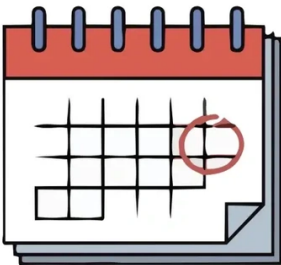




The Beacon

October 2026 School Newsletter



Important Dates

Wednesday, October 7: Health Fair at PAHS

Monday, October 12: No School - Indigenous Peoples' Day

Monday-Friday, October 19-23: Parent-Teacher
Conference Week

Monday-Friday, October 19-23: Scholastic Book Fair

Thursday, October 22: Picture Retake Day

Thursday, October 29: Arena Site Council

Friday, October 30: Autumn Celebration and Costume Parade



October is National Bullying Prevention Month!

Every October, schools and communities unite to raise awareness about bullying prevention and promote a culture of inclusion and respect. Bullying affects millions of young people, but together, we can make a difference.

Throughout this month, we encourage everyone to practice empathy, stand up against bullying behavior, and cultivate safe environments for all. Let's work together to build a community where every individual feels valued, heard, and respected.

Principal's Letter

October 2026

10/1/2026

Dear Parents, Guardians and Students:

The change of season has arrived. As the leaves on the trees begin to turn and the daylight hours have shortened, I am reminded how quickly this year is moving along. I am so thankful to be able to be a part of such a wonderful school and learning community. Daily, teachers, students, parents and guardians continue to demonstrate their commitment to education. The students are working so hard to reach their potential in the classrooms and on the playground. This school feels like a very close family. We are all here to empower the children to be creative, intellectual, self-confident, kind and supportive of each other. By working together, we continue to make Arena students' academic experience a positive one.

To support academic growth and progress, make extra time to connect with your child. Create a simple daily routine, like eating a snack together or sharing one good thing about the school day. Most of all, encourage your child/children to read. Reading skills are essential to not only a student's success in school, but it improves and strengthens communication and language abilities. Most importantly, reading is an excellent way to develop the imagination and curiosity of a young, growing mind.

With that being said, the week of October 19th - 23rd, parents and guardians will have the opportunity to speak with their child's teacher about academic progress and goals. Make sure to ask about grading and homework policies, student expectations in the classroom, and binder reminders (grades 5th-8th). Check the school **Beacon** for parent conference week information and updated school release times.

Please remember to check the lost and found items located outside of the Multi-Purpose Room. There are many, many jackets, sweatshirts and sweaters to be claimed. Additionally, as we move toward the winter months I want to remind families about how important it is to keep our students healthy and attending school. Make sure they get plenty of rest by going to bed at a decent hour, drink plenty of water, eat nutritious foods and dress appropriately for the weather conditions.

Happy October.
Michelle Egger
Principal

Arena Elementary



Student of the Week Recognition

The following students were recognized for showing great respect, responsibility, and safety at school during the month of September 2026.

Transitional Kindergarten: Enrique Sanchez, Nash Jones, Sol Guzman, David Pacheco
Kindergarten: Sebastian Romero, Jazelle Marquez, Lorenzo Medina, Julian Villaogmez, Layla Tlahuitzo, Isaac Magaña and Maya Hayward
1st grade: Lucas Villagomez, Stephanie Villagomes, Guadalupe Resendiz, Elisa Coria, Cesar Aguilar and Mateo Gonzalez
2nd grade: Ario McGill, Ariella Gaona and Renata Arellano
3rd grade: Juan Tapia, Kasen Merbs, Ehitan Bautista and Madison Carre
4th grade: Melissa Garcia, Esdres Reyes, Mateo Ponce Villagomez, Peyton Nichols, Dakota Brosseau, Julieta Tapia, Dante Iliffe and Arturo Villagomez
5th grade: Fernanda Rueda, Josiah McGill, Alain Bernal and Angel Razo
6th grade: Uriel Camacho, Bella Avalos, Ignacio Barragan and Tiana Aguilar
7th grade: Mariana Villagomez, Auriella Velasquez, Jaylah Coria and Mikaela Warner
8th grade: Milan Gomez, Luna Gomez, Isabella Marin and Dakota Sanchez



The Great ShakeOut

Our school will be participating in the Great ShakeOut Earthquake Drill on Thursday, October 15! This is an opportunity for students and staff to practice what to do during an earthquake and learn how to stay safe. During the drill, we will practice the important steps: **Drop, Cover, and Hold On**.

Families can also prepare at home by:

- Reviewing your family emergency plan.
- Checking your emergency supplies.
- Securing items that could fall during an earthquake.
- Learning about earthquake alerts and safety.

For more earthquake preparedness information, visit **ShakeOut.org** and **EarthquakeCountry.org**.



