

Weekly Staff Update

Madera Adult School





Month of: October 2021

Please Complete COVID Form Before Leaving Home

Be Your Best, Do Your Best!

Important Update No School on Monday! Columbus Day!

- CASAS UPDATE: All paperwork: attendance, grades, CASAS updates are due Oct. 12, @
 3:00p.m.
- Reminder: Drop students for non-attendance to make room for students on waitlist.
- 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. It is the teachers responsibility to disinfect the computers, monitors, desktops, keyboards and the computer mouse. The students are not to be cleaning or disinfecting anything.



*** Administrative Assistant Notes ***

Last day of quarter 1 is Oct. 8, teachers need to enter grades, credits and attendance before the Rollover is done Oct. 8.

Beginning of quarter 2 is Oct. 12.

The timesheets for October are due Thursday, Oct. 28th.

As a reminder, teachers please don't forget to turn in your sign-in sheets for PLC, Department Meetings, Leadership, and Curriculum & Instruction meetings.

Madera Adult School Welcomes New Staff:

Attendance Secretary - Yvette Gutierrez

CASAS/HiSet Coordinator - Patricia Rodriguez

HSD Teacher - Kristine Habib

ESL Teacher - Azalia Santos

TSA - Barbara Juarez

HiSET Testing for MAS students will begin soon. Our new CASAS/HiSet coordinator, Patricia Rodriguez will be working with teachers to schedule their students for testing.

Department Chairs:

Mrs. Anzaldo - ESL/DOC Mrs. Kovacs - HiSet Ms. Santana - ABE Ms. Cruz - HSD Mrs. Waters - SPED Vacant - CTE

<u>"The Challenge" REMAINS</u>: 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!

Don't forget to Nominate a worthy co-worker 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!



MUSD Link To Very Important Resources!

Student 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 for the month for September:

Adela Anzaldo: Gregorio Gonzalez Donaciano Santos Cornelio Alvares Luis Maravilla

Marina Galindo Rodrigo Martinez Jose Osorio

Mari Cisneros Martin Ultreras Jose Martinez

Lance Hoffrage: Gabriel Mayorga

Paula Kovacs: Andrew Flemming Job Mendoza Iris Reyes

Ezequiel Ramirez: Saraia Aklan Florencia Eugenio Paz Izebel Talia Padilla

Mayra Santana: Ana Aceves Maria Hernandez Mendoza Higinia Layata Mendoza

Aidee Bautista Flores

Azalia Santos: Maria de Jesus Oceguera Roel Armenta Montoya

Renee Smith: Juana Ortiz Martha Ponce

Upcoming Events

October 11

Columbus Day

October 13

Professional Development 4-6

November 15-16

WASC Visitation-virtual

FPM

On-going until December



Red Ribbon Week: October 23-31, 2021

As we go into the Fall season, it is important to keep in mind the safety of our children. Whether it is when they are out trick-or-treating or everyday out in the community. As parents it is important to be vigilant and to have honest and open conversations with our children regarding the various dangers they can experience. A great opportunity for a conversation can be around Red Ribbon Week. Every year during the last week in October, schools and communities recognize Red Ribbon Week, which encourages our entire community to adopt healthy, drug-free lifestyles. Parents are encouraged to talk and listen to their children about the possible dangers legal, illegal, and prescription drugs can have on youth's developing bodies and minds. Research shows that children are less likely to use alcohol and other drugs when parents and other role models are clear and consistent in their opposition to drug use and the misuse of prescription drugs. Be the best role model for your children, they need to hear a healthy message from you!

Semana del Listón Rojo: 23 al 31 de octubre de 2021

A medida que nos acercamos a la temporada de otoño, es importante tener en cuenta la seguridad de nuestros niños. Ya sea cuando salen a pedir dulces o todos los kias en la comunidad. Como padres, es importante estar atentos y tener conversaciones honestas y abiertas con nuestros hijos sobre los diversos peligros que pueden experimentar. Una gran oportunidad para conversar puede ser la Semana del Listón Rojo. Cada año durante la última semana de octubre, las escuelas y las comunidades reconocen la Semana del Listón Rojo, que anima a toda nuestra comunidad a adoptar estilos de vida saludables y libres de drogas. Animamos a los padres a que hablen y escuchen a sus hijos sobre los posibles peligros que pueden tener los medicamentos legales, ilegales y recetados en el cuerpo y la mente en desarrollo de los jóvenes. Las investigaciones muestran que es menos probable que los niños consuman alcohol y otras drogas cuando los padres y otras personas de ejemplo son claros y consistentes en su oposición al uso de drogas y al uso indebido de medicamentos recetados. Sea el mejor ejemplo para sus hijos, ellos necesitan escuchar un mensaje saludable de usted!

Something to Ponder!

How do you eat an elephant? One bite at a time.

How do you earn your high school credits? One credit at a time.



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).

Counselors/Student Advocate

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 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 on site hours 5:00pm - 8:00pm virtual by appt. only

To request an appointment with me, Go to 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. I understand the vast majority of our students are working parents and now homeschooling their children. Please keep in mind that all appointments will be held virtually through telephone, Google Meet, Zoom, etc. Thank you for your support, and I look forward to another successful academic year.