

Madera Adult School



October 2022

Important Update: **October 3rd & October 10th 2022**
No School

Be Your Best, Do Your Best!

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: End of quarter entry & goal updates must be completed by Friday Oct. 7th, at 12:00 PM on ASAP.

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

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

Attendance reminder: *Teachers must turn in their attendance every Friday.*

- Safety guidelines will include but are not limited to the following:
 - Daily disinfecting will take place in all classrooms - have your students disinfect their area before leaving the classroom. Disinfecting wipes and sanitizer will be in all classrooms and offices for staff interim disinfecting periodically throughout the day.

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 registering students for HSD and HiSet. Students must call the school to schedule a time to register and pre-test. Please plan to be here for at least 2.5 to 3 hours for testing. Masks are recommended and students that are sick are asked not to attend until all their symptoms are gone. Masks should 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!

Teacher reminder: Drop students for non-attendance to make room for students on waitlist.

“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 two \$100 prizes!

Department Chairs:

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

Mrs. Kovacs - HiSet
Mrs. Waters - SPED

Ms.Santana- ABE
Mr. Redondo - CTE

The Citizenship Preparation class welcomes these new U.S. citizens:

Dhelma Gutierrez

Martha Ponce

Jose Placido Aguirre

Alicia Botello de Banuelos

Upcoming Events

Monday, Oct. 3, 2022

No School

Friday, Oct. 7, 2022

1st Quarter Ends

Monday, Oct. 10, 2022

No School

Monday, Oct. 10, 2022

2nd Quarter Begins

Friday, Nov. 11, 2022

Veterans Day

No School

Nov. 21 - 25 2022

Thanksgiving Break

This Month's Highlights

Monthly Calendar	Month of October
Monday, October 3 & 10, 2022	No school
Thursday, October 20, 2022	Staff meeting 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM
Oct. 23 -31, 2022	Red Ribbon Week
Monday, October 31, 2022	Halloween

Something to Ponder!

To be a good adult is to be a good example. Always eat your vegetables.

Punctuality is key, when you're 15 minutes early you're on time, when you're on time you're not late.

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 September:

Adela Anzaldo:	Jorge Angel Lopez	Cruz Galvez	Yvette Lopez
	Mario Macias	Francisco Quiroz	Leonard Gonzalez
	Melvin Zavala	Sonja Hopfer	Angel Hernandez
	Anthony Hernandez	Jacinto Silvano-Cruz	
Brandi Cruz:	Merisa Flores	Valerie Salinas	Maritza Gutierrez
	Iridian Lopez	Kevin Barrios	Hector Torres Medina
Lance Hoffrage:	Brianna Valdez		
Paula Kovacs:	Rosa Bazante Reyes	Jazmin Lucas	Duc Nha Vi Nguyen
Cianna Hernandez	Dolores Santos	Angel Lopez	Raymond Duncan
Oscar Redondo	Patricia Reyes	Arcelia Muniz Parra	
	Florencia Eugenio Paz		Alicia Botello de Banuelos
Mayra Santana:	Ambar Contreras	Kazmira Becerra	Maria Guadalupe Jimenez
	Marino Pacheco Pacheco		Graciela Villalobos
Azalia Santos:	Maria Moreno	Francisco Chavez Morales	
Renee Smith:	Dina Telegina	Juanita Bravo Aarias	
Pamela Waters:	Roxanna Munoz		

Of our collective recognized students, Graciela Villalobos's name was drawn as the Madera Adult School's September Student of the Month. Graciela was awarded a gift card and will be recognized on the schools' website. Congratulations Graciela.



Red Ribbon Week, October 23 - 31, 2022

How did Red Ribbon Week come about? It all started with one man.

On Thursday, February 7, 1985, at 2:00 pm, Special Agent Enrique Camarena left the American Consulate in Guadalajara to meet his wife, Mika, for lunch. Known to his friends as "Kiki," Special Agent Camarena had been in Mexico for more than four years on the trail of Mexican marijuana and cocaine drug traffickers. Kiki was due to be reassigned in three weeks because he had come dangerously close to exposing the top leaders of a multi-billion drug pipeline.

As Kiki walked to his truck, he was approached by five men who shoved him into a beige Volkswagen. One of the men threw a jacket over Kiki's head, and the driver sped away. Kiki never saw his wife or family again.

About DEA Special Agent Enrique "Kiki" Camarena

This is the story of DEA Special Agent Enrique "Kiki" Camarena. He was born on July 26, 1947, in the small town of Mexicali in Baja California. In 1956, Kiki moved with his family to Calexico, California. After he graduated from high school, he joined the Marine Corps. After serving in the Marines, he worked as a fireman for the City of Calexico and attended Imperial Valley College, where he earned an associates degree. Kiki joined the Calexico Police Department in 1970, and then later was assigned to El Centro, California, where he worked as a Narcotics Investigator for Imperial County.

Kiki became a Special Agent with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) in 1974. He was very concerned about the drug problem in this country, and wanted to make a difference by helping the people that he cared about.

His family knew that being a Special Agent could be very dangerous. His mother even tried to talk him out of it. But, Kiki told her no. He said, "**Even if I'm only one person, I can make a difference.**" And that is what he did—in life and through his death.

Kiki's Sacrifice

When Kiki was abducted in Mexico, he was tortured and brutally murdered by drug traffickers. His badly beaten body was recovered nearly one month after he was kidnapped.

Kiki's wife, Geneva "Mika" Camarena, mourned the loss of her husband. Kiki's children Enrique, Daniel, and Eric mourned the loss of their father. And the nation mourned the loss of a hero.

Kiki gave his life in the fight against drugs, and the public wanted to do something to remember the ultimate sacrifice that he paid. **Red Ribbon Week** started in 1985 in Kiki's hometown of Calexico, California, and soon gained momentum across California and then the rest of the country. The first National Red Ribbon Week was created by the National Family Partnership in 1988, and NFP continues to coordinate the campaign for families, schools and communities across the nation each year.

Halloween is quickly approaching.

Drive slowly while children are out trick or treating.



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 Students with Special Needs

Karina Vera: Transition Specialist, SCAEC

Beginning in October Karina will be available the following days:

1st & 3rd Wednesday of Every Month from 4pm -7 pm
2nd & 4th Wednesday of Every Month from 9am - 1pm
1st & 3rd Thursday of Every Month from 9am - 1pm

In-Person, Telephone, and Virtual appointments available upon request

Email: karina.vera@statecenter.com

Phone: (559) 593-1131

Or by visiting their website at www.SCAECLearns.org