

APG Family Bulletin

12/11/2024



Calendar of Events

- Thru 12/13 Online APG Beanie Sale - save over 20%! [APG shop](#)
- 12/5 - 12/15 Sports Basement + APG, 20% Sale for Basementeers
- 12/11 Winter Concert (Advanced Levels), 6:00-7:30pm, APG Auditorium
- 12/13 Lost & Found - last day to check for lost items before they're donated that evening
- 12/13 Staff Holiday Luncheon; Please [VOLUNTEER](#) to bring dessert, help serve, or clean up!
- 12/18 Family Event: Warm Wishes and Wellness, 5:00- 7:00pm, [RSVP HERE by Dec 12](#)
- 12/18 - 12/20 APG Wellness Fest, daily activities, see details in flier below
- 12/21 - 1/5 Winter Break, No School**
- 1/6/25 First day of Spring Semester
- 1/20 Martin Luther King Holiday. No school
- 1/29 Lunar New Year Observance. No school

- [Arts Newsletter, Click Here](#)
- Ongoing: [Donate to APG PTSA](#) to support our students!



WINTER BREAK!

**DECEMBER 23 - JANUARY 3
NO SCHOOL DURING BREAK**

DONATE TO SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL

GIVE A LITTLE.
HELP A LOT.



APG

Scan to
donate
today!



tinyurl.com/APGdonate





Our APG Lost and Found is overflowing and getting larger each day. There are water bottles, lunch boxes, lots and lots of jackets and sweatshirts, too. [If these items are not picked up by Dec. 13, they will be donated.](#) Students should check for lost items. Parents are also welcome to stop by the school office, sign in, and check the lost and found area, which is in the school yard area by the lunch tables.



A.P. Giannini Middle School

Fall 2024

The Arts Department

Quarterly Newsletter



UPCOMING EVENTS

December 11 - Winter Concert, Advanced Level Orchestra, Choir, Band & Guitar

December 17 - Orchestra, Embarcadero Center

December 18 - Band, City Hall

*** SAVE THE DATE ***

APRIL 26, 2025, 10a-2pm, Sunset Arts Festival at APG





APG ATHLETICS

FOLLOW US ON
INSTAGRAM

CONGRATS TO OUR GIRLS BASKETBALL, GIRLS SOCCER AND BOYS BASKETBALL TEAMS FOR A GREAT SEASON!

APG ATHLETICS GOOGLE CLASSROOM

For the latest information and updates regarding Giannini Athletics, please have your child (using their SFUSD student account) join the APG Athletics Google Classroom. Click on the “+” or “join class” and type in the class code: **ommj472**

*** PAPERWORK THROUGH HOME CAMPUS ***

The SFUSD Athletics Office asks parents/guardians to submit all athletic paperwork at <http://www.homecampus.com>.

- Use this link to [create an account and complete paperwork](#)
- Use this link for [instructions on using Home Campus](#)
- Follow this link for a [Home Campus walkthrough video](#)

[Student Athlete Pre-participation Physical Form](#) Requires doctor signature. Upload page 4 to the athlete's Home Campus account.

[Parent Consent Form](#) If not checked off on Home Campus, one form must be submitted for each sport.

Athletes can only participate in tryouts once all forms are completed and submitted on Home Campus and they receive official clearance from us.

Questions? Email Athletic Director, Mr. Alfaro, at alfaroi.c@sfusd.edu

For more information about athletics, please click here: [APG Athletics Information](#)

For an overview of Tryouts, please click here: [Tryouts](#)

SALE EXTENDED
TO
DECEMBER 13!
CLICK HERE



SALE

\$14
BEANIE
SALE



12/2-12/11

gear.apgsf.com





Holiday Luncheon

HELP NEEDED!

On December 13th, 11:20AM - 2:15PM

At our APG Staff Holiday Luncheon

**FAMILIES - please [VOLUNTEER](#) to bring a dessert,
Let's treat our teachers and staff to a relaxing holiday
lunch before the year wraps up!**

Happy holidays from A.P. Giannini and Sports Basement! Enjoy up to 20% off at your local Sports Basement store from December 5 - 15, 2024! Please show this flier at the register for your exclusive discount. 10% of the profits made from our Sports Basement Basemateer supporters will go back to A.P. Giannini! Some exclusions apply - see Sports Basement's website for details.



