

# APG Family Bulletin

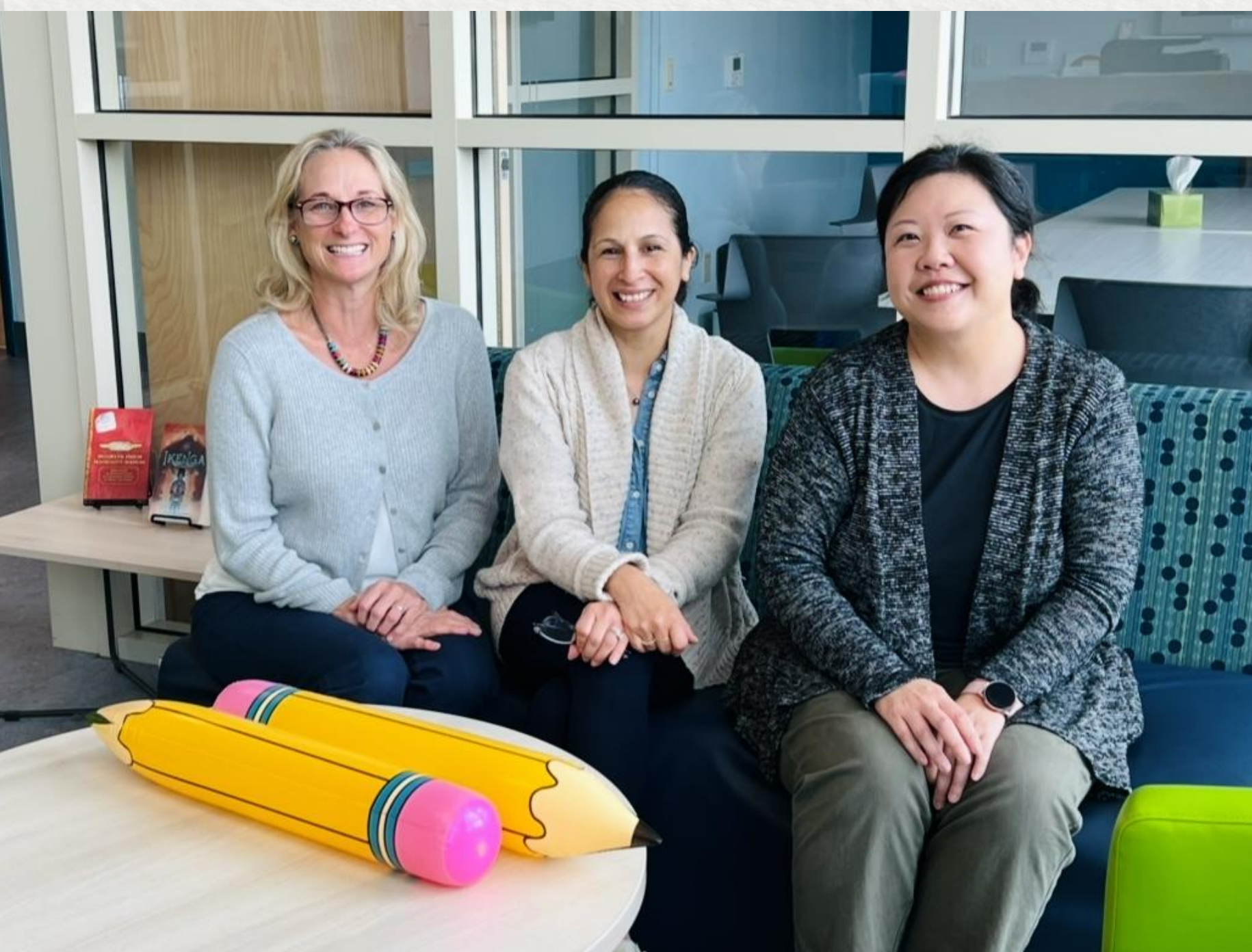
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4/23/2025

