

Hello Alder Grove Families,

Happy New Year! We hope your winter break was full of rest and happiness. This school year seems particularly exhausting so I hope you had time to rejuvenate. We have all earned it!

The spring semester begins later in the month. I can't believe we're almost halfway to summer, with the days slowly gaining more light and hopefully good health for all! *Thank you for continuing to schedule visits to the building and our resource rooms through your CT and for minding the masking and other safety directives we must follow as a California public school.*

A reminder: For those families using our community partners (vendors), please let your CT know if your student is planning on attending so they can complete the paperwork process *BEFORE the services start. Contact your CT if you have any questions.*

To combat the doldrums of winter, our staff is working on our *Annual Spelling Bee: Randi is working with our county office of education and Scripps National Spelling Bee (SNSB) to organize this event on January 24th at 3.*

We are excited to announce a return to in person CAASPP testing this Spring! Not only is it fun to see all of our 3rd through 8th and 11th grade students in the building, but they get to show off their academic skills in a quiet environment. The state has ratcheted up the requirement for testing ALL of our students in those grade ranges and in fact, the very existence of our school rests on testing all students and everyone doing their very best. We're trying to look at it optimistically, like a return to some kind of normalcy.

As always, we are deeply appreciative of all of you and hope you are keeping safe and healthy. Thank you for choosing AGCS as your personalized learning option for education!

Tim Warner, Director

School Spelling Bee For 1st to 8th Grades!

If you are interested in participating in the school spelling bee please email Randi Mead at randi.mead@aldergrovecharter.org

If there is enough interest we will hold our school bee on January 24th at 3 pm in the platform area.



Breakfast Program / Wellness Policy

Hello AGCS Families, Breakfast is FREE for all Alder Grove students.

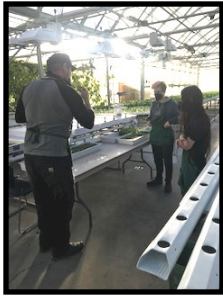
No application is required.

Come join us daily in the breakfast/lunch area,

Monday through Thursday from 9:50-10:10 and Friday from 9:35-9:55.

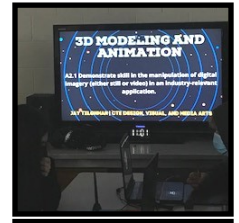
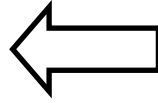
Breakfast consists of fresh fruit, milk, a baked good, and occasionally yogurt and string cheese.

We hope your students will join us!

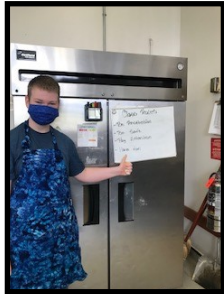
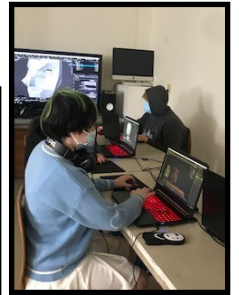
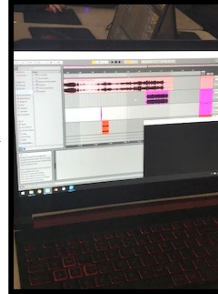
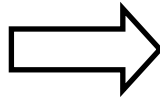


