



# Arcadia High School Newsletter

## Arcadia High School PTSA

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President

## President's Message

Welcome to a new school year at Arcadia High School! First, let me introduce myself. I am Kay Kinsler the PTA President. I have a wonderful husband Warren, who allows me to volunteer and work in our community, and our two sons Michael, a sophomore at San Francisco State studying Mechanical Engineering, and Matthew, a senior at AHS. My boys have been involved with the music program at the high school. I grew up in the San Gabriel Valley; my husband and I have made this our home since 1989.

This will certainly be a year of transition at the high school. In October we will be breaking ground on two major buildings that will anchor AHS: a new Student Support Services Building with classrooms above and a state of the art Science Building.

Last year we analyzed our organization - AHS PTSA - and determined that some major changes needed to be made. To this end, all AHS PTSA meetings will be at night to enable more parent participation. Additionally, there will be programs following each meeting or incorporated into the meeting. Programs will include a repeat of last years very successful Grade Level Discussion Groups with our Counseling Staff, Navigating the College Application Process, and other topics as well. If you have any ideas, please call me. We are planning the schedule this summer!

My goal on our PTA meetings is to get our business done very quickly, dedicating our time to parent education, learning how to help our students succeed in the future and learning from our staff and administrators. All of our meetings will be held at the Arcadia City Council Chambers. There is a map on page 2 of this newsletter as well as a complete schedule of meeting dates for the year.

Our September meeting will be an overview of Arcadia High School by our administration to include Educational Planning, Philosophies, goals, etc. for the school year. Please plan on attending our first meeting on Thursday, September 4<sup>th</sup>. We will start with a Welcome Dinner at 6 pm on the lawn outside the City Council Chambers. The meeting will start promptly at 7 p.m. in the Chambers. (Food is not allowed in the Chambers).

I can be reached at [kaykinsler@altrionet.com](mailto:kaykinsler@altrionet.com) or by phone at 355-4834, before 8:00 p.m. please.

Sincerely,

Kay Kinsler  
2007-09 PTSA President

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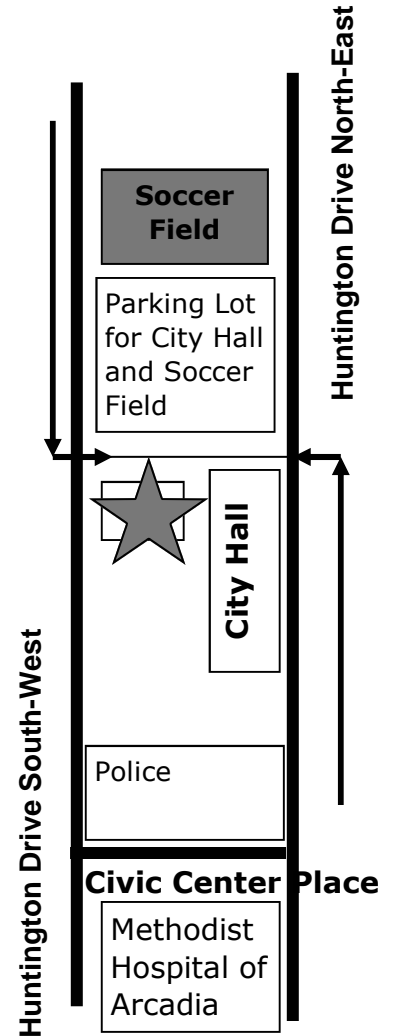
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## **AHS PTSA Meeting Calendar for 2008-2009**

September 4, 2008	Welcome dinner for parents – 6 p.m. – lawn outside the City Hall
September 4, 2008	AHS PTSA Meeting – 7 p.m. – Arcadia City Council Chambers
October 2, 2008	AHS PTSA Meeting – 7 p.m. – Arcadia City Council Chambers
November 6, 2008	AHS PTSA Meeting – 7 p.m. – Arcadia City Council Chambers
December 4, 2008	AHS PTSA Meeting – 7 p.m. – Arcadia City Council Chambers
January 8, 2009	AHS PTSA Meeting – 7 p.m. – Arcadia City Council Chambers
February 5, 2009	AHS PTSA Meeting – 7 p.m. – Arcadia City Council Chambers
March 5, 2009	AHS PTSA Meeting – 7 p.m. – Arcadia City Council Chambers
April 2, 2009	AHS PTSA Meeting – 7 p.m. – Arcadia City Council Chambers
May 7, 2009	AHS PTSA Meeting, Volunteer Appreciation and Honorary Service Dinner – 6 p.m. – Location TBD
June 4, 2009	AHS PTSA Meeting – 7 p.m. – Arcadia City Council Chambers

All Meetings with the exception of the May meeting will be held in the Arcadia City Council Chambers located at:

City of Arcadia  
240 West Huntington Drive  
Arcadia, CA



# REGIONAL OCCUPATIONAL PROGRAM (ROP)

Arcadia High School's Regional Occupational Program (ROP) offers classes to students during the day and it also offers classes to students and adults during the afternoons, evenings, and Saturday.