# Calendar of Events

- 4/23 Intermediate Concert, 6pm-7:30pm, APG Auditorium, all are welcome
- 4/25 APG Dance Showcase, 6pm, Auditorium, FREE! / Last day to sign up as a Career Day Volunteer [HERE](#)
- 4/26 Sunset Art Festival + APG Open House + Bike Clinic, Jaguar Gear available, 10am - 2pm
- 4/28 - 5/2 Track Team Meets + All-City Finals [SCHEDULE](#) (note, this is during SBAC testing week)
- 4/28 - 5/2 ELA SBAC, All Grades [Modified Bell Schedule](#)
- 5/5 - 5/9 Math SBAC, All Grades [Modified Bell Schedule](#)
- 5/12 - 5/16 Science SBAC for 8th graders only
- 5/7 Beginning Concert, 6pm-7:30pm, APG Auditorium, all are welcome
- 5/5 - 5/9 Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week
- 5/8 Staff Appreciation Breakfast [SIGN UP TO DONATE FOOD/COFFEE](#)
- 5/14 Advanced Concert, 6pm-7:30pm, APG Auditorium, all are welcome
- 5/15 34th Annual APG Athletic Awards Dinner, 6:00-8:30pm, APG Cafeteria (for student-athletes + parents)
- 5/23 Career Day at APG, 2:40-4.00pm, 8th Graders
- 5/26 Memorial Day Holiday, No School (Monday)**
- 5/30 8th Grade Celebration at School [Volunteers Needed](#)
- 6/2 8th Grade Promotion [Volunteers Needed](#)
- 6/4 Last Day of School





Happy Admin  
Professionals Week to  
Ms. Anna  
Ms. Rubio  
Ms. Dawson





# A. P. Giannini SBAC MODIFIED Bell Schedule 2024-2025

Week of Apr 28, 2025 - ELA SBAC and CAA's in ELA classes 6 - 8

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(WEDNESDAY bell schedule remains the same.) (revised 3/3/25)

Week of May 12, 2025 - 8th grade science SBAC and CAA's - regular schedule, tests given within 8th grade Science classes all week

Monday - April 28 ELA CAT and part 1 of ELA PT		Tuesday - April 29 ELA CAT and part 1 of ELA PT		Thursday - May 1 ELA Part 2 of PT and ELA make-ups		Friday - May 2 ELA Part 2 of PT and ELA make-ups	
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Period 2.1	11:31 - 12:24	Period 5.1	11:31 - 12:24	Period 2.1	11:31 - 12:24	Period 5.1	11:31 - 12:24
Lunch	12:24 - 1:06	Lunch	12:24 - 1:06	Lunch	12:24 - 1:06	Lunch	12:24 - 1:06
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## SPRING CONCERTS

April 23 - Intermediate Concert, 6pm, Auditorium

April 25 - Dance Showcase, 6pm, Auditorium

April 26 - Sunset Art/Music Festival at APG

May 7 - Beginner Concert, 6pm, Auditorium

May 14 - Advanced Concert, 6pm, Auditorium

\*Note: all concerts are FREE!

Enjoy student  
work and other  
creations!

FREE NO  
RESERVATION  
REQUIERED



# APG DANCE

JOIN US FOR OUR  
ANNUAL DANCE  
SHOWCASE

APRIL 25TH AT 6:00PM  
A. P. GIANNINI MS AUDITORIUM



## NOTE

APG Garden invites YOU to bring YOUR own compost to contribute to our brand new 3-bin composting system. This Saturday 4/26, when you visit our open house, come down to the garden to learn about composting and see how APG helps prevent food waste.

Details on  
our  
Website

A.P. Giannini Middle School

# SUNSET ART FESTIVAL & OPEN HOUSE



- \* Tour the campus
- \* Art and music from students
- \* Learn about PTSA and Beacon
- \* Free bike tune-ups!
- \* Learn how to ride a bike.

