

Upcoming APG Events

SEE CALENDAR at APGSF.COM

Through 12/9: Black Bird Bookstore Fundraiser [ONLINE, USE 'APG2022']

Through 12/15: Clothing Drive [FLIER]

Through 12/15: Various Orchestra, Choir & Band Performances; see dates in APG Art Dept Newsletter

12//7: Girls Basketball Playoff Game; Volleyball Tryouts Continue

12/5 - 12/9: Inclusive Schools Week

12/8: Holiday Crafts Social [RSVP]

12/10 - 12/18: Sports Basement Holiday Event Fundraiser [FLIER]

12/14: Winter Concert

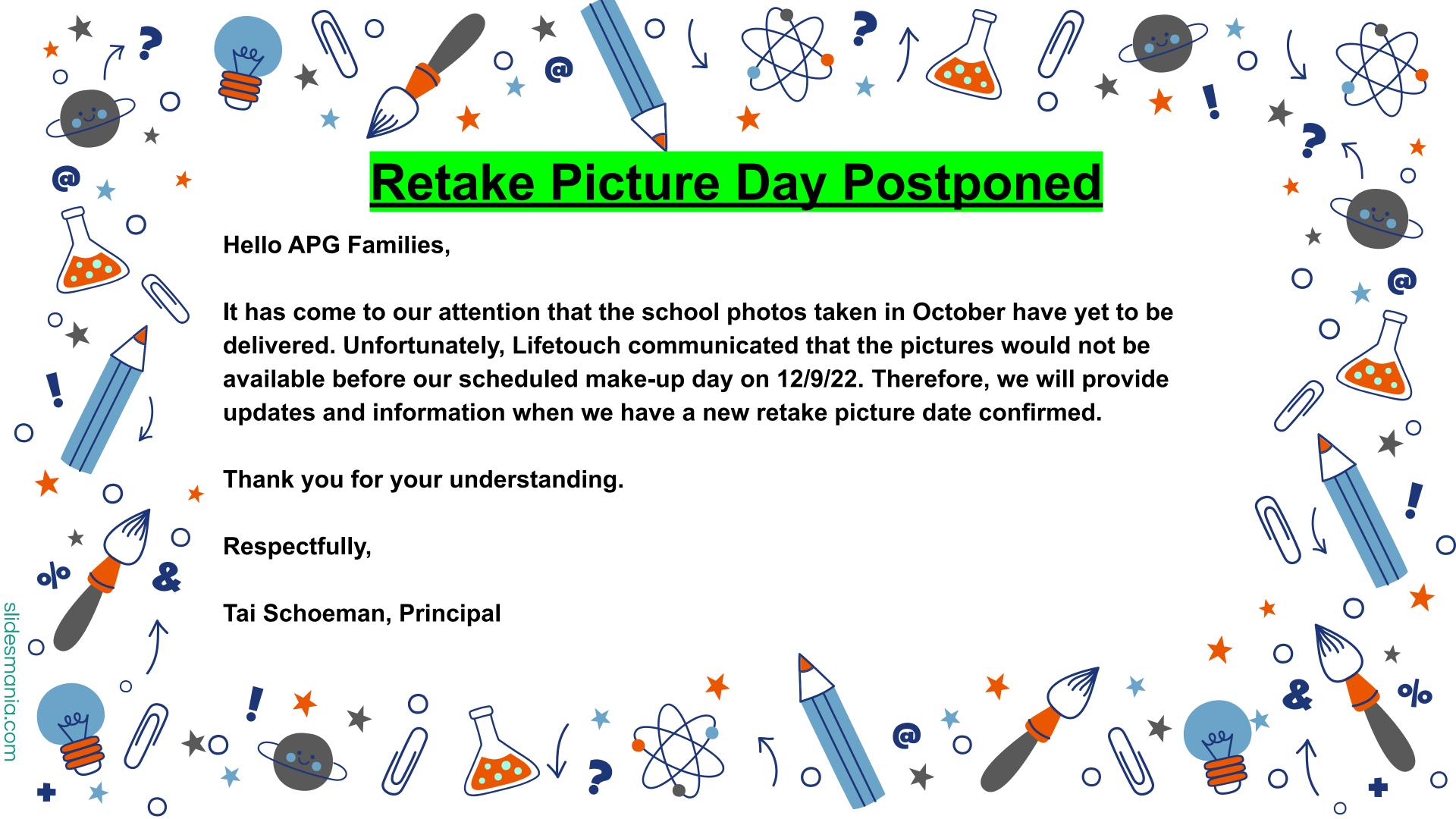
12/15: Last Day for Clothing Drive; Candyland Winter Dance [Volunteer Sign Up]

12/16: Last day of Fall Semester, Grading period ends

12/19 - 1/2: Winter Break, No School. See you back at School on 1/3/23!!!

