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A+ Teachers and Staff!

Thank you to our Allen Avenue teachers and staff for enriching our student's lives each and every day.

We appreciate all of the time and energy you invest into teaching our children.

EVERY week is teacher and staff appreciation week in our books!

The PTA thanks our teachers and staff for dedicating themselves to the support of our students in a caring environment.



Join Us at Open House: Raffle, Spirit Wear, Food and More

Allen Avenue will be the place to be on May 23rd for Open House. Join us in the cafeteria at 5:30pm for our last PTA Association Meeting of the year. Hot Dog on a Stick will be on campus for food purchases and Kona Ice will be selling their treats. Make sure to purchase raffle tickets for a chance to win some amazing prizes: ticket to the LA Zoo, Ontario Reign, Kidspace, Knotts Berry Farm, Adventure City, Santa Anita Park and more! **Raffle tickets go on sale May 6th!**

Save the Date!

Spirit Day
5/3/19

Show your Eagle spirit and dress like a hero day!

Open House
5/23/19

PTA Assoc. Mtg. at 5:30pm; raffle, Hot Dog on a Stick and Kona Ice

Memorial Day
5/27/19

No school – enjoy the day off!



School Happenings

Allen Avenue Eagles are always soaring to greatness – make sure to read our monthly newsletter to find out what is going on next!

Kona Ice Days

Kona Ice shaved ice will be visiting us this month on 5/10 and 5/24. Prices range from \$3-6.00. Kona Ice is smart snack approved and low in sugar and calories. Buy a reusable cup for \$6.00 and bring back each time for a \$3.00 refill!

Check Out Our Library's YouTube Channel!

Green screen YouTube videos have taken over Makerspace in the Allen Avenue Library. Students must write a script to get on camera. They take turns being the hosts and filming. The YouTube channel is: [bethebookworm](#) (no spaces):

- 5/4: Spirit Wear Day
- 5/13: Spring Choir Concert (5:30pm, BCA)
- 5/17: Last day to check out library books
- 5/24: Minimum Day – 12:25pm dismissal
- 5/30: Spring Band Concert (7:00pm, BCA)



SOARING TO GREATNESS

bethebookworm
21 subscribers

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HOME VIDEOS PLAYLISTS CHANNELS DISCUSSION ABOUT

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Video Title	Views	Time Ago	Duration
School Wide News Episode #2 We Love Ms. Krista	79 views	1 day ago	1:21
Lunch Recess 4th & 5th grade	9 views	1 week ago	0:36
A Perler Bead "How to"	8 views	1 week ago	2:16
MakerSpace News #2 "Smencils"	46 views	1 week ago	0:22
Makerspace News episode #1	68 views	1 week ago	0:26

PTA Spotlight



Box Tops: Going Digital Next Year

Box Tops is going paperless starting in June. A flyer will be coming home in May explaining how you can download the app and help us earn money for our school. Box Tops will still also be accepting clipped Tops. More info to come...

Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week: 5/6-5/10

Let's show our appreciation for all of the amazing work our teachers and staff does for our kids each and every day. PTA will be hosting an Appreciation Week from May 6th through May 10th. Be on the lookout for how you can help donate to make it a great week!

Congrats to Our Very Own Selina Garcia!

Selina Garcia has dedicated countless hours to the PTA and our school volunteering her time to help make this the best place for our children. She will continue to serve as the Bonita PTA Council President in the 2019-2020 school year. We wish you the best in your new role Selina!

Join Us on Facebook

You can stay up to date on the fun activities going on at Allen Avenue Elementary with our monthly newsletter and by following the PTA on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/AllenAvenuePTA>



Open House Raffle

Your fundraising support helps us continue to sponsor and fund some great programs at Allen Avenue: AR shirts, Red Ribbon Week, field trips, assemblies and more. Get a chance to help make a difference and a chance to win some fabulous prizes too. Up for grabs (and more come in weekly): Tickets to the LA Zoo, Ontario Reign, Santa Ana Zoo, Natural History Museum, Quakes Baseball, Adventure City, Huntington Library, Kidspace Museum, Skirball Cultural Center, gift cards, theater tickets and more. Tickets can be purchased by cash or check made out to Allen Avenue PTA. Please return order form and money to your child's teacher or the front office. The raffle order form will be coming home soon to students and will also be available in the office.