CTE CLASSES

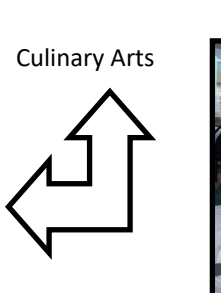
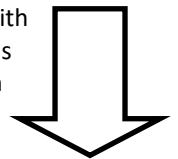
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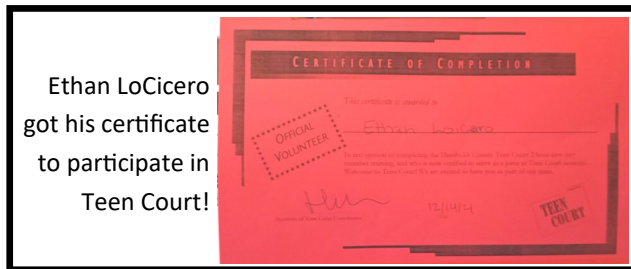
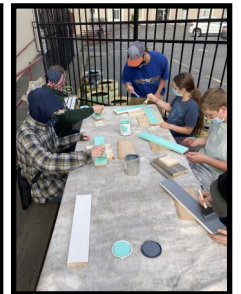
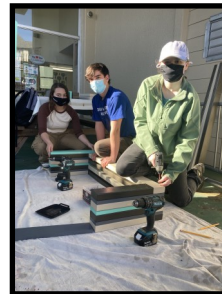
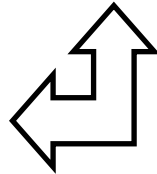
3D Modeling and Animation



Wood Technology Class—A group shot, with toolboxes that they made. One of the class painting. A shot of the bench construction and a shot of a bench they made.



Culinary Arts



Ethan LoCicero got his certificate to participate in Teen Court!



Dezmond and Teagan Clinton in Christmas outfits

Skylar Thompson, grade 10, volunteered over the Holidays with Free Meal down at the Mission on 2nd St. He was on the news and can be seen here holding a turkey over his head on the back of the tow truck. Good Job Skylar, we are proud of you.



On-Campus Labs
Study Hall - M-F
 9-1 with Tony
 1-3 with Jasper

On-Campus Math Lab
 Grades 3-12

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Charity 10:00 - 12:30	Jasper 10:00 - 12:00	Charity 10:00 - 12:30	Jasper 10:00 - 12:00	Jasper 10:00 - 12:00
Charity 1:00 - 3:00	Cassie 12:00 - 3:00	Charity 1:00 - 3:00	Cassie 12:00-3:00	Cassie 12:00-3:00

Science Lab with Brooke (also available Virtually)

Grades 5-12
 Mondays, 2:00-3:30
 Room 1

Spanish Lab with Erica (also available Virtually -

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/72446300526?pwd=dkg4KzlaYjR4RlZua2NmbThjMFF3QT09>

Meeting ID: 724 4630 0526

Passcode: spanish

All Grades

Wednesdays, 2:00-3:00

Room 2

Writing Lab with Jeff

All Grades

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 11:30-12:40

Room 2

Virtual Labs

Virtual Math Lab

Grades 3-12

Students can log on virtually to meet.google.com with the code **mathlab123**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Jasper 10:00 - 12:30		Jasper 10:00- 12:30		Adelinea 10:00- 11:30
Sandy 1:00-3:00	Sandy 12:00 - 3:00	Sandy 1:00-3:00	Sandy 12:00 - 3:00	Adelinea 12:00- 3:00

Virtual Writing Lab with Sunshine -Writing homework help (Grades 3-8)

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/76465093175?pwd=UIJaS1VuRytOV0Q2d2RzWmlZbFVodz09>

Meeting ID: 764 6509 3175 Passcode: GQ9DPH
 Tuesdays & Thursdays, 8:40-9:50

NEW SPRING MUSIC CLASSES

Group A/B Intro to Music - This class will be like the music classes we probably all had growing up that you went to once a week with your class. We will discuss instruments and generally expand kid's conception of what music is, with a focus on fostering self-expression. Please will note that the class is offered on Monday as opposed to Friday, when all the other music classes are offered.

Intro to Rock Band Skills - This class will give a general introduction to all of the instruments of the rock band in kids will learn to play basic hearts on them. This is a great class to help kids figure out what instrument they might be interested in. Grades 4-12 - No experience required!

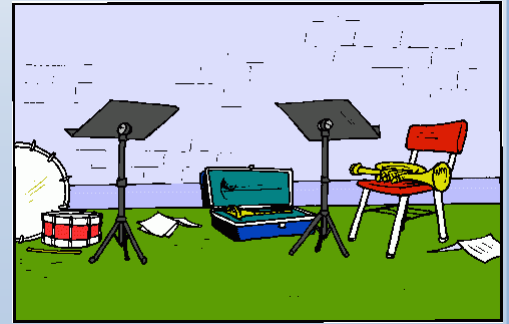
Intermediate guitar - This class is open to students who have some experience with guitar or highly motivated older students who are willing to learn some chords in a jiffy. Students who have not taken guitar classes are welcome, but the class will be oriented towards students who have already been in the class this semester. Focus will be on developing soloing, rhythm guitar skills and increasing knowledge of chords.

