

Explore Knowledge Academy of Public Speaking

Meet Our Teachers Event

Elementary - September 11th 4:15-5:30

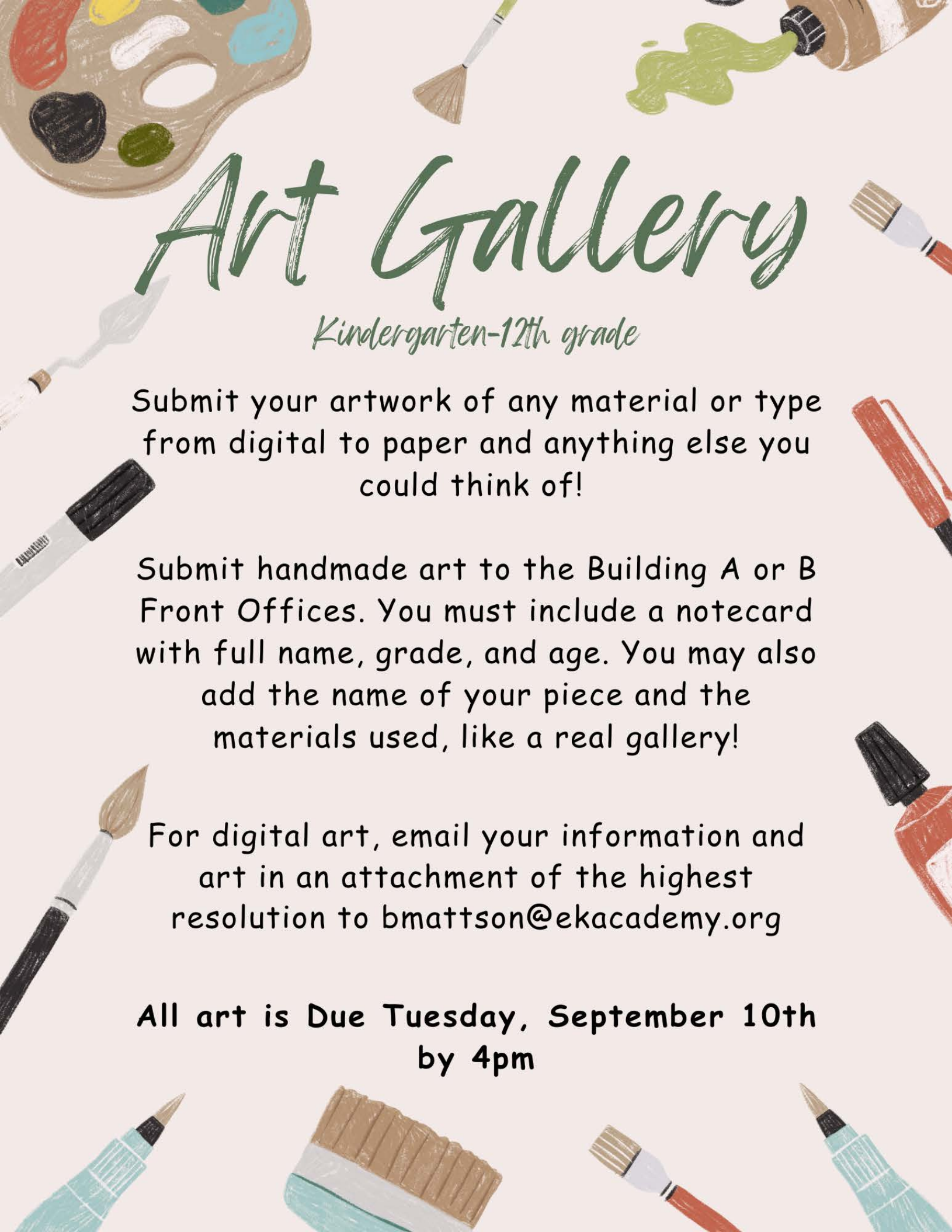
Secondary – September 12th 4:15–5:30

Last entry at 5:15

The Meet Our Teachers Event is a student guided opportunity to meet EKAPS teachers, receive resources to help your child be successful, and experience our welcoming environment.

See you there!

****This evening is not intended for discussions about your student's progress or specific details about your student. You may email, phone, or set up individual meetings for that purpose with your student's teachers.**

A decorative border surrounds the text, featuring various art supplies: a paint palette with red, yellow, blue, and black paint, a paintbrush, a tube of green paint, a paintbrush with blue paint, a red marker, a paintbrush with red paint, a tube of red paint, a paintbrush with black paint, a paintbrush with blue paint, and a paintbrush with red paint.

Art Gallery

Kindergarten-12th grade

Submit your artwork of any material or type from digital to paper and anything else you could think of!

Submit handmade art to the Building A or B Front Offices. You must include a notecard with full name, grade, and age. You may also add the name of your piece and the materials used, like a real gallery!

For digital art, email your information and art in an attachment of the highest resolution to bmattson@ekacademy.org

**All art is Due Tuesday, September 10th
by 4pm**

APEX FUTURE

Our Apex leadership program and fundraiser starts on 09/03/24!



PARTNERSHIP WITH APEX

Apex provides an amazing two-week interactive leadership program combined with a fitness-focused event fundraiser that helps schools all over the country raise funds the healthy way. During the fun-filled program, Apex encourages development of leadership habits, good character, and fitness.



ALL STUDENTS INCLUDED

Every student at our school participates in the daily leadership and character lessons, receives daily lesson silicone wristbands, enjoys classroom & school wide rewards, and takes part in the celebratory, high-energy fitness event, regardless of financial participation in the fundraiser.



SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL

When the fundraiser kicks off, help our school by:

- 1) Making a donation online at www.MyApexEvent.com
- 2) Sending a link to invite family and friends to also donate online.
- 3) Encouraging your child to do their best at our fitness event!

More info will be coming home soon.

APEX FUTURE

¡Nuestro programa de **liderazgo** y evento de **recaudación de fondos** de Apex comienza el día **09/03/24!**



ASOCIACIÓN **CON APEX**

Apex ofrece un increíble programa de liderazgo interactivo de dos semanas combinado con un evento de recaudación de fondos enfocado en el acondicionamiento físico que ayuda a las escuelas de todo el país a recaudar fondos de manera saludable. Durante el programa lleno de diversión, Apex fomenta el desarrollo de hábitos de liderazgo, buen carácter y acondicionamiento físico.



INCLUSIÓN DE TODOS LOS ESTUDIANTES

Todos los estudiantes de nuestra escuela participan en las lecciones diarias de liderazgo y carácter, reciben pulseras de silicona de lecciones diarias, disfrutan de recompensas en el aula y en toda la escuela, y participan en el evento de acondicionamiento físico festivo y de mucha energía, independientemente de la participación financiera en el evento de recaudación de fondos.



APOYE **NUESTRA ESCUELA**

Cuando se inaugure el evento de recaudación de fondos, ayude a nuestra escuela así:

- 1) Haga una donación en línea en www.MyApexEvent.com.
- 2) Envíe un enlace para invitar a familiares y amigos a que también donen en línea.
- 3) ¡Motive a su hijo a hacer lo mejor que pueda en nuestro evento de acondicionamiento físico!

Más información llegará a casa pronto. ¡GRACIAS POR APOYAR A SU ESCUELA!

Frequently Asked Questions

About the Apex Leadership Co. Program

What is the Apex Leadership Co. program?

Apex is a locally owned company that provides a two-week interactive school leadership program that encourages development of leadership habits and good character, combined with a fitness-focused event fundraiser that helps schools raise much needed funds.

What is the Apex Fun Run Event?

It's a high-energy, celebratory fitness event held at the end of the two-week program. Students get to have a ton of fun and be active. Students will be challenged to complete "LAP" to fun upbeat music.

What is Apex doing during the two weeks of the fundraiser?

Our teams are positive role models who support teachers in their efforts to build leaders in their classrooms and around the campus. This support spans from our daily leadership lessons in the classroom to being a positive figure all around campus spreading high fives and encouraging words. Our teams also monitor the progress of the fundraising to celebrate successes and encourage school unity and support.

How do I know what they are teaching the kids? Is it all about money?

The messages that are being shared with the students are messages of encouragement and inspiration. The specific topics chosen each year are based on input from principals across the nation. The lessons are based on positive leadership qualities and align with social emotional learning initiatives common in schools across the nation. Past lessons have addressed habits such as being optimistic and proactive, having grit and a positive attitude, and always doing your best. Fundraising is a small but necessary part of the program to support our school's financial goals.

What are we raising money for?

Our goal is to provide our students with the best education and school experience possible and ensure they have the tools they need to learn and grow. Your donations will go toward student specific engagement and rewards such as student incentives, recognition, character, attendance, and academic achievement; as well as family engagement..

How can families support our school through the Apex Explore Knowledge Academy of Public Speaking Fun Run Event?

Apex is our main fundraiser of the semester/year. You can help support our fundraising efforts by making a donation online at www.myapexevent.com using your student's unique ACCESS CODE to log in. Then use the 'Share Wizard' function to send a link to family and friends and invite them to enter their own pledges online.

What is a "Per Unit Pledge" and how can I estimate how much I will be donating?

Per Unit Pledges are calculated based on the number of units a student completes, multiplied by the per unit dollar amount pledge. For example, if a student completes 32 laps in a Fun Run event and a donor pledges \$2 per lap, the donation would total \$64 (32 x 2).

For a Fun Run or Glow Run event, the unit is one lap. One lap is 1/16 of a mile. Students average approximately 30 laps and may run up to 36 laps. Therefore a \$1 per lap pledge would be equivalent to a donation of approximately \$30 or up to \$36.

For an Obstacle Course event, the unit is one obstacle. There are six unique obstacles that students can complete up to six times each for a total of 36 obstacles. Therefore a \$1 per obstacle pledge would be equivalent to approximately \$36.

For a Remix event, the unit is one fitness move. There are 36 different fitness moves that students can perform. Therefore a \$1 per fitness move pledge would be equivalent to approximately \$36.

Flat Donations are also accepted. This means that you pledge to pay a set amount regardless of how many units your student completes.

How many LAPs will students complete at the Fun Run event?

Students will complete between 26 - 36 LAPs. Recorded LAPs are capped at 36 max.

Pre-K Students: Please enter Flat Donations only (\$15, \$30, \$60 or any other amount). Event results aren't typically recorded for Pre-K students so if a per LAP pledge is made, a default of 30 LAPs may be entered for your student.

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About the Apex Leadership Co. Program

Why do you give students prizes?

When our team members come into the classroom, they make an effort to downplay the “prize” aspect and instead focus on leadership and teamwork. We would love nothing more than for kids to just naturally want to help their school with feeling good about it being their only reward, but we know that isn’t always the case, even for us as adults. However, research shows that extrinsic rewards can help to build that intrinsic motivation. This is why we intentionally call our “prizes” Thank You Gifts. We want kids to understand that we recognize the effort they put forth to share their donation pages and help their school raise funds. Our hope is that along with the motivation of our leadership lessons, students will build an appreciation for doing good and helping others.