Congratulations Incoming PTA Board

Congratulations to our incoming 2019-2020 school year PTA Board Members who were elected at our 2/20/19 Association Meeting and Founders Day program. We have several open Board positions and many volunteer opportunities that need filling. Please check out the list below and email allenavenuepta@gmail.com for more information on how you can help our students have their best year yet!

For the 2019-2020 school year:

President: Samantha Tuazon

Treasurer: Jennifer Egge

Secretary: Ronell Jobe

VP of Membership: Anna Jenkins

VP of Programs: Amanda Munsterman

VP of Health and Welfare: Laura Engrande

VP of Ways and Means: OPEN

Historian: Heather Simpkins

Parliamentarian: Cassie Ryczek

Auditor: by Committee

Yearbook Co-Chairs: Renee Garcia and Maribel Gershman

Reflections: OPEN

Newsletter Coordinator: OPEN

Vendor/Insurance Chair: Ronell Jobe

PTA Webstore Chair: OPEN

Family Dinner Night Chair: Tina Brewer

Many hands make light work! Check out the list below for some of the volunteer opportunities you can participate in. Many of these can be done from home and on your own time:

- Spirit Wear Coordinator - order t-shirts and sweatshirts, help fill orders
- Fall Festival Chair - help coordinate our October festival
- Volunteer Chair - recruit and manage middle and high school volunteers for our events
- Raffle Chair – help secure donations for our raffles
- Committee members - help in the planning of a specific event or program (Book Fair, Walk to School Day, etc...)

Training and guidance will be provided for all of the positions and PTA sponsored activities. The PTA Board works as a group to assist in the planning and carrying out of our programs.



PTA Funds – Where Does All the Money Go?

Parents: without your support, PTA would be unable to provide for all of the following fun, enriching programs and activities for our students. Thank you for all of the time and support you all give. It makes such a difference. Please check out the list below for a highlight of programs, gifts and activities we have supported throughout this year:

Student Welfare:

Walk to School Day
Red Ribbon Week
Cans of Kindness
Disaster Preparedness

Programs:

Kinder Orientation
Reflections
Fall Festival
Holiday Shoppe
Family Fun Nights (Winter Fun Night, Outdoor Movie Night)
Founders Day
Sweetheart Dance
Books for Bingo
Teacher Appreciation Week
Spirit Wear
Yearbook

School Gifts:

Library (\$1000)
AR shirts (\$4200)
5th grade agendas (\$300)
5th grade party – park and buses (\$325)
Student incentives at \$2.00 per student
FAST Class Coffee Cart supplies
Character Building-tags/carabineers
Assemblies (\$3500) – like The Imagination Machine
Class Field Trips (\$10,900)
Track Team (\$200)
New drinking fountains with water bottle dispensers (\$3400)
La Verne/San Dimas Educational Foundation
Technology/School Beautification



PTA and Community Events Recap

San Dimas Award, Imagination Machine, PTA Council Luncheon



Selina Garcia (PTA VP of Programs) was nominated by Principal Debbie Grenier and Librarian Jackie Rheingans for the San Dimas Distinguished Service to Youth Award. Congratulations to Selina for your well-deserved recognition!



Free or Cheap(er) Summer Activities

Need some summer inspo to fill the time with your kiddos? Check out some of these ideas:

