

January 27, 2020

Dear Dana Families and Friends,

Autism Goes to College

We would like to invite our Da Vinci and Wiseburn Families to attend a free screening of [Autism Goes to College](#) on **Wednesday, January 29th at 6pm** in the Blackbox Theater at the high school campus, located at 201 N. Douglas Street, El Segundo. In this film, five students on the autism spectrum take us into their lives and into their classrooms to show us how they're navigating the college experience.

After the movie, we invite you to join us for a Q&A session with Director Erik Linthorst.

Please RSVP using the following link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/autism-goes-to-college-screening-tickets-88954698899?aff=affiliate1>

There Are Lots of PTSA Happenings This Month!

PTSA needs volunteers for the Scholastic Book Fair which will run from 2/4-2/13. If you can help out with for a couple of hours, please sign up at <https://signup.com/go/CBqfUHQ>. Proceeds from our bookfair help each teacher stock their classroom with new books each year. Book fair will be open before school, at lunch, and after school. We accept cash, checks, and credit cards. Please help support our Dana classrooms by volunteering and shopping!!

Our Winter Membership drive is in full force! Congratulations to Mr. Nguyen's class which was the first to achieve 90% membership. All homerooms that reach 90% can earn a \$100 Amazon gift card for their classroom. Who will be next??? If you haven't joined already, you can do it online today at <https://jointotem.com/ca/hawthorne/dana-middle-school-ptsa>.

It is time to prepare to elect our next executive board for the PTSA. Elections will take place in March. We will be accepting nominations for the positions of President, Executive Vice-President, VP Membership, VP Fundraising, Secretary, and Treasurer. If you are interested in learning about any of these opportunities, please contact Felicia Villareal, PTSA Parliamentarian, at 310-936-4248 or feliciav@ca.rr.com.

2019-2020 Yearbook Sale

Only 105 yearbooks remain for purchase. Orders may be placed online at yearbookforever.com. The price per yearbook is \$40.00. ***Yearbook sales will end on Wednesday, February 26. Remaining copies will be sold in a lottery after school on June 8.***

Dana Middle School Washington DC and Catalina Toyon Bay Study Trip Updates

Keep in mind the academic and behavior requirements needed in all classes to participate in these trips. As indicated in prior communications, grade checks will be completed at the end of the First Semester and Third Quarter grading periods, as well as a behavior check prior to each departure date.

Catalina/Toyon Bay –

- Final payments are due by Friday, February 14. Payments must be in cash or check/money order payable to Wiseburn U.S.D. Please plan accordingly, due to the length of our trip waitlists we cannot make exceptions or extend payment due dates.

- The final mandatory student meeting will be on Wednesday, February 19 at 1:00pm in the MPR. Students will select their roommates at this meeting.
- Parent/Student Pre-trip meeting. Students and at least one parent/guardian must attend the meeting on Thursday, March 5 at 3:30pm in the MPR. Mr. Williams will review all aspects of the trip including transportation, activities, and packing lists.

Washington DC –

- Please keep in touch with Worldstrides customer service, 800 468-5899, regarding your payment schedule. All payments are due by mid-March and our group must be paid in full to complete bookings for flight and hotel.
- Final mandatory student meeting for registered and waitlisted students will be on Wednesday, February 12 at 8:00am in the MPR. Ms. Prieto will lead a discussion regarding choosing a roommate, then the students will select their hotel room groups.
- Mandatory Parent/Student/Chaperon Pre-trip meeting. Students and at least one parent/guardian must attend the meeting on Tuesday, May 12 at 6:30 pm in the MPR. Mrs. Prieto and her team will review transportation, spending money, medication due date, activities, packing lists, and more!

Cold and Flu Season

It is cold and flu season. We want to remind you how to keep your child and others healthy. Please [click here](#) to read more important information about how to protect yourself and others from flu.

Wiseburn Little League

Registration is OPEN for the 2020 Spring Season. Wiseburn Little League offers baseball and softball for players who are league age 4-14. You may register online at www.wiseburnlittleleague.org. See attached [flyer](#) for more details.

Girl Scouts troop 3265

Girls scouts Troop 3265 is collecting crayons and markers (any brands, used and broken ones too) to earn their Girl Scouts Silver Award. Please see attached [flyer](#) for more information. Thank you in advance for your support!

WEF Give 180 Campaign

Working directly with public school supporters — like you — allows WEF to remain a vital part of our community and secure the financial resources needed to deliver a top-notch public education. Please donate and help sustain these critical programs allowing our students to learn in a STEAM- rich environment. Donations of all levels are appreciated and tax deductible. Please consider making a contribution. Installment plans are available. Donate online at: <https://www.memberplanet.com/campaign/wef/2019-20>

Monday, January 27– Periods 1 thru 6- 2:45pm dismissal

8:30am- 9:55am- Interim Testing in extended homeroom- lunch times have changed due to testing-6th grade lunch 11:23am- 12:08pm 7th/8th grade lunch – 12:02pm- 12:47pm

3:00pm- 4:00pm- STAR Education GATE Group A- Room 402

3:00pm- 4:00pm- Dana Singers- 302

3:00pm- 4:00pm- Student Success Club- student services

3:00pm- 4:00pm- 6th Grade Society of Women Engineers (SWE) Club meeting- 502
3:00pm- 4:15pm- Barbell Club Practice- The Cove
3:00pm- 5:00pm- Boys Basketball Practice- Dana gym

Tuesday, January 28 - Periods 2, 4, 6 - 2:45pm dismissal

3:00pm- 3:15pm- Boys soccer informational meeting- lunch tables
3:00pm- 4:00pm- STAR Education GATE Group B- Room 402
3:00pm- 5:00pm- Boys Basketball Practice- Dana gym

Wednesday, January 29 -Periods 1, 3, 5 - 2:45pm dismissal

7:25am- 8:25am- STAR Education GATE Group C- Room 201
3:00pm- 4:00pm- Student Success Club- student services
3:00pm- 5:00pm- Girls Basketball Practice- Dana gym
3:30pm- 5:00pm- Rip and Go Sports- Outside basketball courts

Thursday, January 30 - Periods 2, 4, 6 – 2:45pm dismissal

7:25am- 8:25am- STAR Education GATE Group D- Room 201
11:47am- 12:32pm- Team Wave Confidence AR celebration- MPR
3:00pm- 4:15pm- Barbell Club Practice- The Cove
3:00pm- 5:00pm- Boys Basketball Practice- Dana gym
6:30pm- 8:00pm- STAR Education GATE Family Night for Selected Students and Families-
MPR

Friday, January 31 – Periods 1, 3, 5 - 2:45pm dismissal

ASB is sponsoring a TWIN Spirit Day! Students and staff - come out during morning recess to show your school spirit.

S1 Report Cards go home

11:47am- 12:32pm- Team Wave Confidence AR celebration- MPR
12:30pm- 1:30pm- Friendship Club Basketball Event- gym
3:00pm- 5:00pm- Girls Basketball Practice- Dana gym