Prizes or rewards are a common practice for many non-profits; when we give blood, we often receive a tshirt as a thank you, when we donate to the National Wildlife Federation we may get a tote bag or free magazine subscription, and many organizations like the Children’s Miracle Network send note cards as motivation to donate.

How do students earn individual thank you gifts?

Apex is all-inclusive so every student receives daily leadership lesson wristbands and an event day wearable, participates in the leadership and character- building program, receives class and school-wide rewards, and of course, participates in the Apex Fun Run event!

Individual rewards are given out based on each student’s total dollar amount pledged per LAP, but flat donations count too. A \$30 flat donation is equivalent to a \$1 per LAP pledge.

See example chart:

Flat Donation Amount	=	\$/LAP Pledge
\$30	=	\$1/LAP
\$60	=	\$2/LAP
\$75	=	\$2.50/LAP

For top thank you gifts (\$30 & \$50 per LAP), students will need to complete at least 26 LAPs and have all pledges collected before being awarded those gifts.

My child didn’t receive an access code? What should I do?

Access codes can be found on the sticker placed on the front of the VIP Badge. If your child did not receive a VIP Badge or the sticker is missing, please check with your child’s teacher as they have a list of access codes for their class. If you have multiple students and a code for at least one student, you can log in with that first and then look up your other student(s) by clicking “Add Student.” If you don’t have any Access Codes OR only have one student at the school go to <https://apexleadershipco.com/contact> and we’ll be able to help you.

Can sponsors pay for pledges online?

Yes! Donors will be prompted to pay for all pledges online, including per LAP pledges to make our donation collections easier and faster. If sponsors pledge a dollar per LAP, their credit card is charged after the event.

I don’t have access to the Internet? Can I still make a donation?

Yes! Families can send their check/cash donation into the school any time before the event. Please make sure to include your child’s and teacher’s name so they receive credit for the donation. All checks should be made out to N/A.

What happens to my student’s pledges if they miss the Apex Fun Run event?

If any student is absent, sick or hurt, they will receive an automatic 30 LAPs in the Apex system. This will allow sponsors to pay their donations if they still wish to help our school.



"Personalizing Education – Challenging Minds."
HOME OF THE SEA DRAGONS

After-School Care Plan

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Student safety is a top priority at the Explore Knowledge Academy of Public Speaking (EKAPS), specifically the after-school care of our students. It is critical that you communicate with our front office regarding how your student will safely leave school each day.

EKAPS understands that at times circumstances may prevent the timely pickup of a student. Therefore, it is critical that alternate arrangements have been made for after-school care. In case of an emergency and a student is not picked up at the end of the school day, school staff will make an effort to reach parents/guardians and emergency contacts to arrange for student pickup. In the event that a parent/guardian or emergency contact is not reached, the Left Over student will be taken to Safekey per the EKAPS After-School Care agreement. Parents/Guardians will be required to pay EKAPS for Safekey at the rate of \$30 per student, per day, unless their student(s) is registered and the registration fee paid for Safekey through Clark County.

Please note, below is the outline of our after-school care process when a student is not picked up after school.

- EKAPS requires that all K-5 students complete the online Parental Agreement and Authorization so that their student may go to Safekey if they become a leftover student. Parents should also register with Clark County Safekey as a precaution in an emergency. EKAPS families may register with Clark County Safekey but they do not need to pay the registration fee. (EKAPS strongly urges families to pay the \$10 registration fee in case they are unable to pick up their student on time.)
 - LINK: [Clark County Safekey Registration](#)
- When a student is not picked up the first time, they will be sent to Safekey, if EKAPS is unable to contact a parent or guardian. There will be a charge of \$30 per student payable to EKAPS if the student is not registered with Clark County Safekey. If the student is registered and the registration fee paid, Safekey will bill the parent directly for the \$9.00 a day per student.
- When a student is not picked up the second time, the student will be sent to Safekey (unless there is an outstanding debt or no signed parent/guardian authorization). There will be a charge of \$30 per student payable to EKAPS regardless if the student is registered for Safekey. If a student is unable to attend Safekey due to an outstanding debt or lack of authorization, the student may be transported to Child Haven/Child Protective services. **EKAPS offices will not provide childcare after school hours.**
- When a student is not picked up the third time, the student will automatically be withdrawn from EKAPS. As part of your enrollment agreement, families must be able to provide timely transportation or arrange for timely transportation for their student(s). If a student is leftover three times, EKAPS will transport the student to Child Haven/Child Protected Services and notify authorities that the family is unable to provide transportation to the school.



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Please contact the front office via parentportal@ekacademy.org to learn more about after-school care options. It is also extremely important that parents/guardians update their contact information throughout the school year and complete the ***After School Care Process: Parent/Guardian Agreement and Authorization form as soon as possible.***

- LINK: [After School Care Process: Agreement and Authorization](#)

EKAPS Administration



Plan de Cuidado Después de la Escuela

Estimados Padres/Tutores,

La seguridad de los estudiantes es una prioridad en la Academia de Oratoria Explore Knowledge (EKAPS), específicamente el cuidado después de la escuela de nuestros estudiantes. Es fundamental que se comunique con nuestra oficina principal sobre cómo su estudiante saldrá de la escuela de manera segura cada día.