Beginning Drumming - This is a class where students will also be able to learn to play 2 beautiful marimbas in addition to the drum set!!

Beginning Ukulele - This class is a great stepping stone to the guitar.

This year I will offer an intermediate, as well as an advanced rock band class. Students are welcome to be in both sessions, thus allowing them the opportunity to experience a more in-depth band practice. However doing just one hour is great as well.

Any Questions—contact hilson.parker@aldergrovecharter.org



ATTENTION ALDER GROVE CHARTER SCHOOL SENIORS AND SENIOR PARENTS!

Don't leave free money on the table! Get expert help beginning your FAFSA, CADAA and/or Chafee applications at this Cal-SOAP Cash for College Workshop! The workshop will take place at ALDER GROVE on **JANUARY 25 at 5PM**. visit hcoe.org/cash-for-college/ for more information on how to prepare. Participation in the workshop will qualify students to be entered into a drawing for one of our \$1,000 Cal-SOAP College Success Scholarships!" We will have pizza and raffle for students who complete their FAFSA at the workshop! Students who have completed their FAFSA by 1/25 on their own will be added to the raffle without attending the workshop.

What to bring:

- Social Security card or number
- Your FSA ID information
- 2020 income & tax information for you & your parent
- Alien registration number, if you are not a U.S. citizen
- Driver's license, if you have one
- List of colleges you are interested in attending
- Any records of untaxed income such as child support payments, payments to/from retirement accounts, combat pay, short-term disability, or workers compensation



College of the Redwoods

- Spring semester starts 1/15
- Last day to drop without a W is 1/28
- Students who have a concurrent form on file do not need a new one
- Students in grades 9-12 may take UP to 11 CR credits per semester
- Dual Enrollment Courses or CR Work Experience (taught on Alder Grove campus) do not register via Webadvisor, they just need to have an Alder Grove registration form on file.



2021/2022 Reading Academic Support: Weekly Virtual Reading Schedule

Virtual Meetings on Tuesdays and Thursdays: 10:30-11:20, 11:30-12:20, 1:10-2:00

On-Campus Meetings on Wednesdays: 10:30-11:20, 11:30-12:20, 1:10-2:00

Contact Sunshine Lee at sunshine.lee@aldergrovecharter.org to sign up for a weekly spot, reschedule, or add meeting

Feel free to meet with Sunshine once to get placed in the program and then use this program at home anytime you like with support available.

Writing Classes with Laurie — 2021-2022

These classes are intended for any student who needs extra support for writing. Please contact your CT with any questions, and/or to sign up.

Tuesdays:

Session 1 - 10:15am-11am (grades 2-4)

Session 2 - 11:35am-12:20pm (grades 4-12)

Wednesdays:

Session 1 - 11:30am - 12:15pm (grades 4-12)

Session 2 - 1:00pm - 1:45pm (grades 4-12)

Thursdays:

Session 1 (Virtual) - 10:15am - 11am (grades 4-12)

Session 2 - 11:35am- 12:20pm (grades 7-12)



Wednesday Parent/Student (TK-2) Virtual Workshop with Terri Tripp:

I will be continuing a primarily virtual workshop this year, and I am hoping it will allow for more families to join the Google classroom. If you were in the group last year, you will still be receiving my weekly posts.

All participants will have access to last year's posts to refer to and utilize. I will post new resources and activities to assist with teaching reading, writing and math in your home each Wednesday with a live workshop opportunity on the last Wednesday of each learning period.

I will invite you to join the live workshop from 11:30am-12:30pm on the last Wednesday of each learning period in the Rainbow Room. Parents and students can share their projects and engage in activities together.