**Employability Training Skills:** Every ROP class conducts job search workshops that provide information on topics such as personal development, resume preparation, employment applications, interviewing techniques and networking. Each student also receives free of charge. **The Job Finder's Guide**, a book designed to assist the student in the job search process.

## **ROP REGISTRATION INFORMATION:**

**HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS:** Junior/Seniors or 16 years. Sophomore students are allowed enrollment in specific ROP classes which is indicated on the schedule with an asterisk. Students can register in the ROP Office, P 12. Students receive high school credit for attending ROP classes. There are no fees for high school students.

**ADULTS:** Register in the Career Center ROP office. The cost for each class is \$50.00, payable by cash at the time of registration.

**REMINDER FOR ALL WORK EXPERIENCE STUDENTS:** All work permits have expired as of September 8<sup>th</sup>. Work permit applications can be picked up in the ROP office, P 12. **Students who are currently working can receive 5/10 credits for their job.** Come to the ROP office regarding information for this great opportunity.

**What is a work permit?** A work permit is a legal document required by the state of California that allows a person under 18 years to hold a job. An employer who hires a minor must have the work permit on file at the business site before the minor may start the job.

**To get or keep a work permit, must I attend school?** The answer is YES! Requiring work permits for minors insure that they stay in school, which requires parent or guardian permission to work.

**At what age can I get a work permit?** In most cases, students must be at least 14 years of age to get a work permit with the exception of "entertainment work permit" that can be given from infants to 18 years. Although 14 and 15 year olds may get work permits, most employers will not hire students under age 16. This is because the workers' compensation insurance usually does not cover workers under the age 16.

**How often do I need to get a work permit?** Each time a minor is hired for a new job, a new work permit must be obtained and given to the employer.

**ASVAB Testing:** On Tuesday, October 21<sup>st</sup> from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. ROP will be hosting the Armed Services Vocational Battery (ASVAB) assessment for any junior or senior. The Department of Defense sponsors the ASVAB and is a vocational aptitude survey consisting of ten short tests. Areas such as general science, arithmetic reasoning, work knowledge, paragraph comprehension, numerical operations, and mechanical comprehension are some of the potentials measured by the assessment. Administered **free** of charge, no studying or special preparation is required. The ASVAB Career Exploration Program allows the student to understand the wide variety of careers available to them. Taking the test better explains the student's strengths and helps identify where improvements may be needed. In approximately six weeks, the Department of Defense will interpret the assessment with the results given to the students. **We are now taking enrollments in the ROP office, P 12.**

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**About School to Career:** School-to-Career is an educational initiative that provides students of all ages with a wide range of educational and career development options. The goal of School-to-Career is to make classroom learning more relevant, inspiring students to commit themselves to life-long learning and preparing them for successful, high-skill, well-paid careers within today's competitive job market.

### **Career Center Student Job and Internship Resources:**

**Job Book-** Almost daily, we post employment opportunities from the local community business professionals in our job book. If you are or have a business that would like to hire Arcadia High School students, please give us a call (626) 821-8370, ext.1104, and we will be glad to include your request.

**Sample Resume Book-** contains various resume samples for students to use as a guide.

**Internship/Volunteer Book-** consists of non-paid opportunities for students in many private and public agencies throughout the San Gabriel Valley.

### **Job Express**

If you are looking for a job and need help finding a job, stop by the ROP counter during Apache Days. Juniors, and Seniors are eligible. You will receive help with your job application, resume, and interview skills. The teachers will have a list of employers and job applications. You are required to attend class on Monday or Tuesday, 3-5:30 p.m. You will receive elective credit for the class.

### **Work Permits**

All work permits issued during the 2008-2009 school year and summer will expire on September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2008. If you are under 18 years of age and employed, you must obtain or renew a work permit. Work permit applications will be at the ROP counter during Apache days.

### **Earn Elective Credit for Work Experience**

(5/10 credits per semester)

To earn high school credit, students must be employed and attend class on Monday or Tuesday, 3-5:30 p.m. The amount of high school elective credit is determined by the average number of hours worked each week.

Students will learn customer relations, career advancement, safe work habits, tax preparation and terminology used in industry. All students enrolled in the class will be issued an ROP Work Permit which allows students to work a more flexible work schedule.

