



San Pasqual Academy

Bulletin

As of February 4, 2005, 121 youth are living and studying at the Academy.

School Days...

- ◆ The first semester of school ended on Friday, January 28th. 41 students passed all their classes and achieved a GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- ◆ Outstanding results were reported from the Lindamood-Bell Literacy Program's first quarter of operation on campus. The participating students demonstrated reading percentile gains ranging from 10 to 30 points and grade level increases up to as much as five grade levels. Way to go students!
- ◆ The Rancho Santa Fe Rotary and La Jolla Sunrise Rotary are each sponsoring two students to attend the weekend-long Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) Camp in April. This is the third year Academy students have been selected through a competitive application and interview process for the camp.
- ◆ The second semester kicks off with some fresh, new elective classes: Composition and Writing, a Journalism class in addition to the existing Yearbook class, and a Business and Career Life Skills class.
- ◆ The Boys' Varsity Basketball team has an 8-1 record for the month of January, and the Girls' Varsity Basketball team has just been as impressive with a 6-1 record. Just a few more games remain in the Dragons' basketball season!

For more information about how you can help the Academy with donations or volunteer opportunities, please call Debby Syverson at (619) 435-4557.

WHAT'S NEW

For seniors, the second semester is sure to fly by. In preparation for end of the year activities, the Friends of San Pasqual Academy are seeking gently used (and clean) prom dresses to fill the campus Prom Dress Closet. For more information on how you can help out, contact Debby Syverson at (619) 434-4557.

Residential Information...

- ◆ Several students were treated to tennis lessons in Rancho Valencia on January 10th. All those who participated had a great time learning how to serve, volley, and even hit a backhand or two!
- ◆ Monster trucks were the thrill of the day at Qualcomm Stadium on January 22nd when a group of Academy students joined 40,000 screaming fans at the monster truck rally. Students were amazed by the size of the trucks and loved watching them maneuver around the stadium infield.
- ◆ On January 23rd several students went to Green Oaks Ranch to practice their golf swing. Look out, Tiger Woods! The students also had an opportunity to visit with the Ranch's animals. Everyone had a great time.
- ◆ Students danced the day away on January 23rd during the "Dance Revolution Marathon."
- ◆ Through the Health and Wellness Center, a health survey was conducted to determine the type of healthful entrees and snacks students would like to see served on campus. In addition, the Healthy Kids Assessments were completed and results are expected by the end of March.
- ◆ In partnership with the North Inland Community Prevention Program, the Health and Wellness Center is offering a ten-week seminar on Alcohol, Other Drugs, and Sexually Transmitted Infections. The seminar began on January 26th.
- ◆ Students can now participate in yoga and Pilates twice a week. Fitness is in the air!

Work Readiness...

- ◆ The YES (Youth Empowerment Services) Program hosted a Senior Portfolio workshop from January 12th to 14th. YES staff collaborated with the school to assist seniors with their portfolios, as well as complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) application by the January 14th deadline. In addition, students were given access to the Coin3 system, a comprehensive career guidance program available on the Internet, to research college and career choices, and their career assessments were completed.
- ◆ The YES program sponsored two career related field trips in January. On January 18th, students toured a local dairy farm and learned more about the dairy farm business and associated jobs. On January 24th, students had the opportunity to visit Clear Channel Radio stations and obtain information on employment in the radio industry.
- ◆ Students continue to hone in on their college and career choices as the second semester gets under way. Graduation is just around the corner!

Community Involvement...

- ◆ Keeping score at future football games just got a little easier. The San Diego County Board of Supervisors and the Friends of San Pasqual Academy have donated a scoreboard, including purchase and installation, for the Dragons' football field. Yea!
- ◆ Nine graduates are living at the Alumni Housing Program on campus.
- ◆ San Pasqual Academy Neighbors (SPAN) program volunteers are working more closely with the on-campus alumni, and helping them transition to living on their own.
- ◆ One of the SPAN volunteers has initiated a daily walking club with the students.
- ◆ The Friends of San Pasqual Academy are sponsoring this year's Dragon yearbook. Buy your memorable copy at the end of the year, and support the students' journalistic talents!