

Section 1 - Carla

Calendar

Fri, Dec 7

Alternate Schedule (see [Calendar](#))

Jazz Guest Artist Concert, 7:30 PM, Spangenberg

Mon, Dec 10

WASC Data Night, 6:30 PM, Library

Tue, Dec 11

Immigration Presentations, 6:30 PM, Library and Social Studies classrooms

Thu, Dec 13

AP Statistics Data Night, 6 PM, Library

Mon-Tue, Dec 17-18

Alternate Schedules (see [Calendar](#))

Mon, Dec 17

Semester 2 schedules [online](#), 6 PM

Dramatic Literature in Performance, 7 PM, Little Theater

Wed-Fri, Dec 19-21

Final Exam Schedule (see [Calendar](#))

Mon, Dec 24, 2018-Fri, Jan 4, 2019

Winter Break - NO SCHOOL

Mon, Jan 7, 2019

Staff Development Day - NO SCHOOL

Tue, Jan 8, 2019

First Day of Semester 2

Gunn

Gunn YCS Spring Break Service Trip to Costa Rica--Open to all Gunn Students

Trip: Mar 30-Apr 6, 2019 (during Spring Break)

Signup deadline: Fri, Dec 14

Gunn YCS is partnering with a Bay Area nonprofit experienced in authentic service trips, Dream Volunteers, to organize this Spring Break trip. Cost for the trip is \$2050, including airfare. Please watch this [video](#) to get an idea of the overall trip experience. To sign up or ask questions, you may reach out to Gunn teacher, David Deggeller, at ddegger@pausd.org or see him in the math office in Rm N-200. To learn more about Dream Volunteers, visit their website at www.dreamvolunteers.org.

Section 2 - Ethan

Pass Out Snacks to Students During Finals

Pasa bocadillos a los estudiantes durante las finales

Wed-Fri, Dec 19-21, various shifts 9:30-10:30 AM, meet at Main Office

Miercoles, 19 al 21 de diciembre, varios turnos 9: 30-10: 30 AM, reunirse en la oficina principal

10 spots left. Please help serve snacks during Finals 12/19-12/21. Click [HERE](#) to participate. Finals can be a tough time and we would like to help by offering healthy, happy snacks during brunch. These snacks are being provided by the PTSA. Volunteers please meet in front of the Main Office at 9:30 AM for quick meeting. No parking passes needed. Get ID badge in the Main Office. Thank you Gunn parents for helping our kids stay healthy and happy. Questions, contact Paul Sakuma, psakuma@aol.com.

Quedan 10 lugares. Por favor ayude a servir bocadillos durante las finales 12 / 19-12 / 21. Haga clic AQUÍ para participar. Las finales pueden ser un momento difícil y nos gustaría ayudar ofreciendo bocadillos saludables y felices durante el brunch. Estos bocadillos son proporcionados por el PTSA. Los voluntarios se reúnen frente a la oficina principal a las 9:30 AM para una reunión rápida. No se necesitan pases de estacionamiento. Obtener credencial de identificación en la oficina principal. Gracias a los padres Gunn por ayudar a nuestros niños a mantenerse saludables y felices. Preguntas, contacte a Paul Sakuma, psakuma@aol.com.

Don't Miss the Holiday Sale on Gunn Swag!

¡No se pierda la oferta de vacaciones en Gunn Swag!

Til Sat, Dec 29, [Sideline Store website](#)

A sáb, 29 de diciembre, [Sideline Store website](#)

It's the Sideline Store December Promotion, NOW thru DEC 29! Use code **HOLIDAY18** to get 15% off all orders of \$75 or more on Gunn swag for your athlete, family and friends! The Sideline Store Holiday Sales ad and website link can also be found on the main page of the [Gunn Athletics website](#). Happy Holidays and thank you for supporting our Gunn athletes!

¡Es la promoción de diciembre de Sideline Store, AHORA hasta el 29 de diciembre! Use el código HOLIDAY18 para obtener un descuento del 15% en todos los pedidos de \$ 75 o más en el botín Gunn para su atleta, familia y amigos. El anuncio de Sideline Store Holiday Sales y el enlace al sitio web también se pueden encontrar en la página principal del sitio web de Gunn Athletics. ¡Felices fiestas y gracias por apoyar a nuestros atletas de Gunn!

