

MARCH 2025



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## 2025-26 TK and Kindergarten Registration Day is March 27<sup>th</sup>

Arena Elementary School TK and Kindergarten Registration Day is Thursday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, in the Arena Elementary Shelley Aubrey School Library.

Your child must meet the age requirement to enroll:

Children turning age 5 **on or before** September 1, 2025 will enroll in kindergarten

Children turning age 4 **by** September 1, 2025 are eligible to enroll in transitional kindergarten

Kindergarten is a one-year program, and Transitional Kindergarten is a two-year program.

Please bring the following documents to enroll:

- Birth Record-Proof of age document
- Immunization Record
- School Entry Health Exam form
- Oral Health Assessment Exam form
- Proof of District Residence (current electric or gas utility bill and a photo ID.)

Enrollment Forms are available at school and online. If you have questions regarding enrollment, please contact the school office:

20 School Street, Point Arena, CA 95468

Telephone: (707) 882-2131 ext. 202 or ext. 231

Email: arena@aesfamily.org

School Website:

<https://pointarenaschools.org/aes/>



Students in the Arena Union Elementary School District will take priority over out of district requests.

## Mark Your Calendar!

**March 9** Daylight Saving-Spring Forward!

**March 17-20** School Spirit Week

**March 17-21** Scholastic Book Fair

**March 21** Skate Night

**March 20** 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter and 2<sup>nd</sup> Trimester Ends

**March 21** No School/Staff Development Day

**March 24** School is in Session/Used Storm Day

**March 27** TK & Kindergarten Registration for 2025-26 school year

**March 28** Skate Night

## 2025-2026 TK & Kindergarten Required Immunizations

**4 doses of polio** (3 doses meet requirement if at least one dose was given on or after the 4th birthday.)

**5 doses of DTP or DTaP** (4 doses meet requirement if at least 1 dose was given on or after the 4th birthday)

**2 doses of MMR** (measles, mumps, and rubella)  
1 dose may be a measles-only vaccine, both doses given on or after the 1st birthday.

**3 doses of Hepatitis B vaccine**

**2 doses of Varicella or Physician-documented Varicella** disease history or immunity will also meet the requirement.

## Principal's Letter



March 10, 2025

Welcome to March Arena Families

Well Mother Nature has certainly blessed us with some interesting weather patterns lately!! It rains, the sun shines, the wind is blowing and then all of a sudden it is warm!! Make sure to go out and enjoy our beautiful area. As for here at ARENA, March is a long and critical month where the entire school community is focused on learning and reviewing academic skills.

We are just over the mid-year point, and we are seeing great progress and growth in the students. The most significant contributing factor to social emotional wellbeing and academic success for our children is attendance. Send your children to school every day. They thrive in an environment where learning, friendship and belonging take place.

I would like to remind families that cell phones are not allowed to be used during school hours. They must remain in the student's backpack at all times. Parents, please refrain from texting or messaging your child during instructional time. It is a complete distraction for not only the student, but the entire class as well. If you need to communicate with your child, please contact the school office at 707-882-2131 and leave a message with either Bernie, Chela or myself. Your message will be delivered, in a non-disruptive manner, to the classroom. We really appreciate your support in this.

Remember that on Sunday, March 9th, we will once again be on Daylight Savings time, so please adjust your clocks.

Finally, thank you for all of your support. As a team, we create a place where children feel safe, cared for, supported and are encouraged to chase their dreams.

Be well and remember to be kind to one another.

Michelle Egger  
Principal





# Arena Elementary School SPIRIT WEEK March 17th-20th



**ST. PATRICK'S DAY**

**FIRST DAY of SPRING**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p><b>GREEN AND SHAMROCKS DAY</b></p> <p><b>Wear Green clothing and Shamrocks</b></p> <p>3 leafed clover brings happiness! 4 leafed clover brings the luck!</p>	<p><b>OVER THE RAINBOW AND LUCKY CHARM DAY</b></p> <p>Dress as a rainbow and pot of gold!</p> <p>Wear as many colors and charms as you can!</p>	<p><b>CRAZY HAT or HAIR AND WACKY LUCKY SOCKS DAY</b></p> <p>Break the hat dress code today!</p> <p>Wear your craziest hat and your wackiest or luckiest socks!</p>	<p><b>PIRATE PRIDE DAY</b></p> <p>Wear our school colors <b>BLUE &amp; GOLD</b></p> <p><b>CLASS COMPETITION</b></p> <p>Most school spirit rewarded with an ice cream party!</p>	<p>NO SCHOOL! STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY</p> 

## Scholastic Book Fair March 17<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

It is Book Fair time again! March 17<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> in the Shelley Aubrey School Library from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Shop for spring and summer reading materials (books and eBooks!) every day that week throughout the school day. On Friday, March 21<sup>st</sup> there is no school and the book fair is open to the public.

