



AEA FRIDAY LEADERSHIP MESSAGE

Executive Director's Message

Dear AEA Families,

Welcome back from what I hope was a restful, restorative and meaningful Winter Break. As you will note below, on January 16 we will honor the legacy of civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. A prolific writer and speaker, King's words ring as true today as they did half a century ago: "The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. Intelligence plus character – that is the goal of true education." I like to think that were he alive today, Dr. King would wholeheartedly approve of AEA's IB program and our rallying cry of "Teaching our children today to advance our shared humanity tomorrow."

Part of AEA's continued success hinges on the renewal every five years of our two charters. These legal documents--which set the foundation for all that we do programmatically and operationally in our two schools--must be approved by our authorizer San Diego Unified School District (SDUSD). On January 10, 2017 the SDUSD Board of Trustees voted unanimously to approve the Einstein Elementary (AEACES) charter for an additional five years (2017-2022). Just as with the renewal of the Einstein Middle (AEACMS) charter last school year, this action by the trustees is a testament to the tireless work and commitment to excellence by all AEA staff, students and families, and our Board leadership. Onward and upward in 2017!

Sincerely,

Dr. Sciarretta

AEA Executive Director

[AEA Events at a Glance:](#)

January 16th - NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King Day Observance
January 17th - 12:30pm 2nd & 3rd Grade Basketball Lunch League Sign-ups (rm 32)
January 17th - 4:30pm AEA Board of Trustees Meeting at Middle
January 18th - 4th & 5th Grade Basketball Lunch League Sign-ups due/Captain's Draft
January 18th - 6:00pm 8th Grade Community Project Mic Night
January 19th - 8:30am Middle School Tour for Prospective Parents - English
January 19th - 9:30am Elementary School Tour for prospective Kindergarten Parents
January 24th - 5:30pm Parent University IB Continuum at Middle
January 25th - Last Day of 1st Semester Youth Trainers
January 25th - 8th Grade Community Project Mic Night
January 26th - 9:30am Elementary School Tour for prospective Kindergarten Parents
January 26th - 3:00pm GCC Meeting at Elementary
January 26th - 5:00pm 6th and 7th Grade Art and Design Showcase Night at Middle
January 26th - 6:00pm FOAEA Board Meeting at Middle
January 27th - Fall Semester ends
January 30th - Spring Semester begins
January 31st - 8:30am Middle School Tour for Prospective Parents - Spanish
January 31st - 4:15pm AEA School Site Council Meeting at Elementary

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IB Continuum Parent University

Please come to our "IB Continuum" Parent University, held on our middle school campus, on January 24th from 6-7:30 pm. We will share the significance of an International Baccalaureate education, explain how the PYP, MYP, and DP programs are connected, as well as discuss the unique qualities specific to each program. Nirit Cohen-Vardi, the IB DP Coordinator at San Diego High International Studies, will be joining us, to share her expertise about the Diploma Program. All parents, K-8 are welcome! Childcare will be provided.

Sign Up Here: <https://goo.gl/VS4cvJ>

Want to contact the ES and MS School Site Council?

Email them at: ssc@aeacs.org

Elementary School Highlights and Messages:

Upcycle! Please help us work towards a greener future!

We are happy to announce to you that our Upcycle Corner, located in the hallway of the east building, is up and running for the 2016-17 school year. The teachers have already been informed and we hope that all classes will be able to contribute to this project. Of course, we also want to invite you to drop off your upcyclable items at school.

We have collection bins for:

- crayons
- markers (Crayola and other brands, including dry erase markers and highlighters)
- pencils
- glue sticks
- cardboard rolls (toilet paper and paper towels)
- plastic lids
- egg cartons
- empty gardening 6 packs (cleaned out)
- corks

Reduce your family's carbon footprint! Why?

Your donations will help facilitate creative projects using crayons and cardboard rolls that Mary Shannon Heinzlmann, our art teacher, plans to do with our children. In addition, AEA mom Terri Hughes-Oelrich will pick up our collections of pencils and glue sticks for her art students at City College.

Moreover, we have a special upcycle program for markers. Our school is now part of Crayola's ColorCycle program, an initiative that repurposes markers into clean-burning fuel. You can find out more about Crayola's green initiatives here: <http://www.crayola.com/about-us/company/green-initiatives.aspx>

We will also be presenting educational materials about recycling. Please stay tuned for where and when to find them.

Happy upcycling!

The "Upcycle Moms" – Fini (Stefanie Orlamuende-Cosby) and Feli (Felicitas Jaima)

For questions, feel free to contact us at fr527@nyu.edu



Lunch Recess Intramurals: Now accepting Basketball Sign-ups! (Grades 2nd-5th)

- **2nd-3rd Grade:** Sign-up before Tuesday, January 17th in the fitness center (rm. 32) before or after school with Mrs. Tickel.
- **4th-5th Grade:** Register for free online (<https://goo.gl/5YXQzl>) at Elementary PE Website (<https://goo.gl/S1rpZQ>) or with Mr. Nassif until Tuesday, January 17th.

For more info visit: <https://goo.gl/AWH3zq>