YOU'RE INVITED TO A HOLIDAY SHOPPING EVENT!
HEAD TO SPORTS BASEMENT FOR:
20% OFF
FOR BASEMENTEERS

FROM THURSDAY, DEC. 5
THROUGH SUNDAY, DEC. 15
NON-BASEMENTEERS SAVE 11%



*Even sale items! Coupon combines with store specials and markdowns but not other coupons. Valid in-store only from 12/5/24-12/15/24. Basemateers will be emailed their online code on December 5th. Coupon not valid on trips, rentals, gift cards, bikes or services. See website for exclusions. Basemateers save 11% then add their 10% for 20% off (because math).





JOIN US FOR

WARM WISHES & WELLNESS

DECEMBER 18, 2024;
FROM 5 PM TO 7:00 PM

A.P. Giannini Cafeteria

- 5:00PM Wellness Center Q&A
- 5:45PM Dinner and Cookie Decorating
- 6:30PM Raffle Winner Announcement



Bonus Cookie
Potluck!
Please bring
cookies to share!



RSVP HERE

Get in the holiday spirit and hang out with our fabulous APG Wellness Team and other APG families!

Wednesday, December 18th
5-7pm, APG Cafeteria

We will have hot food and refreshments, cookie decorating, raffles, and an additional cookie potluck. Don't miss this FREE event for all families!

RSVP HERE by
Dec 10th



WELLNESS FEST

DECEMBER 2024

GAMES, PRIZES, AND MORE!

Learn more about mental health wellness and creating a safe space at APG!

COMMUNITY RESOURCE LUNCH FAIR

@ the Auditorium lobby during lunch

WED
18

THU
19



ANTI-BULLYING CAMPAIGN

Advisory Presentation

SCHOOL CLUB LUNCH FAIR

@ the Auditorium lobby during lunch



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All Students are encouraged to attend our December 18-20 Wellness events



Donate recycled materials for APG Garden Classes!

What You Can Donate:

- Clean takeout boxes
- Disposable containers with lids
- Paper towel rolls
- Cardboard boxes (small, shoebox size)

Collection Dates:

**Dec 16 -
Jan 31**

Drop off at the APG
Beacon Office

These materials will be upcycled for Garden Projects! Thank you for your support. If you have any questions, reach out to Teacher Ansel: aschoonhoven@bacr.org



**WE ARE IN NEED OF MANY VOLUNTEERS
ACROSS MANY SCHOOL EVENTS!
PLEASE GIVE US AN HOUR OF YOUR TIME
TO SUPPORT OUR STUDENTS AND STAFF.
THANK YOU!**

ONGOING: LUNCHTIME GARDEN SUPERVISION

STAFF APPRECIATION BREAKFAST 1/8, 2/5

HELP ON A SCHOOL TOUR, Jan

HELP ORGANIZE THE LOST & FOUND (email the office)

