

CRA Newsletter, 10-18-2021

CRA Policies and Procedures

Annually we are required to notify our patrons about our Policies and Procedures. They can be found on our school website, www.canyonrimacademy.org under the “Our School” tab. We encourage you to read them - particularly the FERPA policy regarding how we share and don't share information. If you have any questions about the policies, please let us know.

Halloween at CRA

On Friday, October 29 we will have our annual Halloween parade at 8:45 a.m. This year the students will parade outside, and parents can watch it on the upper field. The blacktop will be reserved for students so all classes can watch as other classes parade. If walking up stairs to the upper field is difficult, we encourage you to park at the church just east of the playfield.

As you plan Halloween costumes, please remember a few things about costume wearing at school:

- Costumes must be modest.
- For safety reasons, masks that cover the eyes may not be worn, but faces may be painted. :)
- Face masks that cover the mouth and nose are still encouraged.
- Pretend (or real) weapons are not allowed.

Aspire Access

The parent access to the Aspire program has been restored. If you've never created an Aspire user account, here is some information about Aspire and how to access it...

Aspire contains student information such as your child's lunch account balance (not needed this school year unless your child purchases milk or water to go with their cold lunch), reading assessment scores for all students and RISE test scores for those in older grades. You can also see the current contact information that we have for parents/student. To sign in to Aspire:

- Click on the Aspire link on the website in the Quicklinks section.
- A new window will open that says “CRA Info Welcomes You”. (If the link doesn't open up, try a different browser.) Directly below the sign in box is another box that states, “request a username”. Click on this link.
- Enter your child's ID number. (Your child's ID number is their lunch number. If you or your child do not know this number, please contact the front office at 801-474-2066.)
- Enter your child's birthdate.
- Confirm the student.
- Choose the contact (click on your name).
- Create a username and password, and confirm your password. Passwords must be 8 characters long.
- After a username and password are created, the system will prompt you to sign in. Once you are signed in, you will have access to all of your child's information. You only need to sign up with one

student and your other CRA students should show up. Choose a student and click on their name. You will be able to see your child's lunch account balance, reading scores, RISE test scores and attendance. (Attendance in Aspire may not be as current as the attendance in Gradebook.)

- A list of courses taught will also show up on your child's information page, but since we do not use the grading system in Aspire - grades and progress reports will not appear here. Those are accessible through the Gradebook link.

As you access these accounts, if you see any incorrect information for your child such as a wrong address, incorrect phone numbers, etc., please email sabraham@canyonrimacademy.org, hgissemann@canyonrimacademy.org or call the office.

CALENDAR

Wednesday, Oct. 20: Early Dismissal, 1:15 p.m.
Thu & Fri, Oct 21-22: NO SCHOOL, Fall Break
Wednesday, Oct. 27: Jump Team Auditions, 3:20 in the Multipurpose Room
Friday, Oct. 29: Halloween Parade, 8:45 a.m.
Friday, Nov. 5: School Picture Day
Thursday, Nov. 11: End of Term 1, Dismissal at 3:15
Friday, Nov. 12: NO SCHOOL, Teacher Prep Day
W & TH, Nov 17 & 18: 1:15 Dismissal, Parent Teacher Conferences

PTO Newsletter October 18, 2021

We had such a great week last week celebrating connection week! Thank you again to Lisa Hampshire and her committee for planning such fun activities.

SPIRIT SWEATSHIRTS

We are excited to have sweatshirts available now! Just in time for this cooler weather. These can be worn any day of the week in the classroom, just like a uniform shirt! Here is the link to the main store: <https://canyonrimpto.membershiptoolkit.com/samplestore>

Where you can purchase your sweatshirts! **The deadline to order is October 24th so hurry and get your order in!!** Spirit T-shirts are expected to arrive sometime after fall break. Thank you for your patience. There have been a few Covid delays.

JUMP TEAM

4th, 5th and 6th graders...We hope you are all practicing your jump roping skills and are planning on trying out for Jump Team! Tryouts for Jump Team will be Wednesday, October 27th right after school in the lunchroom. Tryouts are for 4-6th graders.

HALLOWEEN

We will be celebrating Halloween at the school on Friday October 29th. More details will come out regarding the parade, but we plan on having it outside again this year. We hope the weather is good!

Each classroom will have a classroom Halloween celebration that will be coordinated between the teacher and the room parents. Due to Covid precautions parent volunteers will not be in the classroom.

VOLUNTER OPPORTUNITIES

We are still looking for a volunteer to head up the end of year video. If you are interested, please contact Alli Malmrose 801-518-5300. The students enjoy this fun tradition so much!

SMITH'S GROCERY STORE INSPIRES DONATIONS

If you shop at Smith's, don't forget to link your card to Canyon Rim Academy PTO. You can enroll by logging into your Smith's account. Go to account settings and click on Inspiring Donations. Add Canyon Rim Academy PTO to your organizations. This is such an easy way to make donations to our PTO!

Remember this does need to be updated annually.

AtoZ

The PTO is making a strong effort to streamline our purchases, emails and room parent notifications through our online directory, AtoZ membership toolkit. We have had a great response so far and are only missing a handful of families. If you have not registered with our site, you will not receive our room parent emails. You can opt to not have your information in the directory if that is a concern.

You can register here: <http://www.canyonrimpto.membershiptoolkit.com>

Helpful tip: Once you register, you have 2 hours to confirm your email address. If you need help, you can contact Melissa Stalsberg: 801-518-3361 or Katie Jensen 801-867-3473

PTO MEETING

Our next meeting will be held Thursday, November 4th.

UPCOMING DATES

October 24th - Last day to order Sweatshirts

October 27th - Jump Team tryouts

October 29th - Halloween parade and celebrations

November 4th - PTO meeting