



La Cañada Elementary School PTA

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**The Deadline for the
next Lion Times is
Tuesday, 8/20/19 at
3:00 pm**

President's Message

Dear LCE Families,

We have officially entered into the 2019-2020 school year! I hope you all had an easy transition and were able to find a new routine in the first couple of days of school.

Thank you so much to all of you who were able to attend our first PTA meeting on Thursday. As you heard, there is another busy and exciting year ahead filled with wonderful programs, events, and activities for our students and families. I'd like to thank Lynley Gross for her work in getting the cafeteria ready for that meeting, and for coordinating with our amazing PTA chairpersons to make it easy to sign up and volunteer.

For those of you who were unable to attend that meeting, we've got you covered! Most of the information we shared at the meeting can be found on the LCE PTA website at lcepta.org. Take a quick visit to get more information about upcoming events, view the 2019-2020 calendar, and more. There are still volunteer opportunities available, so please reach out to volunteers@lcepta.org if you are interested in learning more.

Our [online order form](#) is now open! Visit this site to purchase all of your LCE essentials at once, securely via credit card. This order form includes everything from PTA memberships and Lion Wear to Haunt wristbands and yearbooks. Don't miss this chance to order - the online form closes September 5th.

Don't forget to mark your calendars for next week's Back to School picnic, which will be held on the LCE playground from 5:30 to 7:30 pm on Friday, August 23rd. Bring a picnic blanket or folding chairs and prepare for a fun evening with your fellow LCE families. An In-N-Out truck will be on campus to serve pre-ordered meals. Orders are due on Monday, August 19th, so please don't forget to [place your order](#) by tomorrow!

Finally, I'd like to thank Alison Molinelli for welcoming our new and returning families with a beautiful and delicious

light breakfast at the first PTA meeting of the year. We are so grateful for your hard work!

I'm looking forward to this school year, and hope the rest of you are too!

Warmly,

Brooke Niemiec
LCE PTA President

Room Rep Meeting



Mandatory Room Reps Meeting

Calling all 2019-20 Room Reps! Please join us for a mandatory meeting on August 21 at 8:15 a.m. to go over the PTA's plans for the school year.

We will have coffee to fuel our conversations about the Haunt, PTA procedures, Back to School Night sign ups, carline updates and more. Room Rep teams in grades 4-6 will have an opportunity to plan the year together immediately following our meeting.

Thank you for all that you do to support our kids. It is going to be a great year!

Any questions, please contact Joanna Banks at roomreps@lcepta.org.

LCE Family Directory

Keep in touch with families and stay connected!

We have a new directory service provider called Membership Toolkit. All families who add their new family info and returning families who confirm their info will receive free access to the online directory or via the Membership Toolkit app.



There are privacy settings for families to determine the information they want included/excluded in the directory. Families who do not register or confirm their info will not have access to the online directory.

Printed directories can be ordered [here](#), but first please take a moment to complete the relevant steps below to ensure that your information will be included in the directory. We want as many families as possible to participate. Thank you for your patience as we transition to a new directory service provider. Please direct and questions/issues to directory@lcepta.org.

NEW FAMILIES: IMPORTANT!

Please add your family and student information to our LCE Directory by visiting <https://lacanadalcepta.membershiptoolkit.com> and clicking on

"Register>>Login" and following the prompts to "Create Account." Please make sure you confirm the information you wanted included in the directory. Thank you!

RETURNING FAMILIES:

Please note that your information migrated with the new directory service provider, but it is important for you to review and confirm your information, including what information you would like to include in the directory. The link to the new directory is <https://lacanadalcepta.membershiptoolkit.com>. Here you can login with the same username/password as before. If you have forgotten your password, click on "Register" within the Membership Toolkit website and you can reset it by clicking on "I forgot my password." Thank you for updating and confirming your information!

Please note: All new families and returning families must complete the signup or confirmation process by 11:59pm, Sunday, September 8, 2019.

Back to School Picnic



Welcome to the Lion's Den! Back to School Picnic

Friday, August 23
5:30 - 7:30pm
(LCE Playground)

Bring your whole wild pride & kick-off the new school year with a roaring good time...

No need to hunt for your meal at LCE's Back to School Picnic! Freshly-prepared feasts from In-N-Out can be pre-ordered by MONDAY AUGUST 19 -- order online via the link [HERE](#). (You are also welcome to bring your own food...)

- * Kona Shave Ice (for sale) *
- * DJ with music & games *
- * Photo Booth *
- * Pop-ups on the field for shade, marked by grade *

Bring your own chairs, blankets, umbrellas. All children must be accompanied by an adult. No pets or wheeled toys please.