STAFF HOLIDAY LUNCHEON 12/13

A.P. Giannini Middle School

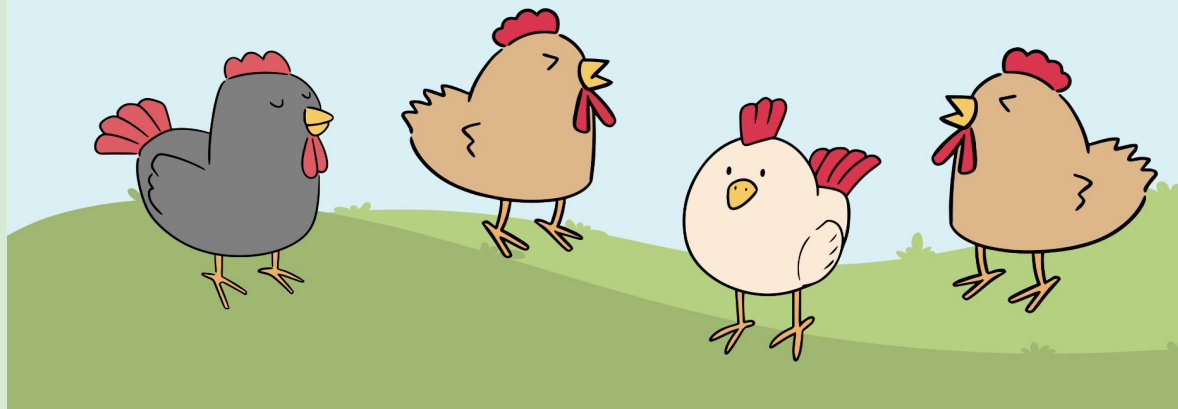
Chicken Care

Weekends and School Holidays

Feed the
chickens

Clean the
chicken coop

Take fresh
eggs home!



[Sign Up for Chicken Care Here](#)

Questions? Email Garden Teacher Ansel, aschoonhoven@bacr.org

PARENT VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Garden Supervision, Lunchtime on Tuesdays and Thursdays



Tasks include supervision with the possibility of supporting Teacher Ansel with Garden Club. [Sign up HERE.](#)

- Tuesdays, 12:25 to 1:05 PM
- Thursdays, 12:42 to 1:22 PM

[Sign Up Here](#)

Please consider signing up for a day, or many days!

More Volunteers needed for November and December

Sweatpants (Small / XXLarge) Donations for the Wellness Center

Drop off in Main Office or Room 128



Please donate sweatpants to the Wellness Center. Sometimes, students have accidents and need spare pants. We especially need them in sizes Small and XXLarge.

You can drop them off in the Main Office or Wellness Center (Room 128). If you have any questions, please email Nurse Judy at zhengj1@sfusd.edu.



John O'Connell is hosting their 10th annual toy giveaway!

Saturday, December 14th
10am-2pm, John O'Connell
High School

There will be a line, so make sure to arrive EARLY. Many toys will be given out!

JOHN O'CONNELL HIGH SCHOOL 2355 FOLSOM ST SF 94110

Hot Meals & Food Pantries

Mother Brown's
Dining Room

2111 Jennings St, SF 94124
Scan QR Code for hours



Mission Food Hub

701 Alabama St, SF 94110
Scan QR Code for hours



Booker T. Washington
Community Service Center

800 Presidio Ave, SF 94115
Pantry: Wed. 10am-12pm
Hot Meals: Fri. 3:30-6pm



St. Anthony's 121 Golden Gate Ave, SF 94102, 1st Floor
Scan QR Code for hours



La Raza Community
Resource Center

474 Valencia St, SF 94103
Available Wed. 1-5pm



Central Tenderloin
Neighborhood Pantry (TNDC) 210 Golden Gate Ave, SF 94102
Scan QR Code to register



Clothing & Toys

St. Anthony's "Giving
Thanks on Golden Gate"

Free clothes and
holiday treats. Scan
QR code for details



Mission Neighborhood Health Center
Annual Children's Christmas Party 240 Shotwell St,
SF 94110

Code Tenderloin
"Joy to the City" Ice skating and toy giveaway.
Scan QR code for details



Safe & Sound's
Holiday Toy Store 3450 3rd St, SF 94124
Dec 7, Dec 12, Dec 14

SF Firefighters
Annual Toy Drive 325 Newhall St, SF 94124
Nov 30, 10am-4pm



Youth First's Holiday
Extravaganza and
Celebration 801 Shields St, SF 94132
Dec 13, 2-5pm, toy giveaway,
photos with Santa, bike raffle

One Warm Coat Drive Multiple locations. Scan the
QR Code for more details



For a comprehensive list of holiday resources, please reach out to rr@childrenscouncil.org

Holiday Resources

Winter Break Programs

Las Luciernagas

Year-round
2095 Harrison St., SF 94110



YMCA (Citywide)

