Weekly Family Memo

# Zach Elementary School

**School Motto:** Together We Inspire

**School Mission:** We commit to do our best to encourage, inspire and meet each child's needs.

**School Vision:** Ensure high levels of learning for all students.

#### Facebook: facebook.com/zachelementaryschool

Please "LIKE" us on Facebook! We make positive and celebratory posts and comments.

Website: https://zac.psdschools.org/

## April 26th-30th

### **Lunch Menu**

#### Monday, April 26<sup>th</sup>:

Phase 4

#### Tuesday, April 27th:

- Phase 4
- 5<sup>th</sup> CMAS: 9:30-11:00am

#### Wednesday, April 28th:

- Phase 4
- 5th CMAS: 9:30-11:00am

#### Thursday, April 29th:

- Phase 4
- 5<sup>th</sup> CMAS: 9:30-11:00am

#### Friday, April 30<sup>th</sup>:

Phase 4

### Monday, April 26<sup>th</sup>:

- Chicken Nuggets
- Chicken Caesar Wrap

#### Tuesday, April 27th:

- Mac & Cheese
- Ham & Cheese Sandwich

#### Wednesday, April 28th;

- Teriyaki Meatballs & Rice
- PB & J Sandwich

### Thursday, April 29th;

- Cheese Calzone & Marinara
- Yogurt Parfait

#### Friday, April 30th:

- Pepperoni Pizza
- Chef Salad







#### **New Information**

#### PTO (ATTACHMENT)

At the April PTO meeting, a parent was nominated for the Treasurer position. A vote will take place at the May meeting. Please see minutes attached and contact <a href="mailto:zachpto@gmail.com">zachpto@gmail.com</a> if you have any questions.

#### Library Books

All library books are due back to the Media Center by May 12th.

#### Outside Play Equipment

Students are not allowed to bring in outside play equipment (gloves, baseballs, lacrosse sticks, frisbees, etc) this year due to Covid protocols. In past years we have allowed some personal equipment on the playground, but due to health concerns these items are not allowed until further notice. Each homeroom class has an equipment bag with several items for recess. Thanks for your support on this policy.

#### Reminders from Previous Family Memos

#### Kindergarten 2021-2022 Registration

Kindergarten registration for the 2021-2022 is now open. Please visit the Kindergarten page on the Zach website for information and registration link.

https://zac.psdschools.org/kindergarten-2021-2022

#### **Help for ParentVUE App**

Please click on the link below for help with the ParentVUE app.

https://techportal.psdschools.org/Guide/parentyue-using-vour-parentyue-account-mobile-device

#### **STEM-X Summer Programs (ATTACHMENT)**

PSD has revised the summer STEM-X Program. The elementary program will be for grades 3-5 only. Please see attached flyer for more information.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

PTO STEM-X

#### PTO Meeting 4/14/21 – Virtual

Gina Fechheimer called the meeting to order at 5:01 pm.

First order of business is to accept the meeting minutes from the previous meeting. Julie Gold makes a motion to accept, Rachel Stansberry seconds the motion. The motion carries with a unanimous vote.

#### **Teacher Report** – Rachel Stansberry, Katie Boisen, John Berg, Laura Actor

- No formal business to report from the teachers.
- 5<sup>th</sup> graders completed their Wax Museum project
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade has completed the CMAS testing for this year.
  - We experienced some technical issues, but they were quickly resolved with the district.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> grade has CMAS testing next week.
- 4<sup>th</sup> grade has CMAS testing the week of 4/26.
- Kindergarten and first grades are starting to eat lunch in the cafeteria.
- Teachers are looking forward to family and volunteer appreciation week starting 4/20
- Teachers are reporting feeling really good and 'normal' and it is super nice to have the kids back in person.
- Teachers are planning for next fall, using ZEF funds to make purchases for those supplies.

**Treasure Report** – Hong Miao was not able to attend the meeting. The treasure report will be posted online.

#### **Principal's Report** – Aisha Thomas

- 5<sup>th</sup> grade will have a graduation ceremony this year. It will be for students only to maintain safety protocols. Zach and the district are looking into being able to live stream the event so friends and families can participate virtually. It will be on the last day of school, time TBD.
- Field Day will be a bit different each PE class will hold their own field day event, rather than mixing classes and grades.

- Zach will be posting several jobs for next year including two certified positions a media tech support role and another integrated services role. More info to come.
- Overall things are going well.

#### **Standing Committees**

#### **ZEF** – Gina Fechheimer and Jenny Florez

- ZEF campaign for 2021-2022 school year will reuse a number of the tools developed for this year.
- Gina and Jenny are editing the Kindard Enrichment Fund letter to be used at Zach in an effort to make ZEF contributions a more
  - o Gina and Jenny will present it at the May meeting
- We are looking at trying to improve 'enrichment' contributions including monetary and volunteer options in lieu/addition of a monetary donation. This is tied to trying to increase school wide participation in ZEF.

#### **Teacher Wish List**

- Julie Gold will investigate what it would take to make teacher wish lists more
  formalized and easily accessible so that as teachers' have in classroom needs
  throughout the year they can add those items to a wish list to get those needs met.
   PTO will provide guidance on what is appropriate to include on those lists and work
  with the administration/teachers to get it implemented if approved.
- Teacher wish lists are separate and distinct from ZEF.