Shop the On-line Book Fair now through March 21<sup>st</sup> to support our school at:  
<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/arenaelementaryschool>

Bring on the Bookjoy-25% of every online purchase during the Fair directly benefits our school! Over 3000 products.

Anyone may shop at the on-line fair, including far-away relatives who might like to enrich your children's summer reading experience. Books ordered on-line will be delivered by the last day of school.

Shop the Book Fair with eWallet! No cash, no fuss. It's the easiest way for kids to shop. eWallet setup period is now through March 21<sup>st</sup>. To sign in, go to <https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/content/fairs/ewallet.html>

In order to have a successful fair, volunteers are needed to cashier, help students locate, & select books and just be a helpful adult presence. Contact Mrs. JoAnn Enos at 882-2131 x 230 or [jenos@aesfamily.org](mailto:jenos@aesfamily.org) to sign up to help.



## Science and Engineering Fair Ribbons Kindergarten-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Students

Congratulations to all our K-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Science and Engineering Fair Participants!

### **Class Projects: Congratulations Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Classes!**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Scale Model of Solar System – Kindergarten Classes
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Chemical Reactions Demonstration- 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Classes
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Germs Project- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Class
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Circuits Demonstration- 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Class



### **3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Demonstration:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Niyah Robinson (5<sup>th</sup> Gr.)-Turning Milk into Plastic.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Zoey Dixon (5<sup>th</sup> Gr.)-Lava Lamp
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Angelica Bermudez Fuentes (5<sup>th</sup> Gr.)-How to make Rock Candy
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Manny Gaona (4<sup>th</sup> Gr.)-The Life Cycle of a Rainbow Trout

### **3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Experiment:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Adrian Villagomez, Jovany Villagomez, and Alexis Guzman (5<sup>th</sup> Gr.)-Power by the Super Sun
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Derek Sundstrom (5<sup>th</sup> Gr.)-What Will Catch More Bass?
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Lucas Woodward (5<sup>th</sup> Gr.)- Fishing knot Strength

### **3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Engineering:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Julieta Davila (5<sup>th</sup> Gr.)-Is Grey Water Good Water?
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Josiah McGill (3<sup>rd</sup> Gr.)-Electrical Potato
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Ignacio Barragan Zamora, and Uriel Camacho Rodriguez (4<sup>th</sup> Gr.)-The Balloon Car
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Enrique Marin (3<sup>rd</sup> Gr.)- Potato Power

## Science and Engineering Fair Ribbons 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Students

Congratulations to all our Middle School Science and Engineering Fair Participants!

### **6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Demonstration:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Jacob Stornetta (7<sup>th</sup> Gr.)-Raising Bucket Calves for Show
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Sophie Rivera (6<sup>th</sup> Gr.)-Planetary Nebulae
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Jesse Martinez, Miguel Barragan, Damian Arteaga (7<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>)-Filter H2O



### **6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Experiment:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Shayla Carrillo, Raul Villagomez, Camila Avalos (8<sup>th</sup> Gr.)-Middle and High School Germs
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Kayley Medina (8<sup>th</sup> Gr.)-Anodizing Titanium
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Grace Marin, Isabella Marin, Aysia Swan (8<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> Grs)-Similarities in Family Fingerprints
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Janessa, Sophia, Lilly (8<sup>th</sup> Gr.)-Optical Illusions
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Charah Kirby (8<sup>th</sup> Gr.)-Body Farm

