



Friday Notes....

North Davis Preparatory Academy

Utah's "International" Spanish Academy

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Calendar of NDPA Events:

- Feb. 3 -Board of Director's Mtg.
- Feb 4 -5th Grade Maturation
- Feb 4- POET Board Mtg.
- Feb 11-2nd Grade Program
- Feb 12-Jr. High Valentine Dance- (See Lion's Den)
- Feb 15-NO SCHOOL- President's Day
- Feb 17 Science Fair Set up
- Feb 18 Science Fair
- Feb 26 End of Term 2
- March 5-Report Cards Home
- March 2- 1st Annual Future Cheerleading Squad Fund Raiser
- March 17-Faucly vs. BB Team Final Match

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- Board Of Director Position Available

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URGENT ATTENTION! 2010-11 FAMILY RECOMMITMENT FORMS

Today, January 29, we have sent home the NDPA "Re-Commitment Form" for our existing families with your student(s). In addition we have attached a printable version to this email. Please declare your intent for the 2010-11 school year. Families need to complete the form, and return it by Monday, February 1. One per family is adequate.



Regrettably, families who do not declare in writing their intent to return may run the risk of losing their students slot to someone in the incoming lottery pool.

If you plan or are considering a change of schools next year, we ask you to review the "New procedures and deadlines" required by the Davis District on the reverse side of the form.

FALL 2010 LOTTERY WINDOW NOW OPEN



The first lottery window for new families applying for fall 2010 enrollment for all grades at NDPA is now open through February 19, 2010. This window is the best lottery opportunity for new families to apply for potential acceptance into NDPA. Please inform your family and friends who are interested in coming to NDPA.

APPLICATIONS SOON DUE FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS POSITION

Successful Candidates must:

- Submit a letter of intent and resume outlining their skills and qualifications to be a board member to Emily@academicawest.com.
- Understand and support the Charter of NPDA. (Available on the school website under Information/Charter Application.)
- Be willing to attend meetings as required and fulfill responsibilities associated with the position.
- Understand the importance of team leadership.
- Understand the role of a Board Member.

Resumes will be received and reviewed by the Board through Sunday, February 28, 2010. Interviews will be held by the Board of Directors during March.

Questions may be directed to current members of the Board of Directors via email. Addresses are available on the school website under the Board of Directors link.

THANKS TO ALL-INTERNATIONAL SPANISH ACADEMY (ISA) CELEBRATION !!



It is hard for me to describe the feeling inside during the ISA celebration. It started as I drove into the parking lot and saw the flags the student council members were putting up along both buildings park strips. The day continued with excitement and culminated in amazing assemblies with student performances and decorations of wonderful student artwork.

Our NDPA Board of Directors participated in a brief ceremony with Fernando Martin, our Education Specialist from the Ministry of Education in Spain, presenting Monte Poll with the award certificate. Mayor Steve Curtis and Dr. Forrest Crawford, Professor at WSU also spoke to the students. We will post pictures on our website soon.

The words "Thank you" are hardly adequate to express my gratitude to the parents who ironed flags, decorated gyms, hallways and libraries, prepared reception refreshments, etc.....Or to the teachers and staff who helped display student art work and prepare student performances. Or to the students who performed and helped prepare for this event doing last hour cleaning in our

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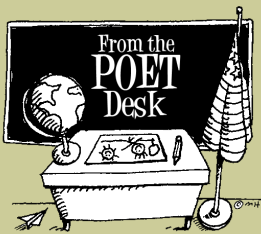
Schools. Over 1100 people including parents, teachers, staff, community leaders and students created a moment that represents what NDPA has become – an excellent school with high student achievement, a school that parents and students commit to, where excellent teachers from America and Spain want to teach.

To all 1100 of you, I express to you my deepest gratitude. I am truly honored to be your principal.

Deborrah Gomberg

URGENT NOTICE: LOST AND FOUND ITEMS TO HEAD TO CHARITY FEBRUARY, 5TH!

HELP! Many of our students (in both buildings) are missing LOTS of personal items. Oddly enough, we have a great deal of things in our “Lost and Found” areas and the pile of items grows daily. Unfortunately, many of the students never take the time to check. We are out of room to store the boxes and boxes of clothing, shoes, boot or boots, gloves, notebooks, lunch containers etc. We will be sending unclaimed items to charity next Friday at the end of the school day. Uniform items may be recycled to the school emergency clothing supplies or to POET for the Annual Clothing Exchange Sale. If these items are important to your student or family be sure to arrange to come by and assist you student to claim them.



