

# APG Family Bulletin

2/22/2023

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# Upcoming APG Events

2/23: Beacon/BSU Student Social, Lunchtime; Girls Volleyball Playoff Game, 5:30pm, Kezar Pavilion

2/28: Deadline for ELAC Survey [[LINK](#)]

3/1: Staff Breakfast [Items needed, [SIGN UP](#)]

3/3: Donated Prizes for Raffle, last day [[EMAIL](#)]

3/8: PTSA General Meeting, 6:30pm, Zoom

3/6 - 3/10: Parent/Teacher Conferences, early dismissal at 2:15pm every day

3/18: Bike & Garden Day [[FORM](#)]

3/27 - 3/31: Spring Break, No School

[SEE CALENDAR at APGSF.COM](#)

WELLNESS REMINDER - SEE SLIDES 13-16

**FIELD TRIP CHAPERONES NEEDED on 3/2, 3/3, and 3/21!**

**Please see the slides below for details. Thank you.**

# **ELAC Families Input to Improve Services**

We would greatly appreciate if ELAC members and/or ELL parents could take 5 minutes to complete this survey – see links below – for **the 2023-2024 DELAC Recommendations to the Board of Education**. Their responses provide guidance and advice to the district on the needs and services for students learning English. It improves district programs, goals, and objectives for programs and services for English learners and their families.

**Please submit your response by February 28, 2023.**

- [ELAC Survey in English](#)
- [ELAC Survey in Chinese](#)
- [ELAC Survey in Spanish](#)
- [QR Code for English, Chinese, and Spanish Surveys](#)

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請在2023年2月28日  
前完成及遞交問件調查



# We would love Coffee + More Food donated for our Staff Breakfast on Wednesday, March 1st! Thank you!

**SIGN UP HERE**

[signup.com/go/kvfgGGc](https://signup.com/go/kvfgGGc)



**APG Staff Breakfasts 2022-23**  
Fri Sep 2, 2022 – Fri May 5, 2023

Thank you for helping out with our monthly staff breakfast by bringing an item for our staff to enjoy! Please bring your offering to the GARDEN or front desk between 8:00a-8:20a on the day of the event. Thanks!

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▼ Wed Mar 1, 2023 5 of 22 Filled

SPOT	TIME	FILLED	PARTICIPANTS	
> 1 Dozen Bagels, assorted, halved Thank you so much for volunt...	8:00am – 8:20am	1 of 1	(0) <span style="color: green;">R</span>	FULL
> 1 Dozen Bagels, assorted, halved Thank you so much for volunt...	8:00am – 8:20am	1 of 1	(1) <span style="color: purple;">ST</span>	FULL
> 2 Dozen Boiled Eggs Thank you so much for volunt...	8:00am – 8:20am	0 of 1	(0)	SIGN UP
> 2 Tubs of Yogurt & 1 bag of Granola Thank you so much for volunt...	8:00am – 8:20am	1 of 1	(0) <span style="color: green;">MP</span>	FULL
> 2 containers, cream cheese, variety Thank you so much for volunt...	8:00am – 8:20am	0 of 1	(0)	SIGN UP
> Baked Goods, your choice Thank you so much for volunt...	8:00am – 8:20am	1 of 1	(0) <span style="color: red;">ST</span>	FULL
> Baked Goods, your choice Thank you so much for volunt...	8:00am – 8:20am	0 of 1	(0)	SIGN UP
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**WE WOULD LOVE DONATIONS  
OF PRIZES FOR OUR  
UPCOMING PTSA RAFFLE!**  
(*examples: gift cards, tech hardware,  
gift baskets, sports tickets, etc.*)

**PLEASE EMAIL US BY  
MARCH 3RD AT  
[gianninipta@gmail.com](mailto:gianninipta@gmail.com)**

**THANK YOU!**

# PARENTS/CAREGIVERS - FIELD TRIP HELP 1

Hi 8th Grade Families,

My 8th grade science classes will be going on a field trip to the **Exploratorium on March 2nd and 3rd**. Students should be on time to their first period class at 9:30am; we will depart shortly after that time.