**APRIL 26, 2025**  
**10:00 - 2:00 PM**  
3151 ORTEGA STREET,  
SAN FRANCISCO, CA

Event details here!



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



SAN FRANCISCO  
ENVIRONMENT  
DEPARTMENT

**BikeMobile**

Bay Area  
Community  
Resources

BICYCLE  
COALITION

SFUSD SCHOOL  
HEALTH PROGRAMS  
Wellness  
Initiative

Learn more about our school here  
<https://www.sfusd.edu/school/ap-giannini-middle-school>

# SUNSET ART/MUSIC FESTIVAL PERFORMANCES ON APRIL 26

Details on  
our Website

## Library Schedule

**10-12 PM** - APG Computer Science and Computer Art Interactive Showcase

**12-2 PM** - APG Media Film Festival

## Auditorium Performance Schedule

**10:00 AM** - A.P. Giannini Middle School **Advanced Intermediate**

**10:20 AM** - Ruth Asawa SOTA **Choir**

**10:40 AM** - A.P. Giannini Middle School **Drama Scene from *Clue***

**11:00 AM** - Lowell High School **Intermediate Orchestra**

**11:20 AM** - Lowell High School **Advanced Orchestra**

**11:40 AM** - A.P. Giannini Middle School **Basso Choir**

**12:00 PM** - A.P. Giannini Middle School **Drama Scene from *Newsies, Jr.***

**12:40 PM** - Ruth Asawa SOTA **Stage Band**

**1:00 PM** - A.P. Giannini Middle School **Treble Choir**

**1:20 PM** - A.P. Giannini Middle School **Guitar Ensemble and Stage Band**

**1:40 PM** - A.P. Giannini Middle School **Advanced Band**

## Cafeteria Performance Schedule

**10:40 AM** - A.P. Giannini Middle School **Dance 2**

**11:00 AM** - A.P. Giannini Middle School **Dance 1**

**10:25 AM** - A.P. Giannini Middle School **Dance 6**

**12:15 PM** - Ruth Asawa SOTA **Dance**

**12:40 PM** - A.P. Giannini Middle School **Dance Trio**

**1:15 PM** - A.P. Giannini Middle School **Dance 3**

**1:30 PM** - A.P. Giannini Middle School **Dance Duet**

**1:45 PM** - A.P. Giannini Middle School **Dance 5 + Trio**



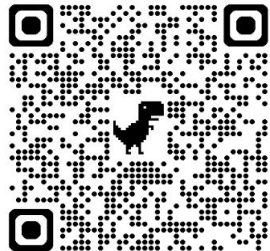
**CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS**

# **CAREER DAY**

**AT A.P. GIANNINI MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Friday, May 23, 2025  
2:20 to 4:00 PM

MORE INFO



**CAREERS NEEDED:**

- PUBLIC SERVICE
- MEDICAL
- HOSPITALITY
- FOOD SERVICE
- ART
- TRADE
- & MORE!

*Sign up by 4/25*

**Share your  
knowledge!**

**APG Career Day will allow  
our middle school students to  
explore a wide range  
of professions, and help  
them connect their academic  
learning with potential  
career paths.**

**We need you!**

**Learn more &  
volunteer HERE!**



A.P. GIANNINI MIDDLE SCHOOL

# SPRING CLOTHING SWAP

@GARDEN  
WORKDAY



## 5/04

12:30 TO 3:30 PM  
A.P. GIANNINI GARDEN  
3151 ORTEGA STREET



Refresh your wardrobe  
for the Spring!

- Bring a bag of your clothes you would like to swap (shirts, jackets, pants, dresses)
- NO shoes or undergarments.



Garden Workday  
Sunday, May 4, 2025,  
12:30-3:30pm

[[RSVP HERE](#)]





# May 8th Staff Appreciation Breakfast Please Donate Food & Coffee!

We'd love FOOD & COFFEE donations  
for our Staff Appreciation Breakfast on  
Thursday, May 8th !

