



# APG Family Bulletin

December 17, 2025



# APG Calendar

<b>TODAY 12/17</b>	School Site Council Meeting, 4:10pm, APG Office
<b>12/20 - 1/4</b>	Winter Break, No School. See you back at APG on January 5, 2026!
<b>1/5</b>	Back to School, Spring Semester Begins
<b>1/7</b>	Girls Volleyball Games Begin <a href="#">SCHEDULE</a>
<b>1/7 - 1/28</b>	Care Item Drive, see slide for details
<b>1/9</b>	Staff Breakfast <a href="#">SIGN UP TO DONATE FOOD</a>
<b>1/19</b>	Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday - No School
<b>1/28</b>	Community + PTSA Meeting, 6:30pm, Zoom
<b>Ongoing</b>	<a href="#">Donate to Jag Fund</a> ; <a href="#">Help with Chicken Care during Winter Break</a> ; <a href="#">Study Center</a> ; <a href="#">Wellness Center Referrals</a>

# School Site Council Meeting - Wednesday, Dec. 17


Location: In-Person, APG Main office; Zoom can be provided, if requested

Date and time: Weds 12/17, 4:10-5:10 p.m.

Questions? Contact Tai-Sun Schoeman, Principal: [schoemant@sfusd.edu](mailto:schoemant@sfusd.edu)

## **12/17/25 Agenda**

- Review and approve 11/19 Meeting Minutes
- Confirming by-law edits, add signatures, and approve
- Review budget, updated timeline, and Q&A
- Continued review of SPSA by section and Q&A (if time allows)

The image features a vibrant blue background with a decorative border. The border includes stylized white snowflakes, dark blue pine branches, clusters of red berries, and bright orange berries. The central text is in a bold, black, sans-serif font, arranged in four lines. The first line reads 'WINTER BREAK', the second 'NO SCHOOL', the third 'DECEMBER 20TH -', and the fourth 'JANUARY 4TH'. Below these lines, the text 'HAPPY NEW YEAR, 2026!' is written in a bold, italicized, black, sans-serif font.

**WINTER BREAK**  
**NO SCHOOL**  
**DECEMBER 20TH -**  
**JANUARY 4TH**  
***HAPPY NEW YEAR, 2026!***

# APG JAG FUND

Together, we give to  
A.P. Giannini

[apgsf.com/fundraising/give/](https://apgsf.com/fundraising/give/)

THANK YOU



## Donate to the APG Jag Fund

to help meet the classroom  
supply needs of our  
incredible teachers.

You can make a one-time  
donation or donate monthly  
(suggested \$50/month).

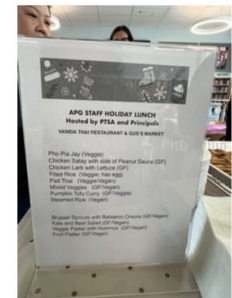
This is a great time to ask for  
matching donations from  
employers, non-profits, and  
trusts before December 31st.





## Donate to the APG Jag Fund

to help us continue  
teacher and staff  
appreciation all  
year long!



**Sign Up for**  
**Chicken Care**  
**During Winter**  
**Break Here**

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



# Congrats, Boys Basketball Champions!





# APG ATHLETICS



**Congrats to our Boys Basketball Team – Champions, CIF SF Middle Schools!**

**THANK YOU** to our Boys Basketball players, coaches, managers & families for a great season!

**Girls Volleyball Games begin Weds January 7, 2026 - [SEE SCHEDULE HERE](#)**

Follow APG Athletics  
on [INSTAGRAM](#)

**Track and Field: Begins February 18, 2026 (no Tryouts, all students welcome)**

★ **APG ATHLETICS GOOGLE CLASSROOM** ★ For all students interested in receiving information and updates about Giannini Athletics please [JOIN](#) the 2025-2026 APG Athletics Google Classroom. Click on “+” or “join class” and the class code: **xy344rs**

★ **PAPERWORK THROUGH HOME CAMPUS** ★ Parents / guardians will 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 Pg 4 of form to athlete's Home Campus account. [Parent Consent Form](#) If not checked off on Home Campus, one form required for each sport. *Athletes can only participate in tryouts once all forms are completed and submitted on Home Campus and they receive an official clearance from us.* For more information about athletics, please click here: [APG Athletics Information](#) For an overview of Tryouts, visit: [Tryouts](#).