We will enjoy the exhibits at the Exploratorium and will be taking the bus/public transportation.

I need more parent chaperones to make this trip happen - **RSVP HERE** if you're able and interested.

Thank you,  
Ms. Liu  
[liud2@sfusd.edu](mailto:liud2@sfusd.edu)

*I need YOUR HELP in order to offer YOUR students this fun adventure. I would love to have more parent chaperones! Please **RSVP** and save the dates of 3/2 and 3/3 for their field trip! Thank you!*





# **PARENTS/CAREGIVERS - FIELD TRIP HELP 2**

Hi 6th Grade Families,

The 6th grade class will be going on our second **Ocean Ambassadors'** field trip on **Tuesday, March 21st.** Students should be on time to their regular first period class at 9:30am; we will depart shortly after that. We need chaperones!

This field trip takes us to observe marine mammals and sea animals in their natural habitats. We will be taking chartered buses to Tiburon, where we will have a short ferry boat cruise around the bay, and spend some time in a local park, observing wildlife.

Look for the permission slips and more information in early March. If you have questions in the meantime, please **reach out to your 6th grade student's science teacher.** As always, we need 3 chaperones per class to make this trip happen - please save the date of 3/21 if you're able and interested in joining us.

Thank you,  
Spanier, Vendrolini, Nadig, and Van  
6th Grade Science Teachers

*We need YOUR HELP in order to offer YOUR students this fun adventure. We would love to have at least three chaperones per class! Please email your 6th grade student's science teacher and save the date of 3/21 for their field trip! More details will be forthcoming, and we'd love to have you join us. Thank you!*



Dear APG Families,

As a reminder, our **parent-teacher conferences will be held from March 6 - 10 (2:15-4:00)**. Because we have 1,200 students, holding an individual parent conference for every child within the PTC window is not possible. However, you may have received a request from the grade-level counselor to meet with your child's teachers, or you may be interested in requesting a conference to find out how your child is doing and what you can do to partner with your child's teacher to make sure they have a successful school year. We encourage your children to participate in the conference. For your convenience, the conferences will be virtual unless you prefer an in-person meeting. As a reminder, **there will be EARLY DISMISSAL AT 2:15PM DAILY for ALL STUDENTS from March 6-10** to accommodate conferences. Suppose you did not receive a request to meet for a conference from the counselors and you are interested in connecting with your children's teachers to see how things are going this semester. In that case, you can schedule a conference by contacting the grade-level counselors; see info below. Our goal is to meet with all families interested in a conference.

❖ **Contact your child's grade-level counselor to schedule a conference:**

- **6th Grade - Mr. McDaniel ([McDanielS@sfusd.edu](mailto:McDanielS@sfusd.edu))**
- **7th Grade - Ms. Mei ([meib@sfusd.edu](mailto:meib@sfusd.edu))**
- **8th Grade - Mr. Jang ([JangJ1@sfusd.edu](mailto:JangJ1@sfusd.edu))**





## Changes to Transportation Services to Support Parent-Teacher Conferences



November 14-18, 2022  
March 6-10, 2023



All elementary and middle school buses will have early dismissal during the weeks of November 14-18, 2022, and March 6-10, 2023, to support Parent-Teacher Conferences. The early dismissal will be based on the Wednesday schedule.

*If, for example, a school has a 12:50 pm dismissal time on Wednesdays, during parent conference week the dismissal for Monday through Friday will be 12:50 pm. All buses, GenEd and IEP, will adhere to the revised schedule for Parent-Teacher Conference week.*

**Note: PK (both EES and co-located classes) are not impacted and their schedule and length of day remains the same.**



The following services will be canceled during the weeks of Parent-Teacher Conferences to accommodate this change in the bell schedule.

- Elementary & middle school early releases
- Elementary, middle, and high school Therapy services after 12:00 pm
- All field trips using Zum buses

Please contact the Transportation Team if you have any clarifying questions or would like more information.

