

Gunn Connection

Sunday, October 4, 2020

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CALENDAR

Please consult the Gunn High School [calendar](#) and [website](#) for updated event information.

October 5, 4-5:30 PM

Site Council Meeting

October 5-9

Wellness Week

October 7, 4:00 PM

ELAC Meeting

Oct 8 and Oct 9, 7:30 PM

Gunn Theatre's Broadway

Workshop

October 9

End of First Quarter

October 15, 9 AM

PTSA Association Meeting
& Principal's Update

November 6

Last day to drop a class
and not have it appear on a
transcript.

Translations

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GUNN NEWS & EVENTS

****NUEVO** Gunn TUTORES DE PARES Se Necesitan Ahora!**

El centro académico está contratando tutores de pares a cambio de horas de servicio comunitario. Si eres un estudiante de Gunn con el sexto periodo libre y puedes ser tutor de Economía o Cálculo AB, por favor ponte en contacto con Pam Stewart en psteward@pausd.org lo más pronto que puedas. Si eres un estudiante de Gunn y puedes ser tutor de química por favor ponte en contacto con Pam Stewart en psteward@pausd.org lo más pronto que puedas. Muchas gracias por tus esfuerzos de voluntariado para ayudar a tus compañeros de estudios. Gunn juntos.

****NUEVO** Voluntarios se Necesitan para PAUSD Entrega de Comida 1 vez, Cada Semana Empezando 12 de Octubre.**

Empezando el 12 de Octubre, el distrito necesita que los almuerzos se entreguen a unos 50 estudiantes por día, cada semana. Se estima que necesitamos 8 voluntarios al día; por favor, considera tomar al menos un turno a la semana (recoge los almuerzos de Gunn entre 10-10:30am y entrega inmediatamente ya que las escuelas primaria tienen el horario de lonche temprano). Por favor consulta la hoja de registro [aquí](#). Otros amigos, vecinos, miembros del PTA y padres también pueden inscribirse.

****NEW** ELAC 2nd Meeting of the School Year**

Wed, Oct 7, 4:00 PM Zoom

Parents/Guardians of English learners, and of all other newcomers are invited to our second ELAC meeting. [Click here for agenda and Zoom link.](#)

****NEW** Gunn Theatre's *Broadway Workshop***

Thurs, Oct 8 and Fri, Oct 9, 7:30 PM Zoom

Come see Gunn Theatre's *Broadway Workshop* October 8th and 9th at 7:30 on live on Zoom! We will be performing scenes from new plays recently produced on and off Broadway. This year's plays are *After the Blast* by Zoe Kazan and *The Children* by Lucy Kirkwood, and we have a special performance of two numbers from the new musical *SIX*. The performance will last about an hour and it's FREE. Come experience some new theatre! Directed by Jennifer Ellington and Kristen Lo. The zoom link will be available next week on the [Gunn Theatre website](#).

****NEW** Counseling Department Resources**

Here are [notes](#) from the Counseling Department's Junior Parent Night held last Wednesday.

Slides/recordings from the Junior and Senior Parent Nights will be available on the Gunn website next week. The [Titan Planning Guide](#), Gunn counseling's guide for college and career planning, is available to download from the Gunn web site. It has valuable information on many important topics, including a timeline for 11th and 12th grade students.

Quick reminder that [AP Exam registration](#) is now open. Preference is given to Gunn students for Gunn AP Exams. Don't forget to read Titan Talk, the counseling department's weekly newsletter which comes out on Sundays and contains answers to many of your questions!

****NEW** Wellness Week**

Oct 5-9

Paly and Gunn Wellness Centers are combining forces for this year's virtual Wellness Fair! From Oct. 5-9, we will be hosting 13 different community organizations all week long for lunchtime presentations and workshops. Students can hear more about different wellness resources available to youth in our community, opportunities to get involved, and get the chance to win raffle prizes each day. Presenters include Asian Americans for Community Involvement, Adolescent Counseling Services, Planned Parenthood, Outlet, and more! Parents are welcome to attend. Link to the schedule, presenters, and zoom links [HERE!](#) Click on the logos for more information about each organization.