EKAPS entiende que a veces las circunstancias pueden impedir la recogida oportuna de un estudiante. Por lo tanto, es fundamental que se hayan hecho arreglos alternativos para el cuidado después de la escuela. En caso de una emergencia y un estudiante no es recogido al final del día escolar, el personal de la escuela hará un esfuerzo para comunicarse con los padres / tutores y contactos de emergencia para organizar la recogida del estudiante. En el caso de que no se localice a un padre/tutor o contacto de emergencia, el estudiante sobrante será llevado a Safekey según el acuerdo de cuidado después de la escuela de EKAPS. Los padres/tutores deberán pagar EKAPS por Safekey a una tarifa de \$30 por estudiante, por día, a menos que su(s) estudiante(s) esté registrado y la tarifa de inscripción se pague por Safekey a través del condado de Clark.

Tenga en cuenta que a continuación se muestra el esquema de nuestro proceso de cuidado después de la escuela cuando no se recoge a un estudiante después de la escuela.

- EKAPS requiere que todos los estudiantes de K-5 completen el Acuerdo y Autorización de los Padres en línea para que su estudiante pueda ir a Safekey si se convierte en un estudiante sobrante. Los padres también deben registrarse en Clark County Safekey como medida de precaución en caso de emergencia. Las familias de EKAPS pueden registrarse en Clark County Safekey, pero no necesitan pagar la tarifa de inscripción. (EKAPS insta encarecidamente a las familias a pagar la cuota de inscripción de \$10 en caso de que no puedan recoger a su estudiante a tiempo).
 - ENLACE: [Clark County Safekey Registration](#)
- Cuando un estudiante no es recogido la primera vez, será enviado a Safekey, si EKAPS no puede comunicarse con un padre o tutor. Habrá un cargo de \$30 por estudiante pagadero a EKAPS si el estudiante no está registrado en Clark County Safekey. Si el estudiante está registrado y se paga la cuota de inscripción, Safekey facturará directamente a los padres los \$9.00 por día por estudiante.
- Cuando un estudiante no es recogido por segunda vez, el estudiante será enviado a Safekey (a menos que haya una deuda pendiente o no haya una autorización firmada del padre/tutor). Habrá un cargo de \$30 por estudiante pagadero a EKAPS, independientemente de si el estudiante está registrado en Safekey. Si un estudiante no puede asistir a Safekey debido a una deuda pendiente o falta de autorización, el estudiante puede ser transportado a los servicios de Child Haven/Child Protection. **Las oficinas de EKAPS no proporcionarán cuidado de niños después del horario escolar.**



"Personalizando la educación: desafiando a las mentes".
HOGAR DE LOS DRAGONES MARINOS

- Cuando un estudiante no es recogido por tercera vez, el estudiante será retirado automáticamente de EKAPS. Como parte de su acuerdo de inscripción, las familias deben poder proporcionar transporte oportuno o hacer arreglos para el transporte oportuno para su(s) estudiante(s). Si un estudiante se queda tres veces, EKAPS transportará al estudiante a Child Haven/Child Protected Services y notificará a las autoridades que la familia no puede proporcionar transporte a la escuela.

Comuníquese con la oficina principal a través [de parentportal@ekacademy.org](mailto:deparentportal@ekacademy.org) para obtener más información sobre las opciones de cuidado después de la escuela. También es extremadamente importante que los padres/tutores actualicen su información de contacto a lo largo del año escolar y completen el formulario de Proceso de Cuidado Después de la **Escuela: Acuerdo y Autorización de Padres/Tutores lo antes posible.**

- ENLACE: [Proceso de Cuidado Después de la Escuela: Acuerdo y Autorización](#)

Administración de Accops

DISCOVERY

CHILDREN'S MUSEUM
FIELD TRIP

1ST

&

2ND GRADE

OCT. 3, 2024

SCAN ME

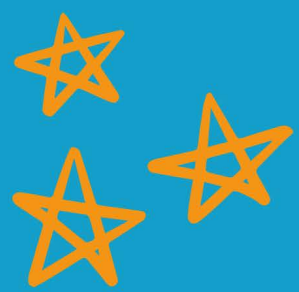


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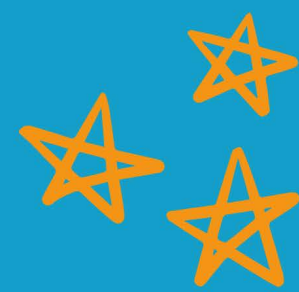
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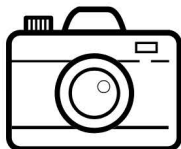
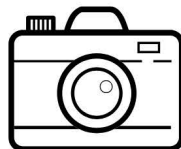
PERMISSION SLIP AND PAYMENT MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE STUDENT CAN BE
CONFIRMED FOR FIELD TRIP.

DEADLINE IS SEPT. 27, 2024 BY NOON... NO EXCEPTIONS



SEPTEMBER 2024



TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3 APEX Pep Rally Wear Orange and Blue 	4 Jamba Juice Lunch  	5  	6 Raiders Day  
10 Art Gallery Submissions Due 	11 Elementary Meet the Teacher Night & Art Gallery @ 4:15 	12 Secondary Meet the Teacher Night & Art Gallery @ 4:15 	13 Elementary Fun Run Secondary Color Games Battle 
17	18 Picture Day Secondary Algobertos Tacos Lunch  	19 Picture Day Elementary 	20
24	25 McTeacher Night  	26	27 Secondary Dance @ 5 



Reading at Home

Parents and families play an important role in helping students become successful readers.

The Benefits of Reading at Home With My Child

There are many benefits to reading **regularly** and **consistently** at home with your child including boosting academic performance, enhancing brain development, building stronger bonds, and developing a lifelong love of reading.

Boosting Academic Performance

Reading at home regularly and consistently with your child will increase your child's vocabulary, comprehension, and fluency to provide a strong foundation in reading for academic success in all subjects.