**Cindi Franz**  
**ROP Counselor**

# ARCADIA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGIONAL OCCUPATIONAL PROGRAM (R.O.P.)

Arcadia High School, 180 Campus Drive, ROP/Career Center, Arcadia, CA 91007

(626) 821-8370, ext. 1057 OR 821-1775

## CLASS SCHEDULE - FALL SESSION 2008

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>TEACHER</u>	<u>PERIOD(S)/DAY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>CREDIT</u>
<b><u>SCHOOL DAY CLASSES (HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ONLY)</u></b>					
Advanced Video Production	AHS C7	Citrin	Per. 4	9/2	5
Animation*	AHS P10	Mu	Per. 3	9/2	5
AP Computer Science*	AHS B5/P8	Chapman/Reiske	Per. 0	9/2	5
AP Computer Science*	AHS P8	Reiske	Per.1,2,3	9/2	5
AP Computer Science*	AHS B5	Chapman	Per. 4	9/2	5
Beginning Dance*	AHS Dance Studio	Tedford	Per. 2,3,4	9/2	5
Biotechnology*	AHS F4	Pal	Per. 2	9/2	5
Business Management	AHS P8	Stallings	Per. 5	9/2	5
Computer Game Programming*	AHS B5	Chapman	Per. 3	9/2	5
Computer Hardware/Network Eng.*	AHS B5	Chapman	Per. 2	9/2	5
Computer Science*	AHS B5	Shen	Per. 2,3	9/2	5
Civil Law	AHS B1	Harrington	Per. 4	9/2	5
Criminal Law	AHS	Harrington	Per. 2,3	9/2	5
Cross-Age Literacy	AHS P14	Frontino	Per. 3	9/2	5
Digital Photography	AHS H1	Fujiwara	Per. 1,2,3,4,5,6	9/2	5
Food Science	AHS G5	Edwards	Per. 1,2,3,4,5	9/2	5
Graphic Design*	AHS P10	Mu	Per. 4,5,6	9/2	5
Intermediate Dance*	AHS Dance Studio	Tedford	Per. 5	9/2	5
Intermediate Video Production*	AHS C7	Citrin	Per. 2	9/2	5
Medical & Therapeutic Principles	AHS	McCoppin	Per. 4,5	9/2	5
Office Technology*	AHS P8	Stallings	Per. 6	9/2	5
Orchesis	AHS Dance Studio	Tedford	Per. 0,1	9/2	10
Sports Medicine	AHS	McCoppin	Per. 3	9/2	5

### **AFTER SCHOOL AND EVENING CLASSES**

Advanced Robotics*	AHS P7	Fretz	Monday + TBA	5:00-8:00	9/8	5
Advanced Video Production*	AHS C7	Citrin	T&Th	3:00-5:30	9/9	5
Culinary Arts	AHS G5	Huffaker	T&Th	3:00-5:30	9/9	5
Law Enforcement*	AHS D5	Johnson/Lear	Sat	7:30-3:30	9/8	5
Retail Marketing	AHS D5	Stallings	T&Th+OJT	3:00-5:30	9/11	10

### **ELECTIVE CREDIT FOR EMPLOYED STUDENTS (WORK EXPERIENCE)**

(Students must be employed and work a minimum of 10 hours per week for 5 credits OR 20 hours per week for 10 credits)

Retail Occupations	AHS P8	Stallings	Monday	3:00-5:30	9/8	5/10
	AHS P8	Rushing	Tuesday	3:00-5:30	9/9	5/10

### **REGISTRATION INFORMATION**

AGE REQUIREMENT: Sophomore (only classes marked with an asterisk \*), and/or Junior or Senior students may enroll in ROP classes. You may enroll in an after school class during "Apache Days." If you have any questions regarding school day classes, contact Cindi Franz, ROP Counselor in the ROP Office (P12).

The Los Angeles County Office of Education and the Arcadia Unified School District do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, disability, language, ancestry, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or marital status in their educational programs and activities or employment practices. Students who have questions or concerns about the nondiscrimination policy can contact the Arcadia Unified School District, Ms. Cynthia Laureano, 234 Campus Drive, Arcadia, CA 91007, (626) 821-6629

## NOTE TO PARENTS ABOUT TEXTBOOKS:

Parents, please note that this year AUSD has adopted all new science books for your students and the books are more expensive than ever. Many of the new science books are costing us more than \$100 per book. This note is to remind you and your students that the books need to be covered and taken care of in the backpacks. Your students will be the first to use the books. Many teachers have been able to keep class sets of books in their classrooms, so students don't need to carry the books with them to school every day. They need to keep track in their planners of any time the books need to be carried to class.

