

Friday notes..... August 21, 2009

North Davis Preparatory Academy

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WELCOME BACK LOS LEONES!

Message from Principal Gomberg

Beginning of the Year Jitters

Welcome back to school! Even though it's still exciting to me after 30 plus years, I remember when I was younger, experiencing mixed emotions sometimes at the start of a new school year. This may also be true for some of our students who experience some anxious moments or concerns at the beginning of school. Occasionally, we see tummy aches or tears, but there are some students who don't tell us their concerns – they tell you.

Please feel free to contact your student's teachers regarding any concern or fears your student may have at the beginning of the year. Children and teen-agers are amazingly resilient and likely to overcome any issues that may arise at this time of year, but there are many things that our teachers can do to help ease the minds of your students. And we all want your students to feel safe and comfortable at school. All faculty and staff emails are accessible through the school website: www.northdavisprep.org

The teachers are looking for signs that students are under stress, but it will be very helpful if you contact them to alert them to any other concerns you or your student might have. Together we can ensure your student has a great start to a great year.

Again, welcome back, and we look forward to a wonderful school year.

CASUAL FRIDAY GUIDELINES

- Regular Uniform Tops
- Regular Uniform Shoes
- **BLUE** denim pants, shorts or skirts

We hope you enjoy having a day of relaxed uniform options.

SCHOOL PHOTO DAY FLYERS HOME TODAY.

School Photo's are scheduled for the first week of September. Flyers with important photo dates and information went out today. All students will be photographed for student identification and yearbook photos. Purchase of photographs is

optional. Please follow the directions on the envelope provided if you desire to purchase.

POLICE DEPARTMENT DONATES CHILD FIND PACKETS.

Layton City Police have donated Child Find Kits to our NDPA Families. We have sent them home today for your personal use. Thank you Layton City!

JR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AND PARENTS!

As a reminder, in effort to best prepare your student for a rigorous academic environment both in later high school and university courses we request you purchase your student a copy of each of the books we will be reading this year. We do our

best to find low prices and to choose books that will enhance their library now, but also later throughout their literary careers. Additionally, we support the research that a student owning a book enhances engagement and, furthermore, homes that cultivate a library of books enhance reading abilities. Please join us in this effort.

You may purchase one book at a time, or pay for the trimester.

(These books are available in local libraries and bookstores; we will provide a supplemental list for each of the readings)

First Trimester: August 17, 2009- November 13, 2009

(ALL STUDENTS)

After the Dancing Days by Margaret Rostkowski \$6.00

7th Grade

Fahrenheit 451 by Ray Bradbury \$7.00

Roll of Thunder, Hear my Cry by Mildred D. Taylor \$6.00

8th Grade

Lord of the Flies by William Golding \$9.00

To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee \$8.00

9th Grade

1984 by George Orwell \$9.00,

Night by Elie Wiesel \$9.00

NDPA BOYS AND GIRLS CROSS-COUNTRY TEAM SIGN-UP

Practice will start next Monday, 24 August.

The first meet with Summit and Legacy will be hosted by NDPA on September 17th at Layton's

Sand Ridge Park, on Church Street, just South of HWY 193.

NDPA is scheduled for 6 dual-, tri-, and quad-school regular season meets, with the final championship meet on October 29th in Draper.

NOTE: See Coach Dooley for L.E.A.R.N. and Consent forms.

\$10 activity fee required. Activity fee will go towards purchase of running singlets (uniforms). ALL RUNNERS ON LAST YEAR'S TEAM WHO DIDN'T TURN IN THEIR SINGLETS, PLEASE DO SO TODAY.

NDPA INTRAMURAL CO-ED FLAG FOOTBALL SIGN-UP

Evaluations ("try-outs" – all will play) are scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday, 26th and 27th of August.

Teams will be formed and assigned to coaches on August 28th.

Based on last year's response, we anticipate 4 teams of approximately 10-12 players each. Team practice will be on Mondays, August 31st, and games will start on Wednesday, Sept 2nd.