**SIGN UP HERE**

**[signup.com/go/wMmuSoc](https://signup.com/go/wMmuSoc)**

Each month, our APG Families provide a  
delicious breakfast buffet for our incredible  
teachers & staff before school starts, at  
8:45-9:25AM.  
Thank you!







# APG ATHLETICS

FOLLOW US ON  
INSTAGRAM

## APG Track & Field Schedule

Cheer on our Track Team at All-City Finals 4/28 - 5/2! *Let's go, Jaguars!*

## APG ATHLETIC GEAR

Show your school team spirit! Order your APG Athletic Team Gear [HERE!](#)



Athletics Awards & Dinner: May 15th, 2025, 6:00-8:30pm, APG Cafeteria (details next slide)

## APG ATHLETICS GOOGLE CLASSROOM

For the latest info and updates on 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 [www.homecampus.com](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 p. 4 to 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](mailto:alfaroi.c@sfusd.edu)

For more info about athletics, click [HERE](#) For an overview of Tryouts, please click [HERE](#)



**The 34th Annual Athletics Awards Dinner** will be held on Thursday May 15, 2025 from 6:00pm-8:30pm in the Giannini Cafeteria. This Awards Dinner is open to any student-athlete who has played on a Giannini athletic team this school year. Each student-athlete can invite up to two parents/guardians. The last day to sign up and pay is Monday May 12th.

[SIGN UP HERE](#)

### **Ticket Pricing:**

- \$13 for one student-athlete only
- \$25 for one student-athlete + 1 parent/guardian
- \$35 for one student-athlete + 2 parents/guardians



Payment can be turned in to Mr. Alfaro after school (4pm) from May 6 - May 12 in the PE Hallway. We'll send out an email reminder for payment at the end of April.

- Cash (exact change appreciated) *or* a Check (written to "A.P. Giannini Middle School" and "Athletics" in the memo); we cannot accept Venmo PayPal, Zelle or Credit Card.
- Any additional DONATIONS to support the Athletics Department will be gladly accepted!

If you have any questions, please email Mr. Alfaro (Athletic Director) at [\*\*alfaroi.c@sfusd.edu\*\*](mailto:alfaroi.c@sfusd.edu)

# PRE-ORDERED 8TH GRADE LEI PICK UP DATES/TIMES

8th grade parents - if you ordered a 8G Graduation Lei/Stole/Yard Sign for your student this Spring, please pick up your items on these four dates:

- Thurs May 15, 8:15am-9:45am (main office)
- Fri May 16, 4:00pm-5:45pm (main entrance hallway)
- Wed May 21, 8:15am-9:45am (main office)
- Fri May 23, 4:00pm-5:45pm (main entrance hallway)

*\*You cannot purchase a Lei at these pick-up times;  
these are pre-ordered leis only for pick up by  
those who purchased their leis by 3/31.*







Volunteers  
needed

We are looking for parent volunteers to help our Eighth Graders celebrate their graduation with an incredible afternoon of activities on **FRIDAY, May 30!** Dunk Tank, obstacle course, cornhole, basketball, face painting, and so much more! We need **MANY** volunteers to make it happen.

[Sign Up Here](#)



# **WE NEED YOUR HELP WITH THE 8th Grade Promotion Ceremony**

**On Mon, June 2nd**  
**At Lincoln High School's Football Field.**

**[SIGN UP FOR ONE OF THESE SHIFTS ONLINE](#)**

We need 6G and 7G parent volunteers for the 8th Grade Promotion Ceremony on Monday, June 2nd at Lincoln HS.

- Shifts available between 11:45AM-3:30PM
- Ceremony takes place 1:00-3:00pm

Come help the eighth grade students celebrate their incredible achievements. Set up, pass out programs, direct audience to their seats, crowd control exits, and clean up. There are three volunteer shifts. This is great for 6th and 7th grade families to get a sneak peak at graduation, and help our 8th grade families enjoy their students' achievements before going to high school.

