



DEERFIELD

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Falcon Flyer December 3, 2021

Wow, it's hard to believe that it is already December. The next two weeks will fly by before our winter break. We have two spirit days planned for Fridays in December. December 10 will be a pajama day and December 17 will be a holiday/winter celebration day.

We also have a Parent Education Opportunity: How do you know when your child is experiencing regular stress vs. harmful stress that may need outside support? Mrs. Chabot will cover the different types of stress along with how to know if your child is experiencing harmful stress. She will teach you strategies to address stress in your life and your children's lives. She will also talk about what we are doing here at Deerfield to support our student's social and emotional needs. This presentation will be on Thursday, Dec. 9 at 7 p.m. via Zoom. Please see attached link for the meeting: [PTA-Stress Management](#).

Upcoming Dates to Remember:

- **Now:** Yearbooks On Sale / Cover Contest Begins
- **Dec. 9:** Online Parent Seminar - Anxiety and Stress in Kids
- **Dec. 10:** Pajama Spirit Day
- **Dec. 13 & 14:** PTA Virtual STEM Nights (Registration now closed)
- **Dec. 17:** Next Year's PTA Board Interest Due
- **Dec. 17:** Minimum Day (Last day before winter break) and Holiday/Winter Spirit Day
- **Dec. 18- Jan. 2:** Winter Break
- **Jan. 3:** Back to School

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Drop Off and Pick Up: We appreciate your patience and respect during drop off and pick up. Please pull forward as far as possible before letting your children out, especially if they are unloading multiple items. We also ask that you do not drive around and pull in front of other cars. It becomes very dangerous when people are trying to pull out, move forward and cut in front all at the same time.

The bus lane in front of Deerfield is for drop off and pick up only. You may not park and leave your car there. Irvine Police will give out tickets for parked, unattended vehicles.

Doctor and Dental appointments: If your student is late to school in the morning because of an appointment, please bring a note from the doctor or dental office to excuse them.

Bicycle Safety Training: The Irvine Police Department is hosting a bicycle safety training class Saturday, **Dec. 11** from 8-10 a.m. Elementary through middle school students are invited to attend this short training with a parent to learn how to navigate their route to school in the safest manner, while abiding by all state and local regulations. The training will be held at Woodbridge High School, Performing Arts Theater. Please RSVP to nsmith@cityofirvine.org. For more information, please see the **flyer. (please attach flyer).**

REMINDERS:

ACE Afterschool Classes: IPSF's ACE program is offering a wide variety of interactive, online classes after school for students in grades 1-6. This ACE Online session features classes to expand students' minds and creativity, including Billionaires Club, Public Speaking, Chess, and a selection of coding and STEAM classes. In-person after school enrichment classes are also offered at select school campuses throughout IUSD. Register today! www.ipsf.net/afterschool.

Support IPSF: At Irvine Public Schools Foundation (IPSF), we believe in nurturing the spark of curiosity within each child to grow and discover their unique gifts, talents, and passions. Donations to IPSF from parents like you make a difference by creating the educational opportunities our children need now more than ever. www.ipsf.net/eef2021

Savings for the Whole Family: Check out our Fall 2021 Flyer Booklet for savings from our partners including Crean Lutheran High School, ModernBrain, SoCal Elite Sports Inc., and much more! <https://ipsf.net/flyer-booklet/#flyer-booklet>

Lost and Found: Last call for lost and found items. Please check the lost and found cart for any missing jackets, sweaters and other items. The cart is on display in the morning and afternoon by the MPR. Any lost items will be donated to charity by the end of the year.

Masks: Just a reminder for parents and students, masks are required on campus. Please do not enter the front office, MPR or other area of the campus without a mask. This will help protect our students and staff's safety. Masks are always available in the office and classrooms. For up-to-date health guidelines, please visit <https://iusd.org/2021-22-safety-and-planning-guide>.

Health and Safety: Deerfield, along with all of the IUSD, will follow the guidelines for schools provided by local and federal health agencies. For up-to-date district information, visit <https://iusd.org/2021-22-safety-and-planning-guide>.

Menus are always available on the IUSD website [here](#).

PTA Announcements:

- **NEW! Yearbook Cover Contest** - Now's your chance to be creative and express what our new theme "**Together Again**" means to you! The winner's artwork will be the new cover of Deerfield's 21-22 yearbook. **Entries due Jan. 31, 2022**. See more details here - **ATTACH FLYER**
- **NEW! Yearbooks Now on Sale** - Purchase your yearbook for just \$25 now through Mar. 31, 2022. Just follow these simple steps.
 - Go to www.treering.com/validate
 - Enter your school's passcode: **101601949358244**
 - Purchase yearbook for \$25. Once purchased, a link will be sent to you to create a login ID and password.
 - Create **on your own** 2 FREE custom student / family pages which are printed ONLY in your book. Each additional 2 pages are just \$0.99.
 - **Yearbook orders and custom pages are due in April.**
 - **ATTACH FLYER HERE**
- **PTA Board Positions for 22-23. We Need You!** - We want the best school experience for our kids, right?! But it takes a village to make it happen. Even if you think you don't have time ... we can find something that's right for you! Let's keep the momentum going and make next year incredible for our kids! **If you are interested and want more information, please provide your email [HERE](#) by Dec. 17th.**

PTA Reminders

- **Anxiety and Stress Virtual Seminar** - Learn about Anxiety and Stress in our Kids, **Thursday, 12/9**, from our very own, Mrs. Shannon Chabot, Deerfield's school counselor. Sessions starts at 7PM on Zoom. Zoom details will be sent 1 day prior to the event.
- **Virtual Family STEM Nights** - Wow, we have a 130 students participating in our STEM nights! Kits will be distributed in class next week Mon - Thu. Make sure to check your child's backpack!
- **Teacher and Staff Favorites** - Don't forget to check the [favorites/wishlist page](#) for holiday gift ideas for our beloved teachers and staff!

PTA Thank You's

- **Coffee Chat** - Thank you **Principal Brewer** for coming to our first coffee chat! Missed it? Check our [Instagram](#) for highlights. Thank you **Jennie Bolinger** for organizing the event!
- **PTA Nominating Committee** - Thank you for dedicating your time to finding our new 22-23 PTA Board. Committee Members include: **Principal Brewer, Carina Hollis (chair), Steve Knollmiller, Karen Agreda, Hiral Dedhia, Dharini Joshi, and Natalie Rodolfo.**
- **Yearbook Team** - Thank you for helping create lasting memories! Team includes: **Dhanu Gore (chair), Jenny Minoux, Katherine Hong, Leslie Pacheco, Erin Kim, Stella Heumann, Noreen Ahmed, Hiral Dedhia, Rishita Mody, and Evette Dennis.**

Make sure to follow-us on [Instagram](#) and check out our [PTA Website](#) for more information. We welcome feedback! Please email us at dfptainfo@gmail.com