Even if you are not able to join in the live class, you are welcome to join the Google classroom for the resources. We will spend learning periods 1, 3, and 5 on reading and writing. Learning periods 2, 4 and 6 will focus on math.

Parents are welcome to message me at any time through the Google Classroom or email me directly for assistance or resource help.

Please email: terri.tripp@aldergrovecharter.org if you would like an invite.

THE PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST IS BACK

The Physical Fitness Test (PFT) is part of the California state testing program. California has chosen the FITNESSGRAM as the annual PFT for students in public schools.

The FITNESSGRAM is a comprehensive health-related fitness test developed by The Cooper Institute.



WHO?

AGCS Students
5th, 7th & 9th
Grades

WHEN?

February 14 -
March 18

WHAT?

The FITNESSGRAM measures:

- Aerobic Capacity
- Abdominal Strength & Endurance
- Trunk Extender Strength & Flexibility
- Upper Body Strength & Endurance
- Flexibility

HOW?

The PFT can be administered over multiple days. Students will participate in each of the five fitness areas and will be provided with their individual results.

Students with disabilities have the chance to participate in the PFT and should be given as much of the test as possible.

WHY?

FITNESSGRAM results are one measure of information students and the families may use, along with other information, to monitor overall fitness.

Alder Grove may also use the results for the purpose of evaluating our physical education program.

PARENTS:

Support your child's fitness by encouraging them to exercise for 60 minutes a day!

Signing up for tutoring or classes through our community partners?

1. Check with your CT **BEFORE** signing up with a vendor or tutor. Make sure the CT is aware of the lessons or services.
2. Turn in the completed community partner contract as soon as possible to your CT.
3. The student **should not** begin sessions until final administrative approval has been made.
4. The parent is responsible for any overages not covered by the student budget.
5. AGCS cannot cover sessions given during school breaks or holidays.



Attention Scientists!

This Spring, Alder Grove will be having our annual Science Fair!

The fair does not take place until March, so there is still time to consider different ideas for a project.

With the many different types of scientific research, the possibilities for interesting projects is limitless!

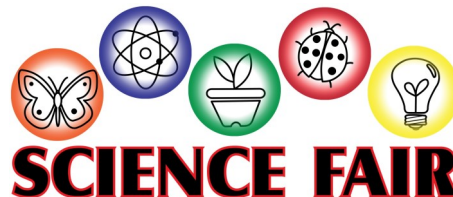
Alder Grove follows the protocol outlined by the Humboldt County Science Fair, however, unlike the Humboldt County Science Fair, our science fair is open to all grade levels K - 12.

If you think your child may like to participate, there is one more Science Fair Information Meeting at school on

Wednesday, January 12th at 1:30,

or look for our science fair coordinator, Kathy Yeager, at school.

You can also email her at: kathy.yeager@aldergrovecharter.org



WHAT IS THE SCIENCE LAB?

The Science Lab is a place for students to come and work on their hands-on lab or get help with their science coursework.

FREE

HYBRID (VIRTUAL OR IN PERSON)

5th - 12th GRADERS

MONDAYS from 2:00 - 3:30pm

Sign up by completing an Onsite Class Registration Form



In need of food assistance during these difficult times?

<https://www.foodforpeople.org/content/are-you-need-food-assistance-during-these-difficult-times>

Happy New Year, Alder Grove Community!

The Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) committee has been working to put some fun new things into place this year that we'd like to share with you:

Beginning January 18th, 2022, teachers and school staff will begin to give out tickets to students who are showing positive behavior. Students can earn tickets while attending on-campus activities such as classes, labs, study hall, teacher meetings, etc., and also while working with their teachers outside of the school campus!

The idea behind these tickets is to encourage students to make good choices and to contribute to a positive school climate and community. Once a student has earned tickets, they can submit them to the office to be entered into a weekly drawing. There will be a list of prizes that a student can choose from when they have won! We are also planning to have a grand prize drawing at the end of the year for all of those students who have worked hard to follow rules throughout the school year.

We invite you to be "good behavior detectives" by acknowledging and rewarding your students when you see them making good choices, both big and small.

