



# The Eagle Eye

## Arroyo School | Weekly Newsletter

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### Mark Your Calendars

- **9/29:** [Arroyo Day of Service](#) (9am- 1pm - Arroyo Campus)
- **10/2 - 10/8:** Conferences - Minimum Days (1:10pm dismissal)
- **10/6:** [Stampede & Soar Color Run](#)
- **10/7 - 10/11:** [Book Fair](#)
- **10/14:** Local Holiday - No School
- **10/16:** PTA Meeting (8:45am)

Sunday, September 29, 2019

### Principal's Message

Dear Arroyo Families,

It's hard to believe that October is right around the corner. The school year is settling in nicely and teachers are looking forward to meeting with you and your children during our [student-led goal-setting conferences](#) this week. Remember that Monday and Tuesday are full school days but Wednesday through the following Wednesday (October 2-9) will be minimum days with a 1:10 dismissal to allow time for conferences.

Our enrichment programs are now up and running. 5th graders spend their Wednesday mornings rotating between our Garden and Makerspace and choir will be starting this week. We've made some changes to our 4th grade enrichments. The STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, & Mathematics) program and Digital Citizenship will be taught in homeroom classrooms throughout the week instead of having a rotation on Thursday afternoons. Our original rotation plan turned out to be too disruptive to our core program, but teachers will continue to work these activities in

## Fundraising Rewards

Participate in our rewards programs and a percentage of your purchases will automatically be donated to the Central Arroyo PTA - at no cost to you!



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## PTA Corner

Visit [PTAEZ](#) to become a parent partner and make a donation of any amount to support PTA programs and events.



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throughout the week. 4th grade classes will still be visiting the Garden every other week on Thursday afternoons.

Thanks to some dedicated parent volunteers, we've been able to open our Garden, Makerspace, and Wild Zone on some Tuesdays and Fridays during lunch and our students LOVE it. More help is needed to keep this going so please [sign up here to volunteer](#). It takes less than half an hour of your time and our students really appreciate it. The library is open during lunch on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays thanks to Katie Hultgren and her team of parent volunteers. You can use the same link above to sign up to help in the library.

Our 5th graders are beginning to get ready for Outdoor Education, a 4-day overnight nature camp at Jones Gulch in La Honda. 5th grade parents are invited to attend an information meeting this Wednesday, October 2 from 6:00-7:00 pm in the Arroyo Learning Commons. Please note that this meeting is for adults only. If you have high school students who remember attending Outdoor Education as a 5th grader, now is their chance to enjoy it again. Arroyo School is seeking local high school students to join us as cabin leaders, Tuesday, November 12-Friday, November 15! Please contact Angela Naughton, [anaughton@scsdk8.org](mailto:anaughton@scsdk8.org), for specific information and applications.

### Wanted School Site Council Representatives

Are you looking for a way to get involved? Help provide feedback for our School Site Plan and School Safety Plan? Sign up to be considered for our School Site Council (SSC).

What is the SSC? A group of teachers, parents, and classified staff that serve a two year term collaborating with the principals of both Arroyo/CMS to review school improvement programs and plans. They provide quality feedback on the School Safety Plan and the district LCAP.

What do I need to do? Attend 5 meetings during the school year all at 3:15 p.m. Meetings will be held October 17th, December 12th, January 23rd, March 5th and May 28th.

How do I sign up or get more information? Email Mindy Shelton ([mshelton@scsdk8.org](mailto:mshelton@scsdk8.org)) to express your interest and/or ask questions. Please reach out no later than October 4th.

Follow us on Twitter and Facebook for up-to-date info on events and issues!



I look forward to hearing from you!

Warmly,

Mindy Shelton

Principal

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**STAMPEDE & SOAR COLOR RUN NEXT SUNDAY 10/6, 9-11AM!**



Registered Stampede & Soar participants must pick their Color Run T-Shirt and registration information at Road Runner Sports on Friday, October 4 OR Saturday, October 5 from 4:00pm-7:00pm ONLY. Road Runner Sports is offering participants a **DISCOUNT** of \$10 off purchases of 30+ or 25% off entire purchase for VIP members.