I am sending out this note because last year we had all new history books and many students did not take care of the books and will be receiving fines for not covering the books or damaging the books. Again, they were the first person to ever use the book. Please take note of the instruction sheet we will once again hand out at registration with the students' textbooks. It describes how to care for the books and what to do if damages are discovered in any of the textbooks when you bring the books home.

If you have any questions, please call the AHS Library at 626-821-1787.

Janet HasBrouck, Librarian, Arcadia High School

### Football Food Booth Volunteers

Guaranteed Friday night fun! Come have FUN and make FRIENDS working a shift in the food booth during home football games!

Friday dates:

September 5

October 3

October 10 Homecoming

October 24

November 14

Yes, count me in on the fun! Contact Karen Tom at [4toms@earthlink.net](mailto:4toms@earthlink.net) for details.

### 5th Quarter Dance!

Attention Students! Kick off the year with a hot start by mingling at Arcadia High School's casual 5th Quarter Dance! It's the first dance of the year September 2nd, 2008 following the football game. It is a great way to mingle with friends and tickets are only 5 dollars each, which can be bought from any pep squad member or in H-4. Be the first to purchase tickets during Apache Days. Support your school and show your spirit at pep rallies during lunch!



# PSAT / NMSQT

The **PSAT/NMSQT** will be given at Arcadia High School on **Saturday, October 18, 2008** to juniors, sophomores, and freshmen. This is the test which determines the juniors who will be National Merit Scholarship Semi Finalists in their senior year; and helps students prepare for the SATs. Your PSAT test booklet and results will be returned to you in January following the test.

**Sign Ups** for the PSAT will be during lunch only, in front of the Music Building , from September 22 through October 3. The cost of the test will be \$30.00 per student and checks should be made out to "Arcadia Music Club." We encourage all juniors, sophomores and freshmen to sign up and take this important test. Late sign-ups as well as walk-ins on the day of the test will be charged \$40.00. Remember to **bring your photo ID** with you when you sign up for the test. For questions please contact Mrs. Terry Schreiner at 821-1711 or [tschreiner@ausd.net](mailto:tschreiner@ausd.net).

## Reflections

### *Art Contest*

Get a head start this summer preparing for the 2008-09 Reflections Program.

The 2008-09 theme is: **Wow!**

The National PTA Reflections Program is an arts recognition and achievement program for students. Creating art is a learning process that challenges students to use their critical thinking skills as well as their creative talents to create art that supports a specific theme. The 2008-09 theme is "Wow!" and each entry must depict the theme in the work. Entries are accepted in Literature, Musical Composition, Photography, Visual Arts, Dance Choreography and Film/Video Production. For detailed information, visit <http://www.capta.org/sections/programs/reflections.cfm> The Reflections entries will be judged, with winners advancing to the District level and as applicable, to State and National levels.

Students are encouraged to participate in this annual program celebrating the arts. Reflection entry forms and rules, along with the deadline date will be provided in the fall. For further information, contact the Reflections Chairperson at [ytsirhc@earthlink.net](mailto:ytsirhc@earthlink.net).



# Apache Days

## Schedule

Please do not report earlier than your assigned time- you will not be allowed in the line  
Registration starts in Room D-4

<b>Seniors</b> <i>August 19th- Tuesday</i>	<b>Juniors</b> <i>August 20th- Wednesday</i>	<b>Sophomores</b> <i>August 21st- Thursday</i>	<b>Freshmen</b> <i>August 22nd- Friday</i>
8:00am Woo-Z	8:00am Woo-Z	8:00am Wu-Z	8:00am Woo-Z
8:30am Tovar-Wong	8:30am Trinh-Wong	8:30am Torstenbo-Woodbury	8:30am Trask-Wong
9:00am Salvacion-Tou	9:00am Schmitt-Trigilio	9:00am Ritchie-Torres	9:00am Sermsakdi-Tran
9:30am Novak-Salinas	9:30am Nguyen-Scheumann	9:30am Nagakusa-Risden	9:30am Oh-Senick
10:00am Lo-Niu	10:00am Lou-Ngai	10:00am Liu-Naeem	10:00am Liu-Nugroho
10:30am Lee-Liyanage	10:30am Larson-Lopez	10:30am Lam-Lipana	10:30am Ko-Lin
<b>Doors close at 10:45am</b>	<b>Doors close at 10:45am</b>	<b>Doors close at 10:45am</b>	<b>Doors close at 10:45am</b>
12:30pm Lamranond-Lay	12:30pm Hubbard-Lara	12:30pm Hung-Lalla	12:30pm Honey-Kloss Falatoonzadeh
1:00pm Gureghian-Hyun	1:00pm Gandasutisna-Huang	1:00pm Golinski-Hui	1:00pm Ho Chin- Evangelista
1:30pm Cooper-Guo	1:30pm Chow-Galeazzi	1:30pm Choy-Goh	1:30pm Chan-Chien
2:00pm Chang-Conway	2:00pm Chang-Chou	2:00pm Chang-Chowdhary	2:00pm A-Chai
2:30pm A-Chandra	2:30pm A-Chan	2:30pm A-Chan	2:30pm A-Chai
<b>Doors close at 2:45pm</b>	<b>Doors close at 2:45pm</b>	<b>Doors close at 2:45pm</b>	<b>Doors close at 2:45pm</b>