Please email Athletic Director, Mr. Alfaro, at [alfaroi.c@sfusd.edu](mailto:alfaroi.c@sfusd.edu) if you have questions,

# January 9th Staff Appreciation Breakfast

We'd love FOOD DONATIONS +  
VOLUNTEERS for our Staff  
Appreciation Breakfast on  
Friday, January 9th!

SIGN UP HERE

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

Each month, our APG Families provide a delicious breakfast buffet for our incredible teachers & staff before school starts, at 8:45-9:25AM. Please drop off your food items by 8:00-8:30am. Thank you!





# DONATE TO OUR CARE ITEM DRIVE

We are hosting a care item drive to provide essential supplies for families in our community experiencing poverty. With your generosity, we can ensure that no one goes uncared for. Together, we can make a real impact!

Hygiene Products

Winter Supplies

Family Items



## START DATE

January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026

## END DATE

January 28<sup>th</sup> 2026

DONATE NOW!



A.P. Giannini Middle School  
3151 Ortega St, San Francisco,  
CA 94122

SHARE  
THE  
LOVE!



CHLOE AND RALEY

# ITEMS NEEDED:

## GENERAL HYGIENE:

- Shampoo and conditioner ☆
- Toothbrush and toothpaste ★
- Body wash / soap ★
- Deodorant ★
- Hair comb / brush ★
- Body wipes ☆
- Hand sanitizer ☆
- First aid kit ☆
- Body lotion ☆
- Vaseline for lips / lip balm ★

## WINTER SUPPLIES:

- Blankets!!!! ☆
- Socks ★
- Gloves ☆
- Hats ★
- Ponchos ★
- Hand Warmers ☆
- Underwear ★

## FAMILY SUPPLIES:

- Packaged snacks ★
- Fidget toys ☆
- Small coloring books and set of crayons ☆

Acceptance policy for items -  
Gently used : ☆  
New : ★



CHLOE AND RALEY



## 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.

**[Make a referral  
for your student!](#)**

## APG's Wellness Center Referral Form for the '25-'26 school year

Referrals can be made for check-ins with our social worker, outside organizations, and more.

# Have you and your family been affected by the recent government shutdown?

The SF-Marin Food Bank provides home delivered groceries for eligible residents of San Francisco and Marin counties. When you are enrolled in the program, you will receive a weekly or biweekly grocery bag with fruit, vegetables, grains, and a protein like chicken or eggs.

Note: Families may participate in one food bank program at a given time (either home delivered groceries or pantry pick-up).

**Fill Out Application: <https://panda.sfmfoodbank.org/homedelivery/>**

Questions? Please email Ms. Danielle, [shimw@sfusd.edu](mailto:shimw@sfusd.edu)  
(Community Health Outreach Worker)



# Holiday Support Resources for Families

- Visit this link for **resources for families during the Winter Break Holiday.**
- Visit **San Francisco Human Services Agency** at [sfhsa.org/services/food](https://sfhsa.org/services/food) or call (415) 557-5000 for information on food services: CalFresh (FoodStamps), CalFresh for Immigrants, free food locations, groceries, and meals.
- Visit **211** if you need help connecting to services, including food, health care, transportation, and more.
- Visit **SF Service Guide**, an online directory of human services in San Francisco, at [sfserviceguide.org/food-resources/form](https://sfserviceguide.org/food-resources/form) for information on food resources.
- The **San Francisco-Marin Food Bank** is operating temporary Pop-up Pantries. Use the [Food Locator](#) to find sites near you. The time and location of Pop-up Pantries may change.
- Use **Shop Simple with MyPlate** for savings with CalFresh, budget-friendly recipes, and balanced eating tips. Visit [myplate.gov/shopsimple](https://myplate.gov/shopsimple).