****NUEVO** Semana de bienestar**

5-9 de octubre

¡Los centros de bienestar de Paly y Gunn se mezclan para la feria de bienestar este año! Desde el 5 al 9 de octubre vamos a tener 13 organizaciones diferentes de la comunidad durante toda la semana para presentaciones durante el almuerzo y talleres. Los estudiantes pueden escuchar más sobre recursos diferentes de bienestar que están disponibles a los jóvenes de nuestra comunidad, oportunidades de estar involucrado, y la oportunidad de ganar rifas cada día. Presentadores incluyen Asian Americans for Community Involvement, Adolescent Counseling Services, Planned Parenthood, Outlet, ¡y más! Padres

están bienvenidos a asistir. El enlace al horario, presentadores, y enlaces de Zoom [¡AQUÍ!](#) Haz click en los logos para más información sobre cada organización.



Measure O Lawn Signs Available for Gunn Parents

[Order Your Lawn Sign Here](#)

[Help Distribute Lawn Signs Here](#)

Measure O must pass in November to prevent potentially devastating cuts to teachers, staff, and programs at Gunn and throughout PAUSD. You can help by putting a **Yes of O!** lawn sign in your yard; [order one here](#). The measure needs 66.7% approval to pass. Since the majority of Palo Alto residents do not have school-age children, we need to heighten the community's awareness of this critical measure.

Gunn PTSA and PTAC support **Yes On O!** Measure O is a renewal of the current Palo Alto parcel tax that expires in 2021, that provides \$16 million a year in locally-controlled funding. If Measure O fails, PAUSD will lose that funding. Palo Alto has a 20 year history of supporting local voter-approved parcel taxes that

keep our schools strong. Contact the Gunn High School parent contacts with questions: [Sonya Bradski and Audrey Gold](#). Thanks for your support! Learn more at: supportpaloaltoschools.org

****NUEVO** Letreros de césped por Medida O disponibles por padres de Gunn**

[Pide su letrero de césped aquí](#)

[Ayuda distribuir los letreros de césped aquí](#)

Medida O necesita aprobar en noviembre para prevenir reducciones terribles a maestros, empleados, y programas en Gunn y en PAUSD. Puede ayudar a través de poner un letrero de césped que dice *¡Sí en O!* en su patio; [pide un aquí](#). La medida necesita 66.7% de aprobación para aprobar. La mayoría de los residentes en Palo Alto no tienen niños en la escuela, necesitamos aumentar la percepción de la comunidad de esta medida crucial.

El PTSA de Gunn y PTAC apoya *¡Sí en O!* Medida O es una renovación del impuesto de paquete de Palo Alto que expira en 2021, que provee \$16 millones cada año a financiamientos locales. Si **Medida O** falla, PAUSD no tendrá este financiamiento. Palo Alto tiene una historia de 20 años apoyando impuestos de paquete local que mantiene nuestras escuelas. Contacta a los padres de contacto de Gunn con preguntas: [Sonya Bradski y Audrey Gold](#). ¡Gracias por su apoyo! Aprende más en: supportpaloaltoschools.org

****NEW** Gunn PTSA Recordings**

We have archived the following recordings of Gunn PTSA meetings, webinars, and forums in the [UpToUs Gunn Parent Community](#). Please see [PTSA recordings](#) under "Parent Resources" on the Gunn PTSA website for instructions for how to view them.

- Sept 29 Principal's Chat with Principal Wendy Stratton
- Sept 24 School Board Candidates Forum
- Sept 23 10th Grade Counseling Webinar
- Sept 23 9th Grade Counseling Webinar Slideshow
- Sept 22 Junior Parent Meeting with Linda Kirsch
- Sept 18 9th Grade Parent Meeting with Lisa Hall

****NUEVO** Grabaciones del PTSA de Gunn**

Hemos archivado las siguientes grabaciones de los reuniones, los seminarios en línea, y los foros del PTSA en la [Comunidad UpToUs de los Padres de Gunn](#). Encuentra las [Grabaciones del PTSA](#) bajo “Recursos para los Padres” en el sitio del PTSA de Gunn por más información sobre cómo verlas.

- 29 de septiembre - Conversación con la Directora Wendy Stratton
- 24 de septiembre - Foro con los Candidatos del Consejo de la Escuela
- 23 de septiembre - Seminario en Línea con los Estudiantes del Segundo Año
- 23 de septiembre - Presentación del Seminario en Línea con los Estudiantes del Primer Año
- 22 de septiembre - Reunión con Linda Kirsch para los Padres de los Estudiantes del Tercer Año
- 18 de septiembre - Reunión con Lisa Hall para los Padres de los Estudiantes del Primer Año

Distance Learning Survey

Please take a few minutes to complete PAUSD's [Distance Learning Survey](#) if you have not yet done so. Your feedback is anonymous and helps our school and district to make continuous improvements in the quality of instruction.

