



PISD WEEKLY UPDATE

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Monday

4:30: Art Club (now using clay!)

Tuesday

4:30: Guitar Club (in-person and online)

5:00: Home basketball game (girls only)

Wednesday

4:30: Podcast Club

Thursday

1:30: Chess Club

2:30: Robotics Club (Now with 3D printer!)

3:30: Home basketball game (boys and girls)

IN-PERSON LEARNING OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS

Effective Immediately, any PISD family that would like to have their child(ren) to participate in in-person learning may do so. Families that want their child(ren) to remain remote may do so for the remainder of the school year. You may complete the form online at <https://forms.gle/APEk3QjMSiKXyfYk9> or call your child's school.

We ensure that all COVID Safe Practices are in place and will maintain social distancing is in place to the greatest extent possible in accordance with the DOH and the PED.

GILLY VALDEZ WINS STATE CROSS COUNTRY!

From the New Mexican

The pomp and circumstance of a state championship trophy presentation may have been dulled a bit thanks to the lingering health concerns of the coronavirus pandemic, but that didn't stop Peñasco's Gilly Valdez from savoring the moment to its fullest.

Moments after winning the individual cross-country state title in Friday's Class 1A-2A state meet at Albuquerque Academy's Richard Harper Memorial Field, Valdez was just thrilled he was getting the chance to talk about it. He'd just completed a grueling 16-month span between championship races, spending part of that down time training with former kindergarten classmate and current Volcano Vista state qualifier Lucas Kedge.

"It's been super tough at times, so to be able to mix up my training with someone like him really helped," Valdez said, his state championship medal dangling from a red, white and blue ribbon draped around his neck. "I kind of came into this mainly just to race for place, not necessarily a time."

That changed when Valdez found himself running shoulder to shoulder with Cloudcroft's Max Preslar as the pair entered the final 300 meters. Valdez needed a late kick to pull away for a 6-second win in a time of 17 minutes, 4.78 seconds.



CHARNELLE GONZALES PLACES 16TH!

Charnelle Gonzales placed 16th at the state cross country championship with a time of 22:49.91!

FIRST BASKETBALL GAME: TUESDAY, MARCH 30



25% Capacity

**Door will open 30 minutes
before start of game.**

No Advanced Tickets

All Tickets will be \$5.00

Limit of 5 tickets per person

**All CDC/NMAA guidelines will
be followed.**

**Social distancing and face
coverings are required.**

**We will not have a concession
stand. No food or drinks will
be allowed.**

No reentry.

**Games will be streamed on
NFHS & Facebook Live**

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL BLOOD DRIVE!

Thank you to all who donated blood. It was a huge success. We collected 24 blood units.

GRANDPARENTS RAISING GRANDCHILDREN GROUP

Connect with other grandparents, get support with stress management, learn nurturing parenting skills, and thrive together! Online, the last Thursday of every month, starting March 25. To register, contact Cristina @ 575-751-8904.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

SPOT is offering financial assistance to the Peñasco community impacted by COVID-19. (Cell phone bills, past rent, electric, propane, Internet, and more.)

Contact Roxy for more information and what you need to apply:

Call 505-417-6135 or

575-587-2200 (ask for Lisa)

AREA JOB OPENINGS

**PISD Employment Opportunities 2020-2021 School Year:
Superintendent, Bus Aid/Cafeteria Worker, Executive Assistant**

For inquiries email agarcia@penascoisd.com

<https://www.penascoisd.com/page/employment-opportunities>

After-School Program News

GUITAR CLUB

Mr. Duran is starting a guitar after-school club. If you would like to participate, please contact Michael Noll (mnoll@penascoisd.com, 575-779-1466) or Mr. Duran (cduran@penascoisd.com).

ART CLUB: NOW USING CLAY

Ms. Alessandra's art club is moving into ceramics! If you would like to participate please contact Ms. Alessandra at aogren@penascoisd.com in order to pick up your clay.

ROBOTICS CLUB: PRINT YOUR DESIGNS ON A 3D PRINTER!

Want to design objects to print on the school's 3D printers? Come to Robotics Club this Thursday at 2:30!

CHESS CLUB

Join our chess club. Play weekly tournaments against your classmates! Learn strategies from high school student (and really awesome chess player and teacher) Dylan Fragua!

NEW AFTER-SCHOOL SCHEDULE AND LINKS

Monday, 4:30: Art Club with Ms. Alessandra (starting with clay on March 29)
<https://meet.google.com/yck-wbpr-fjx>

Tuesday, 4:30: Guiatar Club: Starting soon!

Wednesday, 3:00: Yoga Club with Roxy Sanchez (starting again soon!)

Wednesday, 4:30: Podcast Club with Ms. Alessandra and Mr. Duran
<https://meet.google.com/hog-tyix-khv>

Thursday, 1:30: Chess Club with Michael Noll and Dylan Fragua
<https://meet.google.com/cfs-xgfn-xwd>

Thursday, 2:30: Robotics Club with EVL and NNMC (now using TinkerCad and 3D printers!)

<https://nnmc.zoom.us/j/94646289917?pwd=MG0zVXBRei90cWpvZEsrWk94UmkyQT09>

TRUEKIDS1 AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS



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SPRING CLUBS

Clubs are free to join.



PBS Reporting Lab



Dates: 4/06, 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, 5/4, 5/11

Time: Tuesdays 3pm-4pm

<https://forms.gle/Wn92iyQNzxvdWUh56>

*Meetings
will be held
virtually.*



TK1 Filmmaking Club

March 30-May 11, Tuesdays

Time: 3:30pm-4:30pm

<https://forms.gle/yK3jS4Xb9q4x31pcA>

*Meetings
will be held
virtually.*



Python Coding Club

Dates: 4/7, 4/14, 4/21, 4/28, 5/6

Time: 2-3pm

<https://forms.gle/qWgzjQ8uETdYop3d8>

*Meetings
will be held
virtually.*



Saturday Sunset Drone Club

Dates: 4/3, 4/10, 4/17, 4/24, 5/1, 5/8

Time: 5-6pm

<https://forms.gle/Vccve2ySijhZwu2v5>

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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