



**VALLEY**  
ACADEMY



# VAPO News

VALLEY ACADEMY PARENT ORGANIZATION

## A word from the President:

The first quarter of the school year is just about over, but VAPO is not slowing down. This month we have planned a wonderful Book Fair and Family Fun Night, and I hope you will be able to join us for both of these great events. October is also when we hold our first Teacher Appreciation Dinner to thank the entire Valley Academy staff for everything they do for our children. The website, where you are able to sign up to help with this event, was sent out last week. There is still a need for food items and volunteers, so please take a moment to help. I want to thank everyone who participated in the Fall Fundraiser. Because of all your hard work, we were able to raise just under \$6500.00. This is the first year we have sold popcorn and Yankee Candles and I would love to hear your thoughts about it. We are constantly reviewing our fundraisers and appreciate feedback from families about what you like and do not like. This helps us when we are planning for the future. I hope you have a wonderful month!

Mrs. Amy Joy Wilson - VAPO President

## Upcoming Events

- Oct. 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> - Early Release**
- Oct. 20<sup>th</sup> - Teacher Appreciation Dinner**
- Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> thru Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> - Book Fair**
- Oct. 25<sup>th</sup> - Honor Roll Ice Cream**
- Oct. 26<sup>th</sup> - Picture Retakes**
- Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> - Family Fun Night**  
- 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. in the MPR
- Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> - High School Information Night**  
- 6:30 p.m. in the MPR
- Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> - Spirit Day**
- Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> - VAPO Meeting**  
- 8:15 a.m. in the K.M.P.R.
- Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> - Early Release**
- Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> - No School**
- Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> - Chipotle Fundraiser**  
- More information to come
- Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> - Caught Being Good**



## Book Fair

Our fall book fair is almost here! Students can live like a pirate and find books to treasure during Scholastic's "Bookaneer" Book Fair!

Take this opportunity to find some new and exciting books at great prices. Build your child's home library, and do some holiday shopping with us. All of the money we raise will help benefit our school library, as well as our teachers' classroom libraries.

The book fair will be open Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup> from 2:15 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. On Tuesday and Wednesday, October 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, we will be open before school, during lunches, and after school until 4:30 p.m. On Thursday, October 27<sup>th</sup>, we will be open all day from 7:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. and again from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., during Valley Academy's Family Fun Night! We hope to see you all for our "Bookaneer" Book Fair – Where Books Are the Treasure!

Contact us anytime with any question. We volunteer to help you volunteer.  
Please visit us at [www.ValleyAcademy.com/VAPO](http://www.ValleyAcademy.com/VAPO)

## 8th Grade Updates:

A big THANK YOU to all our great Valley Academy families who came out to support the Eighth Grade Car Wash on October 1<sup>st</sup>. The eighth grade class raised \$1449, one of the highest totals ever! We couldn't have done it without great support from our eighth grade families, teachers, and students, as well as generous donations from the rest of the Valley Academy community.

The 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Fall Masquerade Dance is coming up on Friday, October 14, 2016. Volunteers are needed during and after the dance. If you are available, please contact me via e-mail or text.

Sixth through eighth grade students and families, be sure to mark your calendars for Thursday, November 3, 2016, for High School Information Night. Plan now to attend, even if you have a sixth or a seventh grade student. There will be students and faculty speakers from several local schools available to share information.

All Valley Academy families mark your calendars for Tuesday, November 15, 2016, for our annual restaurant fundraiser at Chipotle at the Norterra Shopping Center on Happy Valley Road. This is a great time to visit with other Valley Academy families while helping our school at the same time AND enjoying some great food. Look for more information to be coming home soon with additional details.

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## Teacher Appreciation Dinner

October brings our first VAPO hosted Staff Appreciation Dinner of the year. Thursday, October 20<sup>th</sup> we will be inviting our Valley Staff to MANGIA during an Italian Feast. If you would like to help serve the teachers or bring any of the food, please click [here](#).

Mrs. Rangel  
Staff Appreciation Chair

## Lost and Found

If your child has misplaced a water bottle, lunchbox, sweater, or other item, there is a good chance it is in the Lost & Found. There is a large container in the M.P.R. that is overflowing with lost items. At the end of each month, those items will be moved to the Kindergarten M.P.R. where they will be stored for an additional month. At that point, all items still not claimed will be donated to charity. We try to make sure you have plenty of time to collect your missing items, so please check one of those rooms if something is missing. Thank you.

## Volunteer of the Month

Thank you to everyone who volunteered during the month of September. We are pleased to announce that the Blom Family is the Volunteer of the Month with 22 hours. They will have a certificate of appreciation on display in the office for the month of October and will be receiving a gift card as a token of appreciation. Please remember to log all of your volunteer hours. The following are the top 10 families for September.

\*Wilson Family - 56.25 hours  
\*Romley Family - 29.5 hours  
Blom Family - 22 hours  
\*McCulloch Family - 17 hours  
Gebhart Family - 15.5 hours

\* Rangel Family - 46.25 hours  
\* Swank Family - 26 hours  
Olsen Family - 20.5 hours  
Muruganandam Family - 16.25 hours  
Doyle Family - 14.5 hours

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