1/4: Staff Breakfast [SIGN UP, many food items needed]

1/11: PTSA General Meeting, 6:30pm, Zoom



SFUSD Family Newsletter

WE KNOW YOUR CHILD HAS BIG DREAMS - AND EVERY DAY, WE ARE WORKING HARD TO MAKE THOSE DREAMS A REALITY.

That's why we're committed to making students' experiences the foundation of our efforts to grow and improve as a district. Your school has been chosen to be part of a district-wide English Language Arts Evaluation. <u>During the week of January 16–27, 2023, staff from TNTP, a national education non-profit, will be visiting some of the ELA classrooms at your children's school to see a typical week of school from the perspective of our students. They will be focusing on the parts of school we know have the most significant impact on our students' futures:</u>

- o What students experience in the classroom during lessons
- o The kinds of work students are asked to complete
- o Teachers' perspectives on how their students are progressing on grade-level standards

TNTP will work to better understand this information in coordination with teachers and school leaders to ensure it does not cause disruptions.

Nothing collected will be used to grade or evaluate our school, teachers, or students. The only goal is to understand better the experiences students have in our school every day so that we can make that experience as positive and powerful as it can be.

Later this spring, TNTP will share findings from their site visit, which will give SFUSD new information to continue improving the ways we work with you and your students to help them reach the big goals we know they have. Please contact us anytime if you have any questions about this work or how your student is doing.

Administrative Staff APG Middle School 415-759-2770

SFUSD Celebrates Inclusive Schools Week, December 5-9!

SFUSD is once again celebrating Inclusive Schools Week, December 5-9, 2022. This annual event celebrates the progress schools have made toward providing an inclusive education for our diverse student population and our students marginalized due to disability, gender, socio-economics status, cultural heritage, language preference and other factors. This is a wonderful opportunity for ALL of our teachers, staff, families and students to celebrate and raise awareness and sense of belonging in our schools.

Things you can do:

- 1. Check out <u>sfusd.edu/sped</u> for activities, reading materials and other resources that celebrate inclusion.
- 2. Encourage students to submit art to the <u>Inclusive Arts Showcase</u>. We are accepting submissions of visual and performing arts including paintings, sketches, photography, song, dance, music, spoken word, creative writing and more.
 Use the theme as your inspiration! <u>Click here to submit your work!</u>
- 3. December 5th-9th, 2022: Celebrate inclusive practices!





APG PTSA and Beacon
WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE

December, 2022

We'll accept NEW and GENTLY-USED warm coats, jeans, sweats, jackets, socks, and underwear for women, children of all ages, and men.



DONATE NOW THROUGH Thursday, December 15th

DROP-OFF DONATIONS
In the Beacon Office (Rm 130)
8:30AM - 4:00PM

Donations will go to Urban Angels SF urbanangelssf.org

THANK YOU

IT'S NOT HOW MUCH WE GIVE, BUT HOW MUCH LOVE WE PUT INTO GIVING.

FOR MORE INFORMATION
EMAIL BETH GUY: GUYE1@SFUSD.EDU

Shop Online till Friday 12/9

Visit: blackbirdsf.com, go to the "SHOP" section, add an item or many items to your cart; on the Checkout page, and enter 'APG2022' in the 'add a gift message to your order' text box. Proceeds from all purchases using this code online will go to our school. *doesn't apply to purchases of gift cards!

Please share with your family, friends, and neighbors.

Anyone can shop <u>online</u> and books are wonderful holiday gifts! From today to Dec 9, 20% of proceeds from purchases using "APG2022" will go to our PTSA Jag Fund to support our students and staff. Spread the word. We are excited to partner with a local business – by shopping at Black Bird Bookstore, you support our school <u>and</u> a small, local business. It's a win-win for all!