Enhancing Brain Development

Reading at home regularly and consistently with your child will help to promote critical thinking and language skills. Reading enhances oral language development which is critical for reading comprehension.

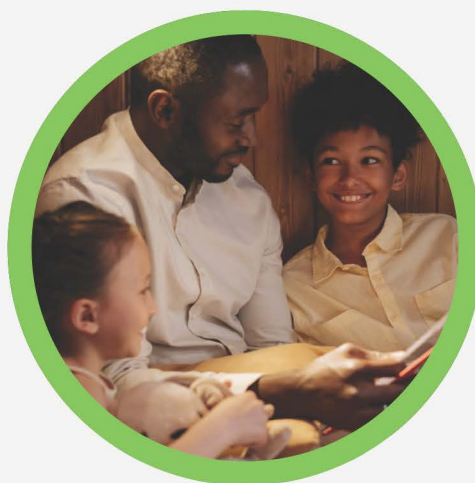
Building Stronger Bonds

Reading at home regularly and consistently with your child fosters emotional connections and strengthens relationships through shared experiences and discussions.

Developing a Lifelong Love of Reading

Reading at home regularly and consistently with your child opens a world of imagination and curiosity. Reading books together and understanding stories will give your child a sense of accomplishment.

Children who are read to at home have a significant advantage in learning how to read.



Reading for **20 minutes a night** can expose your child to approximately **1.8 million words** per year.





Reading at Home

There are many ways that parents and families can support reading regularly and consistently at home.

Helpful Hints for Reading At Home

- Read aloud to your child. Using special voices and expression will make it fun and engaging
- Let your child participate by choosing books, turning pages, and reading to you (as they become more proficient in reading)
- Discuss the story by asking questions about the characters, setting, plot, or pictures
- Turn on the closed captioning when you are watching television or movies
- Read to your child in a language that you enjoy
- Read a variety of books, magazines, articles, and poetry that are age-appropriate
- Look for words outside of your home such as signs or menus
- Celebrate when you finish reading a book, learn a new word, or visit the library

Resources for Parents and Families

- <https://nsla.nv.gov/find-a-library-directory>
- <https://teachingbooks.net>
- <https://storylineonline.net>
- <https://www.readingrockets.org/literacy-home>

Creating a Reading Routine

- Set a time to read together daily
- Be consistent
- Encourage everyone to participate
- Limit distractions during reading together
- Go to the public library together or checkout books online



Creating a Reading Environment

- Designate a special spot for reading together
- Put books in places where your child will have access to them before, during, and after reading together
- Make it special by using cozy blankets, pillows, lighting, or snacks

2024 - 2025

Dress up Days



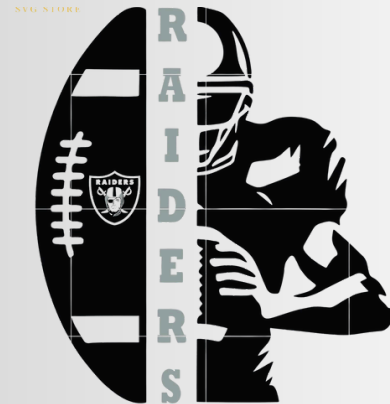
8/22 (Thursday)
Disney Day



8/28 (Wednesday)
Backwards Clothes Day



9/3 - APEX Day
Wear **Orange** & **Blue**



9/6 (Friday)
Raiders Football Day

August - September

2024 - 2025

Dress up Days



10/10 (Thursday)
Golden Knights Day



10/18 (Friday)
Wizards & Witches Day



10/24 (Thursday)
NBA Jersey Day



10/31 (Thursday)
Costume Day

October



REAL, DELICIOUS LUNCHES MADE FRESH

We wouldn't feed your kids anything we wouldn't feed our own. Our passion lies in the kitchen, to provide real food with a purpose, to those who need it most. BetterLunch is an easy, efficient way to make sure your kids are being fed their favorite meals with healthy ingredients their bodies need. We are **betterlunch**.

What's included:

- Each lunch comes with 2 chef selected side items.
- Side items will vary depending on the season and availability.
- Drinks may be ordered for an additional fee (available at most locations).



Not sure what size to order?

REGULAR

Pre-Schoolers - grade 5

LARGE

grades 6-12

8AM is our cut off time to place an order!

- Order 36 hours prior to take advantage of all entrée choices for the day and to avoid a convenience fee.
- Cancel your lunch by 8AM to receive a credit back to your lunch account.

**SIT BACK, RELAX AND KNOW THAT YOU CAN
CROSS LUNCH OFF YOUR TO-DO LIST!**



Reach out with ANY questions:

Email: hello@mybetterlunch.com

Phone: (702) 431-4463



To place an order:

Visit www.mybetterlunch.com

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REAL, DELICIOUS LUNCHES MADE FRESH

How to Order

- Go to www.mybetterlunch.com
- Click on the ORDER Button
- Click the "Parents click here to sign up"
- Fill out the details to create an account
- You will receive a verification email
- Log in to your account
- Add your child(ren) by clicking on the "Children" Tab under your name on the left and clicking on the blue "add a child" box
- You will need CAMPUS CODE – this is available from the school, or email us with the name of your child's school or email us at hello@mybetterlunch.com or call (702) 431-4463. Hit the "Verify Campus" link to make sure that your child's lunch is delivered to the correct place – please check that the school and the drop off are both correct (example Preschool or Elementary etc.)
- To order hit the blue "Order" button
- Once you have selected the meals you require, hit the checkout button and pay the invoice
- You will be prompted to fill out the payment information and will have the option to save payment information for future order processing
- You will receive a confirmation email from the HotLunch website verifying that your order was placed
- Print a calendar of orders placed by clicking on the "Order" tab under your name on the left, then select "Calendar"

