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Arts Academy Updates 02/23/2024

Updates from Dr. Mitchell and Mrs. Ignagni will be added to our Daily Announcements on our website. You can always find the most up-to-date news there!

This update and previous information are included on the Back-to-School page

Food Service Updates

Your student may or may not have mentioned changes happening in the cafegymatorium this past month. We now have a new food vendor, Ordo Inc. They have partnered with TruFoods to supply us with our lunches. So far, the feedback has been incredibly positive. Next month we are hoping to have 2 lunch options instead of just the one for this month. Ordo is also working to contract with a pizza company so that we can have weekly pizza again. If that does not happen in March, it will happen in April.

Another change we have made is Arts Academy is ordering our breakfast food, rather than relying on the vendor. This gives us a chance to have more variety and less NutraGrain and breakfast cereal bars that were served in the past. It is our hope that more students will take advantage of the free breakfast that AAW offers. In fact, March 4-8 is National School Breakfast week. We are hoping to "spot" more students enjoying breakfast that week. Just a reminder that breakfast is served in the cafegymatorium from 7:30-8:30 each school morning.

Finally, we hope to get a computer that will allow your students to use their student number for our breakfast and lunch counts. In the meantime, Joanne, our lunch server, will have a clipboard for breakfast and students are asked to write their name and grade on the paper. This will ensure that we are correctly counting breakfast for state reimbursement. We will still be taking student names during lunch until we get the computer.

Thanks so much for everyone's patience while we get the breakfast and lunch program back on track. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach me at losentoski@artsacad.net

Arts Academy Wellness Policy Committee

For anyone interested - on Tuesday, March 12, 2024, after the PTO meeting, there will be a Local Wellness Policy Committee Meeting (approximately 4:45 pm). If you wish to have a say on the nutritional, physical and mental well-being policies, and goals of AAW, please join us.



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Test Out

Please see the update form 02/09 for additional details.

Test out dates and times: Wednesday, April 24th (1:00pm - 3:00pm) and Friday, April 26th (9:00am – 11:00am)

Test out location: Computer Lab

Test out procedure:

- **1.** Completely fill out an online <u>application</u> and select a test date.
- 2. Students who apply for test out will be sent a study guide 3 weeks before the test date.
- **3.** Take test on Wednesday, April 24th, and/or Friday April 26th.

Test results are provided immediately after taking the test.

You cannot test out unless you have a completed online application.

COMPLETED ONLINE APPLICATIONS ARE DUE March 8th, 2024.

You must turn in an online application with your preferred test date to participate.

Dental service at school

Please see the update form 02/09 for additional details on the DENTIST R US program that will be on site at the Academy on Friday March 1.

If you would like your child to be seen, please fill out the <u>Dentists R Us Permission Slip</u> and return to the office prior to the above service date.

NOTE: Students who had a cleaning within the last 6 months, are NOT eligible.

Dentists R Us promotes oral health hygiene with personalized instructions & education

https://www.dentistrus.com/

If you would like your student to participate in this opportunity, please complete the permission slip linked above and return it to Mrs. Burrage. rburrage@artsacad.net You can also pick up a hard copy in the office.



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Senior Class Updates

Please review the Senior Class information from the 02/09 updates

If you have any questions, please email Mr. Wotherspoon at bwotherspoon@artsacad.net