Also, don't forget that we have an art contest for students of all ages! Create your art and submit it to your CT, the front office, or email it to Crystal.

The deadline for submitting artwork is Friday, February 18, 2022.

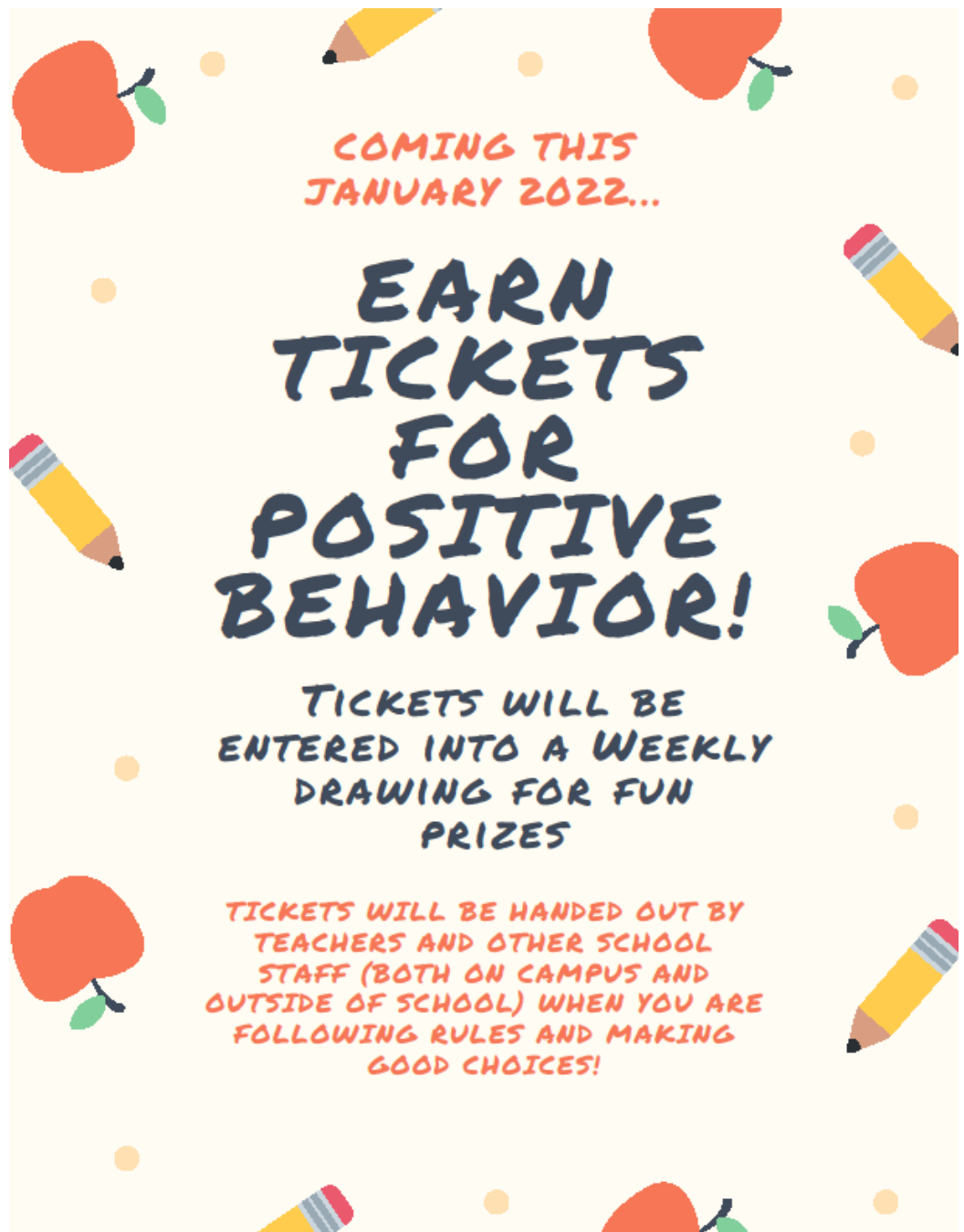
Questions? Contact Crystal at 707-572-6846 or [crys-tal.collins@aldergrovecharter.org](mailto:crystal.collins@aldergrovecharter.org).

