

# **Gunn Connection**

# **Conexiones de Gunn**

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Sunday, November 8, 2020  
Domingo, 8 de noviembre de 2020

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## Parent Networks

| Class of 2021 |  
**Nisha Datta, Julie Dubrouillet & Laura Wingard**  
| Class of 2022 |  
**Claire Kirner, Leena Gill, & Gunjan Gupta**  
| Class of 2023 |  
**Annie Bedichek, Lili Nova-Roessig, & Mana Uchino**  
| Class of 2024 |  
**Elizabeth Lam, Naomi Wang, & Michelle Chen**

| Special Ed/Inclusion Rep |  
**Momo Yanagihara & Yael Uziyel**  
Navel

### Redes de los Padres

| La Promoción de 2021 |  
**Nisha Datta, Julie Dubrouillet & Laura**  
Wingard

| La Promoción de 2022 |  
**Claire Kirner, Leena Gill, & Gunjan**  
Gupta

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Mana Uchino

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**Elizabeth Lam, Naomi Wang, &**  
Michelle Chen

| Educación especial/Representantes  
de la Inclusión |  
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Please consult the Gunn High School  
[calendar](#) and [website](#) for updated  
event information.

Por favor vea el [calendario](#) de Gunn  
High School y el [sitio](#) por información  
actual sobre los eventos.

### November 8-14

Gunn Fall Play: The Laramie Project

### November 9

10:00 AM, Principal's Chat with  
Principal Stratton

### November 11

Veteran's Day (School Holiday)

### November 12

5:30 PM, Principal's Chat with  
Principal Stratton

### November 13

8:30 AM, Principal's Chat with  
Principal Stratton

### November 18

7:00 PM, "New to the USA" Night with  
College Counselor Linda Kirsch

### November 19

9:00 AM, 10th Grade Parent Network  
Coffee

### November 19

6:00 PM, The Social Dilemma on  
Zoom

### 8-14 de noviembre

Obra Teatral del Otoño: El Proyecto  
de Laramie

### 9 de noviembre

10:00 AM, Conversación con la  
Directora Stratton

### 11 de noviembre

Día de los Veteranos de Guerra (no  
hay escuela)

### 12 de noviembre

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5:30 PM, Conversación con la Directora Stratton

**13 de noviembre**

8:30 AM, Conversación con la Directora Stratton

**18 de noviembre**

7:00 PM, Noche de "New to the USA" con Consejera de las Universidades Linda Kirsch

**19 de noviembre**

9:00 AM, Café con la Red de Padres de estudiantes del tercer grado

**19 de noviembre**

6:00 PM, Película "The Social Dilemma" en Zoom

*NOTE: Dates and times of events are as of the date of this publication and may change. Be sure to check the [Gunn Calendar](#) for any last minute changes. For corrections or additions to the Calendar, contact **Martha Elderon**.*

*NOTA: Las fechas y horas de estos eventos son acertados por el día de esta publicación y se pueden cambiar. Verifique el [Calendario de Gunn](#) por cambios. Por correcciones o incorporaciones al Calendario, contacte a **Martha Elderon**.*

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## GUNN NEWS & EVENTS

### **\*\*NEW\*\* Reminder: Alternate Schedule Next Week**

There's an alternate schedule next week due to the Veteran's Day Holiday on Wed, Nov 11. Monday will start at 9 AM and include Periods 1-4. Tuesday will start at 9:40 AM and include periods 5-7. Check the [school calendar](#) for details.

### **\*\*NUEVA\*\* Recordatorio: Horario Alterno la Próxima Semana**

Hay un horario alterno la próxima semana porque el día de los Veteranos de Guerra es miércoles, 11 de Noviembre. El lunes empezará a las 9 de la mañana y incluye periodos 1-4. Martes empezará a las 9:40 de la mañana y incluye periodos 5-7. Comproba el [calendario de escuela](#) para detalles.

### **LAST CALL! PTSA Social and Parent Ed Interest Survey**

**Due Mon, Nov 9**

Please take a moment to fill out this very brief [Social and Parent Ed Interest Survey](#) by **Monday Nov 9** to let the PTSA know what kinds of social activities/events you would like to participate in as a Gunn parent. We welcome your input to help us provide a fun and supportive environment during this very unusual school year. Thanks for taking the time!

