

Gunn Connection



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Tue, April 14

**10th Grade Parent Virtual
Coffee, 10:00am**

Wed, April 15

**Gunn High School
Measure Z Bond Project
Community Meeting #1
Zoom Meeting, 2:00pm**

Thu, April 16

**PTSA General Meeting
Zoom Meeting, 6:30pm**

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

*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
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GUNN NEWS & EVENTS

GUNN NOTICIAS Y EVENTOS

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

Tue, April 14, 10:00-11:30am

Let's get together virtually and enjoy some (home-brewed) coffee with fellow sophomore parent friends. We'd love to catch up and hear how everyone is managing at home. Hope to see you there. We'll send out the Zoom link via UptoUs prior to the meeting.

****NUEVO** 10mo grado café virtual por padres**

Mar, 14 de abril, 10:00-11:30

Nos reunimos virtualmente y disfrutemos café (de casa) con amigos. Amaremos ponerse el día y escuchar como todos están en casa. Espero que vemos usted ahí. Enviaremos un enlace Zoom vía UptoUs antes de la reunión.

Gunn High School Measure Z Bond Project Community Meeting #1 via ZOOM Link

Wed, April 15, 2:00pm

The Palo Alto Unified School District will host a Gunn High School Community Meeting to present the [Schematic Design Plans for the Renovation of the Administration Building](#). The meeting will be conducted by HED Architects and will be held online via Zoom at <https://pausd.zoom.us/j/723978306> or dial +1 669 900 6833 and enter Meeting ID: 723 978 306 then press # to join the meeting. Meeting ID: 723 978 306 [View this conceptual design and overall scope of this and other future projects here.](#)

Escuela alta Gunn reunión comunidad número 1 por proyecto mede Z vínculo vía enlace Zoom

Mié, 15 de abril, 14:00pm

El distrito de Palo Alto Unificado Escuelas tendrá una reunión comunidad de Gunn para presentar las [planes diseños de esquema para la renovación del edificio administración](#). La reunión será conducido por los arquitectos HED y será en línea vía Zoom a <https://pausd.zoom.us/j/723978306> o marca +1 669 900 6833 y rellena la reunión ID: 723 978 306 luego pulsa # para acompañar la reunión. Reunión ID: 723 978 306 [Ve este diseño conceptual y el alcance en general de este proyecto y proyectos del futuro](#).

****NEW** PTSA General Meeting**

Thu, April 16, 6:30-7:45pm

Please join us via Zoom conference for updates from Principal Kathie Laurence and School Board Trustee Melissa Baten Caswell, and vote to approve the slate for next year's PTSA Executive Board. We will send a Zoom link via UptoUs prior to the meeting.

****NUEVO** PTSA reunión general**

Jue, 16 de abril, 18:30-19:45

Por favor nos acompaña a una conferencia Zoom para noticias de la directora Kathie Laurence y la administradora del consejo escuela Melissa Baten Caswell, y vota para aprobar el programa para el PTSA consejo ejecutivo por el próximo año. Enviaremos una enlace Zoom vía UptoUs antes de la reunión.

<i>Position</i>	<i>N</i>
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Treasurer	P
Auditor	K
Historian	C

Proposed Gunn PTSA Executive Board Slate for 2020-21. The PTA general membership will have the opportunity to approve the slate at our next PTSA General Meeting (scheduled for April 16 at 6:30pm).

Programa propuesto por el PTSA consejo ejecutivo de Gunn para 2020-21
 El PTA membresía general tendrá la oportunidad aprobar el programa en nuestra próxima PTA reunión general (programado por el 16 de abril a 18:30).

****NEW** Gunn's SELF (Social Emotional Learning and Functionality)**

Program is transitioning to distance-learning too and still fulfilling an important purpose -- helping students maintain connections with each other and with trusted adults and mentors. Mentors have been reaching out to their cohorts to connect in different ways, and SELF is working with other wellness groups on campus to support and complement efforts for students to connect across the wider community.

Now, you parents are invited to join in SELF's School-Connect program from home. More than ever, we all understand the importance of school connectedness to adolescents' personal growth and engagement in learning. This four-part video series called "EQ in your PJs" is designed to give students a sense of ownership over their emotional management and purpose in navigating the current situation. Check out Video 1: '[Managing Stress before it Manages You](#)' and Video 2: '[Navigating Relationships in Tight Quarters](#)' and help start the conversations in your home today. For questions, contact Gunn's SEL TOSAs ccarlomagno@pausd.org or tfirenzi@pausd.org. We hope everyone is staying healthy and well.

