives on Urban Education, Volume 18, Issue 1 (Fall 2020)



Attendance Matters

As a reminder to our students in grades 1-8, specialist classes - art, music, library, technology and gym - are graded subjects. Attendance and full participation in each class is expected. If your student is having difficulty accessing class, please reach out to the teacher. Email addresses are listed on our [staff webpage](#)



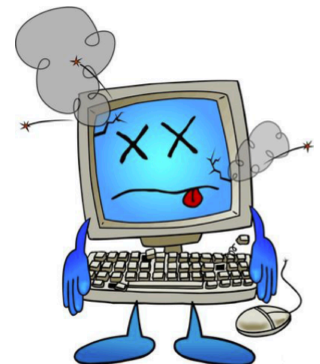
Parent Portal - Made Easy with the App!

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](#).



Congratulations to
Jay Stratton!
Thank you to all
our students who
ran 21+ miles!

RUN 2021

Student Running Challenge



THE PAS EQUITY CIRCLE
INVITES YOU TO JOIN US FOR A

Summer Reading Discussion



Thursday, February 4, 2021, 7-8:30 pm

Tuesday, February 16, 2021, 7-8:30 pm

Readings that will be part of the discussion:

1619: THE IDEA OF AMERICA & 1619: MEDICAL INEQUITY

Other topics to cover:

TALKING TO CHILDREN ABOUT RACE

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

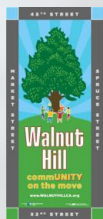
ZOOM LINK: <https://tinyurl.com/SummerReadingDiscussion>

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!

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BLACK HISTORY MONTH ESSAY CONTEST

4TH ANNUAL

For students in grades 3 to 8

Winners in 3rd/4th, 5th/6th & 7th/8th grade

Walnut Hill Community Association

Central City Toyota

Iron Stone Real Estate Partners

The Enterprise Center

categories will receive:

FIRST PLACE: \$100

SECOND PLACE: \$75

THIRD PLACE: \$50

TOPICS:

Grades 3 & 4, choose one topic:

1. Marian Anderson
2. Ruby Neil Bridges Hall
3. Faith Ringgold
4. Congressman John Lewis

Grades 5 & 6, choose one topic:

1. Octavius Catto
2. Senator Cory Booker
3. Chadwick Boseman
4. Vice President Kamala Harris

Grades 7 & 8, choose one topic:

1. Julian Abele
2. Senator Vincent Hughes
3. Lucien Blackwell
4. Cecil B. Moore

RULES & SUBMISSION:

Essays should be 2-4 pages double spaced. Please include a cover page with your name, school, grade, and a parent or guardian phone number and address. Essays will be judged on originality, research, organization, and writing.

First place winners will read their essays at the Black History Month celebration on March 11, 2021 via Zoom platform from 6:00pm to 7:00 pm. Runner ups will be introduced.

For more information, contact your school representative and/or 215.895.4000 ext. 4040 (Leave brief msg your call will be returned). Zoom link will be sent closer to Award Ceremony date via email

Essays can be submitted to Info@walnuthillca.com OR Webmaster@walnuthillca.com

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 28TH, 2021

AWARDS CEREMONY: MARCH 11TH, 2021 6PM-7PM



The Philadelphia Writing Project presents...



The Black Girls Literacies Project

An online literacy collaborative for adolescent girls ages 13-18. Students will read, write, and respond to each other in order to explore the concept of love. This is a space for students who also enjoy composing texts using digital tools and desire to learn more about how to love themselves and others.

***Interested?** Register for our 3-day spring workshop series and one-week summer program. The cost of each is \$150. Scholarships are available for Philadelphia students. Capacity is limited, so sign up now!*



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UNIVERSITY CITY ARTS LEAGUE SPRING 2021

events exhibitions classes

COVID-19 EMERGENCY SHUTDOWN POLICY

If another stay-at-home order is issued by the city or state, UCAL classes will move to a virtual format, where possible. This applies to both adult and children's programs.

If UCAL needs to shut down because a student or staff member has tested positive for Covid-19, UCAL classes will move to a virtual format, where possible.

UCAL will respond to other refund needs on a case by case basis

ADULT PROGRAM PRICING SPRING 2021

2 sessions - 16 weeks total

3 hour class cost \$299
2 hour class cost \$181
Online class cost \$110
4 week workshop \$93

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.

ADULT PROGRAMMING SPRING 2021

Monday March 15th Session Begins

UCAL is closed May 31st

Visit www.ucartsleague.org to learn about our day camps, (We are open during Spring Break)

Friday June 11th, 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.

	2 Hour Classes	3 Hour Classes	Spring workshops
SUN		HAND & WHEEL <i>handbuilding and wheel throwing</i> Bryson Kerns \$282	BISQUE MOLD HANDBUILDING Roberta Massuch \$176 5 weeks LIDDED BAKEWARE Deborah Williams \$141 4 weeks
MON	THE BRUSH AND CANVAS* Jo Gamel \$159 PRINTMAKING Martha Knox \$137	HAND & WHEEL <i>handbuilding and wheel throwing</i> Heather Ossandon \$282	HANDBUILDING PLANTERS Domenic Frunzi \$141 4 weeks MAKING SETS IN POTTERY Heather Ossandon \$176 5 weeks
TUES	WORKS ON PAPER* Jo Gamel \$181	HAND & WHEEL <i>handbuilding and wheel throwing</i> Josh Landowe \$299	PLASTER MOLD MAKING Hlroe Hanazono \$70 2 weeks SURFACE STUDIES Kopal Seth \$176 5 weeks
WED	ART & SOCIAL MEDIA* Jo Gamel \$181 DRAWING WITH INK** Pat Aulisio \$93	HAND & WHEEL <i>handbuilding and wheel throwing</i> Debora Williams \$299	LUSTER GLAZING Yvonne Lung \$40 1 day
THURS	OIL PAINTING 101* Jo Gamel \$181 POETRY NIGHT Karen Smith \$181		Online Only Classes HANDBUILDING (ONLINE) 4 week pottery course Heather Ossandon \$110
FRI	THE PAINTED SKETCH Ekaterina Vanovskaya \$93		*Participants can join this class both in person and online **session 1 is a 4 week workshop
SAT		HAND & WHEEL <i>handbuilding and wheel throwing</i> Ian M. Petrie \$282	