Encuesta sobre el Aprendizaje por la Distancia

Por favor toma unos minutos para llenar esta [Encuesta de PAUSD sobre el Aprendizaje por la Distancia](#) si no ya lo ha hecho. Sus comentarios son anónimos. Esto ayuda a la escuela y distrito en hacer mejoras en la calidad de la educación. Gracias.

Volunteer for Gunn PTSA

Gunn PTSA is hard at work planning events and activities. More than ever, we are partnering with Gunn staff and students to enhance our Gunn community and bring us together either virtually, or safely in-person. We need your help as we create flexible teams to plan or support each effort! Whether you volunteer via Zoom or email or in-person, a few minutes or a few hours, we have a role for you.

[Any on-campus volunteering will adhere to school health & safety protocols.](#)

Please [sign up here](#) to join one of our teams, as we "GunnTogether" to make our community stronger.

Sea Voluntario por el PTSA de Gunn

El PTSA de Gunn está trabajando mucho para planificar eventos y actividades. Más que nunca, estamos colaborando con el personal y los estudiantes de Gunn para mejorar y unir nuestra comunidad, virtualmente o en persona de forma segura. ¡Necesitamos su ayuda mientras creamos equipos flexibles para planificar y apoyar los esfuerzos! Tanto si ofrece sus servicios a través de Zoom o correo electrónico o en persona, por unos minutos o unas horas, tenemos un lugar para usted. [Cualquier voluntariado en el campus tiene que cumplir con el protocolo de la escuela sobre salud y seguridad.](#) Por favor [inscríbese aquí](#) para juntar con nuestros equipos, mientras hacemos Gunn Together para fortalecer la comunidad.

- **Career Speaker Series Committee** (assisting Gunn CCE staff and PTSA's Parent Lead in recruiting speakers and logistics)
- **Staff Hospitality Team** (leading and planning staff appreciation events with PTSA VP and volunteer coordinator and Gunn Administrators as needed)
- **Student Activities Program Support** (planning and supporting activities for students with SEC as needed)
- **Health & Wellness** (working with the Gunn wellness staff in educating and planning health & wellness events for the Gunn community)
- **PAUSD+ Support** (supporting Gunn administration in implementation of this new Gunn program as needed)
- **Virtual Parent Socials and Mixers** (organizing virtual parent social meetups on zoom)
- **Parent Ed Team** (assisting the PTSA Chair in planning and supporting Parent Education efforts)
- **Zoom/Online Team** (supporting and advising speakers and hosts)
- **PTSA Ad in The Oracle** (creating content with the PTSA President for the school newspaper)

- [Measure O Parcel Tax](#) (assisting the PTSA team in phone banking and promotion)
- **Miscellaneous School Support Tasks** (on demand as needed)

If you have new ideas or questions, please contact
vpcommunications@gunnpta.org.



****NEW** Counseling Is Foundational**

From classroom aides, to CASSY counselors, to college and career guidance, PiE funds support counseling, support, and wellness for every age at every PAUSD school. Every dollar makes a difference. [Donate, pledge, or learn more about PiE today.](#)

****NUEVO** La consejería es fundamental**

Los ayudantes de aula, consejeros, orientación universitaria y profesional son personas muy importantes y PiE financia estos, incluye el asesoramiento, apoyo y bienestar para todos las personas en PAUSD. Cada dólar es importante. [Donar, prometer, o aprender más sobre PiE aquí.](#)



PAUSD & PTAC

****NEW** Superintendent's Messages**

Read Superintendent's Friday 10/2 message [here](#).

PAUSD Board of Education [Meetings Archives](#).

****NUEVO** Mensajes del superintendente**

Leer el mensaje del superintendente de 10/2 [aquí](#).

Estos son los [archivos de reuniones](#) del Junta de Educación de PAUSD



UPDATED Candidate Forums

[Watch the 9/24 Forum HERE](#)

School Board Forum co-hosted with the League of Women Voters

Thu Oct 8, 6:30 - 8:30 PM

Zoom link for the League-sponsored candidate forum. [Candidate Forum web page](#)
or [School Board Forum](#) link

Foros de candidatos actualizados

[Mirar el foro de 9/24 aqui](#)

Foro de la Junta Escolar está organizado con la Liga de Mujeres Votantes

Jueves, el ocho de octubre, 6:30 - 8:30 PM

El enlace para este foro está en [el sitio del foro](#) o [el sitio del Consejo Escolar](#).