415-695-5505



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# AP GIANNINI BIKE AND GARDEN DAY SATURDAY, MARCH 18TH 9AM-2PM



**FREE BIKE TUNE-UPS AND REPAIRS  
PREPARE OUR GARDEN FOR SPRING  
SNACKS AND COFFEE  
MEET OUR CHICKENS**

**DO YOU HAVE SUCCULENTS TO SHARE? BRING SUCCULENT CLIPPINGS TO  
BEAUTIFY THE APG GROUNDS!**



Please Fill out this [Form](https://forms.gle/jwxu9VgNckCToEct8) if interested in attending or volunteering for the event:  
<https://forms.gle/jwxu9VgNckCToEct8>

## AP GIANNINI BIKE AND GARDEN DAY

### Bike and Garden Day Interest

We are excited to have you join our APG Bike & Garden Day on Saturday, March 18, 2023 from 9:00am - 2:00pm!

Garden - we will be preparing our awesome school garden for Spring! Coffee and light snacks will be provided for garden volunteers. Garden work is from 9am-2pm.

The Bike Mobile\* will be fixing the public's bikes for FREE! If you're bringing a bike for tune-up/repair, be sure to bring your helmet with you as well. They will be at APG from 9am-1pm.

The Y Bike\* program will help children and adults learn how to ride bikes for FREE. Helmet and bike provided to borrow/learn onsite. If you have your own helmet, please bring it with you. They will be at APG from 9am-1pm.

\* Note: the Bike Mobile tune-ups/repairs and Y Bike rides are First-come, First-served, so be sure to come by earlier to sign up for a free spot before they run out.

\*\*\* VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for BIKE GROUPS - if you're available to volunteer with the Bike Mobile or Y Bike, please email us at [gianninpta@gmail.com](mailto:gianninpta@gmail.com) today. Shifts are 9a-1p, 9a-11am, 11am-1pm.

Thank you!  
Beacon & PTSA





# A.P. GIANNINI MIDDLE SCHOOL PTSA · 家长教师学生会

## 2023 APG PTSA Board Nomination Form

We invite you to nominate yourself or other PTSA members to join our fabulous 2023-2024 APG PTSA Board by March 24, 2023. The open positions are listed below. All positions have one-year terms and range from 2 to 10 hours of commitment each month.

Elections will be held during the PTSA general meeting on April 12, 2023 at 6:30pm. We expect all nominees to attend the election meeting (held via Zoom). If you are nominating someone else, please remember to ask your nominee first before submitting their name on this form. Thanks!

Note: To be eligible, a nominee must have been a current PTSA member for at least 30 days prior to the Election. This means the deadline for a nominee to join the APG PTSA is March 10, 2023. To become a member, visit <https://jointotem.com/ca/san-francisco/a-p-giannini-middle-school-ptsa> (it's \$10 membership fee, and there is a \$1 convenience fee thru TOTEM).

Here is some information about the primary duties of APG's PTSA board members: <https://bit.ly/2tI4qRj>. If you have questions about any particular position(s), please let us know!



**Nomination Form**

**[forms.gle/kkBrfJNaX228GoJJ6](https://forms.gle/kkBrfJNaX228GoJJ6)**



# APG OPEN HOUSE ~ APRIL 22, 2023

We need MANY Parent, Student and Staff Volunteers to make our upcoming Open House event a big success for our community. Please EMAIL US today at [GianniniPTA@gmail.com](mailto:GianniniPTA@gmail.com) if you can help out anytime between 10:00am to 3:30pm on 4/22. Thank you!

**A. P. GIANNINI MIDDLE SCHOOL**

*Open House*







# **REMINDER**

Please help our APG community stay healthy. If you are a student with symptoms of cold/ flu/ RSV/ Covid19/ Noravirus/ any virus, please stay home to rest and recover. We encourage you to test for Covid19 as well. **Students and families may request an antigen test kit in-person from our Wellness Center** from Nurse Judy Zheng or Ms. Dean / Social Worker. We also have access to COLOR testing kits thru March. Read more below.

