

Hello Alder Grove Families,

Happy New Year! We hope your holidays were full of rest and happiness. 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 better health for all!

To quell the doldrums of winter, this month will feature (or start the planning for) some exciting events:

- **Winter Performance:** Witness the fruits of each student's musical labors, attending classes and practicing to entertain and wow us on January 13th, 10am-noon on our stage!
- Our annual **Spelling Bee** (January 23rd), **Geography Bee** (January 30th): Contact Randi (randi.mead@aldergrovecharter.org) if you're interested in participating. If you would like to be an audience member and watch our hyperlexic and cartophilic students show off their skills, please join us.
- **Science Fair:** If you're interested in flexing your scientific method muscles in a March 7th science fair project, contact Kathy (kathy.yeager@aldergrovecharter.org) to sign up after watching the explanation video (link later in this newsletter).

Effective Test Prep: We have partnered with Mr. D's Math and WriteAtHome for a new, proven-effective, self-paced test preparation program called Conquer the CAASPP. Studies show that students who prepare for testing not only score better, but feel less anxiety and more confidence while taking the CAASPP. Check your email and texts for sign-up information later in the month.

Pen Pals in Japan: I have particularly enjoyed writing to my two middle school teacher pen pals through the Eureka-Kamisu Sister City pen pal project. Thanks to Jay for setting that up for our students!

CTE Grant: Congratulations to Jen, our College and Career Coordinator. She worked diligently writing a grant for CTE (career technical education) and we were one of 17 schools in the state who received it. Great job, Jen. Stay tuned for more information soon!

Community Partners: 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.

As always, we are deeply appreciative of all of you.

Thank you for choosing AGCS as your personalized learning option for education!

Tim Warner, Director

ALDER GROVE CHARTER SCHOOL HOURS OF OPERATION: 8:30am—4:30pm

This year's graduation will be on Thursday, May 26, 2023.

For current earthquake recovery information, resources, and ways to help, visit humboldtsheriff.org/emergency.

Winter can bring strong storms on the North Coast. Please stay safe and be prepared at home. It is a good idea to regularly check news sources as well as [road conditions](#), [weather reports](#), and [PG&E information](#).

Which One Doesn't Belong?

<https://wodb.ca/numbers.html>

9	16
25	43

NUMBER 1

This activity reinforces the idea that there is not one right answer in math—this is a huge takeaway from the Numerical Fluency book and it emphasizes to students that different brains see things different ways and they can all be right.

Display one of the 2 x 2 grids on the website and have students write or orally give a justification why each number doesn't belong. Note! There is not just one right answer!

ALDER GROVE

UPCOMING EVENTS

Email randi.mead@aldergrovecharter.org for more info

JAN
13

WINTER PERFORMANCE
10AM-12PM
ALDER GROVE STAGE

JAN
25

PEKING ACROBATS
9:30AM - \$8
CAL POLY HUMBOLDT

FEB
9

FLIPS FOR KIDS
11:30AM - 12:30PM - \$4
1489 HOOVER ST, EKA

ON CAMPUS AND VIRTUAL LABS

Study Hall

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday (Room 2)
Tony 8:45-1:30	Tony 8:45-1	Tony 8:45-1	Tony 8:45-1	See Math Lab 10-3
See Math Lab 1:30-3	See Math Lab 1-3	Cassie 1-3	Jasper 1-3	

On Campus and Virtual Math Lab

Virtual - students can log on to [meet.google.com](https://meet.google.com/mathlab123) with the code mathlab123

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday (Room 2)
Jasper 10-12	Jasper 10-12	Jasper 10-12	Jasper 10-12	Cassie 10-11
Myah 12-1:30	Adelinea 12-1	Cassie 12-1:30	Adelinea 12-1	Myah 11-1
Jasper 1:30-3	Cassie 1-3	Jasper 1:30-3	Cassie 1-3	Jasper 1-3

Spanish Lab

ON CAMPUS: Wednesdays from 1:10-2:05pm in **Room 2**

OR VIRTUALLY (ZOOM):

<https://zoom.us/j/92285207482?pwd=NUVWSTFTL1U0bzR4bi9KSVXVeWpMQT09>

Meeting ID: 922 8520 7482

Passcode: 22espanoL

ATTENTION ALL SCIENTISTS!

Do you dream of completing a scientific investigation on a topic of your choice, and sharing your research with the greater scientific community? You can do this by participating in the Alder Grove Science Fair, which is open to students in all grades, K-12! Interested students in grades 4-12 can also participate in the Humboldt County Science Fair!