Elementary School Board Forum

Wed Oct 14, 6:30 - 9:30 PM

Join us and learn about the candidates for PAUSD school board. Now is your chance to have your questions about PAUSD governance answered by every candidate. [Submit your questions here](#).

[Join the Webinar Here](#).

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Questions/Information contact: council@paloaltopta.org

Foro de la Junta de Escuelas Primarias

Miércoles, el catorce de octubre, 6:30 - 9:30 PM

Únete a nosotros para aprender más sobre los candidatos para el Consejo Escolar de PAUSD. Esto es una buena oportunidad para hacer preguntas sobre PAUSD y los candidatos. [Subir las preguntas aquí](#).

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Si tienes preguntas o quieres mas información, enviar un correo electrónico a:
council@paloaltopta.org

School Board Candidate Forum on Educational Equity & Access: the Achievement Gap and Special Education

Sat Oct 17, 3:00 - 5:00 PM

The event is jointly sponsored by PTA Council (PTAC), Palo Alto Community Advisory Committee for Special Education (CAC), the Latino Parent Network (LPN), and Parent Advocates for Student Success (PASS).

[Join the webinar here.](#)

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****NEW** SAFE USE OF TECHNOLOGY - Children and Distance Learning**

Navigate the challenges of increased and unavoidable digital usage during distance learning: [Click Here](#) to learn a few, easy-to-use tips to safeguard children's health by maintaining safe use of technology at home. Fact sheet, references and research from best practices from children's digital study environments: American Academy of Pediatrics, Mayo Clinic, Harvard health study, Environmental Health Trust, Parents for Safe Technology, Children's Screen time Action Network, Commonsense Media, Apple and Microsoft Support. Questions/ Info email: selearning@paloaltopta.org

****NUEVA** USO SEGURO DE TECNOLOGÍA - Niños y La Educación a distancia**

Navega los desafíos de aumentado inevitable uso digital durante la educación a distancia: [Haz clic aquí](#) para aprender unos pocos, tipos de fácil-de-usar para salvaguardar la salud de niños por mantener el uso seguro de tecnología en la casa. Hoja de hechos, referencias y investigación de las mejores prácticas de entornos de estudio digital para niños: Academia Americana de Pediatría, Mayo Clinic, Harvard estudio de la salud, Fideicomiso de salud ambiental, Padres para seguro tecnología, Red de acción de tiempo de pantalla para niños, Commonsense Media, Apple y Microsoft apoyo. Preguntas o información email: selearning@paloaltopta.org

****NEW** October Is Dyslexia Awareness Month**

Do you have a reluctant or struggling reader or writer? 1 in 5 children have learning differences, and only a subset may be identified. Strong reading ability changes lives.

- What is Dyslexia? [Understood.org](#)
- Learn strategies that can help struggling readers and understand - Join the webinar: What Does Good Instruction Look Like for Students with Dyslexia: [Register for the Oct 8th webinar](#)
- Learn about structured literacy instruction - Join the Webinar: Beyond the Phonics Fights - [Register for the Oct 15th webinar with Emily Hanford](#)

For more information - Contact us educationvp@paloaltopta.org or amywdarling@gmail.com

COMMUNITY

****NEW** “What You Need to Know About Financial Aid” Webinar**

Multiple October dates, 6 PM

Staff from Stanford’s Financial Aid Office will host a “What You Need to Know About Financial Aid” webinar for high school parents and students. The discussion will describe the financial aid application process to any college or university for current high school seniors and their parents; they will also share tips about submitting the FAFSA. Juniors, sophomores and their parents are welcome as well. Dates & Registration Links:

- Tuesday, October 6, 6:00 PM - [LINK](#)
- Wednesday, October 14, 6:00 PM - [LINK](#)
- Thursday, October 22, 6:00 PM - [LINK](#)
- Tuesday, October 27, 6:00 PM - [LINK](#)

Anime Class offered by Gamble Gardens

Sat, Oct 10, 10:00 - 11:00 AM

Learn to sketch “Izuku Midoriya” from the popular manga and anime series “My Hero Academia.” Learn basic drawing skills for anime and manga characters. You will need blank paper, pencil, eraser, colored pencils. Ideal for ages 8 – 15, but open to all. Pay-What-You-Can per student: \$20, \$30 or \$40 [Register Now](#)