### **¡LLAMADA ÚLTIMA! PTSA Social y Educación de Padres Encuesta de Interés**

**Para lunes, 9 de noviembre**

Por favor coja un momento para completar este [Social y Educación de Padres Encuesta de Interés](#) para el **lunes 9 de Noviembre** para comunicar la PTSA que tipos de actividades/eventos sociales querrá participar como padre de Gunn. Damos la bienvenida su entrada para apoyarnos en proveer un medio ambiente divertido y de apoyo durante año de escuela muy extraña. ¡Gracias por tomar el tiempo!

**\*\*UPDATED\*\* Principal's Chats**

**Mon, Nov 9, 10-11:00 AM**

**Thurs, Nov 12, 5:30-6:30 PM**

**Fri, Nov 13, 8:30-9:30 AM**

Please join us live on Zoom to hear the latest updates from Principal Stratton about Gunn's "Return to Campus" plans for January. The Zoom link will be emailed to parents via the PTSA UpToUs Community before each meeting. The meetings will be recorded and notes will be sent out afterwards for those who can't attend. If you'd like you may [submit questions in advance before tomorrow's Chat](#). Here are the [notes](#) and [link to the recording of the 11/5 Principal's Chat](#). Not a member of the PTSA UpToUs Community? Gunn Parents [click here to join](#). We look forward to seeing you there!

**\*\*ACTUALIZADO\*\* Charlas de la Directora**

**Lunes, Nov 9, 10-11:00 AM**

**Jueves, Nov 12, 5:30-6:30 PM**

**Viernes, Nov 13, 8:30-9:30 AM**

Por favor acompañanos en vivo en Zoom para escuchar las actualizaciones más recientes de Directora Stratton sobre los planes de Gunn para "Devolver al Campus" para enero. El enlace de Zoom será enviado por correo electrónico a los padres pronto antes de cada reunión. Las reuniones serán grabadas y las notas serán enviadas después para los que no puedan asistir. Si quieres puedes [subir unas preguntas con antelación antes de la charla de mañana](#). Aquí están las [notas](#) y [el enlace a la grabación de la charla de directora en 11/5](#). ¿Usted no es miembro de la comunidad PTSA UpToUs? Padres de Gunn [haz clic aquí para juntarse](#). ¡Esperamos verlo allí!

**\*\*UPDATED\*\* Gunn's "Return to School" Plan**

PAUSD has released the [secondary school reopening plan](#) they are proposing to the Board of Education. We encourage all parents to read the [plan](#)! It contains information about the distance vs. hybrid learning models, sample student schedules, and health and safety protocols and procedures. The Board will discuss and vote on the plan at their meeting Tuesday Nov 10, 6:30-10:30 PM. For more details see the [Superintendent's weekly update](#) sent on Friday Nov 6.

Families will be required to commit to distance or hybrid instructional learning models starting November 11, with the commitment period ending on November 18 at 5:00 pm.

Key Dates for Reopening:

- Nov 6 -- Secondary School Reopening Plan released by the District
- Nov 10 – Regular Board of Education meeting
- Nov 11 – Secondary instructional model Registration Window opens for families
- Nov 18 -- 5PM deadline for choosing hybrid or distance learning
- Dec 14 – Students receive schedules for 2nd semester
- January – Students return to school

**Resources:**

- [PAUSD's "Return to Campus" website](#)
- [Recommended Plan for Gunn and all PAUSD Secondary Schools](#)
- [Board Meeting Access Instructions](#)

**\*\*NEW\*\* "New to the USA" Night with College Counselor Linda Kirsch**

**Wed, Nov 18, 7:00-8:30 PM**

"New to the USA" night is a college discussion for parents who are unfamiliar with how many choices are available in the college selection. We will discuss "holistic review," testing, essays, extracurricular activities, and summer, as these are all part of the selection process for some colleges. We will also talk about the difference between public and private colleges and the cost. Join us for a night to explain the landscape of shopping for college in the USA!

**This event is for 10th and 11th grade parents.**

Translation in Mandarin and Spanish will be available.

The zoom link to the meeting will be sent out on the day of the event.

Please [submit your questions here](#) before the event.

