

Madera Adult School Newsletter



March 2022



Important Update: Daylight Savings Time, March 13, 2022
Set those clocks forward 1 hour!

[Please Complete COVID Form Before Leaving Home](#)

Be Your Best, Do Your Best!

School Climate and Culture-----

Mission Statement

The mission of Madera Adult School is to provide students with a positive experience and lifelong learning skills to achieve their educational, career, and personal goals by developing respect, responsibility, and accountability, thus empowering the students to continue their education or transition into the workforce and become contributing citizens of a global community. (Revised and Adopted 8/17/20)

Vision Statement

Madera Adult School will be recognized as an innovative and progressive learning institution where students are inspired and supported by staff to be successful in the twenty-first century (Created and Adopted February 2018).

- **Renee Smith's Corner:**
 - **CASAS post-testing has started for students who have 40 plus hours of instruction.**
 - **For off-site classes, CASAS post-testing is done with paper & pencil.**
 - **Updates for the end of 3rd Quarter (3/18/22) are due on 3/25/22.**
 - **Ana Jasso's Corner:**
 - **Roll over is on the 18th, please have grades and credits done prior to the 18th. Make sure student drops are done before the 18th.**
 - **Make sure timesheets are turned in by the 3/31/22**
 - **Attendance/Testing Corner:**
 - **Teachers are doing a good job of submitting their weekly students' attendance.**
 - **HiSet testing is running smoothly and testing numbers are going up.**
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- **Safety guidelines will include but are not limited to the following:**
 - **Daily disinfecting will take place in all classrooms, restrooms, offices, and cafeterias throughout the day. These common areas will be cleaned and sanitized nightly with disinfecting foggers by school site custodians. Disinfecting spray bottles and paper towels will be in all classrooms and offices for staff interim disinfecting of furniture and high contact surfaces in between classes and periodically throughout the day.**

GOING ABOVE AND BEYOND

Teachers & Office Staff can nominate a MAS teacher or Office Staff for the “Going Above and Beyond” Award! This award recognizes a MAS employee that goes above and beyond the everyday expectations of her/his duties! Winners are awarded a certificate and a \$10 Starbucks Card! Please call or email Ana Jasso to nominate a deserving staff member. You may call Ana at 559-675-4425 or email her at anajasso@maderausd.org.

Madera Adult School is still registering students for HSD and HiSet. Students must call the school to schedule a time to register and test. Please plan to be here for at least 1.5 hours. Masks are required and students that are sick are asked not to attend until all their symptoms are gone. Masks must be worn to participate in registration and testing. Please call our school at 559-675-4425 to schedule an appointment or visit our school website at [Madera Adult School website](#).

Attendance Policy: Students are expected to attend each day they are scheduled to attend. Please contact your teacher if you are going to be absent or late for your class. When attending your classes, students are expected to participate in the lesson. Also important are attendance and a good attitude which are important to the program and to your success!

“The Challenge” REMAINS: Remember, Readers are Learners, and Learners are Earners! Books are available in the Office to loan. Please return the book back to the Office after you have read the book. Don’t forget to pick up a ticket from Ana once you have read a book. The ticket you earned from reading a book will be placed in a raffle drawing for three \$100 prizes!

Department Chairs:

Mrs. Anzaldo - ESL/DOC
Ms. Cruz - HSD

Mrs. Kovacs - HiSet
Mrs. Waters - SPED

Ms. Santana - ABE
Vacant - CTE



From the first settlers who came to our shores, from the first American Indian families who befriended them, men and women have worked together to build this nation. Too often the women were unsung and sometimes their contributions went unnoticed. But the achievements, leadership, courage, strength and love of the women who built America was as vital as that of the men whose names we know so well.

*President Jimmy Carter's Message designating
March 2-8, 1980 as National Women's History Week*

Women's History Month

Women's History Month is a dedicated month to reflect on the often-overlooked contributions of women to United States history. From [Abigail Adams](#) to [Susan B. Anthony](#), [Sojourner Truth](#) to [Rosa Parks](#), the [timeline of women's history milestones](#) stretches back to the founding of the United States.

Every year, March is designated Women's History Month by presidential proclamation. The month is set aside to honor women's contributions in American history.

Did You Know? Women's History Month started as Women's History Week .

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Women's History Month began as a local celebration in Santa Rosa, California. The Education Task Force of the Sonoma County (California)

Commission on the Status of Women planned and executed a “Women’s History Week” celebration in 1978. The organizers selected the week of March 8 to correspond with International Women’s Day. The movement spread across the country as other communities initiated their own Women’s History Week celebrations the following year.

