

# PAS WEEKLY

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## Upcoming Events:

### 8GR Graduation Practice Whiffle Ball/Tie Dye Mask

Wednesday, June 2, 12:30pm

### Student Grab & Go Meals

Friday, June 4, 9am-2pm

### 4GR Art Fundraiser

Saturday, June 5, 9am-12pm

### Garden Workday

Sunday, June 6

### Opening Night PAS Musical

Monday, June 7, 7pm

### 8GR Closing Exercises

Wednesday, June 7, 3pm

### Last Day of School For Students

Friday, June 11

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## Single Use Planet

**Single Use Planet** created by Sunrise Movement PAS will be installed at school this week after being on display at the Trolley Portal since March. The sculpture is made from single-use plastics that are damaging our environment and causing climate change. Student leaders at PAS created a West Philadelphia hub of the Sunrise Movement, a youth climate group dedicated to stopping climate change. Follow their efforts to create a better tomorrow [@Sunrise Mvmt PAS](https://twitter.com/SunriseMvmtPAS).

*As a reminder this installation is fragile. Please refrain from touching or climbing on the sculpture.*



## PAS NEWS Season 3 Episode 3 & PAS NEWS Special Report

Our last episode of PAS News for the school year features middle school students who are making a difference in our community, as part of the WHYY Game Changers Series and a preview of the Spring Musical, High School Musical, Jr. Click on this link to view the episode:

[https://youtu.be/7EPp\\_MC7kGo](https://youtu.be/7EPp_MC7kGo)

I am also pleased to share the PAS NEWS SPECIAL REPORT featuring projects created by students in Ms. M's literacy class. Students were tasked with creating a video based on Charles Smith's book 28 Days: Moments in Black History that Changed the World. The video highlights the accomplishments of Marion Anderson and Robert Smalls:

<https://youtu.be/04veVk-tKs4>



## **Summer Reading & School Supply Update**

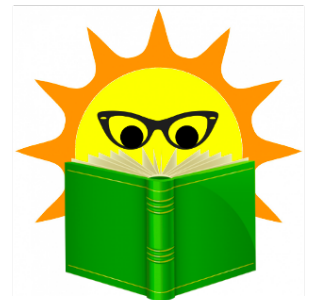
To support everyone taking a screen break again this summer, each student in grades PreK-7 will receive two books to enjoy this summer. Books and supply lists for next year will be sent home the last week of school. **At home learners should pick up their packets from the office by June 11.** We will post Equity Circle summer reading on our website and include more information in next week's pony.



## **Additional Summer Reading**

For families that would like additional suggested summer reading, the School District of Philadelphia in coordination with the Free Library of Philadelphia has created lists by grade band. Each list includes high-interest, grade-appropriate books that support students in continuing to read and learn over the summer. All books on the lists are available for check out at the Free Library of Philadelphia.

[K-2 Summer Reading List 2021](#)  
[3-5 Summer Reading List 2021](#)  
[6-8 Summer Reading List 2021](#)  
[9-10 Summer Reading List 2021](#)  
[11-12 Summer Reading List 2021](#)



## **Moving? Not Returning to PAS for '21-'22?**

Moving? Not returning to PAS for the '21-'22 school year? If you are planning to relocate, or not return to PAS in the Fall, please contact Principal Overton in writing or email ([loverton@philasd.org](mailto:loverton@philasd.org)) as soon as possible. This information will assist us in planning and reorganizing for the upcoming school year. We have a number of students on our waiting list for each grade.



## Protect Our Home From Pollution: 4th Grade Art Fundraiser on June 5th



The PAS 208 4th graders are hosting an art fundraiser! We will be selling artwork we made out of reusable materials. We will be donating all the money we raise to the John Heinz Wildlife Refuge; the John Heinz Wildlife Refuge is a place where people help stop pollution and give animals a place to live in our local Philadelphia community. By donating to them, we will make a small but mighty impact on pollution.