Tuesday March 7 will be Alder Grove's annual Science Fair! This means students still have plenty of time to consider different project ideas. With the many different types of scientific research, the possibilities for interesting projects is limitless!

To get started, please check out our [Science Fair Information Slideshow](#) (use this link or the URL below). Once you have completed this step, contact our science fair coordinator Kathy Yeager at: kathy.yeager@aldergrovecharter.org to ask questions, discuss ideas, and sign up for our science fair!!

Remember, a great science fair experiment isn't flashy or extraordinarily complicated- it's one that carefully follows the scientific method! Completing a scientific investigation is a great way to learn more about a topic that interests you!

Science Fair Information Slideshow URL: <https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1MvnXwgTCxdx6oJCQDkyzWBM-8cVhIFX1Rslsg5z-fCU/edit?usp=sharing>



LET THE GAMES

FIELD

DAY

BEGIN!

Save the date:

Thursday, February 9

2:30-4:30pm

Jefferson Community Center



EARN CASH FOR YOUR SCHOOL WHEN YOU...

BUY IN STORE



BUY Box Tops Products



SCAN your store receipt



EARN Box Tops for your school

BUY ONLINE

1 SIGN UP on the app or at BTFE.com

2 SHOP online

3 FORWARD your digital receipt

4 EARN Box Tops for your school

Photos from the Holiday Craft Party



EUREKA-KAMISU SISTER CITY

PENPAL PROJECT

BACK TO SCHOOL UPDATE!

The first batch of postcards will be sent off on SEPTEMBER 5th! Make sure to get your letter in the mailbox before then! You can now find it at the front office at ALDER GROVE!

INTRODUCTION LETTERS ARE STILL BEING ACCEPTED! Please make sure you put your name and age at the top of the postcard, so we know who wrote the letter.

FOR MORE INFO VISIT: EUREKA-KAMISU.ORG/PENPALS

Email jay.tilghman@aldergrovecharter.org if you have any questions.

いい天気ですね! SUMMER HAS BEEN SO HOT IN KAMISU! WHAT'S SUMMER LIKE IN EUREKA??