****NUEVO** El Programa Gunn de SELF (Aprendizaje y Funcionalidad Social y Emocional; Social Emotional Learning and Functionality en inglés)**

está transitando a aprendizaje distancia también y todavía cumpliendo una meta importante -- ayudando estudiantes mantener conexiones con al otro y con leales adultos y mentores. Mentores han sido llegando a sus cohortes a conectarse en maneras diferentes, y SELF está trabajando con otros bienestar grupos en campus a apoyar y complementar esfuerzos para estudiantes a conectar a la comunidad amplia.

Ahora, ustedes padres están invitando a unirse el SELF programa Escuela-Conectar de casa. Más que nunca, nosotros todos entendemos la importancia de la conectividad escuela con el desarrollo personal y compromiso de adolescentes en el aprendizaje. Esta 4-parte serie llamado "IE* en tus PJs" está diseñado a dar estudiantes un sentido de posesión sobre la dirección emocional y propósito mientras navegando la situación corriente. Mira Vídeo 1: '[Managing Stress before it Manages You](#)' y Vídeo 2: '[Navegando Parentescos en Partes Apretadas](#)' y ayudar comenzar las conversaciones en tu casa hoy. Para preguntas, contacta las Gunn SEL TOSAs ccarlomagno@pausd.org o tfirenzi@pausd.org. Esperemos que todos se queden saludable y bien.

*Inteligencia Emocional

****NEW**** PTSA is providing this [Summary Information for High School Families about Distance Learning](#)

****NUEVO**** PTSA está proveyendo este [Resumen de Información para Familias Secundarias sobre Aprendizaje Distancia](#)

****NEW** #WHATHELPSUS Sources of Strength**

Gunn is joining the national Sources of Strength #whathelpsus campaign to highlight how we are coping and connecting in the midst of this major disruption. It is possible for us to not just survive, but to THRIVE. Follow Gunn's Sources of Strength efforts at <https://www.facebook.com/sourcesofstrength>

****NEW** Gunn Counseling**

[Newsletter for Juniors](#) information on admissions, testing, grading, college visits as of 4/2

[Newsletter for Seniors](#) information on colleges, APs, grading, FAFSA and financial needs as of 4/2



PAUSD & PTAC

****NEW** Superintendent's Welcome Back from Break Message**

Welcome back from Spring Break! Those words feel odd given our current circumstances, but we are still entering a new phase of our distance learning plan. You will be receiving a one-page guide later in the week to make it easier to put your hands on important contact information. I prepared a short video message for you at: <https://youtu.be/uNcJIPn4IRI>. Our teachers have been hard at work preparing for the next stretch. Please communicate with them directly if you are having difficulty. Everyone is here to help.

****NEW** PAUSD Zoom Guidelines**

[STUDENT PAUSD Zoom Guidelines & Norms 03/25/20](#)

****NEW** Help for Families In Need during COVID-19 Shelter-in-place**

****NUEVO** Ayuda por familias en necesidad durante COVID-19 refugiarse en lugar**

-- After the break, food will still be provided to students who are in need through PAUSD's school nutrition program. This packaged lunch is for those who previously qualified or are experiencing hardship. Choose one pick-up location at Gunn, JLS or Greene from 11am-1pm.

-- PAUSD families who have lost income during the 'shelter-in-place' can request emergency financial aid for daily necessities like groceries. This Grant is from the Palo Alto Community Foundation's COVID-19 Relief Fund. Contact your counselor or Family Engagement Specialist for a referral. For questions contact

HelpPAUSDFamilies@gmail.com

-- Anyone who still needs a computer or help with WiFi access, please [request one](#) for pickup

-- Community resources of where/how [PAUSD families can get help during the Coronavirus crisis](#)

-- Después de las vacaciones, comida todavía se proporcionará a estudiantes que tienen necesidad a través el programa nutrición de escuela de PAUSD. Este almuerzo empaquetado es para aquellos que previamente calificados o están experimentando dificultades. Escoge un lugar de pick-up a Gunn, JLS o Greene de 11am a 1pm.