### **6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Engineering:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Mileidy Arellano Tapia, Rianna Arellano Tapia, Emily Mandujano (7<sup>th</sup>& 5<sup>th</sup> Grs.) Robotic Arm
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Ana Ortiz (7<sup>th</sup> Gr.)-A Car Elevator
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Leigh Brosseau, Emma McDonald, Hally Martinez (8<sup>th</sup> Gr.)-Display Catapult



## February Pirate Pride Student of the Week Recipients

These students are being recognized for showing great respect, responsibility, and safety at school during the months of February 2025. Each student is honored on the Pirate Pride Wall located in the office hallway. Congratulations! Around of applause for the following students:

**Transitional Kindergarten:** Melissa Orozco Oliveros, and Ofelia Velasquez Guevara

**Kindergarten:** Eric Meza Arellano, and Justin Swan

**First Grade:** Jaxon Kirby, and Dario Pacheco

**Second Grade:** Peyton Nichols, Thomas Allen, Jossue Banales, and Kendra Chavez

**Third Grade:** Angel Razo Garcia, and Allisson Aguilar Gaona

**Fourth Grade:** Emily Orozco, and Lyla Oropeza

**Fifth Grade:** Derek Sundstrom, and Jovany Villagomez

**Sixth Grade:** Dakota Sanchez, and Dael Vargas

**Seventh Grade:** Judah Deleyva, and Jesse Martinez

**Eighth Grade:** Sophia Santana, and Lilly Paperny



## 7th Grade Immunization Requirements for 2025-2026

Dear 6th Grade Parents/Guardians:

Before your child may advance to 7<sup>th</sup> grade in 2025-2026 school year, they must meet the required immunizations. Please see the immunization requirements listed below.

- **Tdap vaccine**--A Tdap booster on or after the 7th birthday is required for all new 7th grade students.
- **2 doses of Varicella (chickenpox) vaccine**
- Additionally, recommended (but not required) immunizations for your child's age group include Meningococcal and HPV vaccines.

Please follow up with your child's health care provider to schedule his/her vaccination, and bring documentation of immunizations or a medical exemption to the school office, as soon as possible, to ensure that your child may begin the 7th grade school year without delays.

\*Please note that there are additional immunization requirements for new student admissions or transfer students, including students coming from out of state. These immunization requirements are also for those students who previously held a valid personal belief exemption, if immunizations are due, please contact the school office at 707 882-2131 ext. 202 or for more information on required immunizations, please visit: <https://www.shotsforschool.org/>

## Order your Arena Elementary School Yearbook



You can still order a yearbook online or in the office for \$35.00. To order online go to the Entourage Yearbook link below:

[https://link.entourageyearbooks.com/YBStore/YearbookStoreMain.asp?yearbook\\_id=57845](https://link.entourageyearbooks.com/YBStore/YearbookStoreMain.asp?yearbook_id=57845)

*Sidenote: 8<sup>th</sup> Grade student yearbooks are paid for through their Class Student Body Account.*



## CAASPP Testing in Spring 2025

Dear Arena Families,

All students enrolled in Arena Elementary School are required to take the CAASPP (California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress). Below is the schedule for testing this spring which will begin after Spring Break.

CAASPP Testing will include the following for Spring 2025:

Students in Grades 3 – 8 will each take two ELA tests and two math tests, called (CAASPP) for English Language Arts/Literacy (ELA) and CAASPP for Mathematics. They each include a Computer Adaptive Test (CAT) and a Performance Task (PT).

Students in Grades 5 & 8 will each take the California Science Test (CAST).

### **April - May 2025 CAASPP Testing Dates:**

- 4th Grade CAASPP: April 29-May 14
- 5th Grade CAASPP: April 29-May 14
- 8th Grade CAASPP: April 29-May 28

### **May 2025 CAASPP and CAST Testing Dates:**

- 3rd Grade CAASPP: May 12-22
- 5th Grade CAST: May 7
- 6th Grade CAASPP: May 5-28
- 7th Grade CAASPP: May 5-28
- 8th Grade CAST: May 29

For the specific dates of each test, please contact your child's teacher or me at the below contact. The data the CAASPP provides helps us to improve our academic programs. Thank you in advance for your child's participation.

You can help by:

1. Ensuring your child gets enough sleep the night before the test.
2. Helping your child get a nutritious breakfast with protein the morning of each test.
3. Talking to your child about trying their best on the test.