Campus CODES:
Kindergarten: EKAK
Grade 1-5: EKA15
Grade 6-12: EKA612

MOBILE APP:

- Download the following app
- Agree to Terms/Conditions and "continue"
- Enter DOMAIN NAME: [mybetterlunch](http://mybetterlunch.com)
- You may sign up or log into your existing account



HotLunch School Software Free
School Lunch Software
Aurora Software, Inc.
Free

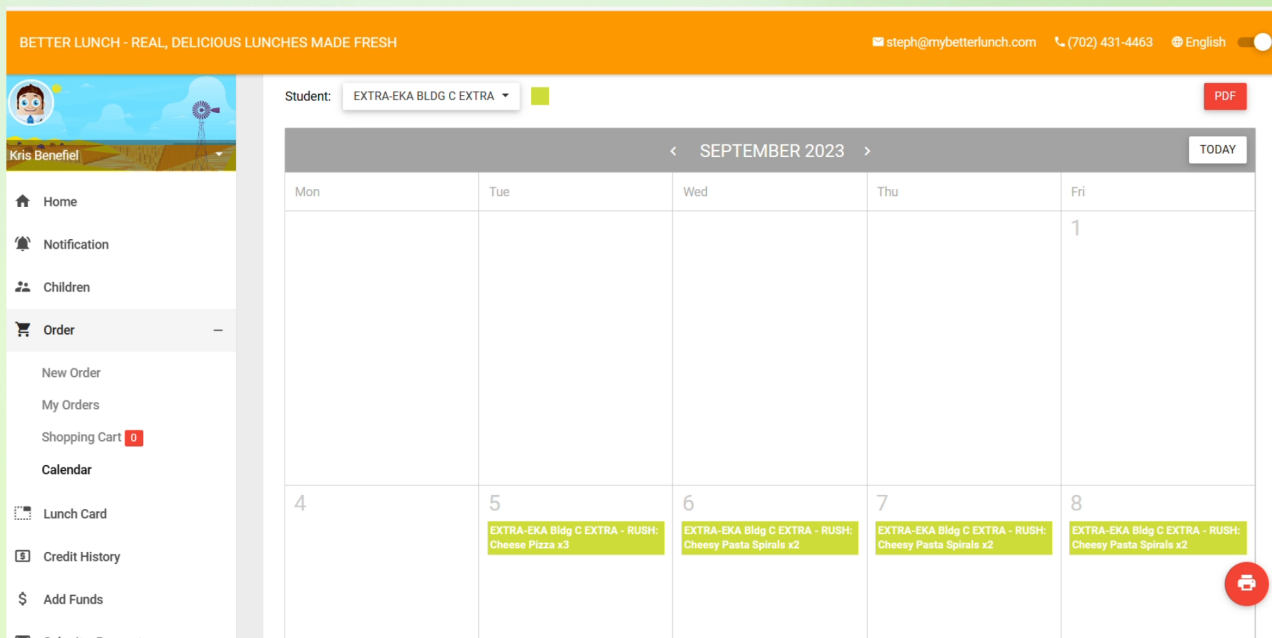
HAVE QUESTIONS:

- Click on the Software Support option on the bottom left of your navigation panel
- Email us at hello@mybetterlunch.com
- Contact us at (702) 431-4463



Learn more
by visiting
our website

How to print your student's My Better Lunches



CALENDAR:

1. Login to your BL account
2. On the left side of the page, click ORDER
3. Using the drop down menu, choose CALENDAR
4. The current month will appear, showing you see which days your child has orders placed.

If you have more than one child, each child who has orders placed, will show on the calendar in a different color. You can see a red PDF button top right side, this means, you can download the calendar and print it out for your records. At the top center of the calendar, you see the current month and arrows on the left and right sides, this enables you to change the month to look at past months or future months.

ORDERS:

1. Login to your BL account
2. Click on ORDER
3. Choose "MY ORDERS"
4. All of your orders placed will appear
5. Under the "ORDER ID" column, you will see blue order numbers, simply click on an order number to view the order.
6. You can also download the INVOICE/ORDER and print for your records

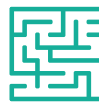
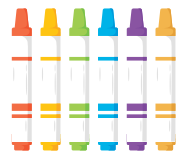
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ORDER ID	NAME	MENU	ORDERED ON	AMOUNT	CREDIT USED	CANCELLATIONS	AMOUNT PAID/DUE	PAID DATE
4103432	EXTRA-EKA Bldg A EXTRA	RUSH MENU	31 Aug, 23 15:15	16.50	17.88		0.00	31 Aug, 23 15:15
4018157	EXTRA-EKA Bldg A EXTRA	August Menu	19 Aug, 23 13:34	63.00	68.28		0.00	19 Aug, 23 13:34
3966972	EXTRA-EKA Bldg A EXTRA	August Menu	06 Aug, 23 16:52	27.00	29.26		0.00	06 Aug, 23 16:52

