

Friday Update

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Dear Families,

What an exciting week. From 80 degrees and smoke to 50 and raining! Even though the weather was crazy outside, our students and staff enjoyed another successful week in the classrooms. On Wednesday, several principals came to Alameda to visit a handful of classrooms. The visits focused on our work around the instructional framework, specifically, how we are providing students with grade-level (and beyond) and standards based instruction. Thanks to Mr. V, Ms. Kohn, Mr. Sooper, and Ms. Charlston for opening up their classrooms. Our guests were super impressed with the level of instruction taking place at Alameda and the commitment our teacher's have to provide an engaging and well-rounded experience.

<u>Reminder: Fall House Parties TONIGHT!</u> Grab a rain coat and come socialize with other Alameda parents and caregivers while supporting the Alameda School Foundation. Due to the wet weather, all parties have been moved indoors. We'll have plenty of drinks, food, and fun for your Friday evening away from the kids!

K-1 Host- Wright Family at 3223 NE Klickitat St. 2-3 Host- Berry-Steadman Family at 3205 NE 54th Ave. 4-5 Host- Bourne Family at 3345 NE 22nd Ave

*Reminder- you can attend any/all of the parties! So pop into the one closest to your house, or the one your friends are attending, or all three of them if you'd like. See you tonight!

<u>Talented and Gifted (TAG)</u>: Last night our TAG Building facilitator Abby Largo and I hosted our annual TAG Informational evening. Thanks to those of you who attended. If you are unable to attend and would like to learn more, here are the slides that we shared. If you have additional questions, please feel free to reach out to Abby or me.

NEW! Parent Office Hours with the TAG Department. The October focus will be the TAG referral process. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, October 26 6:00-7:00 PM Zoom link for Parent Office Hours with the TAG Department. A list of questions and answers from past meetings are in this FAQ document. We look forward to seeing you!

<u>Move for the Arts- November 3:</u> The PTA and the Duniway Staff are excited to launch this new event. As you know, our arts funding was cut back this year and as a result we are hoping to help raise funds to support artist-in-residencies and assemblies. In addition, 25% of all proceeds will be used to create a fund to support students and families who need financial assistance with arts related field trips, before/after school classes, or other community arts programs. For more information on this event CLICK HERE. In addition, more details, including how to sign up to volunteer, will be coming out early next week.

Poinsettia Sale is Coming: The annual poinsettia sale will be taking place next month. Please be on the lookout for more information coming soon. Ordering will be done online.

<u>PTA Volunteer Coordinator is Needed:</u> This is a great "remote volunteer" opportunity. If you are interested in helping support the amazing efforts of our PTA this could be just the right position for you. If you are interested, please reach out to pta@alamedaschool.org

<u>News from Coach Balto:</u> Thank you Alameda community for all your support and showing up to ride with the Bike Bus. As an educator I feel so lucky to get to ride with you all and teach all your children. The rain is coming and the bike bus will be happening all year. I have reached out to different bike companies to get a discount for rain gear for yourself and bikes. Please check out the significant discounts. Remember there is no bad weather, just bad clothing. https://docs.google.com/drawings/d/1S18QFQ4TweNyFpXmTv2TNQUfRg2iT7RUnzzZdJMx1jc/edit?usp= sharing

The media attention has brought lots of support for our community. If any students who don't own a bike and would like one even if you don't ride the bike bus please let me know. sbalto@pps.net

Hope you have a nice weekend. Stay dry if you can!

Regards, Matt Goldstein

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