Thank You,

Kristi Hahn, CAASPP Testing Coordinator

[khahn@quesfamily.org](mailto:khahn@quesfamily.org)

(707) 882-2131 Ext: 232



## Head Lice in School Notice

If lice are seen on a child at school, or if an infestation is suspected, the parents/caregivers of the affected child will be notified at the end of the school day, and provided educational materials.

The following materials are available in the school office and online: Nit Combing Guide, and Head Lice Flyer. Please click on the provided link for more information:

<https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/HeadLice.aspx>

Point Arena School District no longer has a "No Nit" policy that excludes students from school. The affected child will be admitted to class the same day, or following days regardless of treatment or infestation status. If head lice or signs/symptoms of an infestation are still observed, the parent/caregiver will be contacted again.

Parents/caregivers play a critical role in the prevention and control of head lice. Please be diligent in checking your child's head on a regular basis.



**MARCH 2025**  
**ARENA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LUNCH MENU**  
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3 TURKEY SANDWICH Ww bun lettuce tomato veggie sticks Dorito chips orange slice 1% or nonfat milk	4 BUTTER NOODLES corn ROLLS& butter Orange wedges 1% or non-fat milk	5 CORN DOG on ww bun French Fries veggie sticks fresh apple 1% or nonfat Milk	6 CHICKEN nuggets tator tots Carrot sticks Mixed Fruit 1c 1% or nonfat milk	7 PIZZA Garden salad sun chips banana 1% or nonfat milk
10 HAM+CHEESE SANDWICH wwbread lettuce+tomato cole slaw kettle chips fresh apple 1% or nonfat milk	11 Teriyaki Chicken Fried Rice Mixed Veggies Orange Slices 1% or non fat milk	12 Bean Burrito CHIPS Salsa Jicama sticks Ranch dressing Mixed fruit 1%or no fat milk	13 CHICKEN Pattie2z ww bun 2oz lett&toms 1/8 veggie sticks1c p sun chips1oz fruit cp 1c 1% or no fat milk	14 PBJ or TUNA Sun chips Banana Carrot sticks 1% or no fat milk
17 SALAMI SANDWICH WW Bread CHIPS APPLE	18 MAC & CHEESE CORN Bread Broccoli FRUIT	19 Beef Taquito Spanish rice Corn salad Cherry toms Fruit Cup 1% or nonfat milk	20 CHEESE PIZZA CEASAR salad cantaloupe jello w/fruit 1% or nonfat milk	21 NO SCHOOL
24 HAM Sand Let & tom Kettle chips Garden salad Banana 1%or no fat milk	25 Chicken nuggets French fries Green salad Orange slices 1%or no fat milk	26 Hot Dog ww bun Tator Tots Veggie Sticks Apple Wedg 1%or no fat Milk	27 HAMBURGER WW Bun Chili beans Cole slaw Apple slices 1%no fat milk	28 PB&J or Tuna Sandwich ww bread Dorito Chips Celery sticks Orange Slices1 1% or no fat Milk
31 TURKEY Sandwich ww bread lettuce tomato carrot sticks kettle chips Melon Slices				Daily USDA Child Nutrition Guidelines Reimbursable Meal will include: 1c Milk, 1% or nonfat. 1C fruit 1 C Vegetables 2oz Meat – minimum (9-10 oz. meat/week) 2oz grain – minimum (8-9 oz. grain/week)



## MONTH OF MARCH WORD SEARCH

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 BLOOM  
 DAYLIGHT SAVING  
 FOG  
 GREEN  
 LEPRECHAUN  
 OUTSIDE  
 RENEWAL  
 SHOWERS  
 TIME  
 WELLNESS

AWARENESS  
 BULB  
 EMBRACE  
 FRAGRANT  
 GROWTH  
 LIFE  
 PUDDLES  
 SEASONAL  
 SPRING  
 TULIPS

BEE  
 COLD  
 EXPECTATION  
 GARDENS  
 HAPPY  
 MARCH  
 RAIN  
 SEEDS  
 STORM  
 UMBRELLA

BIRD  
 DAFFODIL  
 FLOWERS  
 GRASS  
 KIND  
 NEST  
 RAINBOW  
 SHAMROCK  
 SUNSHINE  
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