*More pollution is not a solution!  
Do your part, and buy our art!*

**When?** Saturday, June 5th, 9:00am-12:00pm

**Where?** Outside the main doors of PAS

**How?** You can either pay with cash or with Venmo (pay to @PennAlexanderHSA with the note "208 Art Sale"). If you would not like to buy any of our art, you may just donate as well. If you would not like to donate, that is ok too. Thank you! 😊



# 2021-22 School Supply Program

Dear PAS Parent/Guardian,

June 2021

We are pleased to be able to offer families the same three options we provided last year for ensuring your child has their school supplies when they return in the fall.

How the program works: Teachers have prepared supply lists for each grade that will be included in their summer reading packet they will receive at the end of the year. You can also find the lists [HERE](#). Be sure to look at the list for your child's grade next year. **Check out the options on the reverse side of this letter, including the option to have supplies delivered directly to your child's classroom! Please note the deadlines for each option.**

Note to parents of rising Kindergartners and 1st graders: Your child(ren)'s school supplies for these grades will be purchased by the teachers. You can pay the \$75-per-child fee through the [HSA website](#), cash or check payable to PASHSA and drop off at school or through the mailslot at 210 St. Marks Square.

**Greening PAS through Upcycling + Reuse RETURNS!** PAS is joining schools around the country utilizing resources in smart and creative ways by upcycling and reusing new or gently used supplies. We're excited to make good use of valuable school supplies and prevent usable items from going to a landfill. You can drop off any of the items on the list below in the PAS atrium and we will put them to good use for the next school year.

Items should be clean and in good working order. We're looking for: marble composition books with wide or college 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!

**Donations Welcome!** Whichever option you choose for the school supply program this year, please consider purchasing an extra kit or supplies to ensure that every child at PAS starts and finishes the school year with necessary supplies.



# 2021-22 School Supply Program

Hassle-free school supply shopping!

## Three Options

**Don't Delay! There are ordering deadlines.**

**Buy an extra kit for a student in need\***

(\* use Ann Kreidle as the recipient)

Need help? Contact Ann Kreidle at [kreidlea@upenn.edu](mailto:kreidlea@upenn.edu) or 215-284-8601

## OPTION A: EduKits

**Order deadline: Wednesday, June 30**

**Description:** Each kit contains all items listed by your teacher and approved by the school. Kit is shipped to school for the first day, labeled with the student's name. Click on the Edukits link above to place your order. BE SURE TO CLICK ON YOUR CHILD'S GRADE FOR NEXT YEAR.

### Prices:

Kit	Price	Kit	Price	Kit	Price
2GR	\$84.62	4GR	\$40.40	6-8GR	\$88.73
3GR	\$48.06	5GR	\$76.31		

## Option B: Teacherlist.com

**Order deadline: varies, based on vendor selected.**

**Description:** Buy the entire list of supplies uploaded by PAS or just what you need from the list from one of five partners: Amazon, Target, Office Depot and Walmart. Shipped to home. Click the Teacherlist link above to order.

**Prices:** varies, depending on store and items you choose.

## Option C: DIY Do It Yourself PAS Supply Lists

Reuse supplies leftover from last year and purchase just the items you need from the store(s) of your choice. For example, Staples and Walmart often have great sales in mid-July. Teachers will send home all locker contents on your child's last day in school. PAS Supply lists can be found [here](#).



# SPRING LEA/PAS BOOK BIN SCAVENGER HUNT

Monday May 17<sup>th</sup> – Friday June 4<sup>th</sup>

K-1st	1-2nd	3-5th	Middle School
4420 Larchwood	4524 Locust	4605 Larchwood	228 S 45th
439 south 43rd	4838 Hazel Ave	228 S 45th	4529 Locust St
217 S Melville St	4211 Regent Sq	4420 Larchwood	4254 Regent Sq
	5127 Pine St	430 S 44th St	500 South 44th St
	4254 Regent Sq	4522 Locust St	
	4428 Pine St	4317 Osage Ave	

FIND ALL THE LETTERS AND  
UNSCRAMBLE THEM TO MAKE A  
WORD (EACH GRADE  
LEVEL HAS ITS OWN WORD)  
THEN EMAIL THE ANSWER TO  
[LIZABLE@GMAIL.COM](mailto:LIZABLE@GMAIL.COM) AND  
EARN A PRIZE!