Section 3 - Poux

Book Drive for Tiekunu Primary School in Kenya

Drop off any time before Thu, Jan 31, 2019, Rm E-2

Thanks to the Gunn community's support, Tiekunu students are now reading over 1000 books donated in past two years. On behalf of the children, Gunn's Stairway To Literacy Club thanks you for your generosity. The Club would like to start its third book drive and calls for your support to donate reading books, preferably for grades 1-5. Besides traditional paper books, we are accepting any technology, from VCRs to the latest tech. Kindles and other technology-literature mediums are especially welcome. Please drop off books at room E-2 or talk to Mr. Kinyanjui. For technology donations and/or questions, please contact StairwayToLiteracy@gmail.com.

Gunn Foundation and Giving for 2018-2019

The Gunn Foundation is a nonprofit led by Gunn parents that grants need-based college scholarships to graduating Gunn students. Our scholarships can be applied toward tuition deposits, housing deposits, books or transportation--expenses that are often not covered by other aid. In 2018, we awarded scholarships to 35 students. The need grows each year and the number of students we are able to help depends on the generosity of the Gunn community. Our goal is to raise \$15,000 by late January. To join us, please make a tax-deductible donation in any amount via check or our [website](#) or [Facebook page](#). Your support truly makes a difference.

Section 4 - Joseph

PAUSD & PTAC

****NEW** EACH FRIDAY! Superintendent's Weekly Board Update**

Read Dr. Don Austin's Weekly Board Update, published new each Friday
<https://www.pausd.org/news>.

****NEW** URGENT: Stanford General Use Permit Development Agreement Info Meeting**

Wed, Dec 12, 6:30-7:30 PM, JLS Middle School, Cafeteria, 480 E Meadow Dr, Palo Alto -- this will be recorded and live-streamed

PTAC is hosting a community Stanford GUP informational meeting re: The Stanford GUP, a very BIG building project in our neighborhood and one that will impact our children's education on a daily basis. The GUP will be in effect for the next 17 years or until 2035. Please try to attend! We'd love to have parent representatives from all schools, especially those that will be directly impacted by this plan. Although all schools will be impacted, Nixon Elementary, Escondido Elementary, Addison Elementary, Duveneck Elementary, Walter Hays Elementary, Greene Middle School, and Paly are the schools closest in geographic proximity to the proposed housing at Quarry Rd.

Honorable Joe Simitian is our elected County Board of Supervisor official. He has the authority to negotiate the terms of this Development Agreement on our behalf. And he wants to hear from us. A member of Joe's staff member, Kristina Loquist, Policy Aide, will provide us with the nuts and bolts of this GUP. Bring your questions. For more info go to www.CountyStanfordDA.org.

This PTA Council Executive Board has begun to advocate for items crucial for the safety and quality of education at all 17 of our schools. The Executive Board has a "Wish List," including Safe Routes to School, on site after school childcare, subsidized housing for teachers/staff, etc. Our interests are aligned with our school district. The PAUSD Board unanimously voted the week before Thanksgiving to include the following items as terms in the Development Agreement. They are:

- 1) a 4-acre parcel of land and funds to build a neighborhood school;
- 2) funding for any student that are from tax exempt Stanford housing; and
- 3) one-time developer impact fees as required by law.

****NUEVO** CADA VIERNES! Noticias Nuevas semanales del Superintendente**

Lee la Noticia Semanal del Dr. Don Austin, publicado de nuevo cada viernes <https://www.pausd.org/news>.

****NUEVO** URGENTE: Junta para Información sobre los acuerdos del Desarrollo del Uso General de Stanford**

Wed, Dec 12, 6:30-7:30 PM, JLS Middle School, Cafeteria, 480 E Meadow Dr, Palo Alto -- va a ser grabado y transmitido en vivo por internet

El PTAC está presentando una junta informativo para la comunidad sobre Stanford GUP; un proyecto de construcción muy GRANDE en nuestro barrio que va a afectar el educación de nuestros niños. El GUP va a estar en efecto para los próximos 17 años o hasta el año 2035. Por favor, intentas de atender! Nos encantamos que tenemos representantes de cada escuela, especialmente las escuelas que van a ser afectados directamente de este proyecto. A pesar que todas escuelas van a ser afectados, Nixon Elementary, Escondido Elementary, Addison Elementary, Duveneck Elementary, Walter Hays Elementary, Greene Middle School, y Paly son las escuelas más cercanas en proximidad geographico del propósito de construccion de casas en Quarry Rd.