**[SIGN UP  
HERE](#)**





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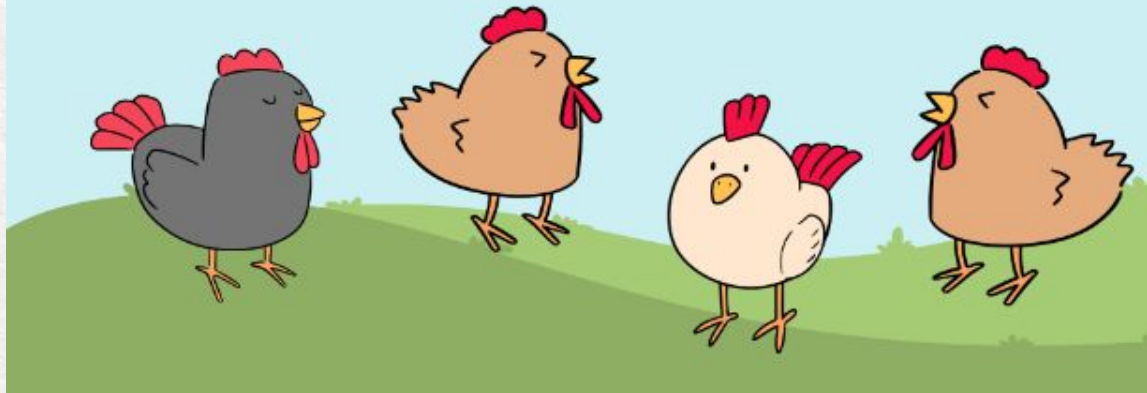
# Chicken Care

Weekends and School Holidays

Feed the chickens

Clean the chicken coop

Take fresh eggs home!



We need YOU!  
Help out on  
weekends and  
holidays with our  
four chickens!

[Sign Up for Chicken Care Here](#)

Questions? Email Garden Teacher Ansel, [aschoonhoven@bacr.org](mailto:aschoonhoven@bacr.org)



# JAG FUND: WE NEED YOUR HELP TODAY!

We've raised \$110,000 toward our \$125,000 goal. A huge shoutout to everyone who has contributed to our Jag Fund already - thank you!

We're making great progress, but we need YOUR HELP TO RAISE \$15,000 by May 30th.

Your support brings to life amazing programs like outdoor science education, a thriving garden, family socials, classroom supplies, support for the Wellness Center, P.E. uniforms, teacher grants, 8G promotion, & staff appreciation events.

Together, let's reach our goal and make APG even stronger for our students! Donations can be made through PayPal or by a Check (made to 'APG PTA').

[Learn More Here](#)

Thank you for being a vital part of our awesome public school community. Let's do this, Jaguars!



The image shows a thermometer-style progress chart for the APG Jag Fund. The thermometer is blue and has a red liquid level. The top of the thermometer is labeled 'GOAL \$125,000' in red. The current level is labeled '\$110,000' in white on a purple background. A red arrow points from the goal to the current level. The thermometer is set against a background of yellow and red. To the left of the thermometer is the APG logo (a jaguar head) and the text 'APG JAG FUND'. Below the thermometer is a QR code and the URL 'tinyurl.com/APGdonate'. To the left of the thermometer is a list of supported programs.

**APG JAG FUND**

**GOAL \$125,000**

**\$110,000**

**DONATE TO SUPPORT VITAL SCHOOL PROGRAMS**

**STUDENT, TEACHER, AND STAFF SUPPORT**

OUTDOOR EDUCATION	CLASSROOM SUPPLIES
WELLNESS CENTER	PROJECT GRANTS
TECH SUBSCRIPTIONS	P.E. EQUIPMENT
FAMILY SOCIALS	SCHOOL EVENTS
GRADUATION & PARTY	
TEACHER APPRECIATION	

[tinyurl.com/APGdonate](https://tinyurl.com/APGdonate)

**DONATE HERE!**



Dr. Maria Su will host a series of in-person town halls across San Francisco to share key updates regarding SFUSD's budget and stabilization efforts.

