



PISD WEEKLY UPDATE

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Tuesday, February 9. 5 pm.
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Thursday, 2:30: Chess Club

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING: TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 5 PM

A special board meeting will be held Tuesday, February 9, at 5 p.m. to discuss expansion of In Person Learning.

To join the meeting online, click here:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8929346135?
pwd=c25wYjIwQnlQOG1mdE1Ubms3dDhwUT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8929346135?pwd=c25wYjIwQnlQOG1mdE1Ubms3dDhwUT09)

Passcode: PISD

To join the meeting by phone, call in at 346-248-7799

Meeting ID: 8929346135

Passcode: PISD/055250

EVTA Is Hiring Tutors:
Contact Michael Noll,
mnoll@penascoisd.com
575-779-1466

PISD Is Hiring Substitute Teachers:
Contact Amy Garcia
agarcia@penascoisd.com
575-779-1353

PISD has access to limited funding to help families in need with their electric bills and rent. To learn more, please contact Michael Noll: mnoll@penascoisd.com, 575-779-1466

INTERNET PAYMENT UPDATE

PISD has received permission from the state to pay for some families' Internet bills. If you have been in touch with Michael Noll about this, your bill will be paid soon (including past-due amounts)! No Kit Carson customer on this list will have their service cut off.

Kit Carson customers: If PISD has your account info, nothing else is needed.

Windstream/Black Mesa/CenturyLink/HughesNet customers: If you have not yet sent a copy of your bill to Michael Noll, please do so ASAP.

HughesNet customers: If you would like to cancel your HughesNet service and move to a different Internet Service Provider, please send a copy of your bill with the cancellation amount to Michael Noll.

Michael Noll's contact info: mnoll@penascoisd.com, 575-779-1466

P-EBT CARD UPDATE: OCT/NOV FUNDS

The state has not yet issued P-EBT benefits for October and November. No plan has been announced for when these funds will be released. You can check your student's status for receiving P-EBT cards and update your address if necessary. Go to this website (<https://www.yes.state.nm.us/yesnm/home/index>) and scroll to the bottom. Click on "Pandemic EBT Card Address Verification." You will need your student's school ID number, which can be found in PowerSchool and on report cards.

If you did not receive funds in (approximately) June and/or September, please let Michael Noll know: mnoll@penascoisd.com, 575-779-1466.

SUPERINTENDENT HIRING SURVEY

The district is in the process of its new Superintendent Search. Please give your feedback on what characteristics you would like to see. Your feedback is appreciated. Complete the survey with this link:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PISD_Characteristics

ART CLUB

Mondays, 1:30-2:30. Art Club with Ms. Alessandra! Great for elementary students, including lower elementary students.

Join the club here:

<https://meet.google.com/yck-wbpr-fjx>

"CIRCUS AT HOME" CLASS

Wednesdays 3-4 pm, taught by Alessandra Ogren and special circus guests. Learn juggling, clowning, and simple acrobatics and more!

To get the Google Meet link, email aogren@penascoisd.com.

Hosted by the Embudo Valley Library.

FREE WORKSHOP: EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND IEP PLANS FOR STUDENTS

Thursday, Feb. 25, 2021, 2:00 pm -4:00 pm

Link to join: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85726491782?pwd=N3JDb2wrV0FkMXZLczl6Yi9PUUhMdz09>

- Learn about Early Childhood Transition birth to 3 and into Pre-school.
- Find out about the IEP Process and being a part of the IEP team.

For more information and to register, please contact:
dharden@parentsreachingout.org

YOUTH LISTENING: \$50 GIFT CARD

How has COVID-19 affected students? Students in grades 6-12 can share their ideas about how schools can help in a small-group online discussion. You will need a parent with you to sign up and complete a permission form. Participants will receive a \$50 gift card for their time. Limited spots are available. To sign up, take the survey below, and organizers will reach out to you.

Survey link: https://utexas.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_bK2OaVaIDbIAFfv

Rocky Mountain Youth Core is hiring! Positions available in Taos and Albuquerque. Find out more information and apply by visiting YouthCorps.org

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