THANK YOU!





Athletics Announcements

Physical Packets are now being submitted electronically using homecampus.com

Please see <u>Giannini Athletics Home Campus Digital Instructions 2022-2023</u> for detailed instructions on how to submit the physicals electronically. Even if you have already turned in a physical packet earlier this school year, please submit another one electronically.

All students trying out for any school athletic team(s) must submit an electronic physical packet through <u>homecampus.com</u> prior to the tryout dates. The student-athlete will not be allowed to try out until they have submitted their packet electronically and been cleared by Mr. Cheng. <u>APG Physical Packet Information</u>

CONGRATS TO OUR GIRLS SOCCER TEAM CHAMPIONS!!!

Girls Basketball Semi-Final Game - 12/7, 4pm at Presidio MS

Girls Volleyball Team Tryouts in the Gym

Final Tryout by Invitation

All Grades - Wednesday 12/7, 7:30-9:00am

Come Cheer on our Student Athletes!
For all Game Schedules, <u>please visit the APG Athletics Instagram Account</u> OR the <u>CIF Website</u>.

APG Athletics 2022-2023 Google Classroom (for students)

For all students interested in receiving information and updates about Giannini Athletics for the 2022-2023 school year, please join the Giannini Athletics 2022-2023 Google Classroom. The class code is: **qkkt7vl** or Click on Webpage Here

APG Athletics Website & Tryouts Information

For more information regarding Giannini Athletics, please visit: <u>APG Athletics Website</u>
Tryouts Information - <u>APG Athletics Tryout Information</u>

Please email Mr. Cheng (Athletic Director) chengc1@sfusd.edu if you have any questions.

You and your family are invited to our Holiday Crafts Social! We will be making gifts you can bring home and give to your loved ones just in time for the holidays.

Snacks and materials are provided!

您和您的家人被邀請參加我們的節日工藝品社交活動! 我們將製作禮物,您可以在假期前及時帶回家並送給您所 愛的人。提供零食和材料!

¡Usted y su familia están invitados a nuestro evento social de manualidades navideñas! Haremos obsequios que puede llevar a casa y dárselos a sus seres queridos justo a tiempo para las fiestas. ¡Se proporcionan refrigerios y materiales!

RSVP HERE

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdbAbIG48LaJmjfJICDZGX9dVtYYBWzEnSUWrXRck15ZbOgFA/viewform?usp=sf_link







THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2022, 4:30 TO 6:00 PM

BEACON

TICHETS ARE \$5.00

DATES OF TICKET SALES: 12/7, 12/9, 12/12, 12/14, DURING LUNCH ON THE YARD.



Candyland Winter Dance

Thursday, December 15, 4:30 to 6:00 PM APG Cafeteria and Patio

Student Government will be selling tickets in the yard by the big teal wall on the following dates: 12/7, 12/9, 12/12, and 12/14.

Tickets are \$5.00. Cash only!

All Beacon students get to attend for FREE.

PARENT/GUARDIAN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE DANCE Sign up here!

Request music for the dance here-

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf42V7v7tpeTLDruaL g6yz47laAenLvIl6rhxdOigAQFlRUVQ/viewform?usp=sf_link



AP Giannini

You're invited to a holiday shopping event! Head to Sports Basement for:

20% off for Basementeers*

*Non-Basementeers still get 11% off

Basementeers stack their discount for 20% off. Limited time only. Exclusions apply.

Can't join us in-store? Shop online with code: 2050009478278

Valid from 12/10-12/18/22. Not valid on trips, rentals, services or bikes.

See website for exclusions.

POS, enter both codes:





DECEMBER 10 - 18

SIGN UP HERE

<u>shop.sportsbasement.com/products/</u>
<u>basementeer-membership-1</u>

SHOP HERE

shop.sportsbasement.com/

You can show the cashier the flier in person OR you will type in the code 2050009478278 when shopping/checking out online

<u>Updated: ABSENCES, EARLY DISMISSAL, & LATE ARRIVAL PROTOCOL</u>

Absences

- 1. To report an absence, please call our Counseling Office at 415-759-2773 or email our attendance clerk, Stacey Dawson, at dawsons@sfusd.edu
- 2. Written notes or emails from parents will be required for excusing absences.
 - a. Notes should include:
 - i. Date of Note, Student Name & Grade, Dates of Absence, Reason for Absence, Parent Name & Signature
- 3. Students should drop off written notes to the counseling office the day they return back to school.