**We kindly request that you RSVP HERE so that we can plan accordingly.**

Dates and Locations:

- **Wednesday, April 23 from 6:00 - 7:00 pm at Mission High School**
- **MORE DATES COMING SOON!!!**

We encourage families, staff, students, and community partners to attend and participate in these conversations. If you have questions you would like addressed during the town hall, please feel free to [submit them ahead of time](#).

Spanish and Cantonese interpretation will be available during the town halls. If you would like to request additional languages for interpretation, please note that in the RSVP form at least 72 hours in advance of the town hall you will be attending. Childcare will be available as well.



## IN-PERSON STABILIZATION TOWN HALLS

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This is an opportunity to come together as a community to discuss what's important to our families, staff, students, and community supporters.

RSVP



Wednesday, March 26  
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

LAWTON K-8



Wednesday, April 16  
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

BALBOA HIGH



Thursday, April 17  
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

PRESIDIO MIDDLE



Saturday, April 19  
11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

JEAN PARKER ES



Saturday, April 19  
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

CARVER ES



Wednesday, April 23  
6:00PM - 7:00PM

MISSION HIGH



We kindly request that you RSVP so that we can plan accordingly.

Do you like to play music?  
Do you like being involved in theater?  
Do you like to dance?



**Then join our community of  
talented artists!**



Scan the QR code to connect  
with a SOTA buddy who can  
answer your questions!



# If you are in 8th grade and have a Chromebook or Hotspot checked out to you, please read this!

- Leaving SFUSD, either for another public district or an independent high school? RETURN any District-issued Chromebooks and/or Hotspots and charging cables to APG on the last day of school, in the main office or to Ms. E in the library.
- Attending an SFUSD High School? DO NOT RETURN your existing Chromebooks or Hotspots. Take your District issued Chromebook with you to 9th grade. Your SFUSD High School expects you to have your assigned Chromebook.





# Summer Opportunity for 9th Grade Girls!

Oasis for Girls provide a supportive and inclusive space where you can explore your interests, express yourself authentically, and be part of a sisterhood. At Oasis, you'll have the opportunity to learn about college and career options, explore the arts, engage in social justice issues, and develop life skills that will prepare you to succeed in high school and beyond.

Program participants will receive a stipend up to \$400, \$500, or \$600 after successful completion of their first, second and third program.

Any questions? Please contact Danielle (shimw@sfusd.edu)



**oasis**  
FOR GIRLS

Be a part of an empowering sisterhood! 🤝

Learn valuable skills! 🧠 Make money! 💰



We offer three after school and summer programs:  
**RISE, CREATE, and ENVISION**

**CREATE: ARTS & ACTIVISM**  
Do you want to explore creativity and inspire social change?

Learn how to use different art forms to express yourself and create positive change in your communities!

**RISE: LIFE SKILLS**  
Do you care about social justice and community organizing?

Explore identity, healing, and self advocacy in a safe space that centers your stories, your voice, and the communities you represent!

**ENVISION: CAREER EXPLORATION**  
Do you think about your future and career goals?

Explore your professional and post-high school options. Gain skills and experience to help you navigate the workforce!



**oasis**  
FOR GIRLS

**To Apply:**



[www.oasisforgirls.org/apply](http://www.oasisforgirls.org/apply)

**Program Schedule**  
Fall & Spring After School Programs  
Tues/Wed/Thurs 4:30-6:30pm

Summer Program  
Tues/Wed/Thurs 2:00-6:00pm

**Stipends**

- 1st Program—Earn \$400
- 2st Program—Earn \$500
- 3rd Program—Earn \$600

**DUE MAY 28, 2025 BY 8PM!**



# 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](mailto: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](mailto: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 [sfink@sfusd.edu](mailto:sfink@sfusd.edu) or submit an online form at [familylink.sfusd.edu](http://familylink.sfusd.edu).

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