# Andersen Orbiter

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Greetings Andersen Families,

We're off to a wonderful start to the new academic year! All staff at Andersen Elementary look forward to serving your family's educational needs. Together we will have an outstanding year!

We are pleased to announce two new exciting programs being offered this year. Project Lead the Way and The Leader in Me. You can read more about them in this issue of our Orbiter News.

**Pick up and Drop off Reminder** - Please remember to follow the pick-up and drop-off procedures. You may not turn left at pick up B to pick your student up after school. You must go to the west parking lot and drive around and back to area B where you will make a <u>right turn</u> to pick up your child under the Ramada area. Thank you for following these rules to ensure student safety!

**PTO Officers 2016-17** - Our PTO Officers for this year are listed below. Please feel free to contact them and offer your support. You can reach our PTO at Andersenpto@gmail.com

- President Julie Harrington
- Vice President Sara Park Pettiford
- Secretary Brooke Humphreys
- Treasurer Kristen Eckstein

**Fry's Food & Drug & Shoparoo** - Link your **Fry's card** (family and friends can do the same) and help support programs at Andersen Elementary. It's easy and we earn money towards programs, field trips, books, P.E. equipment, etc. You can also download the new app 'Shoparoo'. Take pictures of your receipts and we earn



# **Upcoming Events**

### August 8

**PTO General Meeting** – 3:00 p.m. Media Center.

#### August 10

**Picture Day!** – Fall picture Day for all students.

#### August 12 - Skateland

Join other Andersen Families for a night of skating fun at Skateland – Ray and Alma School. 5-8 p.m.



Thanks to all who came out to our Peter Piper Pizza night! Fun, fun, fun! additional \$\$ for programs at our school! <u>Please click on this link to</u> learn more: Community Support!

# **More Important News**

**Project Lead The Way (PLTW)** - Andersen Elementary is proud to announce our partnership with **Intel** to bring PLTW to our students. The program creates an integrated learning experience for our K-5 students, blending computer science, engineering, biomedical science, and more! A few of the hands-on challenges PLTW students engage in include:

- Designing a robot that delivers supplies at a hospital
- Constructing a rescue method for a trapped zoo animal
- Proposing methods to prevent the spread of illnesses

**The Leader in Me** - Is based off of Stephen Covey's book, *The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People*. Our goal is to create a culture that embodies the 7 habits. Every student <u>is</u> a leader in some way and we will find the potential in all of our students! Parents will also participate and have an opportunity to attend training on how to implement the habits at home. Watch for more information in the near future.

Infinite Campus – Parent Portal - Calling <u>ALL Parents/Guardians</u>
Please be sure you have created a parent portal account on Infinite Campus. We use this to communicate with you. Our monthly Orbiter Newsletter will be delivered to the email addresses that are signed up via this link. You will use the I.C. Parent Portal to pay your students fees, and to access their grades and report cards. Please click on this link for directions on how to create an account. <u>How to Create a Parent Portal Account</u>. If you have any trouble, please call our office at 480-812-6000 for assistance.

**School Breakfast & Lunch** - Would you like to pay your students lunch online or show them ahead of time what food choices they'll have that week at school? Click on this link and you'll be directed to the CUSD Nutrition page for lots of information about our food services programs. CUSD Nutrition

**Employee Matching Contributions** - Many employers generously offer to match an employee's donation to benefit local schools. Most companies will match your gifts for up to 12 months after you've made a donation. Please click on this link to learn more about this. Be sure to check with your employer, even if they are not on the list! These programs help sustain various programs at our



# Photographers Needed!

We are in need of volunteers to help take photos at various school events.

Please email Melynda Pew at the email below if you are interested in helping. Thank you!

pew.melynda@cusd80.com

# **Lunch Schedule**

Kinder	11:15 – 11:40
1	11:30 – 12:10
2	12:00 – 12:40
3	12:20 – 1:00
4	11:45 – 12:25
5	11:00 – 11:40

school. <u>Employer Matching Programs</u>. <u>If you wol</u> please see this flyer INTEL. Thank you!

If you work for or know someone that works for Intel,

**Student Accident Insurance 2016-17** - Click on this link for the informational flyer regarding <u>Student Accident Insurance</u>.

**School T-Shirts** - Our PTO has created a new Andersen Elementary T-Shirt for this school year. They are outstanding! The cost is \$11 or \$15 depending on the shirt you choose. An order form will be coming home with your student this week. Help spread the SPIRIT and order your shirt!!

## **Additional August Events:**

<u>August 26</u> – PTO Read-A-Thon kickoff assembly. Students will be coming home today with information about our School Read-A-Thon! Please help support this event!

August 29 – Sept. 2 – Read-A-Thon Fundraiser

<u>August 31</u> – <u>Sept. 1</u> Parent- Teacher Conference & Early Dismissal. <u>Students will be dismissed both days at 11:10 a.m.</u>

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