QUESTIONS? Contact membership@lcepta.org

Online Order Form - Opens August 15



LCE Online Order Spirit Wear, Directories, Yearbooks

It is very easy to go online to order all your 2019-2020 essentials. This is your chance to order your LCE spirit wear, school directories, yearbooks, and Halloween Haunt tees and wristbands. You can also support our school through donations to the Technology Fund and the General Fund, as well as sponsorships for the Halloween Haunt.

Access the form at www.lcepta.org and click on the order forms link on the home page; or go to the Order Forms tab under the PTA menu. Now is your chance to do it all at once... One credit card... One time... Online!



It's time to sign up for your new PTA membership!

Be a part of decision-making about important LCE activities, get to know other parents, teachers and staff better, and show your children how much you value their education!

Memberships are \$10 each, and everyone can join - moms, dads, grandparents, even caregivers. Connect with the greater community when you purchase your membership on the PTA's one-stop portal (included on order forms at www.lcepta.org).

Don't miss out on all the opportunities to experience LCE! Order forms will be accessible starting Thursday, August 15th.

Questions, email membership@lcepta.org

Carline Rules

LCE Carline- Please take note of these important rules!

Please be knowledgeable about the approved drop off routes which are posted on the LCE PTA website.

1. **Please do not cut into the lines**, especially on the La Canada Blvd. side from Fairview. (Please be aware of the no left turn sign here!) Your fellow Lions have been following the route and patiently waiting!
2. **Please have your child ready before you pull up, with backpacks ready to go.**
3. Pull forward as far as possible in the pick-up/drop-off areas AND keep pulling forward in order to **fill in the gaps**.
4. Please **do not cut into the line at any time**, even if there is a large space.
5. There are no drop off allowed in the crosswalks on either side of the school or the staff parking lot
6. Never leave your car in the loading zone during any of the drop-off/pick-up times (8:10, 9:10, 11:50, 1:50, 2:50 and 4:00)
7. Consider putting your car in park while your child is exiting the car.
8. Look in front of you before exiting the line.
9. **DO NOT** place items in the trunk for your children to remove.
10. **Drivers should not exit their car at any time.** Carline workers will assist your child if needed.
11. If your children require extra assistance/time, you should wait and pull to the very front of the carline, or park and walk them into school.
12. **Students should enter and exit on the passenger side of the vehicle only.** Please consider moving infant seats if they are blocking a child's exit.
13. Do not park across the street and motion to your child to cross or send them across the street to school.



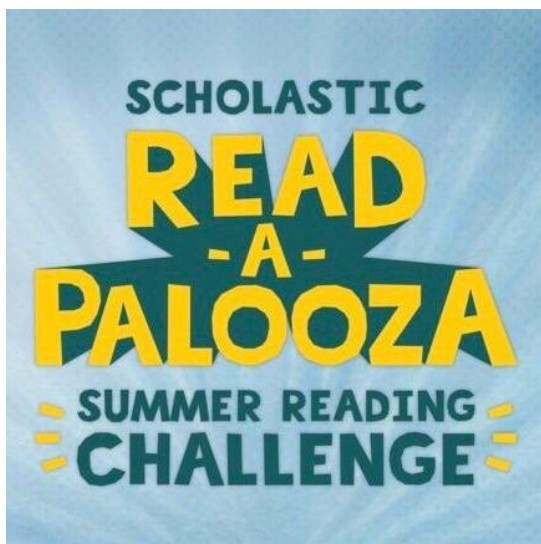
14. **No U turns.**
15. Please put away your cell phones during carline.
16. Please consider parking and walking to pick up or drop off your kids. This can actually be much faster for pick up.

Please remember "Safety Above Convenience!"

The carline volunteers are fellow caring parents who are volunteering their time to help you and your child. Additionally, please be courteous to your fellow LCE Lion parents and follow the rules as they are.

For more information or to volunteer to help us out please contact carline@lcepta.org

Summer Reading Challenge



Summer Reading Challenge

Please remember to have your child **PRINT OUT** (from their profile - badges) and return their recorded minutes to the box in the front office by **Friday, August 30th.**

If your child does not have a log in sheet, they can also write their minutes read on a piece of paper with their full name and grade.

A special prize will be awarded in each grade for the most minutes read! If you have any questions, please contact Shital Taylor at shital.taylor@mac.com.

Hope you all had a wonderful summer!

Halloween Haunt Auction Items Needed

SILENT AUCTION NEEDS YOUR DONATIONS!

Help make our school's biggest fundraiser of the year a success!