Clase de Anime ofrecido por Gamble Gardens

Sábado, 10 Octubre, 10:00 - 11:00 AM

Aprende a dibujar “Izuku Midoriya” del serie manga y anime “My Hero Academia.” Aprende habilidades para dibujar personajes anime y manga. Necesita papel en blanco, un lápiz, borrador, y lápices en colores. Es ideal para edades 8 – 15 años, pero se ofrece a todos. Paga lo que puedas cada estudiante: \$20, \$30 o \$40 [Regístrate ahora](#)

Palo Alto High School Dance Team Fundraiser-Gizdich Ranch Pies

The Paly Dance Team is selling farm-fresh, ready-to-bake holiday pies from Gizdich Ranch in Watsonville. The Apple, Very Berry, and/or Pumpkin pies are \$20 each, or 3 for \$55. They will be available for contactless drive-through pickup in front of the Peery Athletic Center (enter on Churchill) on Wednesday, November 11th, from 3:30-6:30pm, or can be delivered (Palo Alto deliveries only) for an extra \$5. Supplies are limited so order early through the ASB Webstore at [Paly Pies!](#)

Deadline is Sunday, October 18th. For more information visit

<https://www.palydance.com/fundraisers>. Thank you for your support.

Recaudación del equipo de baile Paly- Tartas Gizdich Ranch

El equipo de baile Paly se vende tartas frescas y lista para hornear de Gizdich Ranch en Watsonville. Tartas de manzana, baya, y/o calabaza son \$20 cada una, o 3 por \$55. Estarán disponibles por camioneta para conducir sin contacto en frente del Peery Athletic Center (entrar a Churchill), Miércoles, 11 noviembre, de 3:30-6:30pm, o estarán disponibles para entrega (solo entregas de Palo Alto) por \$5 extra. Suministros son limitados, entonces orden temprano al ASB Webstore a [Paly Pies!](#) **Ordenar por Domingo, 18 octubre.** Para más información visite <https://www.palydance.com/fundraisers>. Gracias por tu apoyo.

****NEW** Pumpkin Decorating with Gamble Gardens**

Sat, Oct 24 10:00-11:00 AM via ZOOM

No trick-or-treating this year has your kids in a Halloween slump? Do something fun. Learn to decorate a pumpkin using the beautiful Indian art of mehndi. This live Zoom class is taught by Priti Aggarwal, an acclaimed mehndi artist. Design an unbelievable Halloween pumpkin using custom-made henna paste free from chemicals or dyes. No carving required. \$40/student. Recommended ages 8 - 18, but fun for the entire family. All supplies (pumpkin and henna) provided and must be picked up at Gamble Garden in Palo Alto. [Register Today](#):

Community Wishing Trees

NOW through Sat, Oct 31, in 8 different locations in Palo Alto and East Palo Alto

What could our world be like, if we only imagined it?

Each tree has tags and materials for you to write down a wish for your community and tie it to the Wishing Tree. We invite you to come to these trees and use the materials provided to write the hopes and wishes that you have for your community on them. See map here canopy.org/wishing-trees.

****NEW** Civil Air Patrol Recruitment**

Tues 7:00 - 9:00 PM on Microsoft TEAMS (signup link below)

Civil Air Patrol is a community program and the official auxiliary to the US Air Force. It has three missions: Emergency Services (assisting first responders, locating downed aircraft, etc.), Cadet Programs (leadership, time management, and attention to detail training), and Aerospace Education (learning STEM concepts and flight training). Cadets can join from ages 12 to 18, and adults (called "Senior Members") can join from ages 18 and older. If you are interested

please fill out this form: <https://bit.ly/capcadet>. Learn more at <https://jonekramer.cap.gov>.

****NEW** Green Tip! Food Waste**

When we waste food, we waste the resources used to produce the food, too. Plan meals, with space for lunches and leftovers, for how much your family eats. Before you plan or shop, look in the fridge, and bring to the front things that need to be used up fast. Encourage kids to take only what they can eat, and then get more if they want. Serve leftovers for snack, freeze them, repurpose them and finally, compost them. More tips here: [International Day of Awareness on Food Loss and Waste Reduction](#)

****NEW** Flu Vaccine and Pandemic**

Because of the pandemic this year, it's more important than ever to consider getting the flu vaccine for your children and family members. For more information on the influenza vaccine [CLICK HERE](#).



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