

ACACIAWOOD SCHOOL NEWS

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FRIDAY 3:10 DIMISSAL STARTS THIS WEEK

All students will begin 3:10 dismissal on Fridays starting the week of September 22.

PE BEGINS SEPTEMBER 26TH

PE class begins for all junior high students and 9th and 10th grade students who are enrolled in PE this Friday, September 26th.

Please make sure students have AWS PE uniforms including athletic shoes on that day. (Shorts from Dennis Uniform, PE t-shirts may be purchased in the AWS school office)

No showers are available at the school.

AWS PHONE CHAIN

Please note that a copy of the AWS phone chain is included in your student's packet which was passed out Parent-Teacher night.

This phone chain is used to relay important AWS news to all families. When the phone chain needs to be activated all families with their name in bold print will be notified by the school and in turn must call the families that are listed below their name. This has been a successful way in the past for the school to quickly notify families of upcoming important events, emergencies, etc.

STUDENT PICK-UP TIME

All students should be picked-up and be off the campus by 3:25 pm each day. Exceptions are made for those involved in an after-school activity or emergency cases when the school has had prior notification.

Elementary students who are not picked up by 3:25 pm will be escorted into a "homework" room. Parents must come in to pick them up and sign them out. Late fees may apply.

All other students must wait for their ride by sitting on the school benches or wait at the lunch tables. Upper school students who have elementary siblings in the "homework" room may wait with them to avoid late charges.

There should be no ball playing in the back or wandering around the school campus.

CRICKET MAGAZINE WRITING CONTEST

Yung-En Perng
Alfred Meng

2ndPlace
Honorable Mention

PERSISTENCE AND HARD WORK PAY OFF FOR AWS STUDENTS!

Summer 2003 brought high honors once again to AcaciaWood students. For the first time ever, two National History Day (NHD) National entries received awards! Evan Chan won a silver (2nd place) and Danielle Allison won a gold (1st place). Reaching this level of achievement is no small thing! Last year more than 700,000 students competed nationwide in the NHD program.

Danielle's exhibit was furthermore selected as one of only seven projects to be exhibited at the White House on Wednesday June 18. She and her father, with the other participants, were also given a private tour of the White House. But that's not all! Upon her return, the United States National Archivist called Danielle, asking her to represent NHD at a special July 4 celebration held at Union Square in Washington D.C. Danielle's exhibit was chosen for the extensive research evidenced in her annotated bibliography. After the event, Danielle was asked to leave her board with the National Archives and NHD personnel in case it would be needed in the coming months. Other possibilities for showcasing Danielle's work include the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library, Smithsonian Museum of American History, National Archives, and NHD training events.

Back home, Danielle a freshman at CSULB, has been invited to help train this year's Orange County NHD teachers.

Evan and Danielle join a growing list of NHD national winners from AcaciaWood: Walter Liao, Andrew Miller, Ryan Pester, and Miriam Scatterday. Congratulations on your prestigious accomplishment!

EVENT CALENDAR

- Sept. 26 3:10 dismissal on Fridays begins for all students
- Sept. 26 PE begins for 7-10 grade
- Sept. 23 Volleyball game at Sa-Rang 3:45 pm
- Oct. 7 College Awareness day for all high school students
- Oct. 11 SAT I and II
- Oct. 18 PSAT test at AWS, sign up with Mr. Tucker by Oct. 17th (\$10.50)
- Oct. 24 End Quarter 1
- Oct. 27 No School, Teacher In-Service
- Oct. 28-30 Minimum day dismissal for all elementary students (1:10)