Joe Simitian es nuestro oficial del Supervisor del Junta del Condado. El tiene la autoridad para negociar los condiciones de este Acuerdo de Desarrollo y va a representar los opiniones de nosotros porque quiere oir nuestros ideas y opiniones. Un miembro del personal de Joe, Kristina Loquist, va a dar una explicación breve sobre qué es le GUP. Trea sus preguntas y para más información, visita este sitio www.CountyStanfordDA.org.

Nuestro Consejo Ejecutivo de la Junta ha empezado en proponiendo para artículos cruciales para la seguridad y calidad de educación para cada uno de nuestros 17 escuelas. El Consejo Ejecutivo tiene una "Wishlist" con rutas seguras para ir a la escuela, cuidado de los niños en lugar después de la escuela, viviendas para personal/maestros, etc. Nuestros intereses son con acuerdo por el distrito escolar. El Consejo de PAUSD vote la semana antes de los vacaciones de Día de Gracias para incluir los artículos debajos como condiciones en el Acuerdo del Desarrollo. Esos son:

- 1) Una parcela de tierra y fondos para construir una escuela para el barrio
- 2) Fondos para alguna estudiante que está exento por impuestos de viviendas de Stanford; y
- 3) tasas de impacto de un desarrollador de una sola vez, necesario por la ley

Section 5 - Niki

Community

Comunidad

Mindful Moms Group with Krassi Harwell

Grupo de Madres Conscientes con Krassi Harwell

Tuesdays, Dec 11-Feb 26, 12-1:30 PM, 67 Encina Ave, Palo Alto

Martes, 11 de diciembre - 26 de febrero, 12-1:30 PM, 67 Encina Ave, Palo Alto

Join our community of wise and caring moms as we navigate the rich and rewarding journey of raising kids into adults. We'll practice yoga, meditate, and tap into the healing power of togetherness as we share stories, strength and support. For moms who have kids of all ages! Be a wise mom--build your support network. Registration is required for this group offered in partnership with the Palo Alto Medical Foundation. Scholarships available upon request. More Info:

<http://mindbodymoms.com/moms-groups/> Register:

<http://mindbodymoms.com/schedule/>

Únase nuestra comunidad de madres sabias y cariñosas mientras navegamos el paso rico y gratificante de criar a los niños para que sean adultos. Practicamos yoga, meditación y aprovechamos la potencia curativa de unidad mientras nos compartimos historias, fuerza y apoyo. Para madres con niños de todas edades! Sea una madre sabia--construya su red de ayuda. Registración es obligatoria para este grupo en colaboración con la fundación médica de Palo Alto. Becas son disponible luego de solicitud.

Más Información: <http://mindbodymoms.com/wellness>

[-groups](#)

Register: <http://mindbodymoms.com/schedule/>

Spring Women's Wellness Group with Jalene Salus

Grupo de Primavera de Bienestar de Mujeres con Jalene Salus

Fri, Dec 14-Feb 15, 10 AM-12 PM, St. Mark's Church, 600 Colorado Ave, Palo Alto

Viernes, 14 de diciembre - 15 de febrero, 10 AM -12 PM, la iglesia de St. Mark, 600 Colorado Ave, Palo Alto

In this nourishing group, Jalene Salus will share the wisdom of Integrative Nutrition as she introduces sweet and simple ways to nourish your mind, body and spirit. Enjoy a little taste of organic, local, seasonal bites while you discuss foods to support your unique body--and your family's health. Jalene will show you how aligning your self-care with the rhythm of the season can guide you on your path of women's wellness as she engages you in fulfilling dialogue with other thoughtful, wise women. Registration is required as space is limited! Scholarships available upon request.