**\*\*NUEVO\*\* Noche "New en los Estados Unidos" con la consejera universitaria Linda Kirsch**

**Miércoles, 18 de Noviembre, 7:00-8:30 p.m.**

La noche "New to the USA" es un debate universitario para los padres que no están familiarizados con la cantidad de opciones disponibles en la selección de universidades. Hablaremos de la "revisión holística", las pruebas, los ensayos, las actividades extracurriculares y el verano, ya que todos estos son parte del proceso de selección de algunas universidades. También hablaremos sobre la diferencia entre las universidades públicas y privadas y el costo. ¡Únase a nosotros por una noche para explicar el panorama de las compras para la universidad en los EE. UU.!

**Este evento es para los padres de los grados 10 y 11.**

Se dispondrá de traducción en mandarín y español.

El enlace de zoom a la reunión se enviará el día del evento.

Por favor envíe sus preguntas [aquí](#) antes del evento.

**\*\*NEW\*\* Community Zoom showing of the movie "The Social Dilemma"**

**Thur, Nov 19, 6:00-7:40 PM on Zoom**

Gunn PTSA is hosting a virtual showing of the film Social Dilemma

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uaaC57tcci0&feature=youtu.be&ab\\_channel=Netflix](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uaaC57tcci0&feature=youtu.be&ab_channel=Netflix). This is a documentary on how different aspects of social media companies use our psychology against us. A school-wide showing will take place during Gunn Together and SELF from November 10 through November 20.

**\*\*NUEVO\*\* Community Zoom showing of the movie "The Social Dilemma"**

**Jueves, 19 de Noviembre, 6:00-7:40 p.m. a traves de Zoom**

Gunn PTSA está presentando una proyección virtual de la película Social Dilemma

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uaaC57tcci0&feature=youtu.be&ab\\_channel=Netflix](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uaaC57tcci0&feature=youtu.be&ab_channel=Netflix). Este es un documental sobre cómo diferentes aspectos de las empresas de redes sociales usan nuestra psicología en nuestra contra. Se llevará a cabo una exhibición en toda la escuela durante Gunn Together y SELF desde el 10 de noviembre hasta el 20 de noviembre.



**\*\*NEW\*\* 10th Grade Parent Network Virtual Coffee**

**Thur, Nov 19, 9:00-10:00 AM on Zoom**

Come join our virtual Coffee Time. Bring your favorite morning drink, meet fellow parents and share thoughts!! In the spirit of “we are in this together,” it is a supportive conversation space for 10th Grade parents. What’s been working well for your students during this time? What’s been challenging? The zoom link will be sent shortly before the event.

**Gunn Fall Play: The Laramie Project**

**Live-streamed performances November 6-14**

Gunn Theatre is proud to present The Laramie Project, opening November 6th and running through November 14th. This is the true story of Matthew Shephard, a gay college student who was kidnapped and beaten by two men, tied to a fence, and left to die in the outskirts of Laramie, Wyoming in 1998. The play is based on over 200 interviews with Laramie residents by playwright Moises Kaufman and members of the Tectonic Theater Project.

With a cast of 17 performers playing more than 75 roles, Gunn's powerful online production uses innovative storytelling to try to make sense of this hateful and violent incident, which has if anything become even more relevant and important today. This is a hard-hitting and unforgettable show -- one you won't want to miss! Tickets will be available at [gunntheatre.org](http://gunntheatre.org) the week before the show; ticket holders will be sent a link for the live-streamed performance. *(Parents please be advised that this show includes strong language and references to a brutal hate crime.)*



**UPDATED Challenge Grant: A Second Chance to Double Your Impact!**

Generous donors have offered a second and final challenge grant this year, and will match donations up to \$210,000 **through November 16**. Every donation at any level will be doubled!

Support our students by donating to PiE. If you have already given or pledged, thank you so much. Every dollar makes a difference.

**[Donate or pledge today, and double your impact](#)**



**PAUSD & PTAC**

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

Read Superintendent's Friday 11/6 message [here](#).

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



**\*\*NEW\*\* MEASURE O - A Victory for Palo Alto Schools**

**Palo Alto PTAs on Parcel Tax: Measure O**

THANK YOU to all PTA volunteers, parents, students, neighbors, and friends. You did it! You helped to pass this parcel tax **\*\*Measure O\*\*** by historical numbers in support for our schools, teachers, staff, bus drivers, and students. During an especially difficult year, Palo Alto came together for our public schools and all families. We are in your debt for your generosity and priority. Thank you!