Year-round
Scan QR code to
find your nearest
club



Jamestown
Community Center

Year-round
2929 19th St. SF 94110



Family Connections
Centers

Year-round
Excelsior, Portola, & Visitacion
Valley

Scan QR Code for
information on K-8th
grade programs



Boys & Girls
Club (Citywide)

Year-round
Scan QR code to find your
nearest club



Wah Mei
Winter Camp

TK-5th Grade
1555 Irving St., SF 94122



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San Francisco Public Library T(w)een Winter Read

Learn more

T(w)een Winter Read starts Dec. 1, 2024 and ends Jan. 10, 2025. For ages 10–18.

Grab a paper activity log at any San Francisco Public Library location starting in December.
Receive a free book of your choosing as a registration prize!

Record time you spend reading or participating at library programs on your activity log.

Receive a Museum of Craft and Design MakeArt kit or an additional free book when you complete 10 hours of participation. Completion prizes are available starting Dec. 15, while supplies last.

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Bayview Hunters Point YMCA Presents

THE 27TH ANNUAL UNITY PARADE



COMING TOGETHER FOR OUR

UNITY PARADE, RALLY, TOY, AND CLOTHES GIVEAWAY!

DATE: DECEMBER 14TH, 2024

PARADE STARTS TIME: 11AM

START LOCATION:

**MARTIAN LUTHER KING PARK
5701 3rd St.**

**END LOCATION: JOSEPH LEE GYM
1598 OAKDALE AVE**

ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT

REV. 415.240.0312 | DONNA 415.724.7183 | SUGG 415.672.3633

Bayview Hunters Point Unity Parade & Rally

The 27th Annual Unity Parade and Rally will take place on Saturday, Dec. 14. The committee is proud to celebrate another year of peace and joy during the holiday season with a toy drive and free food for all.

Date: Saturday, Dec. 14th at 11:00am

Location: The parade starts at 11 a.m. at MLK Park, 5701 3rd St., San Francisco, Calif., 94124. The parade ends at Joseph Lee Gym, 1598 Oakdale Ave.

What to expect: Parade, rally, toy & clothes giveaway

Contact: Rev. Burch at 415-240-0313

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Refer a student for MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT

News from our Wellness Center!

Parents & Caregivers:
use this QR code to
request wellness
support for your
student. Or students can
refer themselves.

No smartphone? Use this [LINK](#)



REFERRAL FORM

A.P. Giannini cares about our students' mental health! Refer a child to receive services from the Wellness Center.

Once a referral is made, the student will be contacted by a member of the Wellness Center for a short consultation.



来自我们的健康中心的消息！

家长和监护人：使用此二维码为您的学生申请健康支持。或者学生可以自行申请。

没有智能手机？[使用此链接](#)

推荐学生 心理健康支持



转介表格

A.P. Giannini 关心我们学生的心理健康！推荐孩子接受健康中心的服务。

一旦提出转诊，健康中心的一名成员将与学生联系，进行简短的咨询。

¡Novedades de nuestro Centro de Bienestar!

Padres y tutores: utilicen este código QR para solicitar apoyo de bienestar para su estudiante. Los estudiantes también pueden solicitarlo ellos mismos.

¿No tienes un teléfono inteligente? Usa este [ENLACE](#)

Recomienda a un estudiante para APOYO DE SALUD MENTAL



FORMULARIO DE REFERENCIA

¡A A.P. Giannini le importa la salud mental de nuestros estudiantes! Refiera a un niño para que reciba servicios del Centro de Bienestar.

Una vez realizada la derivación, un miembro del Centro de Bienestar se comunicará con el estudiante para una

APG Attendance Office

New this School Year

- Report your student for a **Full Day** absence in your **ParentVUE** account via the mobile app or desktop
 - Instructions from **SFUSD**
 - **Note:** This form is for a **FULL DAY** absence only.
- **Early Dismissal / Permit to Leave School online form**

Reminder: Your student is responsible for picking up their ***Permit to Leave School slip*** from the Counseling Office before the start of school from 9:00am- 9:30am.