#### **Affinity Events** – Emily Jones

- NOCO Nosh brought in around \$200 which was a great success for our first effort with that partner.
- DC Oaks is donating 10% of all sales between the hours of 5-8 on 4/19/21. This includes dining in and take out.
- In May we are looking at an event with Taste and Savor details TBD
- Kona Ice will have a truck near Zach on 5/5 and the last day of school.

#### Fall Festival – Emily Jones

- Since Fall Festival is a huge amount of work, and the restrictions/rules for next fall are not known we will likely cancel/postpone this event. To hold the event Zach needs to

have clear guidance by May 1, 2021. There is the possibility that we would make it a spring fling in 2022.

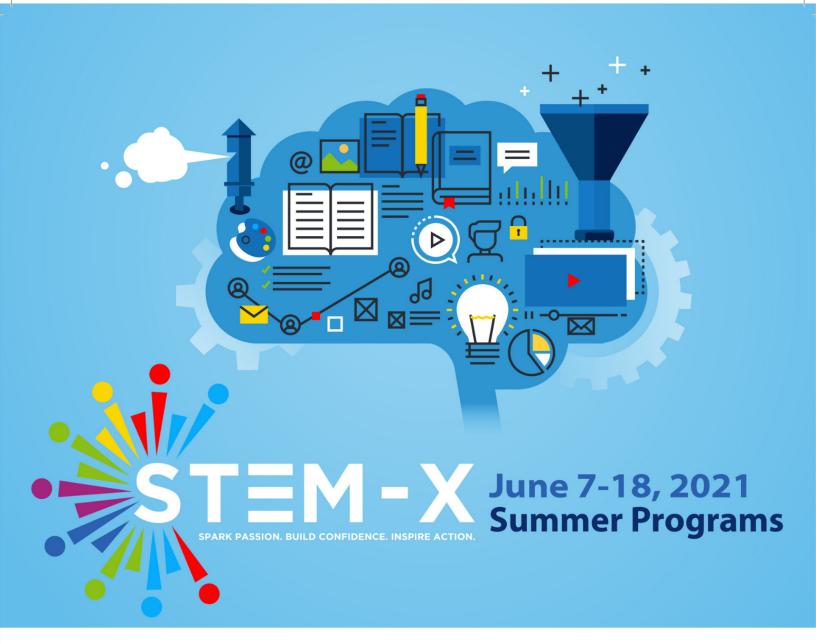
#### **Staff Appreciation** – Ozlem Gurkan

- Staff appreciation week is planned for May 3 May 7<sup>th</sup>. While all of the details are being finalized here are a few of the items we are planning.
  - May 3 Sidewalk chalk
  - May 4 Star Wars Theme
  - May 5 Cinco De Mayo related food (store bought)
  - May wear your teacher's favorite color
  - May 7 write a post-it or thank you note for your teacher
- Feedback from the teachers present at the meeting was that they all enjoy the flower day that we've done in the past. That option is under consideration.

Moring Fresh – ZEF recently received a check for \$112 from Morning Fresh

**PTO Board Nominations** - Gina Fechheimer – Announced the nomination of Heather Schuller for the role of Treasurer for the 2021-2022 school year. This nomination will be voted on during the May PTO meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 5:49 pm



# Elementary | 3rd - 5th grade\* Middle School | 6th-9th grade\*

(\*Students entering these grades in Fall 2021)

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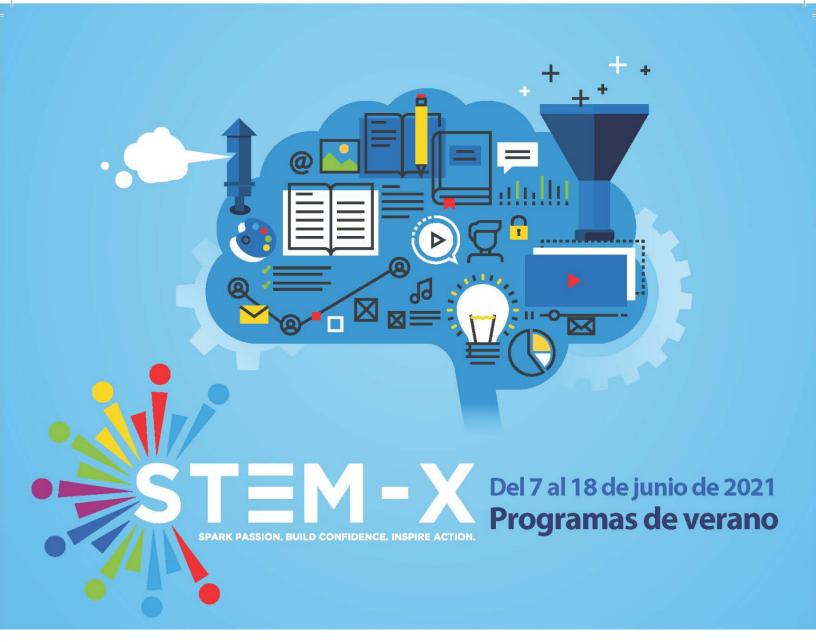












# Primaria | Grados 3 a 5\* Escuela intermedia | Grados 6 a 9\*

(\*Para estudiantes que vayan a asistir a estos grados, en el otoño de 2021.)

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