There is still time to **REGISTER** to RUN or **VOLUNTEER** and join in the fun!

Coffee and snacks available for purchase at the Color Run (cash sales) and the opportunity to support the PTA to become a Parent Partner (credit cards accepted).

Thank you to our Platinum, Gold and Silver [Stampede & Soar Sponsors!](#)

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR STAMPEDE & SOAR!**

Get involved to help set up the event, register the runners at Road Runner, sell snacks or clean at the end. Volunteering is a fun and easy way to connect with our school community. Sign up solo or recruit a friend, grandparent, or older student to [VOLUNTEER](#) with you!

### **PARENT PARTNERS - EVERY DONATION MAKES A DIFFERENCE!**

Thank you to those who've supported the [Central Arroyo PTA!](#) Without our Parent Partners, many of the wonderful programs would not be possible for our children. All funds directly benefit Arroyo and CMS programs including supports teacher grants and supplies, Art in Action, Library Books, Healthy Cities Tutoring and SO MUCH MORE! Your one-time family donation of \$250 will help us reach our \$85,000 goal by our deadline of October 31st. Thank you in advance for any support you can give. Every single dollar makes a difference for our students and teachers. [DONATE TODAY!](#)

PTA Partnership also includes your annual [PTA membership](#). When you join the Central Arroyo PTA, you are also joining the California State PTA, which spearheads educational advocacy in Sacramento.

### **Calling All Readers! A Blizzard of Books is Coming!**

**The Central/Arroyo Book Fair is October 7th-11th**, and we need your help to make it a success! Please consider volunteering by signing up for one of the shifts using this link: : <https://signup.com/go/zNxiWS>

Students will be visiting the Book Fair throughout the week with their classrooms. The Book Fair will also be open before and after school. Please tell your student to swing by. Parents are also welcome to check it out before or after their parent-teacher Conference.

Blizzard of Books Family Night will be held in the evening on **Thursday, October 10th, from 6:00-8:00 pm**. Bring the whole family to this arctic

adventure and rediscover how *cool* it is to read! Free pizza will be provided by the PTA and an icy treat will be available for purchase.

Parents are also invited to join us for last some minute shopping at **Bagels and Books on Friday, October 11th from 8:00-9:00 am.**

Thank you in advance for your support! Funds raised from the Book Fair support the Central Arroyo PTA and the Library. If you have any questions please contact Kristy Ettinger ([kristy.ettinger@gmail.com](mailto:kristy.ettinger@gmail.com)), Julie Ledford ([juliej74@gmail.com](mailto:juliej74@gmail.com)) or Stephanie Brill ([slbrill@gmail.com](mailto:slbrill@gmail.com)).

### **Volunteers Needed for Lunchtime Maker Space**

We would love to offer the Maker Space as a recess option to the kids this year. The only way we can do that is with parent help. We need to have 2 supervisors per shift, and each supervisor will be responsible for watching 10 kids each on Tuesdays and Fridays.

All sign-ups can be found here: <https://signup.com/go/PAMOzwP>

We do also need help in the garden, library, and wild zone, but the Makerspace is the area we need help the most as we cannot open it without support.

Please contact Stacey Rabkin ([staceyrabkin@gmail.com](mailto:staceyrabkin@gmail.com)) if you have any questions.

### **Central and Arroyo Teacher Lunch Next Week!**

We are providing lunch for the teachers as part of book fair next Friday 10/4. Please sign up to bring something if you are interested. Thank you!

<https://signup.com/go/NjZrxEW>

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## **District News**

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**Walk to School Day October 2nd!**

Please join students, staff and community leaders in choosing to leave your cars at home and walk, bike, skateboard or scooter to and from school on Wednesday, October 2. We will be recording all modes of travel and handing out colorful shoelaces to students who made active choices.

If all of our students substituted walking for driving for just 1 mile a day, 1,216kg of CO2 would never be released into the air. That's the equivalent of planting 8 trees in just one day!

### **Join the SCSD School Board!**

The San Carlos School District School Board will have a vacancy due to a lack of candidates registered for the November 5 election. Therefore, there will not be an election but instead a Candidate Appointment process. The School Board approved the appointment process at their September 12 meeting.