Parent Organization Executive Team

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Student Events Team Lead
Appreciation Events Team Lead
Student Support Team Lead
Teacher Support Team Lead
Health and Safety Team Lead
Jr. High Team Lead

UPCOMING POET MEETING

POET meeting will be held **Thursday, February 4th at 7.00pm** in the Elementary Media Center. All NDPA parents are welcome to attend. Remember, unlike PTA, you are a member by being a part of the NDPA family. No dues or fees are required to be a part of it. So, come join us



REMINDER: 5th GRADE MATURATION CLASS

The 5th grade will be holding separate maturation classes for the boys and girls on Thursday, February 4th at 2:00 p.m. Parents are invited to attend with their students. Please contact your student(s) teacher if you have questions.

BOOK FAIR



A big thank you to all those who purchased items at the book fair held in the junior high two weeks ago. With your help, our junior high library earned over \$1000 worth of books! Amazing!! And a huge thank you to the parent volunteers who made this event possible: Vanessa Kaye, Sonje Beal, Teri Beames, Kelly & Lori Sparks, JaNae Hansen, Rebecca Carter, Joe Castaneda, Lisa Rooklidge, Dannika Valezuela, Margaret Young, Diana Olpin, Ginger Schneidewend, David S., J.P. S., Maggie Arave, and Leslie Smith. We hope to see you in March during our BOGO free book fair. Thanks again!!

SCIENCE FAIR INFO: IN NEED OF TRAILER USE AND TABLES.

In order for the science fair to run smoothly, we would like to transport the stage that is usually housed in the elementary school to the junior high. There, it will be used as science fair project display tables. If there is anyone that has a trailer (flatbed, with sides, or enclosed - at least 10 ft in length) that we could wheel the stage onto, we would love to have your help on Feb 15th or 16th during school hours to transport the stage and again after the event to return it. Also, if anyone has any *Lifetime* type portable tables that they could loan during science fair, we'd like to hear from you. We will use these to display projects on, also. With over 240 science projects we will need a lot of tables and could really use your help so all projects can be displayed appropriately.



If you have any of the above equipment, please contact Kim Valeika at 801-546-4927, 801-510-8204, or lilys_mom@yahoo.com. Thanks!

SCIENCE FAIR TIP OF THE WEEK



Many science projects need a "control." What is a control? If, for your project, you are seeing what happens when you change something, you have to compare it to something that wasn't changed. For example, if your project is measuring whether fertilizer makes a plant grow bigger, you'll really need at least two plants: one that you add fertilizer to and one that you don't add fertilizer to. The unfertilized plant is the "control" plant. Better yet, use several plants with fertilizer, and several without, to ensure that one "sick" plant doesn't ruin your measurements. Think about how you can use a control in your science fair project, so that you have something to compare it to.

WE NEED YOUR PHOTOS FOR THE JR. HIGH YEARBOOK!

Students, parents, and teachers can contribute content to the yearbook staff by uploading photos directly to our website for potential use in our book. You can share photos of field trips, sporting events, school and community activities or shots of you and your friends that otherwise might be missed by our staff photographers.

Please share your pictures quickly as we are constantly selecting images to meet deadlines. Provide as much details as possible (including names and grades) for each photo, so we have all the information needed for accurate identification.

The more you share, the better our yearbook can be.

Go to: www.hjeshare.com ; enter our school code **1008521**

Locate the picture file you want to upload. Click on the filename to select it, click "open".

To upload more than one file, Ctrl-click on each file. You can load up to 10 files at a time.

Click each thumbnail to select it, and enter information about all images. This assures that the information in the yearbook is correct, if the photo is used.

Click "Submit Image Information" when you are done.

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While we cannot guarantee that all shared photos will be published, if you don't share, your great pictures can't even be considered.

1st ANNUAL FUTURE CHEERLEADERS OF 1–6 GRADE NDPA CLINIC !

NDPA Cheerleaders are holding clinics for students 1st grade through 6th grade who would like to be a part of the 1st Annual "Future NDPA Cheerleader Squad". This squad will be perform at the Faculty vs. the Jr. High Basketball Team in a final game held on March 17th. (Time to announced). Any student wishing to be a part of the 1st Annual Future Cheer Squad will need to sign up and have their \$30.00 fee paid by February 12th in either building offices. Clinics will be held on Tuesdays, March 2nd, 9th and 16th and on Wednesdays, March 3rd and 10th and Thursdays March 4th and 11th. With the performance on March 17th. All participants will receive a T-shirt and a set of "Cheer Poms".