Games will be 30 minutes, running clock and will start at 3:30 and 4:10. A full schedule of games will be posted once teams have been filled and coaches have been identified for all teams.

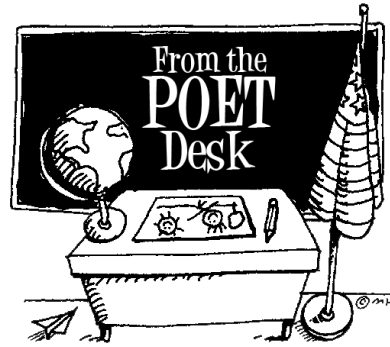
Please see Coach Dooley for L.E.A.R.N. and Consent forms. \$5 activity fee required.

VOLUNTEERS

Coaches are needed for Intramural Flag football teams. Organizational skills are more important than coaching skills. Please contact Coach Dooley if you want to coach.

NDPA COMPETITION LEAGUE BOYS BASEBALL TEAM TRYOUTS

Tryouts will start soon after sign-ups for Cross-Country and Intramural Flag Football are finished. If NDPA has sufficient numbers to commit to playing on a school team, we will enter a team in the Layton Comp League next Spring. Mr. Russell Wilbert and Coach Dooley will coach this competitive team – more to come on this, but if you want to play on a school baseball team, be prepared to tryout and commit for the Spring season with the NDPA Lions. Activity fees will be approximately the same as the City of Layton charges for Comp League play.



INTRODUCING 2009-2010 POET BOARD MEMBERS

Chair – Terra Nuttall

Co Chair – Jennifer Bazzano

Secretary – Erinne Roundy

Treasurer – Mornie Sims

After School Team Leader – Kristy Pendrey

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Student Events Team Leader – Kim Valeika

Appreciation Events Team Leader – Amy Loveland

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Teacher Support Team Leader – Lori Cebollero

Health & Safety Team Leader – Rebecca Miner

Jr. High Team Leader – Shelly Vidmar

If you need to contact a member of the board, please visit www.northdavisprep.org/POET

NEW! VOLUNTEER HOURS PROCEDURE

We are implementing a new procedure to track your volunteer hours this year. Please look for the **RED** volunteer hours binder located at the POET desk at both the Elementary and Jr. High buildings beginning on Monday. In order to track your hours, we need you to turn in your Family Volunteer Hours form with your family name to either your child's teacher or the POET box **as soon as possible**.

If you didn't receive a form, please fill out one located at the back of the binders.

Also, if you have children in both buildings, please fill out **2 forms** so that one can be put in each binder for your convenience.

If you have concerns or questions, please follow the link located on the school's website entitled "Volunteer Hours".

(Please see the links to the Family Volunteer Hours form and Volunteer Commitment Options sheet)

YEARBOOKS ON SALE

Yearbooks are currently on sale for both the Jr. High and Elementary schools. The Jr. High book will be \$18 this year and the Elementary will be \$15. Order forms are located on the POET desk of the Elementary school. There are a limited number of books being sold, so

please secure your order no later than the 15th of December.

(Please see attached Yearbook order form)

CARPOOL LIST

Trying to find someone in your neighborhood or general area to carpool with? Located on the POET desk in the elementary building is where you'll find others who are looking too. Come check it out!

POET CHECK REIMBURSEMENT PROCEDURE

You will have a 30-day window in which to turn in any receipts after the purchase date. All receipts must be attached to a check reimbursement form (found on the bulletin board behind the POET desk in the elem. building) and the form must be filled out completely (i.e. sales tax, items purchased, etc.). The form must then be given to the POET board member over the event for which you made the purchase for their approval.

Checks will only be written on Fridays. Look on the bulletin board behind the POET desk in the elem. building to find your reimbursement check the Friday (that school is in session) after it was submitted. If you lose your check, you will be responsible to pay the stop payment fee in order for POET to re-issue the check.

POET PAYMENT POLICIES

Checks are preferred for payment to POET when purchasing anything through POET.

If you are purchasing something through POET and are using **cash**, exact change is required. Any amount over the purchase price that is in **cash** will be considered a donation to POET.