Wishing you a happy, healthy and positive new year!

PBIS Committee Members:

Nichole Dollarhide, Director of Special Services and School Psychologist; Tim Warner, Director of Alder Grove Charter School; Stefani Gambrel, Assessment and Academic Support Coordinator; Becky Garraway, Class Coordinator and Classroom Aide; Cedar Smith, Credentialed Teacher (CT) and On-campus Class Teacher; Crystal Collins, School Psychologist

PBIS Vision Statement: Our PBIS Committee will work to improve school climate by creating a safe, respectful, and inclusive environment at Alder Grove with the goal of increasing positive social, emotional, and academic outcomes.



SAFETY

is great, unless you're late.

Then, it's essential.



C. Metzger
aldergrove.com/comics



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Responsibilities

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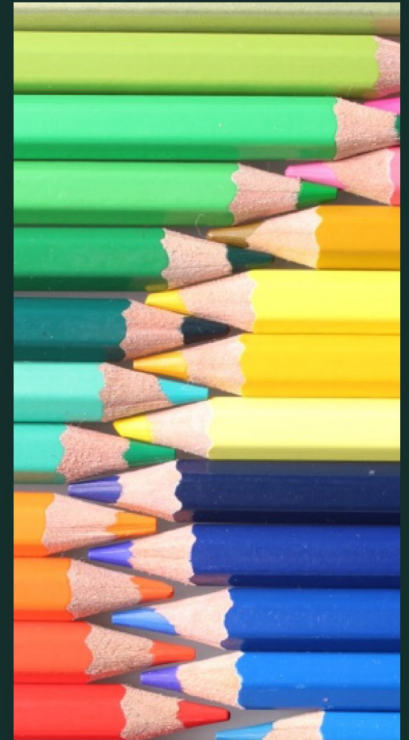
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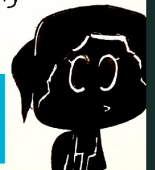
STUDENT ART CONTEST



Alder Grove needs your artwork to decorate our halls! Artists of any age are invited to create artwork in the themes of **SAFE, RESPONSIBLE,** and/or **RESPECTFUL.** Submit your artwork to Crystal Collins For more info, email Crystal at crystal.collins@aldergrovecharter.org or text or call at (707) 572-6846