Please allow a few days for attendance to be updated on the attendance system. Thanks for your patience.

Early Dismissal

It is recommended that medical, dental, or other appointments be scheduled after school, on school holidays, or during vacation periods.

- 1. Obtaining a permit to leave pass in advance: Please have your child come to the counseling office to pick up a Permit to Leave Pass before school, start of school or after school with a written note or email to attendance clerk Stacey Dawson at dawsons@sfusd.edu.
 - a. Students without a written note or email from a parent will not be allowed to leave the school campus. Parents will be called to verify.
- 2. Parents on-site pick up: Please sign out your child using the sign-out book. Counselor or secretary will call students out of class. We recommend that parents do not come during school lunch hours as it is hard to find students (see bell schedule).

Late Arrival to School - Tardies

- 1. Students who arrive late to school should first go to the Counseling Office (room 231) to obtain a tardy pass, then they go to their class with their pass.
- 2. **Excusing Tardies**: Students should bring a written note to the Counseling Office from their parent *or* a note from their medical provider, especially if their parent are not with the student during drop-off.

SFUSD COVID-19 and All Illness Protocol

What to do if your student does not feel well?

If your student is exhibiting any of the symptoms below, please have your student stay home and rest. In order to return to school, your student will need a negative test result for Covid-19. Both PCR/NAAT/molecular and antigen tests are acceptable for testing for Covid-19.

Fever of 100.4° F or higher, body chills/shivers	Sore throat	Shortness of breath	Headache	New loss of smell or taste
Nausea or Vomiting	Diarrhea	Body aches	Fatigue	Cough

What to do if your student tests positive for Covid-19?

SFUSD continues to work with the SF Department of Public Health to implement health and safety protocols to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 in schools. Based on <u>updated public health guidance</u> on December 31, 2021:

Students and staff who have tested positive for COVID-19 can return after 5 days of isolation if:

- They no longer have a fever, AND
- Their symptoms are getting better, AND
- They have a negative test collected on or after day 5.

Both PCR/NAAT/molecular and antigen tests are acceptable.

To report a positive case:

- Please call 415-660-9850 or email covidreporting@sfusd.edu
- If unable to perform the above, please contact the school directly.

Families may be contacted for further follow up if needed. If you have any questions regarding the SFUSD Covid protocol, please visit webpage HERE or contact our Principal (SchoemanT@sfusd.edu) or School Nurse, Judy (ZhengJ1@sfusd.edu).

UPDATE: COLOR PCR Testing Extended

COLOR Testing Continues Through March 2023

COLOR self-swab test kits will continue to be available through the end of March, 2023. These are not rapid test kits, but RT-LAMP testing that requires submitting a swab sample to be tested in a clinical lab.

Test kits are available at **school sites** (**drop off before 10:00am**) and central office locations (drop off before 4:30pm). Pick-up times vary so be sure to check the sticker on the bin to see if samples have been picked up for the day. Testing is not mandatory.

- Please see the <u>COVID testing options</u> on the SFUSD website for central office locations. Information about testing options for the Spring semester will be provided prior to the winter break.
- For city testing options, please visit <u>sf.gov/drop-testing</u>.



School Safety Reminder

Please do not block our school buses or Muni buses during morning drop-off or afternoon pick-up times every day from 9:15-9:35am and 3:45-4:10pm; and, 2:00-2:20pm on Wednesdays.

Be sure to STOP at all the Stop Signs and slow down near the crosswalks!

The parking lots are for STAFF use only; please do not use them for student drop-off/pick-up as our staff are trying to park or leave safely every day.

Please remind your student(s) to use marked crosswalks to cross all the streets near school.



We do not have enough staff to manage or supervise all of the school front drop-off or pick-up areas at APG; we welcome parent/caregiver volunteers to help us at those times - <a href="mailto:emailt



No School from December 19 - January 2