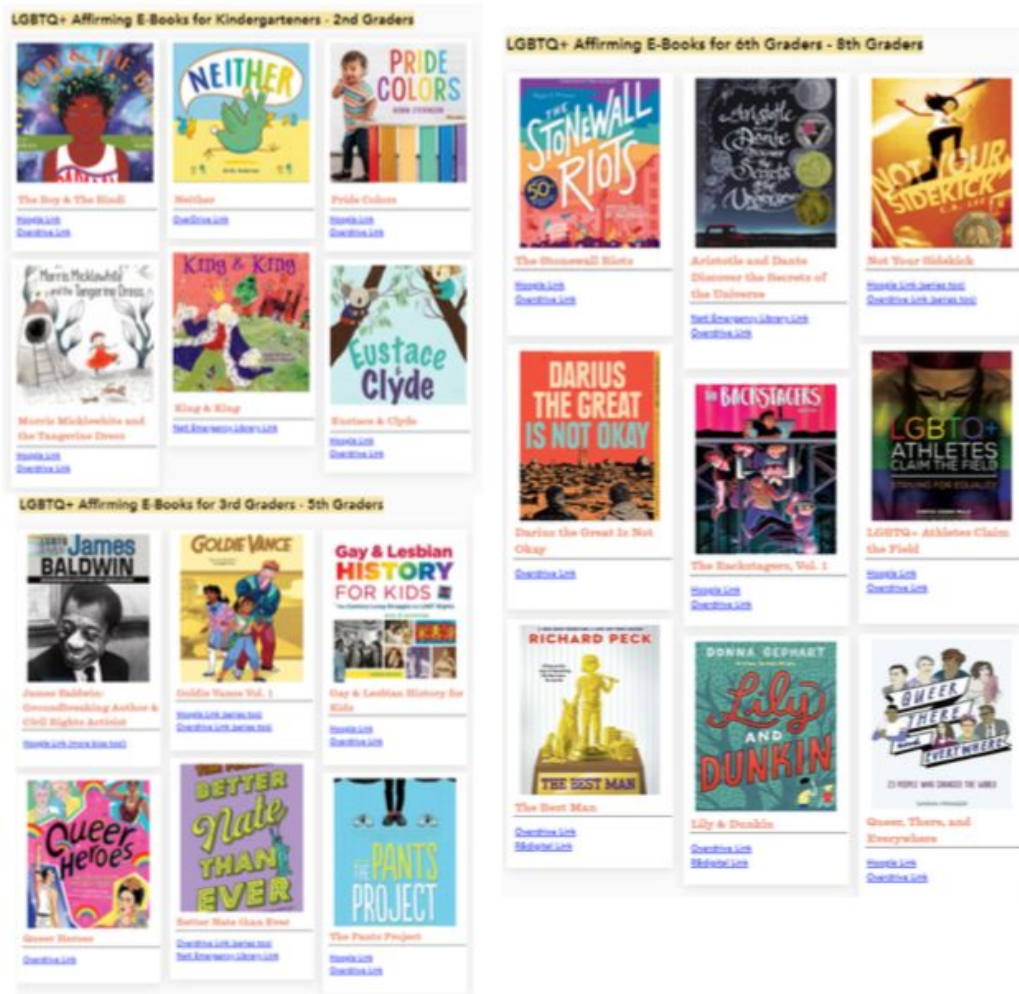
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# PAS Student GSA Needs Our Help!