INK PEOPLE CENTER FOR THE ARTS

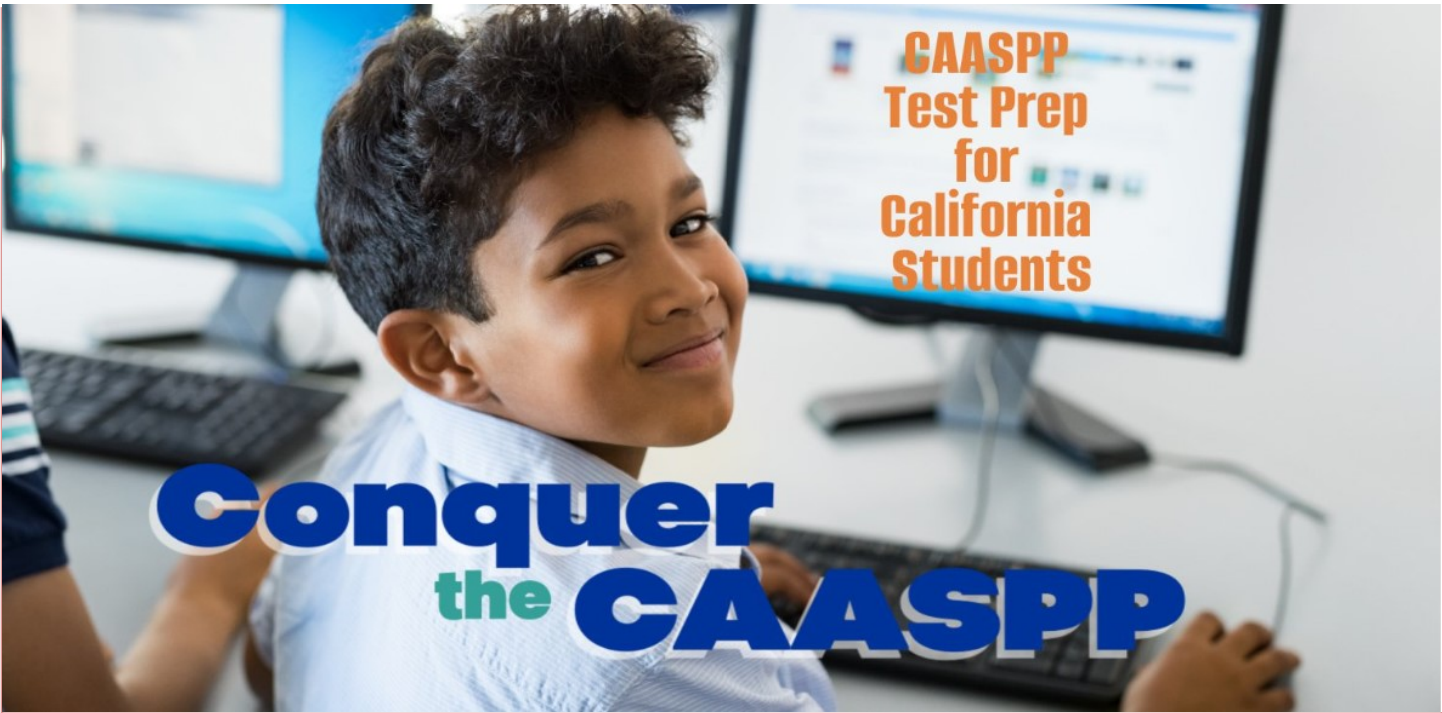
MARZ

MEDIA ARTS RESOURCE ZONE

marzproject@inkpeople.org | (707) 442-8413

DROP-IN UPDATE TUE-THU. 3-6PM @ 627 3RD ST IN EUREKA

Continue your CTE Experience after school! The MARZ Studio is open to all students interested in the Arts, Media, and Entertainment industry!



CAASPP Test Prep for California Students

Conquer the CAASPP

CAASPP testing can be stressful, time-consuming, and distracting from other things students could be doing and learning. Unfortunately, though, test scores matter - especially for charter schools like Alder Grove. A huge part of our charter renewal depends on demonstrating, mainly through test scores, that our program is working for students.

Fortunately, Mr. D Math and WriteAtHome have teamed up to create effective, engaging, self-paced test prep courses for both Math and ELA to equip your students to *conquer the CAASPP!*

In Conquer the CAASPP test prep classes, students will:

- learn the 3 secrets of successful test taking
- become familiar with the format of the CAASPP
- practice using the online tools necessary to take the CAASPP
- practice solving problems and answering questions found on the CAASPP
- have access to supplemental materials for further preparation
- gain confidence
- have fun, because Mr. D and Mr. Wasko are awesome!

These courses are FREE for all 3rd-8th and 11th graders!
Talk to your CT to sign up today!

MEAL PROGRAM / WELLNESS POLICY

Hello, AGCS Families! Breakfast and lunch are **FREE** for all Alder Grove students. No application is required.

Breakfast is offered:

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

Lunch is offered:

Monday - Thursday from 12:40-1:05
Friday from 12:00- 12:25.

We hope your students
will join us!



SPELLING & GEOGRAPHY BEES IN JANUARY!

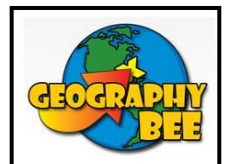
We will be holding the Alder Grove Spelling Bee on
January 23rd @ 4:30pm on the school stage.

We will also be holding the Alder Grove Geography Bee on
January 30th @ 4:30pm on the school stage.

Sign up with randi.mead@aldergrovecharter.org
or email her for more information.



There is a chance to win a
drone or a \$50 gift
certificate or more prizes!



SCHOLARSHIPS



ARTHUR MEYER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY AT COLLEGE OF THE REDWOODS

DEADLINE 5/12/2023



TRI-COUNTIES BANK SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

FOR STUDENTS ATTENDING COMMUNITY COLLEGES, TRADE SCHOOLS, AND FOUR YEAR COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES

ACCEPTING SUBMISSIONS



YOUTH ON COURSE

OPEN TO SENIORS WHO HAVE A MINIMUM 3.0 GPA, WILL ATTEND A 4-YEAR COLLEGE IN THE FALL, AND WHO ARE A MEMBER OF YOUTH ON COURSE.

DEADLINE 1/17/2023



EQUALITY SCHOLARSHIP COLLABORATIVE

OPEN TO SENIORS IN NORTHERN AND CENTRAL CALIFORNIA WHO WILL BE ATTENDING COLLEGE IN THE FALL AND WHO HAVE PROVIDED SERVICE TO THE LGBT+ COMMUNITY.

DEADLINE 1/31/23



CALIFORNIA CANCER CRUSHER

OPEN TO HUMBOLDT COUNTY SENIORS WHOSE LIVES HAVE BEEN AFFECTED BY CANCER. MUST HAVE A MINIMUM 3.0 GPA AND PLAN TO ATTEND A VOCATIONAL, COMMUNITY, OR 4-YEAR COLLEGE IN THE FALL.

