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Arena Elementary School

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## Mark Your Calendar!

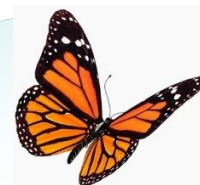
<b>May 2-29</b>	CAASPP Testing
<b>May 5-9</b>	Teacher Appreciation Week
<b>May 9</b>	Middle School Rotary Luncheon
<b>May 14</b>	School Board Meeting
<b>May 18-24</b>	Classified School Employee Week
<b>May 22</b>	OPEN HOUSE
<b>May 23</b>	SCHOOL IS OPEN! Used Storm Day
<b>MAY 26</b>	NO SCHOOL Memorial Day Observed
<b>May 29</b>	Site Council
<b>June 6</b>	Blair Day
<b>June 11</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Award Assembly
<b>June 12</b>	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion Ceremony
<b>June 13</b>	Last Day of School 12:30pm EARLY DISMISSAL

## Textbooks & Chromebooks

Textbooks and Chromebooks on loan from school shall be returned to classroom teachers by June 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Students who have not returned school property will be charged a replacement cost of \$350.00 for Chromebooks. Replacement cost for textbooks will vary.

## Open House May 22<sup>nd</sup>



We cordially invite you to join us for Open House from 4:30-6:00p.m. Follow the OPEN HOUSE schedule listed below:

### Multipurpose Room Events:

**4:30-4:45:** Student Readings

**4:45-5:00:** **Principal Address** and Staff introductions

### Classroom Events:

**5:00-6:00p.m. Classrooms Open-** You may visit as many classrooms during this hour and see what has occurred over the school year! Please sign-in to any classroom you visit. Explore and have fun!

**6:00p.m. Conclusion of Open House**

**Don't forget to check the "Lost & Found!"**

## School Library

The last day to check out library books is May 9<sup>th</sup>.

The library will be closed during recess time May 12<sup>th</sup> through the end of the school year, June 13<sup>th</sup>.

During this time, the library media technician will inventory the books, inspect them for damage or repair, and replace outdated books.

Please return library books, to school by May 30<sup>th</sup>.

Students with overdue books will have their report cards withheld until the books are returned or the replacement cost is paid.



## Principal's Letter

5/1/25

Dear Arena Families:

May is the most exhausting month of the school year. There are field trips, state standardized testing grades 3 - 8, Open House, end of year school reporting, grade reporting, finding and returning Library books, projects, baseball, softball, spring soccer... We are all exhausted and ready for summer break. We are counting down the days and making plans. This month is a perfect time to think about how many times you react positively to your kids in a given day. Remember to catch kids doing something favorable. This will do more to encourage good behavior over the long run, especially at a time when children are so busy with school, extra-curricular activities and life in general. Make a point of finding something to praise every day. Be generous with rewards — your love, hugs, and compliments can work wonders and are often the best.

During this time of year, it is often difficult for parents and kids to get together for a family meal, let alone spend quality time together. However, there is probably nothing child's would like more. Create a "special night" each week to be together and let your kids help decide how to spend the time. Look for other ways to connect — put a note or something special in your kid's lunchbox.

Even with the adolescent in your house, the one who is trying to act like an independent grown up, do your best to be available. Attend games, and other events with your teen. Really listen to them and get to know more about your child and his or her friends. Be present.

It is all of the little positive things you do — making popcorn, playing games, reading, eating together, homework, driving to school together and going on field trips — that kids will remember. All we can do is our best, and never give up. Remember, children learn a lot about how to act by watching their parents. Model the traits you wish to see in your kids: respect, friendliness, honesty, kindness, tolerance.

Michelle Egger  
Principal  
Arena Elementary

## It's Not too late to Order your Arena 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 Student Body Class Account.

## CAASPP Testing Schedule

CAASPP testing schedule:

May 2025 CAASPP: Testing Dates

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade CAASPP: May 12-22

4<sup>th</sup> Grade CAASPP: May 1-14

5<sup>th</sup> Grade CAASPP: May 1-14

5<sup>th</sup> Grade CAST: May 7

6<sup>th</sup> Grade CAASPP: May 5-28

7<sup>th</sup> Grade CAASPP: May 5-28

8<sup>th</sup> Grade CAASPP – May 1-28

8<sup>th</sup> Grade CAST: May 29

Thank You,

Kristi Hahn, CAASPP Testing Coordinator

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

(707) 882-2131 Ext: 232

## Lost and Found

Please check the Lost and Found area in the main office hallway for your child's misplaced jackets, sweatshirts, lunch boxes or any other items they may have lost.

The Lost and Found is busting at the seams with clothing! At the end of the month, the lost items will be donated to a local charity organization.