Counselors will not be available between 11:30am to 1:00pm to assist students

<b>Makeups</b> <b>Seniors</b> <i>August 25th</i>	<b>Makeups</b> <b>Juniors</b> <i>August 25th</i>	<b>Makeups</b> <b>Sophomores</b> <i>August 25th</i>	<b>Makeups</b> <b>Freshmen</b> <i>August 25th</i>
9:00am-9:45am	9:45am-10:30am	10:30am- 11:15am	11:15am- 12:00pm
<b>Doors close at 12:15pm</b>			

*The student must be present at Registration- Parents, siblings, friends, etc. may not go through any part of registration for the student*

Plan on 2 hours to go through Registration

**No Registration on Tuesday Aug 26th through Thursday Aug 28th. Offices will be closed on Friday, Aug 29th.**

**All students who have not registered by Aug 25th will have to register on the first day of school  
Tuesday, Sept 2nd at 7:00 a.m. Location TBA**

# Apache Days

## Important Notes and Reminders

- Remember to bring your old ID card from last year to registration (even your middle school ID card).
- Write a separate check for each child to pay for fees. You may also pay fees online <http://asb.ausd.net/>
- If you have not passed the swim survival test, testing will be held Monday August 18th through Friday August 22 from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. at the AHS pool. Seniors who have not passed the test prior to registration will be scheduled into a PE class.
- All forms needed for Apache Days Registration will now be accessed online. Instead of receiving a packet of forms in the mail, you will be receiving an access code in the mail from the District Office's Technology and Information Services Department. This code will allow you to log into a secure website and the link you to all necessary forms to fill out on-line, print, sign, and bring with you to Apache Days. These access codes will be mailed between the last week of July and the first week in August. Arcadia High School forms can also be accessed through <http://asb.ausd.net/> but please note that you will still need to use your access code to locate district required secured forms in order to complete your "packet."
- The student must be present at Registration-Parents, siblings, friends, etc. may not go through any part of registration for the student.
- Please do not report earlier than your assigned time- you will not be allowed in the line.
- Registration starts in Room D-4.
- Plan on 2 hours to go through Registration.
- No registration on Tuesday August 26th through Thursday August 28th. Offices will be closed Friday August 29th.

Jennifer Lashier  
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# PTA at Arcadia High School

By Kay Kinsler

PTA or PTSA is the Parent Teacher Student Association and is part of the California State PTA. The mission of the California State PTA is to positively impact the lives of all children and families by representing our members and empowering and supporting them with skills in advocacy, leadership, and communication. Its purposes can be broken down to doing the following:

- To promote the welfare of children and youth in home, school, community, and place of worship.
- To raise the standards of home life.
- To secure adequate laws for the care and protection of children and youth.
- To bring into closer relation the home and the school, that parents and teachers may cooperate intelligently in the education of children and youth.
- To develop between educators and the general public such united efforts as will secure for all children and youth the highest advantages in physical, mental, social, and spiritual education.

**At AHS we work together with the Administration, Staff, Students and Parents to accomplish these projects:**

1. Provide **volunteers for Apache days**, allowing for a smooth and productive start of the school year.
2. **Assist the counseling office** by providing volunteers as needed throughout the year and especially in March through May when **parents input class schedules** into the school's computer while the counselors meet individually with each student.
3. **Publish the newsletter, the weekly list serve announcements** and the **Smoke Signals** for eighth grade families all to provide better communication and a closer relation between home and school.
4. **Operate a website to keep parents informed** of what is going on at AHS. ([www.ahspta.com](http://www.ahspta.com))
5. **Maintain a two way dialogue with our school board** so that they know our concerns and opinions on issues that matter to us.
6. **Support programs to help ALL our students such as the student agenda, intramural noon sports programs, SCOC programs, and many others.**
7. **Run the Freshman & New Student Orientation** with students and counselors in August to transition the new students to AHS.
8. Provide a **Teacher/Staff Appreciation Lunch** every March.
9. Develop and promote **Apache Wear** to boost school spirit
10. Work with the school, ASB, and PTA volunteers to ensure a successful **Grad Night** through planning, decorating and staffing the party
11. Update the **school's Disaster Preparedness** supplies
12. Sponsor **Red Ribbon Week** to promote positive, healthy choices by our students
13. Provide **scholarships** for our graduating seniors
14. Challenge our creative students through our national **PTA Reflections Program**
15. Keep our children safe by sponsoring and staffing **Traffic Safety weeks** in fall and spring and advocate traffic changes to improve traffic safety