In 1980, a consortium of women’s groups and historians—led by the National Women’s History Project (now the National Women's History Alliance)—successfully lobbied for national recognition. In February 1980, President Jimmy Carter issued the first Presidential Proclamation declaring the Week of March 8th 1980 as National Women’s History Week.

Subsequent Presidents continued to proclaim a National Women’s History Week in March until 1987 when Congress passed Public Law 100-9, designating March as “Women’s History Month.” Between 1988 and 1994, Congress passed additional resolutions requesting and authorizing the President to proclaim March of each year as Women’s History Month. Since 1995, each president has issued an annual proclamation designating the month of March as “Women’s History Month.”

The [National Women’s History Alliance](#) designates a yearly theme for Women's History Month. The 2022 theme is "*Women Providing Healing, Promoting Hope*." This theme is "both a tribute to the ceaseless work of caregivers and frontline workers during this ongoing pandemic and also a recognition of the thousands of ways that women of all cultures have provided both healing and hope throughout history."

Upcoming Events

Sunday, March 13, 2022
Daylight Savings Time

Thursday, March 17, 2022
St. Patrick's Day

Friday, March 18, 2022
3rd Quarter ends
Grades Due

Sunday, March 20, 2022
Spring Begins

April 11 - 18th
Spring Break

This Month's Highlights

Monthly Calendar	Month of March
Thursday, March 3, 2022	Leadership Committee Meeting 12:00pm - 2:00pm
Tuesday, March 8, 2022	Superintendent's Site Visitation 8:30 AM
Wednesday, March 9, 2022	Professional Development Meeting 3:00pm - 6:00pm
Wednesday, March 16, 2022	Curriculum and Instruction Meeting 4:00pm - 5:00pm
Monday, March 21, 2022	4th Quarter begins

Students of the Month

It is important that we recognize those students who have improved attendance, come to class on time, showing better study habits and are a positive influence in the classroom. Send the name of 1 special student per class to Mrs. Juarez who will print a certificate honoring them as student of the month. It is important that we remember most of our adult students have never received such a recognition. This is one way to improve student morale and boost their self-esteem. These names are to be submitted no later than the 25th of each month.

Students of the Month for February:

Lance Hoffrage:	Johnetta Atkins		
Paula Kovacs:	Catherine Uribe	Vanessa Gomez	Jordyn Belk
	Eliana Gonzalez	Iris Reyes	Diego Trujillo
Ezequiel Ramirez:	Daria Ruiz	Hawa Aklan	Alicia Botello
Mayra Santana:	Veronica Rodriguez	Carmelita Vasquez	Veronica Dominguez
	Virginia Ruiz Frausto	Francisca Chavez Morales	
Azalia Santos:	Federico Garcia		
Renee Smith:	Margarita Gonzalez	Maria Montes Hernandez	

SOMETHING TO PONDER:



Forget to wear green on St. Patrick's Day? Don't be surprised if you get pinched. No surprise, it's entirely an American tradition that started in the early 1700s. St. Patrick revelers thought wearing green made one invisible to leprechauns and fairy creatures who would pinch anyone they could see (anyone not wearing green). People began pinching those who didn't wear green as a reminder that leprechauns would sneak up and pinch green-abstainers.

So why do we "have" to wear green? Ireland is the "Emerald Isle," so named for its lush green landscape. Green is also one of the colors in Ireland's tri-color flag, the color of spring and the shamrock. So don't forget to wear green on St. Patrick's Day, unless you want to get pinched by a leprechaun.

Counselors/Student Advocates

Mrs. Barbara Juarez: Teacher on Special Assignment, Lead Teacher. Please refer students on 504 plans to her.

Mrs. Pam Waters: Resource Specialist. She works with our Special Education / IEP Students

Michelle Santesteban, Transitions Specialist, (559)593-0993

The following days/times are designated weekly specifically for your students, staff questions, etc..... I can be easily reached via phone, text, and e-mail, as well as through our new website.

Transition Services Weekly Availability for MAS

Every 2nd Tuesday of the month, on site hours: 5:00pm - 7:00pm

Every Wednesday on site hours: 9:00am - 3:30pm

Every 4th Tuesday of the month hours 5:00pm - 8:00pm **virtual by appt. only**

To request an appointment with me, Go to [SCAEClearns.org](https://www.scaeclearns.org) - click on Transition Specialist, look for my name/picture and click on "Make an appt." I will always be available on other dates/times with an appointment and be as flexible as possible.

Thank you for your support, and I look forward to another successful academic year.

All staff have access to my calendar to add appointments or you may email me directly.