RESPECT

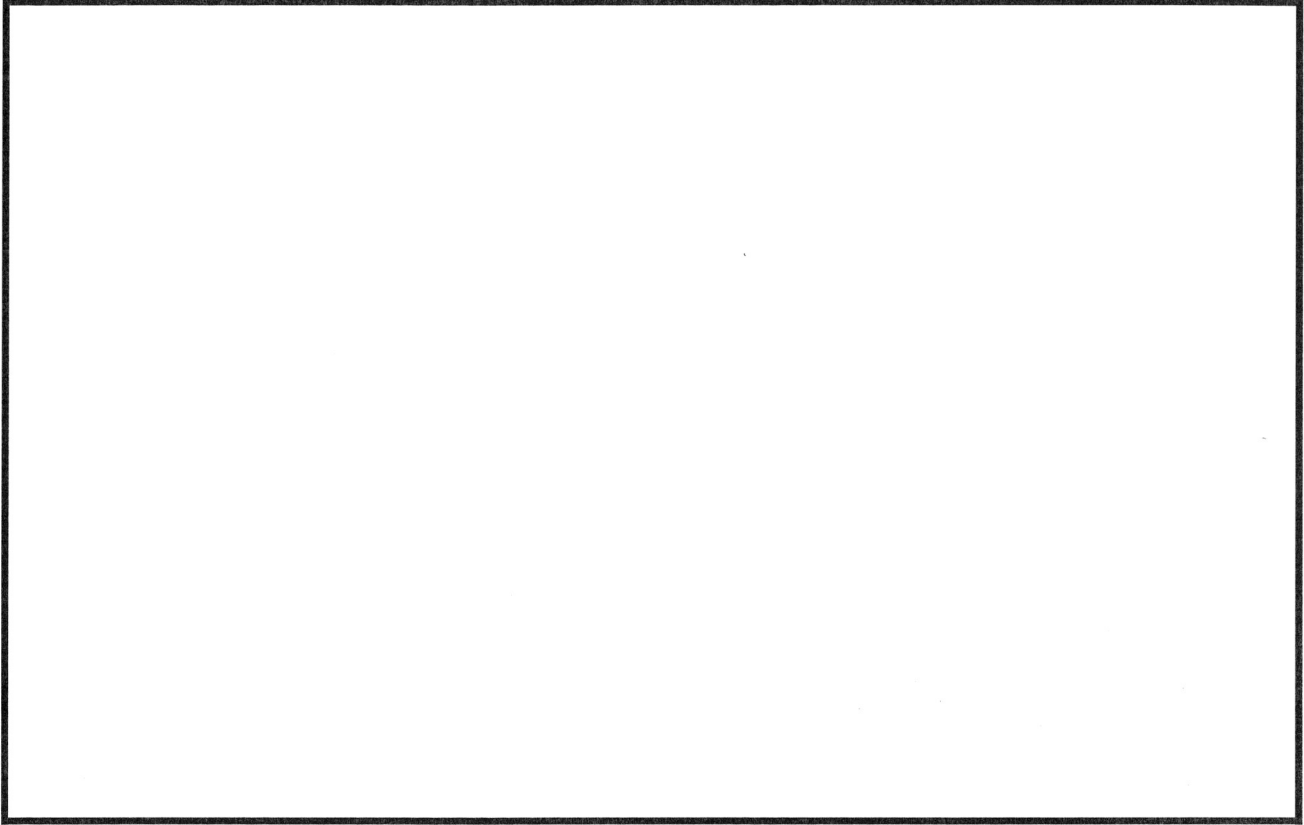
is how to treat everyone. {RICHARD BRANSON}



DEADLINE: FRIDAY, FEB 18

At Alder Grove, PBIS Rules!

Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) is a proactive approach that schools use to improve school safety and promote positive behavior.



Read the Alder Grove PBIS rules below, and then draw a picture of what one of the rules looks like or means to you. Check the box next to the rule you chose. Feel free to use other paper and/or any medium (paint, digital, etc). Your picture might be featured in the school newsletter and/or on a poster hanging up in the school!

Turn your art in to your CT or the front desk at school.

- ★ Be Safe.
- ★ Be Responsible.
- ★ Be Respectful.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Use kind and respectful language. | <input type="checkbox"/> Ask for help when needed. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Use an appropriate voice volume. | <input type="checkbox"/> Keep conversations positive and school appropriate. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Use materials and supplies correctly. | <input type="checkbox"/> Respect learning in the school. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Follow directions the first time. | <input type="checkbox"/> Respect each other. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clean up after yourself. | <input type="checkbox"/> Use sink, toilet, and towels as intended. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Maintain a tobacco, alcohol, and drug free campus. | <input type="checkbox"/> Report problems to an adult. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Give each other appropriate space. | <input type="checkbox"/> Respect privacy in the bathroom. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Eat and drink in designated areas. | <input type="checkbox"/> Wash hands after touching your face. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wear your mask correctly at school. | <input type="checkbox"/> Wash your hands after using the bathroom. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Use computers for schoolwork only. | <input type="checkbox"/> Stay home if you are sick. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Be respectful of other people's property. | <input type="checkbox"/> Be an active listener. |

WorkAbility I (WAI)

Transition Partnership Program (TPP)




Who we are
A California transition support program serving Humboldt County by helping students prepare for life outside of high school.