-- Familias de PAUSD que han perdido ingresos durante el 'refugiarse en lugar' pueden pedir ayuda financiera de emergencia para necesidades diarias como comestibles. Este subsidio es de la fundación comunidad de Palo Alto COVID-19 fondo de socorro. Contacta a su consejero/a o especialista en compromiso familiar para una referencia. Con preguntas contacta a

HelpPAUSDFamilies@gmail.com

-- Algunos que todavía necesitan una computador o ayuda con acceso WiFi, por favor [solicite una](#) para la recolección.

-- Recursos de la comunidad de donde/como [Familias de PAUSD pueden pedir ayuda durante el Coronavirus crisis](#)

****NEW** Social Emotional Learning**

****NUEVO** Aprendizaje Social Emocional**

PALY Teacher on Special Assignment (TOSA) Parents has started a [newsletter](#) that contains tips and resources for how we can best take care of ourselves and model that practice for our kids.

Maestro de PALY en Asignación Especial (TOSA) Padres ha comenzado un [boletín informativo](#) que tiene consejos y recursos para cómo podemos cuidar a nosotros mismos y modelo que la práctica para los niños.

****NEW** Special Education: Families of students with IEPs and 504 plans**

As we are facing this health crisis as a society, many of you are facing new challenges at home. Many of our kids thrive on routine and structure. If you have a student with special education needs, a 504 plan, or other education challenges, please know that **YOU ARE NOT ALONE!** There are an increasing number of resources out there for families struggling during the shelter in place order.

If you are searching for community during this time, please reach out to specialed@paloaltopta.org. If you wish to talk to a parent from your school, you can reach out to your school's PTA Special Education / Inclusion representative. Representatives for each school are listed here:

<https://ptac.paloaltopta.org/special-education/>

For specific questions about your child's educational needs, please stay in touch with your student's case manager or teacher. For more general special education resources check out the Palo Alto Council of PTAs [web page](#). Updates on webinars and other education resources are posted regularly. For more general special education resources check out the Palo Alto Council of PTAs [web page](#). See "[At Home Resources for Exceptional Students with IEPs and 504s](#)" for updates on webinars and other education resources are posted regularly.

****NEW** Sunshine Taskforce**

PTAC has formed a Sunshine Taskforce to showcase the many positive things happening in our midst.

1. Juana Briones Elementary School Principal Katy highlights a sunshine moment. Principal Katy recalls, "It was a great reading night. YES! Due to COVID-19, we could not read to the children in person. So, Hillary Mark, Briones Literary Specialist, on a grant with CHC, for Briones Family Reading Night, held a virtual reading night." 2. Paly and Gunn students from Kuriosity Robotics made 3D Printed Face Masks - Our students on the Robotics Team quickly pivoted their school project to print face shields for those Individuals who will take care of COVID-19 patients in our community.

<https://www.kuriosityrobotics.com/covid-19>. Send your Sunshine moment to president@palalopta.org

ONLINE LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES AND RESOURCES

****NEW** Health & Wellness Webinars**

Dear PAUSD parents, PTA Council Health and Wellness Committee is *indefinitely pausing* the upcoming 2 webinars:

1. Crisis Schooling without Losing your Sanity
2. Responding to Racism and Bias in the Wake of COVID-19

If these are topics or there are other topics you would like addressed, do reach out to your individual school sites and let them know. PTA Council is always here to support our Parent Community, especially during this time of crisis. In the interim, continue to check out PTA Council website for past webinars and other pertinent information

****NEW** Webinar: Proactive Planning for College Transition from 8th-11th Grade**

Tue, April 21, 2020, 7:00pm

Provided to you by Parents Helping Parents. Are you starting to think about college for your student with special needs? Learn how to build a plan for college success. Event audience: Parents of college-bound students (ages 12-16) from 8th grade to junior year of high school with special needs (typically diagnosed with LD/ADHD/Autism). [Webinar Link](#). For questions contact paltoacac@gmail.com

****NEW** Webinar: College Transition for Students with Disabilities with Elizabeth Hamblet**

Wed, April 22, 2020 6:00pm

Students with disabilities who make the transition to college will find that the accommodation system there works differently and has different demands. If they know what to expect (and what they can't), they can prepare for a successful transition, but there is so much conflicting information out there. How can parents and professionals sort out what's really true? Join Elizabeth C. Hamblet for an AMA (Ask Me Anything) session on college transition and bring your questions. Hamblet is a college learning disabilities specialist with 20 years' experience in the field. Free and open to all. Register in advance [here](#). For questions contact paloaltocac@gmail.com

