### October 6, 2019

### Dear Dana Families and Friends,

#### From last year...

This week has been another exciting one at Dana Middle School. We hosted both a girls' volleyball match and a cross country meet to show off our Dolphins athletic skills and determination. Congrats to all the athletes that put on a wonderful performance and made Dana proud. Our Sea Stars also departed to 6<sup>th</sup> grade Camp today and to say they were excited would be an understatement. Thank you to all the teachers, staff, and Da Vinci volunteers that make camp such a memorable experience for our kids.

This week was made especially wonderful by our Wiseburn Education Foundation who issued numerous grants to our hardworking teachers. We are so fortunate to have the unwavering support of WEF and know they work hard to ensure our students always receive a topnotch education. Thank you to WEF and the teachers that took the time to complete a grant application. I look forward to another wonderful week at Dana.

Take care,

Kiana Clark

# It's Time for a Dana School-School Site Council Election!

The Dana Middle School-School Site Council is composed of admin, teachers, students, staff, and parent/community members who meet to discuss and review plans, programs, and activities at Dana Middle School.

The term is two years, and the council meets 4-5 times a year on the last Tuesday of the month. The first council meeting for this year will be on Tuesday, October 15 at 3:00 pm in the Dana Library.

There is currently one, 2-year term for parent/guardian/community members that needs to be filled.

Elected council members will join returning parents, Debbie Felt and Ann Tittle who are beginning the second year of their term.

We look forward to hearing from you. Please email all nominations to Mrs. Kathy Ory at kory@wiseburn.org by Wednesday, October 9.

#### Online Yearbook Sales Are Now Open at <u>Yearbookforever.com</u>!

We are currently offering an "early bird" price of \$34. Take a look at the <u>attached flier</u> for more information.

Order early, a limited number of yearbooks are available for sale. The <u>last opportunity</u> for the school to increase the order will be in mid-January. Don't miss out.

# Free or Reduced Lunch Applications

As a reminder, students that qualified for Free or Reduced lunch status last year and have **not** submitted a lunch application for the 2019-2020 school year will have their status changed to full pay effective *Thursday, October 10, 2019.* For further details please read the attached <u>letter</u> from our Food Services Department.

### **Dana Singers**

Dana Singers is cancelled this Monday, October 7.

### **Spooktacular - Save the Date!**

It's almost time for Spooktacular! We are very excited for this annual community event. This year Spooktacular will be on Friday, October 25th from 5-8 pm on the Dana Middle School Campus.

This event wouldn't be possible without all of our amazing volunteers. Please click on the link below if you are able to to give a few hours of your time. We truly appreciate your support! Parent Volunteer Sign Up link:

https://signup.com/go/anVaguT

<u>Wiseburn/Da Vinci student Sign Up link</u> will be sent directly to each high school. There will be an informational volunteer meeting on Wednesday, September 25th at Dana at 7:00 pm in the Room 201. If you are not able to attend, but would still like to help, you can send an email to <u>danaptaspooktacular@gmail.com</u>.

#### Join Dana PTSA Today!

Help us form a strong community of parents, students, and teachers, by joining Dana PTSA today! You can join online at <u>https://jointotem.com/ca/hawthorne/dana-middle-school-ptsa</u> or you can send in the flyer with your child to school. Our goal is 100% membership! You are not obligated to volunteer or come to meetings when you join PTSA, you are just showing your support of our school, teachers, and children!

# Monday, October 7– Periods 1 through 6 – 2:45pm dismissal

Congratulations to the Wiseburn Chevron Hackathon participants. We had over 100 participants working with engineers to solve the challenge: Trapped on Europa! 3:00pm- 4:00pm- Dana Singers- 302 CANCELLED 3:15pm- 5:00pm- Girls Volleyball practice- gym 3:15pm- 5:00pm- Football Practice- field

# Tuesday, October 8 - Periods 2, 4, 6 - 2:45pm dismissal

2:50pm- 3:40pm- JC Bible Club- 705
3:15pm- 4:30pm- Cross Country practice- Dana black top
3:15pm- 5:00pm- Football Practice- field
3:30pm- Girls Volleyball @ Manhattan Beach Middle School

# Wednesday, October 9 - Periods 1, 3, 5 - 2:45pm dismissal

12:15pm – ASB meeting in the library for officers and class reps. Reps, remember to ask your class for spirit day and VIP Recess Treat suggestions to bring to this meeting.
12:32pm- DMS Robotics Team meeting at lunch- 203
3:30pm- 5:00pm- Rip and Go Sports- Basketball courts (blacktop)

# <u>Thursday, October 10 - Periods 2, 4, 6 – 2:45pm dismissal</u>

3:00pm- 4:30pm- Afterschool Play rehearsals- 705
3:30pm- Dana Girls Volleyball vs Adams- gym
3:30pm- Dana Flag Football vs. Prairie Vista Middle School- Dana Field
3:30pm- Dana Cross Country vs. HVS- Dana Blacktop
2:45pm- 4:00pm- DMS Robotics Team meeting- 203

# Friday, October 11 – Periods 1, 3, 5 - 2:45pm dismissal

11:00am – Students attending Sixth grade camp-session #2 will report to the MPR for check in. Refer to your packing list, don't forget bedding, a refillable water bottle, flashlight, and warm jacket! All needed medications must be turned in to the nurse's office no later than Thursday, October 10.