Here are some of the experiences and items that always get multiple bids:

SPORTS- Got season tickets? Consider donating your tickets to one of the games! (LAKERS, DODGERS, CLIPPERS, SPARKS, GALAXY, KINGS, CHARGERS and don't forget USC and UCLA!)

AMUSEMENT PARK TICKETS- Disneyland, Knott's, Legoland, Universal Studios, all are hot ticket items!

CONCERT TICKETS- LA Phil Tickets, POPS, Ballet, Playhouse Tickets!

BEHIND THE SCENES TOURS- Do you work at JPL or CalTech? Donate a behind the scenes tour! Are you a fireman? Donate a behind the scenes tour of of your department!



T.V. & FILM- Are you in the business? Donate a behind the scenes movie studio or set, movie PREMIERE tickets, walk on T.V. roles or lunch with a CELEBRITY!

MEMORABILIA- Do you have sports or movie memorabilia to donate?

MUSIC LESSONS- Are you a musician? Consider donating some lessons!

FOOD- Are you a baker? Donate a dessert of the month. Are you a chef? Donate a dinner for 8!

WINE- Pull some bottles of good wine from your cellar!

PARTIES- Love to entertain? Consider hosting a party! Themed cocktail parties are always a big hit. Some other fun ideas are a PROGRESSIVE DINNER, WINE TASTING, POKER NIGHT, COOKING PARTY, KIDS TEA PARTY, POOL PARTY or VIDEO GAME PARTY are all big hits! This year, we are looking to have at least one kids party for 30 kids for each of the grades K-6.

VACATION HOME- Donate a weekend away in your vacation home!

Thank you for your generosity! We need your donations to make the silent auction a success! To donate, please email Jennifer Miller at HauntAuction@lcepta.org. Any questions? Feel free to contact Jennifer at the above e-mail.

Confetti Eggs

We need your eggshells!

Confetti Eggs are a popular feature at the Halloween Haunt. We need your eggshells!

Weekend breakfasts are the perfect time to help our school. Simply crack your eggs on their ends and shake out the contents. Rinse the shells and put them back in their carton.

Drop off cartons of eggshells to the LCE Front Office. Our Confetti Eggs Chairperson will pick them up and fill them with confetti made of shredded, recycled paper from the teacher workroom.

Questions? Contact haunt@lcepta.org



Volunteer TB Screening

Calling All LCUSD School Volunteers

A current TB screening is required for all school volunteers

(Please check with your school health clerk for more information about volunteer requirements)

As a courtesy to our LCUSD volunteers USC Verdugo Hills Hospital is providing complimentary TB screenings at:

USC Verdugo Hills Hospital
1812 Verdugo Blvd., Glendale
(4th floor main lobby)



TB Screening
8:00 am - 11:00 am
AND
Tuesday
2:00 pm - 5:00 pm
SEP 10, 2019

* all participants must return on Thursday, 9/12 for readings & to obtain copy of results

***Drive By Result Readings**
**results read from your car - no need to park*
Thursday
SEP 12, 2019 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm

USC Verdugo Hills Hospital
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To learn more about services and physicians at USC Verdugo Hills Hospital, call (818) 790-7100.

To learn more, visit: USCVHH.org

Chess Nuts



Chess Nuts
 818-291-3774
 chessnuts2016@hotmail.com

SIGN UP FOR AFTER-SCHOOL CHESS TODAY!

Chess Nuts is an educational organization dedicated to bringing chess to elementary schools in a life-enhancing, fun, and exciting way. All levels are welcome, from beginning to advanced!

During the 10-week session, each child shall receive:

- A magnetic chess set
- Weekly chess lessons
- A chess medallion
- Special prizes
- Chess worksheets!

During each class, children will learn new lessons and receive ample playing time.

Our chess classes teach many rewarding skills:

- Logic
- Problem Solving
- Patience
- Planning for the Future
- Concentration
- Good Sportsmanship

---Session Information---

Dates: Mondays, 8/26, 9/9, 9/16, 9/23, 9/30, 10/7, 10/14, 10/21, 10/28, 11/4
Grades: K - 6th
Times: Early class: 1:55 - 2:55 Late class: 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Meeting Place: Cafeteria
Fee: \$135 (for either early class or late class, but not both)

-----To sign up, fill out the form below, detach it, and return it to the school office with a check payable to **Chess Nuts**. Please keep the rest of the flyer for your records.-----

I give permission for my child _____ to attend the chess class at **La Cañada Elementary**.
 Parent's name: _____ Cell Phone Number: _____ Child's Grade Level: _____
 Home Room Number: _____ Has Your Child Attended Chess Classes Before? : Yes _____ No _____
 Special Concerns: _____
 Email Address: _____

Where Your Child Goes After Chess: CEC _____ Picked up directly from class _____ Front of School _____
 A Different Class (please specify) _____ Other (please specify) _____
IMPORTANT - Please **CIRCLE** which class you will be attending: **1:55 - 2:55** / **3:00 - 4:00**

Parker Anderson Enrollment



Animal Invasion!