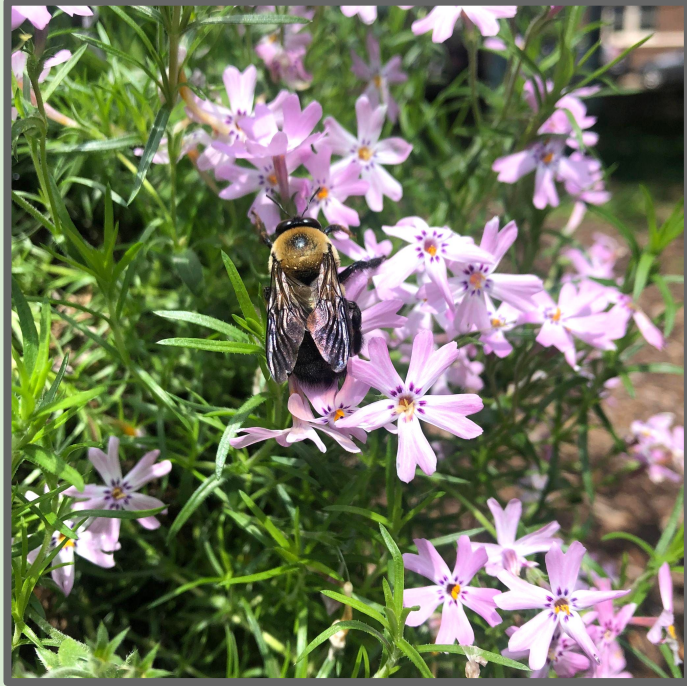
We are getting closer to having a rainbow library in each classroom! Any size contribution helps!



## Donating is easy!

1. Order directly from the [Amazon Wishlist for PAS Rainbow Library](#). Books will be sent directly to PAS.
2. Share the Wishlist with Family and Friends!
3. Venmo @PennAlexanderHSA (note "Rainbow Library")
4. Cash or check payable to PAS HSA and drop off with PAS HSA Treasurer Angela Curry, 219 Saint Marks Sq.

# Spring Garden Tenders



The Penn Alexander School is looking for nature-loving students (and their families) to help tend the school garden!

PLANTING • WEEDING

WATERING • GENERAL CARE

If you are interested in helping, please complete this [quick form](#).

Above: Eastern carpenter bee (*Xylocopa virginica*), a native pollinator, on creeping phlox (*Phlox subulata*), a native perennial wildflower, photographed in the school garden. If you are interested in learning more about native plants and pollinators, please see our [Native Plant Sale Store](#)! Consider making a plant donation to the school garden!





TRAPEZIUM MATH®  
*Club*

# Prevent the Summer Slide!

Trapezium Math has created a 7-week, highly engaging Summer Math Club for children in grades k-5. Your child will participate in out-of-your-seat math games and activities that reinforce and build their math skills and confidence.

## Trapezium Math Club Sessions:

- Meet for 1 hour, once per week for 7 weeks, **June 14th - August 1st**
- Choose a Day & Time:  
**M, T, W, Th - 10am or 5pm EST or Sat & Sun - 10am or 1pm EST**
- Have only 4 children per club
- Are virtual and can be done anywhere
- Are as "technology-free" as you can get with virtual learning  
(all your child needs is a ZOOM Link and our Clubhouse Kit)
- Are focused on maintaining and building strong math skills in children grades k-5
- Are designed to build confident & fearless math learners regardless of your child's starting point

## Want to learn more?

Click here to sign up for a Virtual Town Hall  
May 26th and June 1st



1-833-TRPZIUM / 1 (833-877-9486)

[www.trapeziummath.com](http://www.trapeziummath.com)



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Trapezium Math

# **MEDIA LABS VIRTUAL SUMMER CAMP OPPORTUNITY**



For more information and to register, please visit  
<https://whyy.org/education/summer-camps>

**WHYY Summer offers intensive multi-week experiences for students finishing grades 6-12 and a spring break program specifically for middle school students. The project-based programs provide immersive media-production experiences in which the participants work in teams to create original news or film productions in news.**

- Virtual Introduction to Photography and Photojournalism**
- WHYY Virtual Summer Podcasting**
- Stop Motion and Animation Virtual Summer Program**

**Visit the WHYY Education link to see dates and times !**