**You can find all of this information and more at [sfusd.edu/foodresources](https://sfusd.edu/foodresources).**

# Holiday Support Resources for Families

- Visit this [link for SFUSD FAMILY RESOURCES LIST](#)
- [SF Service Guide Food Resources](#)
- [St. Anthony's Hygiene Hub](#)
- [SAFEH LinkTree](#) (available in English & [Spanish](#)) - community resources
- [SF Family and Youth Access Points](#)
- [Interfaith Winter Shelters \(for 18+\)](#)
- [Project Homeless Connect \(PHC\) Available Services Guide](#)

Please reach out to [SAFEH](#) if you have any questions or requests for technical assistance.



## Updated Information: Emergency Grocery Cards for CalFresh Recipients

November 21, 2025

- The CalFresh Emergency Grocery Card Program is available for San Francisco CalFresh recipients whose cases were active in October as a one-time emergency prepaid grocery card offered through GiveCard.
- This grocery card is *in addition to your November CalFresh benefits*. This does NOT affect your November or December CalFresh benefits, or other public benefits.
- If you ordered a physical card, you need to unlock it in order to use it when you get it in the mail. You can unlock your card online at <https://app.givecard.com/> or by calling SFHSA for help.
- Your GiveCard does not require a PIN to use. If you are asked for a PIN when using your GiveCard, just press “ENTER” to skip this step.
- Grocery cards *must be activated by December 31, 2025*. Funds must be *spent by March 31, 2026*.
- We are proud to provide this additional food support to San Franciscans in advance of the holiday season.
- If you have not received a letter or if you need help activating your virtual or physical grocery card, we are here for you. For support, reach out to:
  - SFHSA's CalFresh team at **(855) 355-5757**
  - [Family Resource Centers](#) for families with children
  - [Aging and Disability Resource Centers](#) for seniors and adults with disabilities

In November, San Francisco CalFresh recipients received a letter from us with information about a one-time emergency prepaid grocery card from GiveCard to help buy food during the government shutdown. Even though November CalFresh benefits have been restored, the City's Emergency Grocery Card Program continues to be available for San Francisco CalFresh recipients in advance of the holiday season.

- CalFresh clients must activate their grocery card by December 31, 2025.
- Call SFHSA at (855) 355-5757 if you have not received a letter but believe you are eligible for a grocery card. SFHSA can assist with activating a card and unlocking a physical card.



## Información actualizada: Tarjetas de compras de emergencia para beneficiarios de CalFresh

21 de noviembre de 2025

- El Programa de Tarjetas de Emergencia para Compras de Alimentos CalFresh está disponible para los beneficiarios de CalFresh de San Francisco cuyos casos estaban activos en octubre, como una tarjeta prepagada de emergencia única para compras de alimentos ofrecida a través de GiveCard.
- Esta tarjeta para compras de alimentos *es adicional (complemento) a sus beneficios de CalFresh de noviembre*. NO afecta sus beneficios de CalFresh de noviembre o diciembre, ni otros beneficios públicos.
- Si ha solicitado una tarjeta física, deberá desbloquearla para poder utilizarla cuando la reciba por correo. Puede desbloquear su tarjeta en línea en <https://app.givecard.com/> o llamando a SFHSA para obtener ayuda.
- Su GiveCard no requiere un PIN para su uso. Si se le solicita un PIN al utilizar su GiveCard, simplemente pulse «ENTER» para omitir este paso.
- Las tarjetas de comestibles deben activarse antes del *31 de diciembre de 2025*. Los fondos tienen que ser usados antes del 31 de marzo de 2026.
- Nos place ofrecer esta ayuda alimentaria adicional a los habitantes de San Francisco antes de la temporada navideña.
- Si no ha recibido su carta o si necesita ayuda para activar su tarjeta de comestibles virtual o física, estamos aquí para ayudarle. Para obtener ayuda, póngase en contacto con:
  - El equipo CalFresh de SFHSA: **(855) 355-5757**
  - Los **Centros de Recursos Familiares** para familias con niños
  - Los **Centros de Recursos para Adultos Mayores y Personas con Discapacidades** para personas mayores y adultos con discapacidades