## Quote of the Month

"Courage is doing what you're afraid to do. There can be no courage unless you're scared."



## Student of the Week Recognition

These students are being recognized for showing great respect, responsibility, and safety at school during the months of April 2025. Congratulations! A Round of Applause for the following students:

**Transitional Kindergarten:** Diana Padilla Marquez, Paula Rodas Miranda, Lucas Villagomez-Coria

**Kindergarten:** Bowie-Mae Barnes, Beau Nichols, Kella Merbs

**First Grade:** Jessica Figueroa, Anthony Clayton, Ehiton Bautista

**Second Grade:** Melissa Garcia Lopez, Mateo Ponce Villagomez, Aria Imperial, Emmanuel Villagomez, Emmanuel Arellano Quiroz, Phoenix McFarland

**Third Grade:** Sebastian Coria, Josiah McGill, Caleb Frank

**Fourth Grade:** Mallory Stornetta, Edison Keefer, Manny Reuter-Gaona

**Fifth Grade:** Violet Kirby, Flavio Cervantes, Niyah Robinson

**Sixth Grade:** Gio Vargas, Junior Razo-Garcia, Daisy White

**Seventh Grade:** Ariana Gonzalez, Emma Villagomez-Coria, Adaid Guzman Trevino

**Eighth Grade:** Juliana Morales, Janessa Ferreyra, Victor Estrada

Each student is honored on the Pirate Pride Wall located in the Office Hallway. We are so Proud! Go Pirates!

## Raising Kids with Respect: Teach Children to Care for the World Around Them

Instilling respect in children can be an ongoing challenge. It is more than telling a child, "Respect is important, so be respectful." The development of respect in a child goes much deeper than words. Respect essentially means placing value in someone, or something and responding in kindness. When you value your friends, for example, you treat them kindly. When you value your local community, you avoid littering. Although respect is a concept that can be difficult to understand, it's important to help children learn to grasp what it means to be respectful. Because of this, it's important that parents understand what it takes to help a child develop respect for other people, for themselves and for the world around them.

For some parents, respect isn't an issue they consider until their child is well into their teenage years or going through a rebellious phase. Unfortunately, at this point, it's almost too late to squash disrespect. Before your child begins going through hard times, make sure you start thinking about ways you can help them understand the value and the meaning of respect.

### **Demonstrate respect**

Children learn most frequently through imitation. Children will learn to demonstrate and mimic behavior early in life. If you treat the people around you with respect, your kids will pick up on that. If, however, you talk down to other people or ignore their opinions and insight, your children will choose those behaviors to imitate.

While no parent is perfect, make sure you spend some time considering what your behavior says about you. Are you argumentative? Are you rude? Are you pushy and mean? Do you go out of your way to help others? Do you clean up after yourself? Do you avoid littering? There are many ways you can demonstrate respect in everyday life, so don't be afraid to ask yourself the hard questions about how you're doing.

### **Talk about respect**

Explain to your child what respect is. Even from a young age, your child can explore the idea. This can be something as simple as talking about the importance of sharing or not taking something from another child. It could be more complex, like explaining why your child should be polite or kind to other people.

When you open up the discussion on respect, your child will feel more comfortable exploring this topic with you. Most importantly, they'll be able to ask you questions about what it truly means to demonstrate respect to others.

### **Give real-life examples of respect**

Make sure you give your child plenty of examples of what respect looks like. Many people grow up thinking they understand respect, yet they know little about the concept. Do your children know what respect looks like? If they don't, try to discuss real examples with them. You don't have to make anything up.

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### Give real-life examples of respect

Just point out examples of respect and disrespect as you go about your day.

Before you know it, they'll understand exactly what you're talking about.

While parenting is tough, it's important that you face the hard issues head-on. Respect is one of those tough topics. Every parent wants what is best for their child, so make sure you focus on developing respect early on. This will help prepare your child not only for survival in school but for flourishing in the workplace as well.

## 2025-2026 TK and Kindergarten Enrollment Requirements

Your child must meet the age requirement to enroll:

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

**TK:** 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@avesfamily.org](mailto:arena@avesfamily.org)  
School Website:  
<https://pointarenaschools.org/aes/>