Interested candidates may attend any of the Candidate Information Sessions in the District Office Board Room - 1200 Industrial Road, Unit 9B, San Carlos to be held on:

- Thursday, October 3, 7:00-8:00pm

Please check the website for more information -

[https://www.scsdk8.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC\\_ID=1136263&type=d&pREC\\_ID=1384049](https://www.scsdk8.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=1136263&type=d&pREC_ID=1384049)

If you have additional questions, please contact Cathy Eitel, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent at [ceitel@scsdk8.org](mailto:ceitel@scsdk8.org).

### **Fall Intramural Sports**

We are excited for our 2019-20 Intramural Sports program! Our Fall Intramural Basketball Season provides San Carlos students in grades 5-8 an opportunity to participate in organized sports activities after school on Fridays. We have designed a 10-week program that is open to players of all levels - those who have played competitively at a high level and those who have never played an organized sport. While there will be no cuts and playing time will be shared evenly, we will have 2-4 divisions (based on signups in each grade and preferences indicated on the form). Coaches will manage practices and games to match up players so that each player is appropriately challenged. We anticipate that this program will provide a fun

introduction to middle school and will prepare students for the upcoming Art David Athletic League (ADAL) season!

Coaches from our ADAL teams will also be leading this program. Registration opened September 16th and the cost will be \$195, which covers a coach, scorekeepers, referees, insurance, equipment, scheduling, and administration of the program. The season will span over the months of October and November, beginning October 4 and ending December 13, consisting of 10 events.

Please complete an Interest Form so we can plan for the correct configuration of the teams. On September 26th we review the Interest Form and send out an email with more detailed season information such as times, locations, registration, grade divisions, etc. -

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfWWz9zZ2hRKEFKJLy1B7WNNOvrUfSbhPui42aBmycwxAQvRQ/viewform>

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## SCEF News

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A big thank you to the following local businesses owned by San Carlos School District parents who have already committed their SCEF support for this school year.

Absolute Electrical, GDA Commercial, CB Showers, Pope Peninsula Periodontal, Mindful Bodies, John McAfee-State Farm Insurance, Hummingbird Music, Jett Ed, Harvest Furniture, and NorthWall Builders

If you own a business and would like to reach San Carlos families AND make your annual donation for your family please take a look at our business partners programs here - <https://www.scefkids.org/take-action/businesses/>

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## Community Partners

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**CHICKENS' BALL and YOU!**



Join us to help plan our next Chickens' Ball variety show. Become your school's representatives on our Steering Committee. If you're new to the district or don't know what this is, here is three minute video to introduce you to San Carlos's time honored tradition, The Chickens' Ball - [https://drive.google.com/file/d/1mHS5-pJwiTyPSzILC3KzchqGDj\\_FsEvi/view](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1mHS5-pJwiTyPSzILC3KzchqGDj_FsEvi/view)

Steering Committee meetings are held once a month, typically the first week of each month. Our next meeting is Sunday, October 6. This is a special meeting that includes the tradition of reviewing the skit entries for the show.

Auditions to be a part of the show are **October 24 (6pm) & 26 (10am), 2019** at Heather school.

Show dates are March 13, 14, 15 (matinee) and 20, 21 (two shows), 22 (matinee), 2020 at Central Middle School.

Thank you for helping us celebrate 80 years of fundraising for our kids by promoting and attending the Chickens' Ball.

For more information, contact Julie Engberg at [julie@chickensball.org](mailto:julie@chickensball.org)

### **Healthy Cities Tutoring Orientation**

Join us and make a difference in the life of a child. Healthy Cities Tutoring matches volunteer tutors with students in K-8th grade who are struggling in school and need additional support. Tutoring is just 45 minutes once a week, and timing is flexible with openings before, during, or after school. Tutors select the school(s) and grade-level(s) they prefer and we match them accordingly.

Attend one of our upcoming training sessions on Wednesday, October 16, 8:30am-10am or 6:30pm-8:30pm at White Oaks School to learn how to help children one-on-one in the areas of reading, writing, math, engagement in learning, and self-esteem. Additional trainings on 10/22 at Henry Ford Elementary & 11/7 at Clifford School.

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