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## Important Dates

12/13 Band/Orchestra  
Concert, 5 pm

12/16 Deadline  
for Intersession & Extra  
Curricular Registrations

12/19 School Board Mtg,  
6 pm

12/22 - 1/2 No School

1/3 - 1/6 Optional  
Intersession

## Food Service Program

Current Lunch prices -  
including milk

Hot, Alt. or Emergency

## 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.)

## Band/Orchestra Concert This Week - 12/13

Our concert is Tuesday night and our musicians are ready to shine!

The 5th and 6th grade concert starts at 5:00 pm and students need to report to school at 4:30 pm.

The 7th, 8th, Jazz, and Chamber Orchestra concert starts at 7:00 pm and student need to report to school at 6:30 pm.

Join us for a great evening!

## AmazonSmile - An Easy Way to Help Raise Funds for our New Playground!

AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support DaVinci Academy every time you shop, at no cost to you. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to your favorite charitable organization. AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support DaVinci Academy every time you shop, at no cost to you. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to your favorite charitable organization.

Use this link to start supporting DaVinci Academy. One click and you are all set to start shopping!

[DaVinci Academy AmazonSmile](#)

Holiday shopping is easy with [Amazon's Holiday Gift Guides](#).

#### Lunch:

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

#### 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

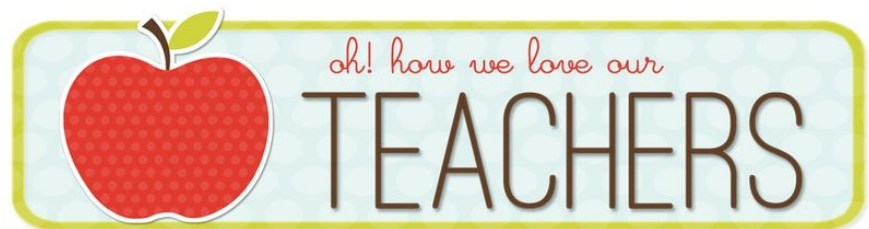
Help reduce our lost and found! Please label all clothing, outwear and lunch boxes.

(Consider using  
[NameBubbles](#))

#StartWithaSmile at [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) for your holiday gifts and Amazon donates to DaVinci Academy of Arts and Science.

## Winter Drop Off Reminder

Morning drop off takes longer on the days when everyone comes at 7:55 a.m. because of the snow. Don't forget to leave early to allow yourself plenty of time to get your child to school before the 8:00 bell. Thank you.



## Volunteer Opportunity 12/15

We will be honoring our teachers with a special lunch **THIS THURSDAY, December 15th** and need a few parent volunteers to help Admin with lunch and recess duty so that the teachers can all eat together. If you are willing to volunteer from 11:30-12:00 OR 12:00-12:30 for lunch duty or 11:00-11:25, 11:30-12:00 OR 12:30-1:00 for recess duty please contact [Lee Swearingen](#). There may be a chance we would have indoor recess that day, but dress warmly just in case. Thank you so much!

Also, we are looking for someone to **come in weekly** to sort through and organize our lost and found. If you have time to stop in for 15 to 20 minutes each week to manage this process, please email [Lee Swearingen](#) for additional information.

Thank you so much for your consideration!

# 8th Grade - High School Planning

If you have an 8th grade student at DaVinci Academy, this is your reminder that now is the time to contact the high school of your choice to enroll for 9th grade. [Ms. Moffatt](#) sent an email to all 8th grade parents/guardians regarding suggested steps and availability to discuss your student's particular needs and situation.

As your child currently attends DaVinci Academy and not his or her home district school, you will need to either get them on their home district school's list for 9th grade or open enroll them at an out-of-district school. Open enrollment applications are usually required to be submitted by mid-January. Check directly with your chosen school!

If you have additional questions on this transition, please contact [Ms. Moffatt](#) directly.

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## January Music Concerts

Mark your calendars for an evening of singing and fun! Our elementary winter music concerts are coming up in January. Our students will entertain you with singing, dancing, and playing instruments. We are excited to share our musical talent and knowledge with you!

K-2 Winter Music Concert: Tuesday, January 24th at 6:00 pm (involves all Kindergarten, 1st grade, and 2nd grade students)

3-4 Winter Music Concert: Thursday, January 26th at 6:00 pm (involves all 3rd grade and 4th grade students)

For both concerts, students should meet in their classrooms at 5:30 pm wearing nice dress clothing.

See you then!

Mrs. Ashley Fohrman

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## ONGOING NEWS.....

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### Registration for Session 3 Extra Curricular Classes Due by Friday!

([Holly 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.** View and sign up for the classes being offered [HERE](#).

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### January Intersession Registration are Due by Friday!

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 will have those days off.

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

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### Ski Club Permission Slip

([Mr. Thompson](#))

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.](#)

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## 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

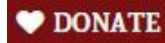
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## Fund Your Playground!

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](http://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.

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## 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!

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## 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!





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## 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.

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