## **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 [COVID testing options](#) on the SFUSD website for central office locations. For city testing options, please visit [sf.gov/drop-testing](https://sf.gov/drop-testing).

**THANK YOU!**

# 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 [updated public health guidance](#) 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](mailto:covidreporting@sfusd.edu)
- If unable to perform the above, please contact your grade Counselor and Ms. Dawson at our school.

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](mailto:ZhengJ1@sfusd.edu)).



# Updated: ABSENCES, PERMIT TO LEAVE & LATE ARRIVAL PROTOCOL

## Absences

1. To report an absence **email** our attendance clerk **Stacey Dawson** at [dawsons@sfusd.edu](mailto:dawsons@sfusd.edu) or call the Counseling Office at **415-759-2773**
2. Notes, emails or voicemails are **required** for reporting an Absence (i.e. illness or medical appointment see full list on next slide)  
Provide the following: Student's Name, Grade, Date, Reason for Absence, Parent Name (Signature if written note)
3. Students must bring 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(Synergy/ParentVue). Thanks for your patience.**

## Permit To Leave School

Students **MUST come to the counseling office** to pick up a **Permit to Leave School before 9:30AM**

1. Provide the following in a note, email or voice mail: Student's Name, Grade, Date, **Time and Reason for Leaving**, Parent Name (Signature if written note) Have your student **come to the counseling office** to pick up a **Permit to Leave School before 9:30AM**
2. Students without a valid Permit To Leave School **will not be allowed to leave** the school campus.
3. Students with a Permit to Leave can leave the school at the authorized time **parents do not need to enter the school**
4. Please avoid calling at lunch time for an unplanned pick up ([see bell schedule](#)).
5. Please remind your student to **come to the counseling office to pick up their Permit To Leave School before 9:30AM**

## Late Arrival to School - Tardy

1. **Students who arrive late** to school (after 9:30AM) **MUST** come to the Counseling Office to obtain a tardy pass before being allowed to attend class.
2. **Excused Tardy:** Notes, emails or voicemails are **required** for reporting a Tardy (i.e. illness or medical appointment see full list on next slide)  
Provide the following: Student's Name, Grade, Date, Reason for Tardy, Parent Name (Signature if written note)



## **Valid Excused Absences from School (Absences excused by State Law)**

**Verification of student absences from school is accepted only from parents/guardians/caregivers, or the student if they are 18 years old or older.** CA Education Code 48205 states that a student shall be excused from school when the absence is:

1. Due to their **illness**.
2. Due to **quarantine** under the direction of a county or city health officer.
3. For the purpose of having **medical, dental, optometric, or chiropractic services** rendered.
4. For the purpose of attending the **funeral services** of a member of their immediate family, so long as the absence is not more than one day if the service is conducted in California and not more than three days if the service is conducted outside California.
5. For the purpose of **jury duty** in the manner provided for by law. Due to the illness or medical appointment during school hours of a child of whom the student is the custodial parent.
6. For **justifiable personal reasons**, including, but not limited to, an appearance in court, attendance at a funeral service, observance of a holiday or ceremony of their religion, attendance at religious retreats, attendance at an employment conference, attendance at an educational conference on the legislative or judicial process offered by a nonprofit organization, or a visit to a college or university, when the student's absence has been requested in writing by the parent or guardian and approved in advance by the principal or a designated representative pursuant to uniform standards established by the governing board.
7. For the purpose of serving as a member of a precinct board for an election pursuant to Section 12302 of the Elections Code.
8. To spend time with an immediate family member who is an active duty member of the uniformed services, as defined in CA Education Code 49701, and has been called to duty for deployment to a combat zone or a combat support position or is on leave from or has immediately returned from such deployment.
9. To attend their **naturalization ceremony** to become a United States citizen.
10. To participate in religious exercises or to receive moral and religious instruction, subject to the following conditions: the student has parent/guardian written consent for the absence; is in grades 4-12; shall attend at least the minimum school day; and shall be excused from school for this purpose on no more than four days per school month, and no more than 60 minutes on a single day once a week, during the last hour of the school day.