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

## 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/>



# MAY 2025

## Arena Elementary School

### LUNCH MENU

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<b>Child Nutrition Guidelines</b> <b>Reimbursable Meal will include:</b>	<b>1c Milk, 1% or nonfat,</b> <b>1 C fruit 1 C</b> <b>Vegetables Meat –</b> <b>minimum (9-10 oz.</b> <b>meat/week)</b> <b>1oz grain – minimum</b> <b>(8-9 oz. grain/week)</b>		<b>1</b> PEANUT BUTTER JELLY <u>or</u> TUNA SANDWICH Tortilla Chips Apple Carrot sticks 1% or no fat milk	<b>2</b> CHEESE PIZZA Caesar salad Sliced Veggies Apple wedge 1% or no fat Milk
<b>5</b> SALAMI CHEESE SANDWICH WW Bread Lett & Tom Carrot Sticks Sun Chips 1% low fat MILK	<b>6</b> CHICKEN CHEESE Quesadilla Garden Salad Fresh Fruit 1% low fat milk	<b>7</b> CHICKEN NUGGETS French Fries Carrots Orange Slices 1% or nonfat milk	<b>8</b> HOT DOG ww Bun Tator Tots Celery Sticks Apple Wedges 1% or nonfat milk	<b>9</b> CHEESE PIZZA Green Salad Cherry tomatoes Banana Annie Cookies 1% or nonfat milk
<b>12</b> TURKEY SANDWICH 2oz Lettuce+tomato 1/8c Carrot Sticks 1c kettle chips 1oz Melon 1 cp 1% or nonfat milk	<b>13</b> CHICKEN PATTIE 2z ww Bun 2oz Lett&Toms 1/8 Veggie Sticks 1c Orange 1 cp Sun Chips 1oz fruit cp 1c 1% or nonfat milk	<b>14</b> HAM CHEESE 3z ww Bread 2oz Mixed veg 1c Let & Tom. Pic Melon Slices 1c 1% Milk 1cp	<b>15</b> HAMBURGER ww Bun 2oz CHIPS 1oz Mixed Veggies 1cp Fruit Salad 1cp 1% low fat milk 1c	<b>16</b> PBJ SANWICH 2oz Cucumber & Cherry + tomatoes 3/4c Sun Chips 1oz Sliced Peaches 1 c 1% or nonfat milk
<b>19</b> SALAMI & Cheese SANDWICH 3oz SUN CHIPS 1oz Celery Sticks 1c Apple 1c 1% or no fat milk	<b>20</b> PASTA GARLIC BUTTER Hawaiian Roll Carrot Sticks Banana 1 1% or nonfat milk	<b>21</b> HAMBURGER WW Bun 2oz Chips 1oz Coleslaw 1cp Fruit Salad 1cp 1% or nonfat milk	<b>22</b> HOT DOG ww Bun CHIPS Mixed Veggies Apple Slices	<b>23</b> FRENCH BREAD PIZZA Cheese sticks CEASAR SALAD Fresh Fruit 1% or nonfat milk
<b>26</b>  <b>NO SCHOOL</b>  <b>MEMORIAL DAY</b> ++++++	<b>27</b> CHICKEN NUG Tator Tots Carrots sticks Fresh Apples Milk 1% low fat	<b>28</b> HAM & CHEESE HOT POCKET Sun Chips Garden Salad Melon 1% low fat milk	<b>29</b> CORN DOG CHILI BEANS Frito Corn Chips Garden Salad Orange Slices 1% low fat Milk	<b>31</b> CHEESE PIZZA GARDEN SALAD Fruit Cup Cookie 1% or nonfat milk



## MONTH OF MAY WORD SEARCH

S E R V I C E N H Y B Z M F U N J S  
 L S L Y D S R Z G F P O Z I S C W S  
 A P F L O W E R S T S J N E E R G E  
 N I U F T J E A M S T S W L A W G N  
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 M O A T P B R P L A N T P I A D F A  
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 R I R O C L R C Y R H E R O E S T E  
 S N O R E M F U L L B L O O M F O T  
 D G M M G A R D E N I N G A N G D E  
 A O E S U O H N E P O B Y B G O U R  
 Y A M F O H T N O M Y R R E M C H A  
 S P R I N G T I M E N I H S N U S N

Find the words in the puzzle. In any direction and words may share letters.

BIRDS  
 BUTTERFLY  
 ENERGY  
 FLOWERS  
 GARDENING  
 HONOR  
 MAY  
 OPEN HOUSE  
 SEASONAL  
 SPRINGTIME  
 VETERAN

BLOSSOM  
 CAASPP TEST  
 FESTIVAL  
 FROG  
 GREEN  
 JOY  
 MEMORIAL DAY  
 PICNIC  
 SERVICE  
 SUNSHINE  
 WARM

BRAVE  
 CATERPILLAR  
 FIELD TRIP  
 FULL BLOOM  
 HAPPINESS  
 LADY BUGS  
 MERRY MONTH OF MAY  
 PLANT  
 SOIL  
 TRANSFORM  
 WORMS

BUMBLEBEE  
 CELEBRATE  
 FLAG  
 FUN  
 HEROES  
 LAUGHTER  
 MOTHER'S DAY  
 RENEWAL  
 SPIRIT OF SPRING  
 VERNAL