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School Menu

OCTOBER 2026 ARENA ELEMENTARY BREAKFAST					ARENA SCHOOL OCTOBER 2026 LUNCH				
M	T	W	TH	F	M	T	W	TH	F
BREAKFAST INCLUDES: 1 cup fruit 1% white milk or nonfat milk 1 cp 2oz Grain			1 SCRAMBLED EGGS & Mini Muffin	2 BLUEBERRY MUFFINS YOGURT CEREAL	ALL MEALS MEET USDA CHILD NUTRITIONAL STANDARDS			1 CHEESE PIZZA Cheese STICKS CEASAR SALAD FRESH SLICED Fruit 1% or non fat milk	2 PBJ OR TUNA SANDWICH WW bread Veggie sticks kettle Chips FRUIT CUP
5 BAGEL & Cream Cheese Fresh Fruit	6 FRENCH TOAST w/ Berry topping	7 OATMEAL Raisins & Wheat Toast	9 BREAKFAST PIZZA	10 ASST. MUFFINS Fruit & yogurt Cereal	5 CHICKEN NUGGETS TATOR TOTS CELERY STICKS ORANGE SLICES Ranch dressing	6 GRILLED CHEESE Sandwich Tomato soup VEGGIE STICKS FRUIT CUPS	7 HOT DOGS CHILI BEANS Carrot Sticks Corn Chips Apple Slices	8 FRENCH BREAD PIZZA GARDEN SALAD MELON SLICES	9 HAM& CHEESE SANDWICH WW bread Carrot sticks Sun Chip Fruit cup 1% or nonfat milk
12 NO SCHOOL	13 BAGEL & Cream Cheese GOGERT	14 SCRAMBLE EGGS & English Muffin	15 PANCAKES & sausage link	16 CEREAL BOWL & mini muffin Apple Sauce	12 NO SCHOOL HOLIDAY INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY	13 PASTA W/ GARLIC & BUTTER Dinner Rolls Butter BROCCOLI Banana	14 CORN DOG BAKED BEANS Sun Chips carrots Apple Slices	15 CHEESE PIZZA Garden salad Ranch dressing watermelon	16 PBJ OR TUNA SANDWICH CHIPS MIXED VEGGIE STICKS APPLE WEDGES
19 ENGLISH MUFFIN / w PEANUT BUTTER	20 BREAKFAST PIZZA BAGEL Fruit	21 WAFFELS & SAUSAGE Fruit	22 HASH BROWNS & BACON& Toast	23 CINNAMON ROLL & string cheese COLD CEREAL	19 HAMBURGER w/w Bun TATOR TOTS Let & tom Carrot Sticks Orange slices	20 CHICKEN DRUMETTES Mashed potatoes HAWAIIAN ROLL & BUTTER FRESH FRUIT CORN	21 BURRITTO REFRIED BEANS TORTIA CHIPS JICAMA STICKS FRESH FRUIT	22 PIZZA STICKS & DIP GARDEN SALAD FRUIT SALAD	23 TURKEY SANDWICH WW Bread Mixed veggies Chips Orange wedge
26 CEREAL BOWL BAGELS & Cream Cheese	27 SCRAMBLED EGGS & Mini Muffin	28 PANCAKES & sausage link	29 FRENCH TOAST w/ Berry topping	30 YOGURT & Granola CEREAL BOWL Muffin	26 CHICKEN TENDERS OVEN FRIES COLE SLAW ORANGE SLICES	27 CHICKEN QUESADILLA SPANISH RICE CEASAR SALAD BANNANA	28 CHICKEN BURGER / Let & TOMS , pickles Chips CARROT STICKS Fruit cups	29 PEPPERONI PIZZA CEASAR SALAD MELON 1% or no fat milk	30 PBJ Sandwich OR TUNA SANDWICH CHIPS VEGGIE STICKS & Apple Slices
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School Calendar

October Octubre



2026

Sunday/domingo	Monday/lunes	Tuesday/martes	Wednesday/miercoles	Thursday/jueves	Friday/viernes	Saturday/sabado
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4	5	6	7 Health Fair at PAHS Feria de Salud en PAHS Volleyball game @Laytonville	8	9	10
11	12 No School No Hay Clases Indigenous Peoples day Día de los Pueblos Indígenas	13	14 Home volleyball game vs Willits Charter @4	15 The Great shakeout drill El Gran simulacro de terremotos	16 Volleyball @ Upper Lake "A" Tourney	17 Volleyball @ Upper Lake "A" Tourney
18	19 Volleyball game @Anderson Valley	20 Parent Conference Week/ Scholastic Book Fair/ Semana de Conferencia con los Padres Feria de Libros Escolares		21 Volleyball game @Potter Valley	22 Picture Retake Retoma de foto	23 Home volleyball game vs Ukiah Jr. Academy@4
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25	26	27	28	29 Site Council Meeting Reunion de sitio	30 Autumn Celebration and Costume Parade Celebración de otoño y desfile de disfraces	31 