Funded by
California Department of Education (CDE)



Who is eligible
High School students with an active IEP

What are WAI Student Services

- Assessments (Career, Learning Style, Soft Skills, etc.)
- Exposure to Post-Secondary Education Opportunities
- Career Exploration (options that lead to a living wage)
- Job Seeking Skills
- On-the-Job Coaching
- Practice in Self-Advocacy (communicating their disability-related work support and accommodation needs.)
- Independent Living Skills (potential for paid work experience)

How to Get Started?
Request a 1 on 1 meeting
Teachers: schedule classroom or small group presentations

Contact
Tabatha Pittman, Lead Vocation Caseworker
707-441-3927 | tpitman@hcoe.org




Who we are
A statewide vocational training program designed to prepare high school students (16-21) for future employment.

Funded by
California Department of Rehabilitation (DOR)

Who is eligible
High School students between the ages of 16 and 21 and at least one of these options is true:

- Have a 504 Plan or are eligible for one
- Have an IEP
- Other documented disability

What are TPP Student Services

- Job Exploration
- Workplace Readiness Training
- Work-Based Learning Experiences (including paid employment)
- Post-Secondary Counseling
- Self Advocacy



How to Get Started?
Contact your high school TPP office

Contact

With an IEP you can be a part of both programs!



TPP/Workability:
Students with IEP/504s who want to explore careers and get work experience, contact:
jaimemay@aldergrovecharter.org



It's time to apply for Fall 2022!
Priority application deadline is Nov. 30
[Apply Now](#) - link to HSU Office of Admissions.

What is a Cal Grant Award?
<https://www.csac.ca.gov/post/what-cal-grant-award>

Humboldt Area Foundation Scholarship Workbook: <https://www.hafoundation.org/Portals/0/Uploads/Documents/Grantmaking/Scholarships/2021.2022%20Scholarship%20Preparation%20Workbook%20Updated.pdf>

ATTENTION SENIORS!!

I just wanted to remind you about the [FAFSA](#)! The FREE Application for Federal Student Aid.

This is your ticket to two free years of community college as well as extra money from the [CAL GRANT](#) for college/training to use for books, computers, etc. for school! The FAFSA is also used to determine eligibility for many scholarships!

I have two awesome Student Success Coaches this year to assist our seniors in completing the FAFSA! Their names are Brianna and Charlie. They might be calling you soon to set up a time to chat about your future plans and help you complete this important application.

Please contact jenburtram@aldergrovecharter.org if you have any questions!



Sign up for a FREE Math and/or Reading program

Did you know that is as little as 15 minutes a day, your student can work towards closing gaps they have in Reading and/or Mathematics? Ask your CT today if you would like for your student to participate in this FREE program, courtesy of Alder Grove Charter School!!

Targeted Intervention that Delivers a Better Path Forward

Edgenuity **MyPath® K-5** and **MyPath® 6-12** are personalized learning programs for reading and math that deliver high-impact, engaging lessons that target the specific skills students need to get back to grade level. These innovative programs tailor learning to the needs of each student with technology that prioritizes age-appropriate content and optimizes learning to maximize student success.

MyPath K-5

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Edgenuity
MyPath®

MIDDLE + HIGH SCHOOL

CR COLLEGE OF THE REDWOODS

EARLY COLLEGE PROGRAM!

Earn high school and college credit at the same time!

NO COST TO STUDENTS!

- Complete a CR online application
- Complete a concurrent enrollment form and return to the office
- Register for classes within two business days
- Contact your CT or jen.burtram@aldergrovecharter.org for more info

Students can take any classes offered at CR including ASL, Science, Math, English, Art, Theater, Spanish, Construction, Computer Science, History, Music...and MORE!! Check it out www.redwoods.edu

CR COLLEGE OF THE REDWOODS

COLLEGE CREDIT FOR WORKING AND VOLUNTEERING!

- Apply to CR online
- Complete a Concurrent Enrollment Form
- Sign up for CR Work Experience (Through AG and put on master)
- Pick one day/time per week to check in virtually or in person with instructor (Jen) for 10 mins.
- Earn 1 college credit per semester.

January 2022

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16	17 School Closed 	18 First Day of Classes— Semester 2	19	20	21	22
23	24 Spelling Bee 3pm 	25 Cash for College Workshop 5pm	26	27	28	29
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