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## PTA at Arcadia High School *(Continued from previous page)*

16. Work with ASB and the community to collect, sort and distribute food and gifts to local families through Arcadia's unique **White Christmas program**.
17. **Support the Child Health Council** to help fellow Arcadia school children.

**How does one stay connected at the high school?** There are many ways, but the following are my favorites:

1. **Attend the PTA meetings.** First on every agenda are the administration and staff reports. This is where I learn what is truly going on at AHS and how and why decisions are made. I glean philosophical approach that the administration is using. Probably most important, I meet the people who run the school, learn how to access the system and who to turn to when my student has a problem.
2. **Read the student bulletin once per week.** The bulletin is published every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. The bulletin can be found on the AHS website [www.ausd.net/ahs](http://www.ausd.net/ahs) and click on "Student Bulletin" on the top center of the page or go to <http://www.ausd.net/ahs/bulletin.pdf>.
3. **Use the AHS PTA website.** Either click on PTSA on the AHS Website or go directly to [www.ahspta.com](http://www.ahspta.com).
4. **Make a point of meeting your child's friends and their parents!** It is so important that we get to know each other and know that we are comfortable calling each other to check where the kids are and what the house rules are. I make sure my son provides me with the friend's name and his home phone number before he can go to the house. It is important that we adequately supervise our students.
5. **Find out how your student is doing by having them bring home a "Friday Card"** a.k.a. a Student Attendance and Progress Card. These cards can be picked up at the Attendance Office or printed out from the counselors' website. On Fridays your student gives the Friday Card to the teacher at the beginning of the class and picks it up at the end of the class.
6. **Use ISIS.** ISIS is the Internet Student Information System and each of us can access our students' information on the system. Information includes attendance, grades, transcripts, and proficiency test results. I can check that my child is not tardy for classes on a day to day basis.
7. **Check out the Counselors webpage** for information specific to your students' grade level. From the AHS website click counseling on the left side or by going to <http://www.ausd.net/ahs/Counseling/>. Once in the counseling website, grade specific documents are on the far left.

**Most important to me this year is the building of relationships and community within our school.** I believe that working together we will build strong communication and fellowship between each of us to continue to make AHS one of the premiere high schools in the state and country. Please attend our meetings, school events like Back to School Night, and athletic events. You'll get to know other parents and become a better parent!

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the school year 2008-09

The Attendance Office will be located in the new Portable classrooms which are located in the back of the main staff parking lot off of El Monte Ave. The Attendance Office will be in **P19**.

**Remember, students are not allowed inside of the staff parking lot with their cars during school hours. Parents are not to enter this lot to drop their students off in the morning hours.**

Please ask your student(s) to show you the Student/Parent Handbook.

Please read the entire booklet. Pay special attention to the **Attendance Program** Section,

**Please notify the attendance office in advance of any scheduled absences for your student(s) in writing and by a phone call.**

**All absences require a note signed by the parent/guardian upon the student's return to school. When writing your child's note for re entry, please include your child's first and last name, their student ID#, the dates they were absent from school, the reason for the absence and your signature.**

**The past school year of 2007-08 a new Attendance Policy went into effect. Please read the following:**

#### **Attendance Policy**

- 1. Morning attendance window will close at 7:50 A.M.**
- 2. Student will turn in their absence notes to the office, at 7:50 A.M. a slip will be given to the students that will admit the student to class but will not automatically excuse them.**
- 3. The student will be informed to return to the office in between their classes to pick up their readmit . It is the student's responsibility to make sure his note was accepted and cleared.**
- 4. Teachers will then check their workstation to see if the absence has been accepted. They may also ask the student to show them their readmit.**

**The reason for this change is the growing number of students who are still at the window when the bell rings. They are not still in line because of processing, but because they come to the line a few minutes before the bell rings. This gives them an excuse to be late.**

**This procedure should cut down the number of students who are on campus but are still being late to class.**

**This change will give the school another form of checks and balances.**

If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Attendance Office 7:30am to 4pm, Monday thru Friday. Phone number is 626 821-1770