Students with a ***Permit to Leave School*** will exit from the main office doors.

Please don't pull into our parking lots nor block the school/city buses to pick up your student.

Other ways to report Attendance issues

Email Attendance

404_APAttendance@sfusd.edu

Provide a written note to the Counseling Office Admin, Ms. Dawson

Phone our Counseling Office at 415-759-2773

In all communications with the school regarding a student's absence or request to leave, please provide the following:

- Your name and identify yourself as the parent/guardian/caregiver of the student
- Student's name
- Date(s) of the absence(s) or leave
- Reason for the absence or leave
- Signature of a parent/caregiver and current date (if a written note)

EXCUSED ABSENCES & ILLNESSES

What to do if your student does not feel well? PLEASE STAY AT HOME!

If your student is exhibiting any of the symptoms below, please have your student stay home and rest. For fever: please return to school after 24 hours of being fever-free, without medication, has passed.

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
Pinkeye	Rash	Mouth Sores	Abdominal Pain	Runny Nose

Families may be contacted for further follow up if needed for an ill student. If you are called to pick up your sick student, please do so promptly or arrange for them to get home safely immediately. We have limited spaces in our Wellness Center/School for sick students to wait without exposing others. If you have any questions regarding the SFUSD illness protocol, please **visit webpage [HERE](#)** or contact our School Nurse, Judy (ZhengJ1@sfusd.edu).

HANDBOOK: EXCUSED/UNEXCUSED ABSENCES

4.1.4 Excused and Unexcused Absences

Student and Family Handbook

Chapter 1: Welcome ∨

Chapter 2: SFUSD's Commitment to Families and Students ∨

Chapter 3: Family Resources and Rights ∨

Chapter 4: Student Academic Expectations ∧

4.1 Attendance Guidelines ∧

4.1.1 Importance of Attendance

4.1.2 Recommendations for Temporary School Exclusion Due to Illness

4.1.3 What Parents/Caregivers Should Do When a Student Will Be Absent

4.1.4 Excused and Unexcused

Excused and Unexcused Absences

([SFUSD Board Policy 5113](#))

Valid Excused Absences (Absences Excused by State law)

Verification of student absences 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 the pupil's illness, including an absence for the benefit of the pupil's mental or behavioral health.
- 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 or grieving the death of either a member of the pupil's immediate family, or of a person that is determined by the pupil's parent or guardian to be in such close association with the pupil as to be considered the pupil's immediate family, so long as the absence is not more than five days per incident.
- 5 For the purpose of jury duty in the manner provided for by law.
- 6 Due to the illness or medical appointment during school hours of a child of whom the pupil is the custodial parent, including absences to care for a sick child, for which the school shall not require a note from a doctor.

Importance of Attendance

California law requires that children between the ages of 6 and 18 attend school every day. While the law does not currently apply to children below the age of six, research shows that early education (pre-school and kindergarten) is essential for future academic success. It is the parent/caregiver's responsibility to ensure that their child gets to school every day.

Tips for Parents/Caregivers: Getting to School on Time

- Make sure your child goes to bed early and gets a good night's sleep.
- Develop a morning routine (get dressed, eat breakfast, brush teeth) and stick with it.
- Talk with your child about the importance of attending school every day for academic success.
- Arrange a time every night without interruptions for your child to do homework.

Regular Attendance is Essential!

National and local research has shown that students with frequent absences, whether excused or unexcused, have lower literacy levels, lower grades and higher drop-out rates than students who attend school regularly.

The Governing Board believes that regular attendance plays an important role in student achievement. The Board will work with parents/guardians and students to ensure their compliance with all state attendance laws and may use appropriate legal means to correct problems of chronic absence or truancy. **Absence in excess of 10% or more days of school, whether those absences are excused or unexcused, will be considered Chronic Absence.**

For support in keeping your child in school, or if you have any questions about District Attendance Policy, please contact your school administrator or the Student Family Services Division, by calling (415) 340-1716, emailing sflink@sfusd.edu or submit an online form at familylink.sfusd.edu.

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