Animal invasion is a class for all animal lovers! Your child will experience and interact with all kinds of amazing live creatures including Reptiles, Amphibians, Mammals, Birds, Insects and more! Don't miss out on all the fun, games and most importantly the animals! Lab Fee: \$10

MONDAY: 9/09, 9/16, 9/23, 9/30, 10/07, 10/14, 10/21
3:00 - 4:00 pm for Grades 1 - 6 Cost: \$120

Marine Biology!



Explore the diversity of ocean life from organisms in hot deep sea vents, to tropical fish, to the astonishing varieties of arctic marine life! Observe dissections of a lamprey eel, a crayfish, and even a shark! Write with squid ink, grow Sea Monkeys, and learn about the largest environment on the planet! Lab Fee: \$30

TUESDAY: 9/03, 9/10, 9/17, 9/24, 10/01, 10/08, 10/15, 10/22
3:00 - 4:00 pm for Grades 1 - 6 Cost: \$135

TechKidz: Coding Wizards!



Create your own animations, programs, and games with MIT's Scratch, Python, Sploder, and more! Computer programming helps with brain development, math skills, and logic, and is tons of fun!

WEDNESDAY: 9/04, 9/11, 9/18, 9/25, 10/02, 10/09, 10/16, 10/23
3:00 - 4:00 pm for Grades 1 - 6 Cost: \$135

Kids Cooking Academy!



Kids will tantalize their taste buds and have fun with food! Different recipes each week from appetizers to entrees, snacks, desserts and more! Learn about nutrition, dining etiquette, and cooperation skills in this scrumptious class! Lab Fee: \$35

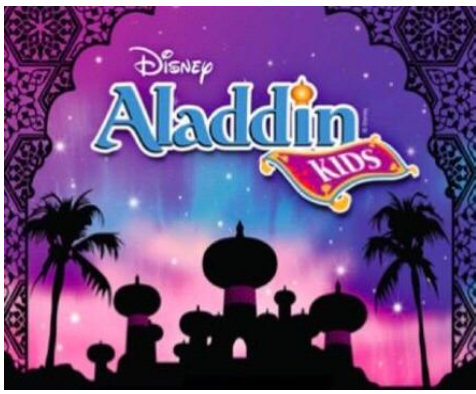
THURSDAY: 9/05, 9/12, 9/19, 9/26, 10/03, 10/10, 10/17, 10/24
3:00 - 4:00 pm for Grades 1 - 6 Cost: \$135

To enroll, please visit us at www.parker-anderson.org.

Registration starts on August 12, 2019. **The deadline to enroll is Thursday, August 29!**

No in-person cash/check payments can be accepted. All enrollments must be done online.

Classes will be cancelled if minimum enrollment is not met by the deadline. Please check with the school office for class locations on campus. Thank you!



ASSISTANCE LEAGUE OF FLINTRIDGE DRAMA PROGRAM

"where everyone can shine"

Attention 3-6 Graders!

Looking for something fun to do after school next fall? Why not join ALFie Players?

Drama Director Katelyn Fike will prepare students for a performance of Disney's Aladdin KIDS, a story about a dusty old lamp that changed a young man's life. The play has great roles for boys and girls along with an exuberant group of musical numbers.

Rehearsals are Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3:15 - 5:00 PM.

The performance will be on Friday, October 25, 2019 at 7 PM at Lanterman Auditorium.

Registration opens at noon August 5, 2019 at ALFlintridge.org. Early registration is highly recommended. A fee of \$275 is charged for participation in the program.

For more information, check the Assistance League website at ALFlintridge.org, contact the Programs Office programs@alflintridge.org or call 818-790-2211.

Lion Times Policy and Deadline

The Lion Times is sent Sunday evenings. The deadline for submissions is 3pm on the Tuesday prior to the publication date. Email items to liontimes@lcepta.org as an **MS Word Document attachment**. If you wish to include graphics, do **NOT** put them in the document. Instead, send them as a graphic file attachment, or they will not be used. Please do not include minors' last names, and only use last initials. We are unable to publish minors' surnames for legal reasons. Items may be shortened and edited for space limitations and content clarity. The mention of any business or service in this publication does not imply endorsement by the LCE PTA.