

# DaVinci Connection

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## Important Dates

3/14 Grade 3-5 Art Show,

## Greetings!

To the left, you will find helpful links that will take you directly to the articles you want to read (Table of Contents), to important pages on our website (School Links), and will provide a quick list of upcoming events (Important Dates.)

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## Talent Show on for Tonight! Grades 3-5 Art Show Postponed Until 4/14

### ***DaVinci's Got Talent!***

The 4th-8th grade Talent Show will be held on April 7 at 6:00 pm in the gym. Come see some amazing singers, musicians, comedians, acrobatic and balancing acts, and much more!

Cost: Free! (donations accepted)

***The 3-5 art show has been postponed until next Thursday, April 14th.***

**Monsters & Men" Art Show!** Thursday, April 14th 5:00 pm. Come see the artwork of our wildly talented 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade artists. A wide variety of media will be displayed throughout the halls of DaVinci including paintings, ceramics, and sculpture. It will be a "monster" of a show!

5:00 pm-6:00 pm

4/11 Curriculum/Tech Com,  
4:00 pm

4/11 Finance Com,  
6:00 pm

4/22 Spring Picture Day

4/22 Grade K-2 Art Show,  
5:00 pm

4/22 Grade K-2 Music  
Concert, 6:00 pm

4/28 - 4/29 No School

5/2 HR/Compensation Com,  
4:30 pm

5/2 School Dev Com, 5:30  
pm

5/5 Policy Com, 3:30 pm

## Food Service Program

Current Lunch prices -  
including milk

Hot, Alt. or Emergency  
Lunch:

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

Vegetarian Lunch:

- Full-pay = \$4.50;
- Reduced-price =



## Extra Curricular Activities

( [Holly Fischer](#))

The next round of extra curricular activities begins next week. *If your child is participating in any extra curricular activity, you must change your Silent Dismissal instructions to reflect that after school class.* For detailed instructions, go [here](#) .

MetroNorth TV and Golf Squad are still accepting new students and Tae Kwon Do is announcing a new session! Consider enrolling for the following:

**MetroNorth TV - FREE CLASS** - Monday/Wednesday. Learn all about the wonderful world of video making in this class from North Metro TV Studio Manager and Regional Emmy Nominee Eric Houston! This free 5 week, twice weekly class will have a special emphasis on sound, with students gaining hands on experience creating sound effects and recording new dialog for a real Hollywood movie! Students will also learn how to use professional cameras, microphones, and editing software and will receive a DVD copy of their work! Contact [Holly Fischer](#) to sign up for this class and and complete the DaVinci Academy [Registration Form](#) .

**Golf Squad** - Thursday (\$140) This class is for kids who are new to golf or more experienced and it is held at DaVinci. It is taught by PGA/LPGA professionals and all materials are provided (handbook, visors, equipment, training tools). Last class is 2 hours long. Go [here](#) for information and online registration and complete the DaVinci Academy [Registration Form](#).

**Tae Kwon Do classes through Kim's Tae Kwon Do Center are back!** Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:15 - 4:15 at the Center. Students will be walked over after school by a a Tae Kwon Do Center staff member. The classes will begin on Monday, April 18

\$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.

### Emergency & Attendance Alerts via



To sign up for emergency  
messaging, [click here](#) .

This program is used for:  
a) emergency/immediate  
alerts, b) school closings,  
and c) attendance alerts.

Contact [Mrs. Bacigalupo](#) for  
information

### PTO News

Link [here](#) to the PTO  
website or download the  
most recent [newsletter](#)

(note different start date) and run through Wednesday, June 8.  
There will be no classes on days that we are not in school. The  
cost for this session is \$91 (+ \$40 uniform fee for new students).  
Payment will be made directly to Kim's Tae Kwon Do Center.  
Please contact Master Kim at 763-572-5540 if you have any  
questions or you are interested in registering for this class.

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## Silent Dismissal Working Well

On Monday March 21st, we began using our new end of day  
release program called Silent Dismissal. If you haven't already  
done so, it is imperative that you review and confirm your child's  
information.

Overall, the transition to the new system has gone well. Using  
Silent Dismissal to call the students (rather than the walkie-talkie  
system we previously used) has improved our end of day  
dismissal in the following ways:

- Entering the family numbers instead of first and last  
names of each student means that student get notified  
faster. The student is sees only their name and not their  
number.
- We have many families that have the same or similar last  
name. Using the family number ensures that only the  
correct students are called. No more misunderstood or  
misspelled names leading to confusion about which child  
should be called.

**Please remember, regardless of how your child gets home  
each night, every family has steps to take.** See the attached  
[instructions](#) for on setting up and changing your parent account.

If you have any questions about this process, please contact  
[Mrs. Fischer](#).

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## Spring Picture Day - Friday, 4/22

Flyers will be sent home next Monday but you can also print the  
selection form [here](#).

(dated March 2016) for recent information.

## Label All Apparel

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


(Consider using [NameBubbles](#) - enter code DAAS15 and 20% of your order will be donated to DaVinci Academy).

Make picture day easy with these tips from LifeTouch:

- Choose clothing with solid colors or simple patterns
- Avoid clothing with slogans or logos
- Long-sleeve shirts are best

Students will be permitted to wear non-uniform clothing to school on picture day. Clothing should be modest; no tank tops, spaghetti straps, or short skirts or short shorts, etc. Shirts should not have inappropriate writing/words and no hats are allowed to be worn in school. Hats, however, may be worn for the picture and then returned to their locker. This is the only day spring pictures will be taken; there will not be a make-up or retake option.

### Professional Portraits Made Easy




See before you buy!

Questions? Call 1-866-955-8342

Mark your calendar

**DaVinci Academy of Arts & Science**  
Friday, April 22, 2016  
viernes, 22 de abril, 2016



- 1 Select a pose and background
- 2 Return selection form on Picture Day
- 3 Receive portrait package after Picture Day to review and purchase

All students will be photographed. Please notify your child's teacher if you do not want an individual portrait taken of your child. Your child may be included in a group portrait instead by the school.

**Lifetouch**  
School Portraits

## Spring Instrumental Concert

(Mike Hebert)

# INSTRUMENTAL CONCERT

5/6TH @ 5:00PM & 7/8TH @ 7:00PM

THURSDAY, MAY 19TH

### When is the concert?

Our spring band/orchestra concert is on Thursday, May 19th. 5th and 6th grade students will perform starting at 5:00 pm. 7th, 8th, Jazz Band, and Chamber Orchestra will start at 7:00 pm.

**How long will my child need to stay?**

All students will be expected to stay for the entire concert in order to complete a listening assignment of the other groups performing. This will count as half of their concert participation score.

**What is the dress code?**

5th and 6th grade will wear white dress tops (boys need a button up shirt) and black dress bottoms with black dress shoes.

\*\*\*7th and 8th grade will wear ALL BLACK with black dress shoes. Boys need a black button up shirt. Girls need long skirts or dress pants. Leggings/yoga pants are NOT acceptable.\*\*\*

**How will I help at home?**

Our musicians need to learn their music at home. Rehearsals are used for learning everything that's happening around them. We cannot use rehearsal time to only figure out individual parts. Require your child to put in the hours at home so they come prepared and confident to class.

**Where can I find more information?**

I have posted our concert songs and lesson assignments on my classroom website listed below. Feel free to contact me with ANY questions, comments, concerns, suggestions, fun stories, etc.

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## PTO News

Moved to the side column. Look to the left!