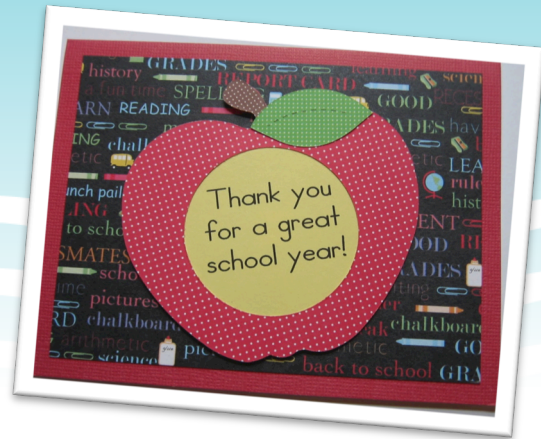
- Free museum day guide from Macaroni Kid:
<https://upland.macaronikid.com/guides/58944663e0b0182465231a78/museum-free-day-guide>
- 2 free games of bowling each day at participating bowling alley's:
https://www.kidsbowlfree.com/all_centers.php#CA
- Pick up a few small prizes and play Bingo
- Camp out in the Backyard
- Game Night
- Charades
- Go for a walk, bike ride, or skating
- Go on a Picnic; find Shapes in the Clouds
- Star Gaze (Free Apps SkyView, Night Sky, SkySafari)
- Read a book together
- Write a Biography, interview family members <http://redtri.com/family-trivia-questions-for-kids/>
- <https://www.familyarc.com/articles/writing-grandmas-life-story-10-questions-to-ask-her-in-an-interview/>
- Have friends over for an Ice Cream Social
- Pool or Sprinkler Party
- Scavenger Hunt
- Outdoor Movie Night
- Make fun videos or Karaoke
- Learn a New Language with the DuoLingo App
- Discount Movie Theatres offer (search: \$1 Summer Movies)
- Summer Concert and Movies in the Park
- Free Zoo (PetSmart or Petco)
- Library has Summer Reading Program and awards prizes
- Let kids plan dinner, take them grocery shopping, and help cook dinner
- Build a Fort with couch cushions, blankets, etc....
- Home Spa Day - Do facials, pedicures, manicures, deep condition your hair
- Science Experiments (search Pinterest for ideas)
- Splash Pad Dalton Park 18867 E Armstead St, Azusa
- San Dimas Canyon Nature Park 1628 Sycamore Canyon Rd, San Dimas 9am-4:30pm; Sat 1pm tours (Reptiles, Deer, Hawks, etc....) Self-guided Hiking Trails
- San Dimas Tree Trek <https://cityofsandimas.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/Tree-Trek-Map.pdf>
- Kids Space Museum Free Night 1st Tues 4-8pm <https://www.kidspacemuseum.org/events/free-family-nights>
- IKEA offers 1 hour free child care (Free Coffee in the Cafe)
- Travel Town 4800 Griffith Park, Los Angeles <https://www.laparks.org/traveltown>
- Take the Gold Line to Olvera Street, Italian-American Museum
- https://www.metro.net/riding/paid_parking/gold-line/
- <https://www.discoverlosangeles.com/blog/guide-olvera-street-downtown-los-angeles>
- <http://iamla.org/>
- Volunteer -
 - God's Pantry: Every Sat they offer a food bank (Pomona, San Dimas, Azusa, Chino) <https://www.gods-pantry.org/>
 - Retirement Home - Play cards, board games. Bring questions to ask about the senior's life. https://www.huffingtonpost.com/karl-a-pillemer-phd/listening-to-elders_b_4200329.html
 - Animal Shelter
- Stock Emergency Preparedness kit, check home for safety issues: <https://www.ready.gov/kids>
- Check local business for kid classes: <https://www.michaels.com/classes>

Another Great Year

Thank you to all the Allen Avenue families, teachers and staff who supported us this year! We appreciate the time and energy you poured into our school to make it as amazing as possible. We would love to have you be a Superhero for our school next year and we welcome any new volunteers. We look forward to seeing you at our events.

Thank you,
Cassie Ryczek, PTA President

Thank you!



PTA Board

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Treasurer – Samantha Tuazon
Secretary – Ronell Jobe
VP Membership – Anna Jenkins
VP Programs – Selina Garcia
VP Ways and Means – Lisa Hatcher
VP Health and Welfare – Heather Simpkins
Historian – Martha Estrada
Parliamentarian – Maribel Gershman
Newsletter/Webstore: Rachele Killackey
Family Dinner Nights – Mondai Keene/Tina Brewer
Spirit Wear – Ronell Jobe
Reflections – Rachele Killackey

Eagle Insider Submissions

If you have news or updates you want to submit for our next monthly newsletter, please email our PTA at: allenavenuepta@gmail.com

Submissions are due by the last week of each month for inclusion into the following month's newsletter.

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Visit our PTA page at:
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