# Arcadia High School PTSA Calendar

## August 2008

- 18 Freshman and New Student Orientation
- 18-22 Marching Camp 1-5 p.m. (Salter Stadium)
- 19 Apache Days – Seniors
- 20 Apache Days – Juniors
- 21 Apache Days – Sophomores
- 22 Apache Days – Freshmen
- 24-29 Music Camp for Orchestra, Band and Color Guard
- 25 Apache Days – Makeup: 9-9:45 Senior; 9:45 – 10:30 Junior, 10:30 – 11:15 Sophomore, 11:15 – 12 noon Freshmen

## September 2008

- 1 Labor Day - Holiday
- 2 School Begins at Arcadia High School
- 3 Wednesday Night Marching Band & Color Guard Rehearsals, 6-9 p.m. (Salter Stadium) every Wednesday through November
- 4 **Welcome dinner for parents – 6 p.m. – lawn outside the City Hall**
- 4 **AHS PTSA Meeting – 7 p.m. – Arcadia City Council Chambers**
- 5 Varsity Football Home Game (Monrovia) – 7 p.m.
- 5 Fifth Quarter Dance 9:30 p.m. to 12 midnight
- 6 Marching Band & Color Guard Saturday Rehearsal, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. (Salter Stadium)
- 12 Varsity Football Game at St. Francis – 7 p.m.
- 13 Marching Band & Color Guard Saturday Rehearsal, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. (Salter Stadium)
- 13 Orchesis Car Wash, 7:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
- 13 ACT Test Date – [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)
- 20 Music Club Car Wash
- 22 Senior Parent meeting 7:00 p.m. – N. Gym
- 23 Junior Parent meeting 7:00 p.m. – N. Gym
- 24 Sophomore Parent meeting 7:00 p.m. – N. Gym
- 25 ELD Parent meeting, 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. - Cafeteria
- 25 Back to School Night, 7:00 – 9:15 p.m.
- 26 Varsity Football Game at Lynwood HS – 7 p.m.
- 27 Band/Orchestra Pictures
- 29 Freshman Parent meeting 7:00 p.m. – N. Gym

## October 2008

- 2 **AHS PTSA Meeting – 7 p.m. – Arcadia City Council Chambers**
- 3 Varsity Football Home Game (Hoover) – 7 p.m.
- 4 SAT and Subject Tests– [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)
- 10 Varsity Football Homecoming Game (Glendale) – 7 p.m.
- 11 Homecoming Dance
- 11 Band Review
- 15 Swim Test at Lunch
- 17 Varsity Football Game at Pasadena HS – 7 p.m.
- 17 & 18 Pep Squad Haunted House 12 noon to Midnight
- 18 PSAT Test
- 24 Varsity Football Home Game (Muir) – 7 p.m.
- 25 Band Review & Tournament
- 25 ACT Test Date – [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)
- 30 Fall Concert at PHS Auditorium – 7 – 9 p.m. (OR1, OR2, OR3, and MS)

## 學生家長會會長的話

歡迎大家踏入新的學年。讓我首先介紹自己 - 我是 Kay Kinsler, 今年學生家長會 PTSA 的會長。我先生 Warren 非常支持我做義工, 我們的長子 Michael 現在三藩市州立大學修機械工程, 小兒子 Mathew 是 AHS 十二年級學生。今年十月, 兩座新樓會於校院內動土: 上層為教室的學生服務大樓, 和一棟現代化的科學大樓。

PTSA 在去年作了一項意見調查, 今年我們會把所有的 PTSA 會議改在晚上進行, 方便更多家長參與; 而每次會議又會包括一些項目, 例如和輔導老師的小組討論, 解釋申請大學的程序等。如果您有任何建議, 請通知我。

我會把 PTSA 會議的議事部份儘快完成, 投入更多時間在家長教育, 讓大家學習怎樣幫助孩子取得成功。所有的會議將在亞市市議會的會議廳舉行, 地圖和日期在本刊另頁。九月四日的會議將有校方的領導人為大家概述來年的教育計劃和目標。我們會於晚上六時在會議廳外的草地招待歡迎晚餐, 會議於七時舉行。

大家可用電郵 [kaykinsler@altrionet.com](mailto:kaykinsler@altrionet.com) 或於晚上八時前致電 355-4834 聯絡我。

## 上課出席記錄

出席記錄辦公室會搬到沿 El Monte Ave. 的職員停車場後的流動教室 P19。

上課時間內, 學生不能把車輛停泊在職員停車場, 家長在早上也不能把車駛入職員停車場讓孩子下車。

請家長與貴子弟詳細閱讀學生規範手冊, 特別注意上課出席記錄部份。事先安排好的缺課, 必須預早書面或致電通知出席記錄辦公室。學生缺席之後回校, 須要有家長或監護人簽署的字條, 列出姓名、學號、缺課日期及原因、以及你的簽名。