## 最新資訊：加州糧食券領取者可獲得緊急食品券

2025年11月21日

- 加州食品券緊急食品卡計劃向十月仍在領取糧食券的舊金山居民開放，該計劃透過 GiveCard 提供一次性緊急預付食品卡。
- 這張食品雜貨卡是您十一月糧食券以外的額外福利。它不會影響您十一月或十二月的糧食券福利，也不會影響您其他公共福利。
- 若您訂購的是實體卡，收到後需要解鎖才能使用。您可以瀏覽 <https://app.givecard.com/> 線上解鎖，或致電 SFHSA 尋求協助。
- 使用GiveCard無需輸入密碼(PIN)。如果您在使用GiveCard時被要求輸入密碼(PIN)，只需按下「ENTER」鍵即可跳過此步驟。
- 食品雜貨卡必須在 2025 年 12 月 31 日前啟用。卡內資金必須在 2026 年 3 月 31 日前用完。
- 我們很榮幸能在節慶季節到來之前為舊金山市民提供這項額外的食品援助
- 如果您尚未收到信件，或需要協助啟動您的虛擬或實體食品雜貨卡，我們隨時為您提供協助。如需支持，請聯絡：
  - 舊金山家庭服務管理局 (SFHSA) 的糧食券(CalFresh)團隊，電話：**(855) 355-5757**
  - **Family Resource Centers** 為有孩子的家庭提供家庭資源中心服務
  - **Aging and Disability Resource Centers** 為老年人和殘疾人士提供老年和殘疾資源中心服務



## SAN FRANCISCO COLLABORATIVE AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING

IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING.  
CALL THE SAN FRANCISCO HUMAN TRAFFICKING HOTLINE 24/7 AT 415-907-9911

Exciting student & teacher opportunities with the Annual Teen Contest of SFOAHT!

### 2026 ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING TEEN POSTER, WRITING & MUSIC CONTEST

Prizes in each category:

1st prize: \$700

2nd prize: \$250

3rd prize: \$100

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS: MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2026, 5PM PT

#### CONTEST THEME

##### “OPEN YOUR EYES TO HUMAN TRAFFICKING”

The San Francisco Collaborative Against Human Trafficking (SFOAHT) is excited to offer to students and teachers this fantastic opportunity at the intersection of social justice and arts!

SFOAHT's annual poster, writing and music contest provides to students a platform to learn about human trafficking and join the movement against this horrific crime. Those who enter have the chance to win up to \$700 and be acknowledged by SFOAHT and Bay Area government officials at a special award ceremony during the Teen Power Against Human Trafficking Summit on Saturday, February 28, 2026, from 1:00 pm

to 3:00 pm at the War Memorial Veterans Building, Room 210, 401 Van Ness Ave., S.F.

Please check out the contest rules, orientation video and information about previous contests posted on the SFOAHT website at <https://www.sfoaht.org/teen-contests.html>  
Please encourage interested students to view the orientation video before producing their artwork, writing or musical composition.



Please let us know at [info@sfoaht.org](mailto:info@sfoaht.org) or (415) 283-6760 if your school or class would be interested in hosting a 15 to 30-minute awareness session for the students to learn the warning signs of human trafficking and ways to help prevent it.

Help spread the word among students in your community and don't miss this exciting opportunity to learn about social justice while creating something amazing!

**SFOAHT Teen Contest Team**

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See all info at <https://www.sfoaht.org/teen-contests.html>

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# Attendance

Full-Day Absence	To report a full-day student absence, use the <a href="#">ParentVUE</a> portal and select " <a href="#">Report Absence</a> ." This can be done for the current day or a future date.
Early Dismissal	Use the PTL ( <a href="#">Permit To Leave School</a> ) online form for partial day absences. You can also find it on the <a href="#">APG school website</a> under the <a href="#">Attendance tab</a> .
Late Arrival, Past Absence, or Correction?	For reporting a late arrival, past date absence or correction please email: <a href="mailto:404_apgattendance@sfusd.edu">404_apgattendance@sfusd.edu</a>

Please do not email your counselor for attendance matters

# 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 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.