Whitney Library Youth Services Calendar

5175 E. Tropicana Ave.

September 2024

702-507-4015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 	2 Closed for Labor Day	3 Baby Time 10:30 a.m. After School Fun 3 p.m. - 5 p.m.	4 5 and Under Storytime 10:30 a.m. After School Fun 3 p.m. - 5 p.m.	5 Music & Movement Storytime 10:30 a.m. Stay & Play 11 a.m. Sunflower Headbands 3 p.m.	6 After School Fun 3 p.m. - 5 p.m.	7 LEGO League 3 p.m. 
8 Fiber Arts Club 12 p.m. - 1 p.m. 	9 After School Fun 3 p.m. - 5 p.m. Tutoring begins	10 Baby Time 10:30 a.m. Hispanic & Latine Heritage Month Storytime 12 p.m.  After School Fun 3 p.m. - 5 p.m.	11 5 and Under Storytime 10:30 a.m. After School Fun 3 p.m. - 5 p.m.	12 Music & Movement Storytime 10:30 a.m. Stay & Play 11 a.m. After School Fun 3 p.m. - 5 p.m.	13 After School Fun 3 p.m. - 5 p.m. 	14 Robot Lab 3 p.m. - 4 p.m. 
15 Fiber Arts Club 12 p.m. - 1 p.m. 	16 	17 Baby Time 10:30 a.m. Journal Crafternoon 3 p.m. 	18 5 and Under Storytime 10:30 a.m. After School Fun 3 p.m. - 5 p.m.	19 Music & Movement Storytime 10:30 a.m. Stay & Play 11 a.m. Talent Show! 3:30p.m.	20 Computer Programming Lab 3 p.m. - 5 p.m. 	21 Family Game Party 3 p.m. - 4 p.m. 
22 Fiber Arts Club 12 p.m. - 1 p.m. 	23 After School Fun 3 p.m. - 5 p.m.	24 Baby Time 10:30 a.m. Crafty Autumn: Stained Glass Leaves 3 p.m. 	25 5 and Under Storytime 10:30 a.m. After School Fun 3 p.m. - 5 p.m.	26 Music & Movement Storytime 10:30 a.m. Stay & Play 11 a.m. After School Fun 3 p.m. - 5 p.m.	27 STEAM Marble Maze 3 p.m. 	28 Dauber and Fabric Art Day 3 p.m. 
29 Fiber Arts Club 12 p.m. - 1 p.m. 	30 After School Fun 3 p.m. - 5 p.m.	Teen Zone Update: The Teen Zone will remain closed due to renovations.				
		Free After School Meals Monday - Friday 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Kids and Teens Ages 6 - 18		Homework Help <i>Begins Monday, September 9</i> Monday - Thursday 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. Grades K-12		



Program Descriptions

Storytimes & Playgroups



Baby Time | Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m. - 11 a.m. | Ages 0 - 18 months

Babies from birth to 18 months and their caregivers will enjoy songs, nursery rhymes, and fingerplays together. This brain-building program includes book sharing time and language enrichment activities followed by play time!

5 & Under Storytime | Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m. - 11 a.m. | Ages 0 - 5

This story program is for all children ages five and under and their caregivers. Families will enjoy books, songs, rhymes, and a craft while building language and literacy skills!

Music & Movement Storytime | Thursdays, 10:30 a.m. - 11 a.m. | Ages 0 - 5

Children ages 0-5 and their caregivers will enjoy an action-packed, movement-focused interactive story time featuring music, books, and more!

Stay & Play | Thursdays, 11 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. | Ages 0 - 5

Enjoy this play-based program for ages 0-5 and caregivers. Drop in, play with a variety of toys, and meet other families with young children in a relaxed environment.

Hispanic & Latine Heritage Month Storytime | 12 p.m. - 12:30 p.m. | Ages 0 - 5

Join us for a special storytime to celebrate Hispanic & Latine Heritage Month! Children 0-5 and their caregivers will enjoy books, rhymes and traditional folk songs in English and Spanish.

Regular Programs

Free Meals | Monday - Friday, 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. | Ages 6 - 18

Free meals are provided in the Youth Services Department for kids and teens ages 6 - 18 every weekday while supplies last. Meals at this location are shelf stable and must be eaten in the library. Children must be present to receive meals. Food is provided by Three Square.

After School Fun | Monday - Friday (Except 9/16 & 9/19) | 3 p.m. - 5 p.m. | All Ages

The fun doesn't have to end after school! Join us after school between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. for a variety of fun and engaging activities

Homework Help and Tutoring | Monday - Thursday, 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. for grades K - 12

Students in grades K-12 are welcome to drop in any time Monday through Thursday between 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. for tutoring and homework help from CCSD teachers and teacher aides through Andson. Students must bring work with them, and tutoring is provided in small group settings.

Special Programs

Thursday, 9/5 | Sunflower Headbands | 3 p.m. | All Ages

In this special after school fun event, you can create a headband with sunflowers and butterflies! Kids and teens welcome.

Saturday, 9/7 | LEGO League | 3 p.m. - 4 p.m. | Ages 6 - 12

Kids ages 6-12 are invited to create their own LEGO masterpiece to be displayed all month long in the library.

Sundays in September (Except 9/1) | Fiber Arts Club | 12 p.m. - 1 p.m. | Grades 6 - 12

Join us for an afternoon of crochet, knitting, and other fiber arts! In this easygoing environment, you will be able to learn or work on your current project. All skill levels are welcome! New project ideas will be available every week!

Saturday, 9/14 | Robot Lab | 3 p.m. - 4 p.m. | Ages 6 - 12

Drop in and learn some coding basics by tinkering with a variety of technology and creating and coding robots! Featured tech may include Ozobots, Code and Go Mouse, LEGO WeDo, Dash, and more.

Tuesday, 9/17 | Journal Crafternoon | 3 p.m. | Ages 10 +

Come decorate your new favorite journal at the library! Use a variety of stickers and old graphic novels to create your very own custom, scrapbook style journal! Supplies are limited and we will operate on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Thursday, 9/19 | Talent Show! | 3:30 p.m. | Ages 3 - 17

Ready to share your talent? Last day to sign-up is September 5th. Register at our Youth Services Desk. Free and open to the public. Seating is on a first-come, first-serve basis and may be limited.