### **Rethinking Adulthood: A Neurodiverse Trajectory**

**Thurs, Nov 12, 7:00 - 8:30 PM**

ZOOM info sent the day before the event; please RSVP at

<https://tinyurl.com/RethinkingAdulthood>

What does it mean to be an adult? How is the transition to adulthood addressed in neurodiverse populations? Neurodivergent educator Amy Faigin will explore the social and emotional elements of this transition and how we can better support our students and children through this process. REEL and the Palo Alto CAC are proud to co-host this event for parents and educators. Questions: [reeladmin@reelpaloalto.org](mailto:reeladmin@reelpaloalto.org)

### **\*\*NEW\*\* Literacy and the Science of Reading from Wed. Oct 28th 2020**

Thank you for joining us on October 28th for the webinar during Dyslexia Awareness Month. If you were unable to attend, here is the [Recording of the presentation on YouTube](#). Event sponsored by: Palo Alto Council of PTAs (PTAC) and Palo Alto CAC for Special Education

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**COMUNIDAD**

**\*\*NEW\*\* Help Our Students Reach Their Full Potential**

This has been a challenging school year for all of us. Imagine all of those challenges alongside the stress of financial insecurity while trying to maintain focus on your student's education. [DreamCatchers](#) provides Fletcher, Greene and JLS middle school students living in East Palo Alto and Palo Alto with a community of support that keeps students engaged in school to reach their full potential. At the same time, it provides Gunn and Paly students with meaningful leadership and mentorship opportunities. Learn more about how you can help by [donating](#) or [volunteering](#).

**\*\*NUEVO\*\* Ayudar a nuestros estudiantes a alcanzar su potencial máximo**

Este año es muy difícil para todos. Pero, es más difícil para las personas que también tiene dificultades con el dinero. [DreamCatchers](#) es una programa que dar apoyo a los estudiantes en Fletcher, Greene o JLS que viven en East Palo Alto o Palo Alto. En este programa, tenemos una comunidad para apoyar a los estudiantes y mantener el interés en la escuela. También, proveer oportunidades de liderazgo para estudiantes en Gunn y Paly. Ayudar a Dream Catchers con [donaciones](#) o [voluntariado](#).

**\*\*NEW\*\* Green Tip! Keep it Warm Inside**

Wear a sweater! Jokes aside, setting your thermostat to 68 (or less) can help minimize the amount of heating. Put out rugs, then check if your doors or windows have any leaks - simple weatherstripping or a door snake can keep out drafts.

**\*\*NUEVO\*\* Consejos para ayudar el ambiente y mantenerse caliente**

¡Llevar un suéter! También, poner su termostato a 68 grados (o menos) para reducir la cantidad de calentamiento. Poner los alfombras en su casa, y cheque las puertas y ventanas para grietas. Si tienes, usar "weatherstripping" o "door snakes" para mantenerte caliente en tu casa.

**YCS Generation U Book Club: Social Justice + Community Service**

**Sat 4:00 - 5:00 PM over Zoom, every other week**

Education, Reflection, Action. YCS invites youth 14+ to join *Gen U Book Club*, a virtual community for youth to discuss social justice literature, chosen by group vote, and take what they've learned to enact action via service-from-home projects. There is no strict deadline to join (join in on book club meetings whenever), but we encourage you to do so ASAP to get access to literature and service resources and, of course, start reading and volunteering with fellow Gen Z'ers. [To register, fill out a quick two-minute form.](#)

**Play Palooza – The Children’s Theatre Ten Minute Playwriting Contest**

**Submission Deadline: Fri, Dec 18, 12 AM (Midnight)**

The Children’s Theatre is pleased announce the 2020-21 *Play Palooza Ten Minute Playwriting contest*. Play Palooza gives young writers an excellent opportunity to showcase their talents. Students can submit original work in three categories: Elementary School (3rd-5th grade), Middle School (6th-8th grade), and High School (9th-12th grade). Winning plays receive a staged reading at the Children’s Theatre, and winning playwrights receive prizes donated by the Friends of the Palo Alto Children’s Theatre. Submissions can be submitted electronically to [christopher.luciani@cityofpaloalto.org](mailto:christopher.luciani@cityofpaloalto.org)



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