



**VALLEY**  
ACADEMY



# VAPO News

VALLEY ACADEMY PARENT ORGANIZATION

## A word from the President:

It is hard to believe that the first quarter of the school year is over. This month we will hold our first Teacher Appreciation Dinner to thank the entire Valley Academy staff for everything they do for our children. If you would like to sign up to help with this event, the link is on the next page. There is still a need for food items and volunteers, so please take a moment to help. I would like to thank everyone who came, bought books at the book fair and enjoyed Family Fun Night. It was a wonderful evening and I am glad so many families participated. I am pleased to announce that our fall fundraiser was very successful. We are constantly reviewing our fundraisers and appreciate feedback from families about what you like and do not like. If you have any questions or suggestions about the fundraisers VAPO does, please let me know. I hope you have a wonderful month!

Mrs. Amy Joy Wilson - VAPO President

## Upcoming Events

**Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> - Early Release**

**Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> - Teacher Appreciation Dinner**

**Oct. 26<sup>th</sup> - Honor Roll Ice Cream**

**Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> - Picture Retakes**

**Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> - Spirit Day**

**Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> - Early Release**

**Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> - No School**

**Nov. 14<sup>th</sup> - VAPO Meeting**  
- 8:15 a.m. in the VAPO room

**Nov. 14<sup>th</sup> - Caught Being Good Give-Away**

**Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> - High School Information Night**  
- 6:30 p.m. in the MPR

**Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> - Turkey Trot**  
- More information to come



## Box Tops



The winning class for September was Mrs. Baca's with 354 Box Tops and Campbell's Labels. A certificate and the rotating trophy will be awarded. Here are the rankings for the year to date:

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|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Mrs. Baca - 615        | 7. Mrs. Carpenter - 270 |
| 2. Mr. Hayo - 361         | 8. Mrs. Calderon - 246  |
| 3 Mrs. Trotter - 352      | 9. Mrs. Johnson - 193   |
| 4. Mrs. Lewandowsky - 319 | 10. Mrs. Licano - 184   |
| 5. Ms. Schambach - 313    |                         |
| 6. Mrs. Freeland - 274    |                         |

If you have any questions, please contact:

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Thank you all so much for coming and shopping at our Wild West Book Fair in our library and online. Our goal was to sell 1100 books this fair; we surpassed that goal and sold 1806 books! We couldn't have done it without your support. Speaking of support, this year the Book Fair Crew Members were the core of our success in planning, decorating, and setting up this book fair. Please join me in thanking these twelve students; they did an excellent job.

Drum roll ...We are so excited to announce that the classroom competition for the most books purchased and donated to a teacher's classroom library goes to Mrs. Freeman! She received over 33 new books to replenish her classroom library. A BIG thank you goes out to all of those who participated in giving these wonderful gifts to every classroom.

We raised \$149.53 in All For Books Bucks. All For Books is a unique program; donations made to All For Books allows Mrs. Gan to fill our library with new books. Additionally, Scholastic matches every dollar we earn and donates it to a school in need. This year they dedicated the All For Books donations to rebuilding school libraries that were damaged by the floods and hurricanes. Many students are without books, and you have helped put books back in their hands. Thank you!

To all our wonderful volunteers. Thank you for your time and service. There are many letters and wonderful notes the kids have sent in to the Library thanking us for the book fair. Your helping hands have given the kids a wonderful and successful book fair. Thank you. We can't wait to see you at our next book fair in the spring when we will "Paws for books. Come, stay, and read a tale. "

Mrs. Combs - Library Chair



## Teacher Appreciation Dinner

October brings our first VAPO-hosted Staff Appreciation Dinner of the year. Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup> we will be inviting our Valley staff to MANGIA during an Italian Feast. If you would like to help serve food to the teachers or bring any of the food, please sign up [here](#).

Mrs. Stemmons  
Staff Appreciation Chair

## Lost and Found

Is your child missing a lunch box, water bottle, or other items? If so, all lost items are placed in the Lost and Found in the Multi Purpose Room.

As a reminder, Lost and Found items in the M.P.R. are no longer being moved to a second location to be stored for an additional month. If something is placed in Lost and Found, it will need to be claimed by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month or it will be removed from the school and donated to a local charity.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Mrs. Amy Joy Wilson  
VAPO President  
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## Volunteer of the Month

WOW - this month we had 932.5 volunteer hours!! Thank you to all of our families who helped make September so successful. Below are the hours listed for our Top Ten Volunteer Families for September:

Hunker Family (VAPO) - 95.50  
Reed Family (VAPO) - 46  
Rangel Family (VAPO) - 31.25  
Doyle Family - 24  
Whitehead Family - 21.25

Combs Family (VAPO) - 94  
Wilson Family (VAPO) - 35.75  
Bornost Family - 24.5  
Hynes Family - 21.5  
Rock Family - 20.75

\* VAPO council members are not eligible for Volunteer of the Month