Friday, 9/20 | Computer Programming Lab | 3 p.m. - 4 p.m. | Ages 6 - 12

Spend a fun afternoon getting to know computer programming and coding by creating stories, games, and animations on Scratch!

Saturday, 9/21 | Family Game Party | 3 p.m. - 4 p.m. | All Ages

Get your game on! Kids and families are invited to play a variety of card games, board games, and video games.

Tuesday, 9/24 | Crafty Autumn: Stained Glass Leaves | 3 p.m. | Ages 6+

It's the first day of fall! Celebrate the start of the season by making your very own stained-glass leaves using melted crayon shavings! Children under 10 must be accompanied by an adult.

Friday, 9/27 | STEAM: Marble Maze | 3 p.m. | Ages 7 - 13

Don't lose your marbles! On September 27th at 3PM come to Whitney Library to design your own marble maze using a box and straws! Can you navigate your marble through your maze? After trying yours, switch with a friend! *Marbles and mazes can go home with you at the end of the program.

Saturday, 9/28 | Dauber and Fabric Art Day | 3 p.m. - 4 p.m. | All Ages

Join us to make unique art using bingo daubers, fabric markers, and fabric paint. Together, we will create one-of-a-kind designs on paper and on various fabrics (while supplies last!). Supplies are limited and on a first-come, first-serve basis. Come ready to unleash your creativity and imagination!



WHITNEY LIBRARY

Free Tutoring

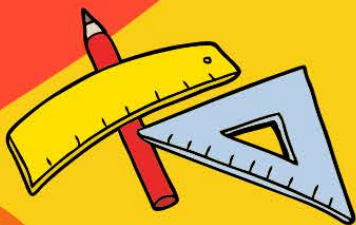
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**Fall 2024
Starting Sept.
9th**

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MON. - THURS. 4 P.M. - 6 P.M.

*Certain dates
excluded.*

*See web site for
current schedule.*

Whitney Library

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www.thelibrarydistrict.org





Explore Knowledge Academy of Public Speaking

Student Attendance Calendar

August 2024 - May 2025

2024

August 13	Classes Begin (Tuesday)
September 2	Labor Day - Business Office Closed
October 11	End of 1st Quarter
October 25	Nevada Day - No School - Business Office Closed
November 11	Veteran's Day - No School - Business Office Closed
November 25 - 29	Thanksgiving Break - No School - Business Office Closed
December 3	Classes Resume (Tuesday)
December 19	Student Early Release
December 20	Staff Development Day - No School - Business Office Closed End of 2nd Quarter - End of 1st Semester
December 24 - Jan 3	Winter Break - No School - Business Office Closed

2025

January 7	Classes Resume (Tuesday)
January 20	Martin Luther King Jr. Day - Business Office Closed
February 17 - 21	February Break - No School - Business Office Closed
February 25	Classes Resume (Tuesday)
February 28	End of 3rd Quarter
March 18 - 21	Spring Break - No School - Business Office Closed
April 18	No School - Business Office Closed
May 21	Student Early Release End of 4th Quarter - End of 2nd Semester End of the 2024 - 2025 School Year
May 22	Graduation 2025

Absence Note

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*** Three (3) or more consecutive absences will require a note from a medical provider.

1 EKAPS School Day = 1.3 Days

Please use this form when your child misses school. Additional forms may be downloaded from the website and are available at the office.

Date(s) of Absence	
Period(s) Missed	
Student Name	
Student's Teacher	Grade

Reason for Absence(s)	
Parent/Guardian Signature	Date
Home Phone	Work/Cell Phone
Parent Email	

Students who have been absent must provide written notice from the parent/guardian to the school explaining the reason for the absence within 3 school days after their return from the absence AND turn in **any missing work**. Failure to provide an excused absence note within 3 days AND turn in missed school work will result in an unexcused absence. In accordance with NRS, an unexcused absence is deemed truant.
It is the parent/guardian responsibility to request homework from the teacher.

Please Note: EKAPS must report habitual truancy to Child Protective Services for educational neglect.

For Office Use Only: ☐ Excused ☐ Unexcused ☐ Unexcused Due to Incomplete Work

EXPLORE KNOWLEDGE ACADEMY OF PUBLIC SPEAKING PRE-ARRANGED ABSENCE REQUEST

THIS APPLICATION MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE FRONT OFFICE AT LEAST 1 WEEK PRIOR TO THE REQUESTED ABSENCE

NOTE: Prearranged absences WILL NOT be approved immediately preceding or following any scheduled EKAPS break. Prearranged exceeding the limitation on total absences WILL NOT be approved.

The Parent/Legal Guardian or student is responsible for checking Google Classroom for make-up work from all teachers and submitting the work as specified.

PLEASE NOTE: Nevada State Law allows a parent or legal guardian to arrange absences in advance. EKAPS allows up to 4 pre-arranged absences during a school year. All absences whether approved or unapproved count towards the total of absences for the year. Any arranged absence, for which the makeup work is not completed and submitted as required, is considered unapproved.

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Student's Name: _____ Grade: _____

Date(s) Requested: _____

Reason for pre-arranged absence(s): _____

Parent/Guardian Print: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

OFFICE PERSONNEL ONLY

Name of Student: _____

Administrative Signature: _____ Date Received: _____

Dates Approved: _____

Parent Notified Date: _____

Office Personnel Initials: _____

Teacher(s) Notified Date: _____

Office Personnel Initials: _____