由於很多學生在早上上課前幾分鐘才趕到出席記錄辦公室排隊遞交字條, 為免這些學生遲到, 出席記錄辦公室於 2007-08 年實施了以下的新政策:

1. 出席記錄窗口於上午 7:50a.m. 關閉。
2. 學生交回缺課字條後, 辦公室於 7:50a.m. 會發給他們一張返回教室的便條, 但這並不等於批准他們的缺課。
3. 稍後辦公室會通知學生前往領取重新上課通知單, 學生必須確知他的缺課字條得到批准。
4. 老師會查看該學生的缺課有否獲得批准, 他們可能要求學生顯示重新上課的通知單。

任何問題, 請於星期一至五 7:30a.m. 至 4p.m. 致電 (626)821-1770 查詢。

## 註冊日 - 重要的提示

- 記得帶回舊學生證(包括初中的學生證)。
- 每個孩子必須分開支票付費, 亦可網上付費 <http://asb.ausd.net/>
- 尚未通過游泳試的學生可於 8/18 至 8/22 上午七時至九時往學校泳池考試。註冊前尚未通過游泳試的十二年級學生必須再修體育課。
- 高中註冊所需的全部文件現在將以上網期待。學區不再以郵寄方式分發註冊文件, 學區辦公室的科技和資訊部門將給您們寄出一個上網下載文件的代碼。該代碼將讓您在一個安全的網站, 點擊聯鍵找出所有必需表格, 在網上填好, 印出, 簽名, 然後在註冊日帶來學校。這些代碼將在 7 月的最後一個星期和 8 月的第一個星期寄出。Arcadia 高中的表格也可經由 <http://asb.ausd.net/> 取得, 但請注意您仍需用您的代碼才能找到學區要求的保密文件以完成您的“註冊文件”。
- 學生必須親自註冊, 任何人均不能代表。
- 請不要早過指定的時間到達 - 不設預先排隊。
- 註冊在 D-4 室開始。
- 請預留兩小時完成整個程序。
- 8 月 26 至 28 日不設註冊服務, 學校於 8 月 29 日(星期五) 休息。

Jennifer Lashier

學生事務助理校長

## 好好保護您的書本

Arcadia 學區今年購買了全新的科學書本, 很多價值超過 \$100 一本, 這裡提醒大家請包好書本, 小心保管。如果老師已有一套書本在教室使用, 請學生在日程表記下甚麼時候需要帶書回校。去年發了新的歷史書, 但很多學生因為沒有包好書本或損壞了它們而將會收到罰款通知。我們會在發書本時附上一張指示, 說明如何保護書本, 及當你收到書本發現已經損毀的做法。如有任何問題, 請致電 AHS 圖書館(626)821-1787。

AHS 圖書館長 Janet HasBrouck

## PSAT/NMSQT 考試日期: 星期六, 10/28/2008

登記時間: 9/22 - 10/3, 午餐時間於音樂教室前, 費用為 \$30。(支票抬頭請寫 Arcadia Music Club) 所有 9, 10, 11 年級學生均可報名, 報名時需攜帶學生證。此項考試將決定 11 年級學生在 12 年級時能否入圍 National Merit 獎學金。



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## Staying Connected!

- AHS website: [www.ausd.net/ahs](http://www.ausd.net/ahs) Gives you student bulletins, teacher e-mails, counselors and administrators, bell schedules, daily updates on what's happening at AHS, phone numbers, ISIS, Library, ASB, etc
- Counseling Center website: <http://www.ausd.net/ahs/Counseling/> Provides information on all aspects of the Counseling Center. View PowerPoint presentations and all documents here!
- E-mail listserv: [ahspta@ausd.net](mailto:ahspta@ausd.net) Weekly updates for activities, parent resources, calendar of events, volunteer opportunities.
- Read PTSA newsletter : [www.ahspta.com](http://www.ahspta.com) and click on newsletters or go to [www.ahspta.com/Newsletters](http://www.ahspta.com/Newsletters)
- Calendar of PTA events: [www.ahspta.com](http://www.ahspta.com) and click on calendar or go to [www.ahspta.com/calendar](http://www.ahspta.com/calendar)
- Input to PTSA Newsletter: [ahsnewsletter@ausd.net](mailto:ahsnewsletter@ausd.net) E-mail articles for the quarterly newsletter about campus activities, counselors tips, administration's message.
- Arcadia Choral: <http://www.arcadiachoral.com>
- Athletics: <http://athletics.ausd.net/>
- Music: [www.arcdiamusic.org](http://www.arcdiamusic.org)
- CPBC: [www.arcadiachineseparents.org](http://www.arcadiachineseparents.org)