****NUEVO** Seminario en línea con Elizabeth Hamblet: La transición a la universidad para estudiantes con discapacidades**

Mié, 22 de abril de 2020 a las 6 de la noche

Estudiantes con discapacidades que hacen la transición a la universidad encontrarán que el sistema de acomodación funciona de manera distinta y tiene demandas diferentes. Si los estudiantes conozcan bien los servicios disponibles, pueden preparar por una transición exitosa. Sin embargo, hay mucha información errónea ahí. ¿Como pueden los padres y profesionales distinguir lo que realmente es la verdad? Acompañe y traiga sus preguntas a Elizabeth C. Hamblet para una sesión de Ask Me Anything (Pregúnteme Cualquier Cosa) sobre la transición a la universidad. Hamblet es especialista de las discapacidades de aprender en la universidad. Tiene 20 años de experiencia en el campo. La sesión es gratis y disponible a todos. Inscribale con antelación [aquí](#). Para preguntar, contacte a paloaltocac@gmail.com.



COMMUNITY

****NEW** News from the California Department of Education**

Last week the California Dept. Education published its monthly newsletter, CDE Currents. It includes a message from State Superintendent Tony Thurmond, news briefs, and features about how the CDE, schools, districts, counties, and volunteers are working together helping students during the current COVID-19 pandemic. Read it [here](#). Updated information can be found on their Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/CAEducation/>

****NEW** Emergency Services Volunteers Needed, Sign-Up Today**

The City activated its Emergency Services Volunteer (ESV) program to assist neighbors needing support. Please consider joining to help your fellow neighbors in need. ESVs receive comprehensive training and are registered members of the City's emergency organization. Learn more at cityofpaloalto.org/emergencyvolunteers.

For now volunteers walk through the neighborhoods being the city's eyes and ears and make themselves available for questions or for people to connect while maintaining distance. As well as identifying vulnerable or neighbors needing help. Twice a week these volunteers report to the city.

There is now an abbreviated block preparedness coordinator training you can do online.

https://cityofpaloalto.org/gov/depts/mgr/news/newsletter_signup.asp

<http://www.cityofpaloalto.org/coronavirus>

<http://cityofpaloalto.org/civicax/filebank/documents/75687>

<http://cityofpaloalto.org/helpsign>

https://www.cityofpaloalto.org/services/public_safety/plans_and_information/coronavirus/support_services.asp

<https://www.schelpinghands.com/>

****NEW** Our Library Website Offers more Online Tools and Resources**

The Palo Alto City Library [website](#) has been redesigned to share new virtual resources and fun for teens, kids, adults and more. In addition to service [updates](#) and newly-designed resources to support at-home enrichment and learning, visitors to the new site can join in on the [Spring into Reading](#) program and other family fun. The library has also [expanded](#) virtual services, during this shelter in place time, which means new account holders can enjoy the full suite of online services without having to visit a specific library branch. Get your free library card today and join us online!

****NEW** DreamCatchers Helping to Support Families - You Can TOO!**

Please help support low-income PAUSD middle-school students by donating at <https://www.dreamcatchersyouth.org/> ! Our DreamCatchers children live in households with serious economic insecurity made worse with the [COVID-19](#) crisis. We have talked to all our parents and students. Families report that they are concerned about work, rent, food, and healthcare. Our staff, in conjunction with Paly, Gunn, and Stanford tutors, are working hard to provide remote [academic support](#) and enrichment, in addition to critical [economic help](#). At this time, when our low income middle school students need to hold onto their dreams the most, please consider making [a donation](#) to support the important work that DreamCatchers is doing. Thank you for supporting our community!

****NEW** Paly Golf Classic 2020**

Postponed to take place in fall 2020 (date TBD).

****NEW** Palo Arts Center Virtual Tours**

The Palo Arts Center has a short 10 minute video with Museum docent taking you on a tour of the latest exhibition, called ROOTS. [Click link](#). This is a great way to have you and your kids take a virtual tour of the PA Art Museum. For more please contact Rachelle Doorley (PTAC Arts Coordinator) at radoorley@gmail.com.

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