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Important Dates

12/14 Policy Committee,
3:30 pm

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6 pm

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Intersession

Food Service Program

Current Lunch prices -
including milk

Hot, Alt. or Emergency
Lunch:

- Full Pay = \$3.50;
- Free/Reduced = \$0.00

Greetings!

To the left, you will find helpful links to important pages on our website (School Links), and will provide a quick list of upcoming events (Important Dates.)

Session 3 Extra Curricular Classes Registration is Now Open!

([Holy Fischer](#))

Classes for the next session of after school activities will begin on Monday, January 9. The deadline to sign-up is Friday, December 16. We opened registration up for those classes and you can view and sign up for the classes being offered [HERE](#).

January Intersession Registration is Now Open!

We have some amazing classes being offered; check out the [registration page](#) to get more information, read about classes, watch video shorts and sign up online.

Intersession classes run from 8:00 am - 3:00 pm Tuesday, January 3rd-Friday, January 6th. There will be regular busing offered as well as school lunch served. Because there are a number of field trips planned each day, teachers will let you know which days you will need to provide a bag lunch and which days your child's class will be at school for lunch time.

Registrations for January Intersession are due by 5:00 FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16th. Because of the number of field trips that need to be planned before the holiday break we will be strict about holding to this deadline. Thank you for getting your enrollment in early!

For those who sign up for Intersession, you will indicate on the registration form if you want to order school lunch for days that your student will not be on a field trip. A separate email will be sent to order lunches just for that week. It will NOT be on the regular lunch order program.

Reminder - if you do not sign your student up for an intersession class, they

Vegetarian Lunch:

- Full-pay = \$4.50;
- Reduced-price = \$0.40;
- Free = \$0.00

A La Carte Items -
charged to ALL
students:

- Milk-only = \$0.50;
- Pre-Ordered Extra slice of pizza = \$1.50,
- Emergency meals = \$3.50
- Extra Entree (Grade 6-8 only) = \$1.50

Current Breakfast Price:

- Full-pay = \$1.75
- Kindergarten = \$0.00
- Reduced-price = \$0.00
- Free = \$0.00

Go [here](#) to apply for free or reduced-price meals or to find out more about the food service program.

PTO News

Link [here](#) to the PTO website or download the most recent [newsletter](#) (dated April 2016) for recent information.

Label All Apparel

Help reduce our lost and found! Please label all clothing, outdoor and lunch boxes.

(Consider using [NameBubbles](#))

with have those days off.

If you have questions regarding Intersession classes or the sign up process, please contact [Mrs. Fischer](#).

Safety Reminder



Are you ever in a hurry to get somewhere after dropping your kids off at DaVinci in the morning? Please make sure that you are paying attention to stop signs and speed limit signs in the neighborhoods around the school. Residents in the area have contacted us and the Blaine police department to express their concerns.

Our students have an excellent reputation in the community as being kind and responsible, and we want the same to be true of our parents.

Thank you.

Ski Club

([Mr. Thompson](#))



Have you ever thought about skiing or snowboarding? Well, now is your chance. Come join the DaVinci Ski Club and find the joy in downhill skiing and snowboarding. Don't know how to ski and need a lesson? Lessons come with the deal. This club is for 6th, 7th and 8th

graders, but if you are a 5th grader who is taking Physics of H₂O then you may join as well.

Younger grades may also sign up as long as they have a parent or guardian to chaperone. Simply sign up or contact [Gabe Thompson](#). Each trip is \$40 and includes lift ticket, full rental including a helmet, a lesson if needed, and

transportation to and from the ski resort and DaVinci Academy. You will not find a better deal to ski or snowboard anywhere.

[Print permission slip here.](#)

Parents needed!

Two volunteers needed for each classroom to support the school's Capital Campaign fundraising efforts for our new school playground and outdoor learning spaces.

Responsibilities:

- Contact parents about upcoming fundraising events.
- Share ideas between classes via Bloomz

Optional:

Help to organize a class or grade specific fundraiser. (For example, choose a restaurant that offers a percentage back when members of our school eat there on a specific night. The Capital Campaign committee has a list of options.)

Qualifications:

- Enthusiastic about DaVinci Academy
- Access to Bloomz
- Willing to make phone calls to other parents

If you are interested, please contact your child's homeroom teacher directly!



First wall up this week

Fund Your Playground!

The funding for our new playground is off to a great start ... but we've still got a ways to climb to meet our \$148,500 goal.

For every donation in December, the DaVinci Academy School Board will match a dollar for every dollar received, up to \$30,000. This is a great opportunity to maximize your year-end donations.*

To make a donation, visit davincicharterschool.org and click on this image at the top of the homepage:



*If you want to deduct your charitable contributions on your 2016 tax return, you have until December 31 to donate.

Snow Days & Food Service

[\(Lee Swearingen\)](#)

For any day that school is cancelled, we will serve the meal planned for that day on the following day. The following days meals will then be skipped entirely for that week.

For example, if school is cancelled on Tuesday and the meal options ordered for that day were a hamburger, turkey sandwich or veggie patty, those options will be served on Wednesday instead. Wednesday meal options would be skipped entirely that week. Those students who ordered meals for Wednesday will be served one of Tuesday's meal options (hot meal, cold sandwich or vegetarian meal) but not necessarily the meal type they ordered for Wednesday. A peanut butter and jelly sandwich will always be available on these days if a student does not want what is available.

The same process will be followed for breakfast. Tuesday's breakfast will be served to those students who ordered breakfast for Wednesday.

Please keep in mind, menu items are subject to change up to and including the day of service without notice to parents or students. This happens rarely but, in case of a cancelled day, you can guarantee the day's menu will be different. Please help prepare your child for this when it happens.

If you have any questions regarding this or the food service program in general, please contact the school office or send an email to FoodService@davincicharterschool.org.

Why We Track Volunteer Hours

[\(Lee Swearingen\)](#)

As a school, we cannot thank you enough for the thousands of hours that are donated to our school each and every year! **But have you ever wondered why we ask you to log or report your volunteer hours?** We, as a school, are required to annually report all volunteer hours to our charter school sponsor, Friends of Education. An accurate accounting of the parent volunteer time helps to quantify parent involvement and commitment to our school. And, almost more importantly, volunteer hours can often times help us obtain additional grant funding!

So, next time you volunteer, whether it is at school, at home, through the PTO, on a committee or as a member of the school board, **please remember to log those hours.** If you are unsure how to do this, check out our volunteer webpage [here](#), especially the *Volunteer Hour Tracking* section, or stop by the front desk. If you have a backlog of hours to enter, feel free to email [Mrs.Anderson](#) with the details (activity and number of hours is all that is needed) and she will update your records accordingly.

We thank you again for all of your time, talents and dedication!

DaVinci Academy Book Drive

As you know we are running a book drive to fill our new school with

books. The bookshelves are filling up but we still need your help!



2017-18 Enrollment is Now Open

We are now accepting applications for the 2017-18 school year for students who would like to attend DaVinci Academy for grades Kindergarten through 8th grade. To complete an application for the next school year click [here](#). Click on the Online Enrollment. Sign up through our new online enrollment system and then complete and submit the application.

All new students who are interested and not currently enrolled at DaVinci Academy, including siblings, must complete an application. Applications are due by January 31 to be included in the lottery for the 2017-18 school year.

Our next Information Session for prospective families is in January. Information Sessions are for those who may be interested in attending DaVinci Academy. Please feel free to share this information with your family or friends.
