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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!

PTO February Newsletter

The PTO has posted updates which can be viewed here: [February Newsletter](#)

Food Service Updates

We are pleased to announce that we will now be offering vegetarian options during lunch. The breakfast and lunch menus are posted on our website. Since we have to pre-order lunches, we won't be ordering very many vegetarian lunches until we can get a feel of how many lunches need to be ordered. Once we have an idea, we should have enough vegetarian options to serve everyone who wants that option. Please be patient with us as we start this new option.

Monday, March 4th through Friday, March 8th is National School Breakfast Week. We will be giving out lanyards and stickers to all who participate in our breakfast program (one per person until supplies last)! Don't forget, Breakfast is served in the cafegymatorium from 7:30-8:30 am Monday-Friday.

Finally - beginning in summer 2024, Michigan can participate in the new nationwide Summer EBT Program. Families eligible for free or reduced-price school meals will receive about \$40 per month in federally funded grocery benefits on their EBT card to purchase food for each school-age child. To qualify for this EBT, you must complete the Education Benefits Form. The link is provided. ([Benefit Application](#)).

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach me at loentoski@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.

Test Out

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



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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 [application](#) 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 the 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.

Thus far, we haven't received much interest, so **we have moved the date to Thursday March 14.**

If you would like your child to be seen, please fill out the [Dentists R Us Permission Slip](#) 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.

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