DEADLINE 2/25/23

ATTENTION SENIORS!

The [FAFSA](#) FREE Application for Federal Student Aid opens October 1.

These first come, first served funds that you do not have to pay back is your ticket to reduced university costs, as well as the TWO free years of community college.

Students who graduate from a California high school and meet certain income and GPA requirements are also eligible for the [CAL GRANT](#) which is additional money that can be used for college/training including books, computers, etc. The FAFSA is also used mandatory for many scholarships!

Please welcome our Student Success Coach, Yasmin, who is joining us this year to assist our seniors in completing the [FAFSA](#)! They might be calling you soon to set up a time to chat about your future plans and help you complete this important application.

Registration for CR Spring Classes Open December 6. Students must have a CR application and a current 2022-2023 Concurrent Enrollment Form on file to register.

We have lots of help for students applying to college. Please make an appointment with our college and career counselor:
<https://calendly.com/jen-burtram/college-and-career-counselor-meeting>

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



PBIS UPDATE

Dear Alder Grove community,

Happy New Year! The PBIS committee wishes you a bright year filled with health, happiness, love, and of course...positive behavior!

Keep an eye out for some new and exciting things around the school campus, including some fancy, colorful posters outlining the school expectations for each area: Be safe! Be respectful! Be responsible! A special shout out and thank you to Tony Persico for all of his hard work creating these posters for our school.

There are also many exciting projects being planned for the near future, including the introduction of the Zones of Regulation social-emotional curriculum in communal school spaces. The Zones program is described as “a systematic, cognitive-behavioral approach used to teach us how to regulate our feelings, energy and sensory needs in order to meet the demands of the situation around us and be successful socially.” For more information check out the website here:

<https://www.zonesofregulation.com/index.html>

We are also discussing ways to get more bark bucks out to all of our students so that everyone can participate in the fun! Additionally, we have some bark buck surprises, including many new items. You may even be able to win a pizza party with Tim Warner (Director of Alder Grove)!



Wishing you all the best, and a great 2023!



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; Tony Persico, Instructor and Campus Monitor; Luana Nelson, SPED/Vendor Relations Secretary; Jasper Severn, Math Proficient Lunch Lady.

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.

PBIS BOOK OF THE MONTH: DECEMBER

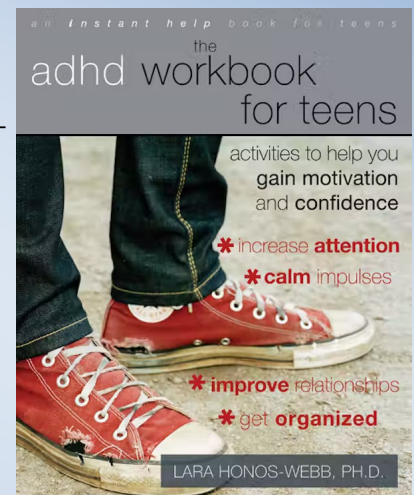
Symptoms of attention deficit/hyperactivity disorder, or ADHD, can strike at any time-during class, when you're listening to a friend's story, while doing homework, and did we mention during class? You might find it difficult to pay attention and sit still when your impulses are constantly tempting you to do the opposite. In **The ADHD Workbook for Teens**, you'll learn simple skills you can use to confidently handle school, make and keep friends, and organize and finish every project you start.

This workbook helps you find out who you really are through a series of exercises and worksheets that focus on identifying your strengths and interests. Then, you'll begin using those strengths to create strategies for overcoming the ADHD-related issues you struggle with.

- Learn how to calm yourself down when you feel hyperactive or impulsive
- Develop plans for meeting the goals that matter to you most
- Get your life under control and organize your schedule
- Improve your social life by becoming a better listener and friend

Click here for more information:

<https://www.newharbinger.com/9781572248656/the-adhd-workbook-for-teens/>





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



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.

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.



ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



MIDDLE + HIGH SCHOOL

January 2023

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

1	2 SCHOOL CLOSED	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 Governance Council 10:30am 	11	12	13 Winter Performance 10am 	14
15	16 SCHOOL CLOSED	17 First Day of Spring Semester 	18	19	20	21
22	23 Spelling Bee 4:30pm 	24	25 Peking Acrobats 9:30am 	26	27	28
29	30 Geography Bee 4:30pm 	31				

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