

Pathways Academy News

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Fall/Winter Holidays

Dear Parents,

It seems like the year just began, but here I am talking about the holidays! As you know, Pathways Academy is closed for Thanksgiving from Wednesday, November 24 through Sunday, November 28. We resume classes on Monday, November 29. From the day we return from Thanksgiving break, there are 3 weeks until Winter break! During that time, we have many activities planned for the students to explore the various holidays.

Though our weather has been un-seasonably mild, we don't want to be caught unprepared by a sudden change in weather leading to a school delay or closure. Please review our school delay and closure policy (see page 2). As always, if you have any questions, please feel free to speak with one of us!

-Will

Thanksgiving Feast!!

Many thanks to all of the families who participated in our annual Thanksgiving feast! All who attended were given the opportunity to mingle with other families and enjoy a delicious meal. (The meal was our thanks to parents for sharing their children with us!) The teachers prepared 3 turkeys, and each student worked throughout the week to help prepare the side dishes. Though the change in routine can be stressful to some, we all enjoyed the day.



- UPCOMING DATES OF INTEREST:**
- Wed, Nov 24—Sun, Nov 28—Thanksgiving Break—NO SCHOOL!
 - Thu, Dec 16—Last day before winter break—1/2 day for students (dismissal at 12:00p)
 - Mon, Jan 3—First day of classes for 2011



United Way of Central New Mexico

Pathways Academy is a United Way funded organization. (Without United Way, we would not be able to provide the quality education that we pride ourselves in!) United Way is currently running their workplace campaigns—if your company participates, please remember that you can designate a donation directly to Pathways. If your company does not participate, and you'd like to, please see Ms. Jan for information on how to participate in Pathways' campaign.

Weather-related school closures

Abbreviated Day: The abbreviated day begins TWO HOURS LATER than the regular schedule but ends at the same time. (For Pathways, that means school will officially start at 11:00am and end at 3:30pm) The most common use of the abbreviated schedule is when weather conditions cause unsafe road conditions affecting the safety of students and school employees traveling to school. Pathways Academy generally follows the decision of APS (Albuquerque Public Schools) in regards to an abbreviated schedule. A decision to follow an abbreviated schedule will be made and announced via KOAT (ch. 7) news & KOB (Ch. 4) news by 6:30am.

Cancellation of School: Following the decision to implement an abbreviated schedule, weather conditions occasionally worsen to the point that makes it necessary to close school. This decision will be made, and announced via KOAT (ch. 7) news & KOB (Ch. 4) news by 9:00am.

Early Dismissal: In rare cases, weather conditions may develop during the school day that necessitate early dismissal of students. If a decision is made to dismiss early, KOAT (ch. 7) & KOB (Ch. 4) news will be used to spread the word. (You will likely also receive a phone call from the school) In the case of early dismissal, our first priority is the safety of our students and staff and therefore no after-care will be available.

PLEASE REMEMBER, though we typically follow the decision of APS for delays and closures, KOAT (ch. 7) & KOB (Ch. 4) are the only stations that lists "Pathways Academy" in their list of closures/delays. In addition, we serve a population that comes from all 4 counties surrounding Albuquerque—please use YOUR judgment and don't take unnecessary risks to get your children to school.

To request an item be added to our newsletter, please contact Will Wintermute (pathwaysacademy3@gmail.com)



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Wicked Tickets Raffle

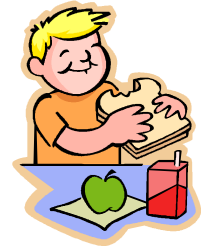
Buy your raffle tickets now!
Winner will receive 2 tickets to the January 30th 7:30 PM performance at Popejoy—Row G.

1 raffle ticket for \$10
5 raffle tickets for \$40

Raffle Ends December 15th
Winner will be notified Thursday, December 16th

Your child will receive an envelope of 10 tickets. Please make every effort to sell these tickets as this is a fundraiser for Pathways Academy.

Contact Tammy at tammy.kaiser@gmail.com for more information or to purchase additional tickets!



Lunch Menu

- Mon, 11/22: Pizza
- Tues, 11/23: Soup/Sandwich
- Wed, 11/23: NO SCHOOL
- Thurs, 11/24: NO SCHOOL

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!

- Mon, 11/29: Pizza
- Tues, 11/30: Chicken Haystacks
- Wed, 12/1: Cheese Lasagna
- Thurs, 12/2: Roasted Chicken and Latkes