More Info: <http://mindbodymoms.com/wellness>

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En este grupo revitalizador, Jalene Salus compartirá la sabiduría de Nutrición Integrante mientras ella le introduce estilos dulce y simple a nutrir a su mente, cuerpo y espíritu a usted. Disfrute un sabor de bocaditos orgánicos locales de temporada mientras discuten comidas a apoyar su cuerpo único--y el salud de su familia. Jalene demostrará cómo alinear su cuidado de sí mismo con el ritmo de la estación puede guiarle en su ruta de bienestar de mujeres mientras ella entablará una conversación con usted y otras mujeres consideradas y sabias. Registración es obligatoria porque espacio está limitado. Becas son disponible luego de solicitud.

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Registre: <http://mindbodymoms.com/schedule/>

Section 6 - Nikki

Paly Fiery Arts Winter Glass Sale: Paly Glass makes great gifts!

Fri, Dec 14, 3-6 PM and Sat, Dec 15, 11 AM-4 PM, Palo Alto High School, inside the Tower Bldg (Administration Bldg), 50 Embarcadero Rd, Palo Alto

Glass snow-people, reindeer, ornaments, cups, bowls, candy cane and more. Paly Glass makes great gifts: it supports a local non-profit. It supports the ARTS. It's a unique hand-made treasure that brings JOY. Made by Paly instructors, alums and students. Sales benefit the Fiery Arts program which creates opportunities for students to participate in

an amazing sculpture curriculum. Live demonstrations! Invite your family, friends, and neighbors! Free cookies & hot cider!

Facebook: www.facebook.com/PalyFieryArts

Website:

<https://sites.google.com/site/palyglass/home/july-clay-glass-festival>

Contact: PalyFieryArts@gmail.com

Silicon Valley Boychoir Auditions

Fri, Dec 14, by appointment, 600 Homer Ave, Palo Alto

Auditions for the January semester will be held at the choir's rehearsal location near downtown Palo Alto. Open to 2nd-4th grade boys. High school and middle school boys with choral experience may audition for upper levels. SVB provides a personalized approach to teaching singing, music theory, and sight-reading, while providing flexible scheduling for busy families. In addition to their own winter and spring concerts, SVB performs for local events including appearances with Stanford University Symphonic Chorus and Orchestra, West Bay Opera, Schola Cantorum of Mountain View, and singing the national anthem at sporting events. Email info@svboychoir.org or visit <http://svboychoir.org>.

Section 7 - Breanna

Create Memories, Not Waste This Holiday Season: Tips for the City of Palo Alto

The best gifts don't come in a box. "Stuff" eventually ends up in the landfill, but memories last a lifetime. Think outside the box and consider giving movie tickets, park passes, art classes, yoga classes, wine tasting, or other gifts that offer the experience of a life well-lived. For more waste-free gift ideas, visit www.cityofpaloalto.org/zwholiday.

Service Learning and Community Service Opportunities

Wed, Jan 16, 8:30-9:30 AM, Greene Middle School, MP Rm, 750 N California Ave, Palo Alto

The Greene Parent Networks invite you to a presentation by Youth Community Service (YCS) on how to get students involved in meaningful Service Learning projects where students learn the nuances of a community issue, address that issue with a service project and then reflect on the process. Students learn how to examine real life

issues and implement solutions gaining self-confidence from feeling that they made a difference in the community. Opportunities at the Palo Alto Humane Society and other organizations will be presented.

Section 8 - Hannah

FROM THE PREVIOUS ISSUE:

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<https://sites.google.com/site/palyglass/home/july-clay-glass-festival>

Contact: PalyFieryArts@gmail.com

Dream Volunteers Summer 2019 Family Service Trip to Latin America

Deadline for sign-up: January 13, 2019. Trip takes place June 24, 2019 - July 1, 2019.

Dream Volunteers, a local non-profit, has been organizing service trips abroad for schools and families since 2007. A service trip with Dream Volunteers is an incredible way to immerse your family in a beautiful culture, while make a difference in the lives of people striving to lift up their communities. Sign-ups for next summer's Guatemala Family Volunteer Trip are happening now online. This trip is appropriate for families with kids between pre-school and high-school age. Click [here](#) for trip info. There will be a live webinar with more information about the trip on December 5 at 7:30 PM using this link:

<https://zoom.us/j/898941891>. Or you can reach out directly to Dream Volunteers with questions at info@dreamvolunteers.org.