



# AYA Newsletter

## Hook Jr. High School

### September 2021



## A Message to Hook Families

Hello parents of Hook Jr. High! We are excited to announce some new clubs starting up in October. In addition to our current club's such as Art, Sports, and Boardgames we will be adding Cheerleading/dance, Film, and Culinary. These are clubs that have been highly requested by our students, so we are looking forward to starting these up.

We are always looking to add new activities that every student can participate in and gain real life skills out of while having fun! Our goal is to make sure each student is heard and continuously motivated to seek knowledge. You can still sign up your students for our program in the front office.



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### Hook Jr. High School

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#### Program Leaders

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#### Servicing Grades

7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>

#### Program Hours

3:46PM – 6:46PM  
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday,  
Friday  
2:52PM - 6:00PM  
Wednesday

#### Program Schedule

3:46-4:00 | Sign-In  
4:00-4:30 | Supper  
4:30-5:20 | Clubs  
5:20-5:35 | Snack  
5:35-6:15 | Homework Help  
6:15-6:30 | SEL / Mindset  
Measures  
6:30PM-6:46PM | Sign Out

**FREE Program  
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Our students are getting familiar with painting as our Paint the Night event approaches!



- Upcoming Events**
- 10/01 Fun Friday
  - 10/08 Fun Friday
  - 10/22 Fun Friday
  - 10/28 Lights On: Paint the Night
  - 10/29 Fun Friday




**“You can’t use up creativity. The more you use, the more you have.”– Maya Angelou**

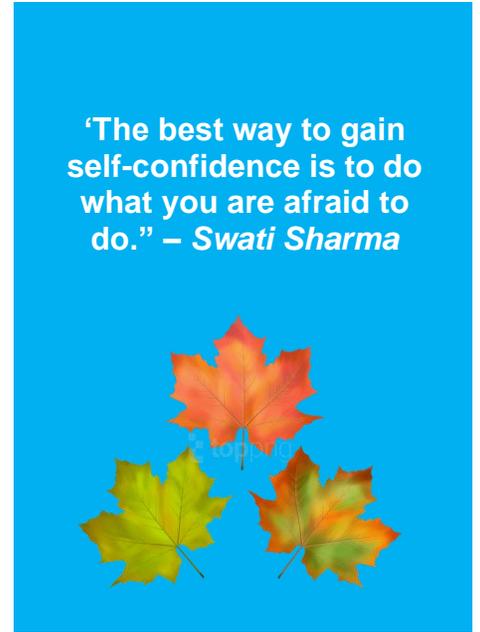
## Lights On After-School: Paint the Night

This month we are celebrating Lights On Afterschool. Lights On Afterschool is the only nationwide event celebrating afterschool programs. Each year we celebrate by hosting a special event for our students.

This year we are hosting a Free Paint Night on October 28<sup>th</sup>. During this event each student will get a canvas, paint, a paint brush and be able to participate in a step-by-step painting, they will be following the steps with our very talented Art Director, Mary Vasquez. We are very excited for our students to be able to participate in this

event. So many of our students truly enjoy doing art pieces.

This will be a great opportunity for all of our students to not only have fun, but also relax and express themselves creatively. Our students agree that when they paint it helps them find their center and concentrate more. We are looking forward to all of the benefits this event will bring!



## Social Emotional Learning/ Mindset Measures

One of our most important program components is Social Emotional Learning (SEL)/ Mindset Measures. This gives our students a space to build stronger friendships and understand some of their peers better. We strive to help build up our students and keep them aware of what their friends may be going through.

During our SEL/ Mindset Measure component we do different activities such as physical

engaging games, keeping a journal about different prompts and having them share out their thoughts and many more. We encourage our students to share out because you never know who might be able to relate to you and what you have to share.

We understand that during the virtual school year our students have experienced social regression and need help in rebuilding those kinds of skills. Many of our

students are benefitting from SEL and getting more comfortable in talking with their peers. We are thoroughly excited to see all of the benefits our students will gain from them participating in our SEL activities.

If you feel your student can benefit from our program, ask for an application at the front office today!



## About AYA

Established in 1981, AYA is one of California's longest-established providers of After School and Out-of-School learning programs. Services include quality academically oriented before and after school programs, homework assistance, enrichment activities,

one-on-one tutoring, small group tutoring, weekend and vacation learning instruction, childcare, early literacy and language instruction, sports and educational travel programs and much more. Visit our website for more info.