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2019 National Blue Ribbon School, Golden Apple Award Winner, 8 National Board Certified Teachers, 18 Google Certified Educators, Excelling Creative (Arts) Schools Certificate, Prescott School 2022 Exemplary Summative Designation

Prescott School

Emails for this newsletter were pulled from Aspen on 2/10/23. If you have an updated email, please contact Clerk Ms. Williams at clpalmer6@cps.edu. **Please sign up for digital access to your 1st-8th grader's grades via Parent Portal in Aspen.** Contact Ms. Williams.

April 21, 2023

Dear Prescott families and friends,

Room 106 2nd graders wrote me the below letter on April 19. These are the thoughtful, empathetic, problem-solvers our community wants to nurture!

Dear Mr. Roche,

At bathroom [time], we noticed the different flags on the first floor hallway. We were wondering: Why isn't there a flag to represent Ukraine? We remember seeing it on the flag pole for a short time. We want to see it all the time because it reminds us of what is happening in Ukraine and we want to support the Ukrainian people. Also, they have the right to be supported and feel safe at Prescott. Can you please put up a Ukrainian flag up in the hallway at Prescott?

From, Room 106

Gabe, Summer, Nadia, Aria, Blake, Nolan, OJ, Juniper, Yael, Oscar, Shaun, Lianna, Skylar, Alexa, Matilda, Ansel, Harper, Rowan, Ethan, Wyatt, Bryan, and Aiden

I wrote back to the 2nd graders.

Dear Room 106,

Thank you for your thoughtful, caring letter about showing support for the Ukrainian people. You noticed the Ukrainian flag flying on the flag pole as a way for our school to show support. You also gave a strong reason to have a Ukrainian flag in the hallway, too. Based on your suggestion, Ms. Williams and I are in the process of purchasing one. I will ask Mr. Orta to find a space to hang it. I look forward to visiting you soon to celebrate your idea in person!

Mr. Roche

Erin Roche, Principal

Prescott School 2022 Illinois Exemplary Summative Designation
In 2016 and 2019, Chicago Magazine ranked Prescott in the top 15 schools in the city
In 2018 and 2019, Prescott was one of few schools among 700+ to be named a fully Healthy School

Calendar of upcoming events

April

26 Progress Reports go home for 4th Quarter
27-29 Drama Club performances of *Peter Pan* from 6-7:30pm

May

1-5 Scholastic Book Fair (see times below)
9 School tour 9am
12 Movie Night on the turf field 7:30-9pm
18 Art Show K-8th grade 5-6:30pm
19 Walkathon (rain date 5/26)
19 3rd grade field trip to Chicago Childrens Museum
25 Choirs perform at Millenium Park
25 Prescott alumni get-together 4pm
30-June 2 Spirit Week

Prescott School 2022-23 Calendar (updated)

Family plans to return to Prescott 2023-24 Planes para volver a la Prescott 2023-24

Please let us know if you plan to return to Prescott next school year. We value your input and we want to see you next year!

¡Hola! Háganos saber si planea regresar a Prescott el próximo año escolar.
¡Valoramos su opinión y esperamos verlo el próximo año!

Plan to return for 2023-24/ Planes para volver para 2023-24

Physical Education

Students in Rooms 203, 304, and 206, have been working on net games during PE. With the focus on hand-eye coordination, students engaged in a game called “sitting volleyball.” All rules that apply to regular volleyball apply to this modified game as well. Scrimmage games of volleyball occurred using beach balls and nets, set to three feet. The goal is to not only have students maintain a volley, but also, be mindful of working within a designated space, communication, and display their agility when striking these objects during game play. All groups are also working on sportsmanship and fair play, while self officiating, demonstrating honesty during play. (NASPE Standards 1-5).

Health Education

Prescott Students have completed Sexual Health Education (SHE) classes for the school year! Thank you to the entire Prescott Community, Parents, and stakeholders for understanding the importance of this course content. For more information about the CPS SHE curriculum, including the updated curriculum for K-2, please visit the district's

website: [CPS Sexual Health Education](#). Thank you everyone for your support!

Parents and caregivers can learn about SHE, as well as their children! We encourage parents to attend these **in-person parent education sessions** and **virtual sessions** that will help equip them with the knowledge and skills to talk to their children about sexual health with confidence!



Counselor's Corner

All families:

Chicago Psychotherapy has various services that they will be offering for kids this summer in order to support their social and emotional wellbeing. They will also have a variety of groups available for supporting educators and parents. And, starting in June, their practice will begin conducting student learning evaluations, ADHD and ASD evaluations, and psychological testing. Please see [their flyer](#) for more information or to schedule.

Compass Health Center knows that returning to school after breaks can be challenging for some children. Click [here](#) to learn more about their school-year programming and [here](#) for their summer creative arts therapy program.

8th grade families:

GoCPS rolling waitlists open Monday, April 24 at 10am. Students currently on high school waitlists can begin to receive offers at this time and all students can themselves to other schools' waitlists. See the email from Ms. Mathews on 4/21 for more information.

If students are interested in summer jobs, they are eligible to apply for jobs through [One Summer Chicago](#). Applications close June 2.

[Counseling Referral Form](#)

Prolific Prescott Artists!

Art Teachers Ms. Ammons and Ms. Bullard nurture art skills, art history knowledge, and studio space for Prescott students to create amazing works. Check out the incredible number of high-quality K-8 artworks by our Prescott students in our online art gallery, and be sure to sign up on Artsonia so your student's work can be included!

Congratulations!

7th Grader Maggie Claire and 4th Grader Zoey El-Mofty were both chosen to exhibit work in the [All-City Art Show](#). This show includes works from across the city in CPS schools, and we are proud of these students for representing Prescott. Below is Maggie's selected work.



Prescott Art Gallery

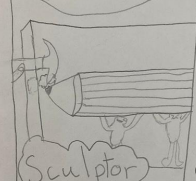
Should Michelangelo be more famous as a sculptor or as a painter? To explore this question, the fourth graders in room 201 tried "ceiling art" and sculpting to more fully understand each technique and its difficulty. Afterwards, 10 students voted for "sculptor", 4 students for "painter" and one student said, "both"! Check out some photos of works in progress and some of their essay responses!



Lindsay Johnson

I think that Michelangelo should be more famous for being a sculptor, for three reasons. One, we tried sculpting in class, and it was really tricky! If you cut just a little too hard, too much might come off and you will have to work a way to get it looking right again.

I see my next project in this marble block!



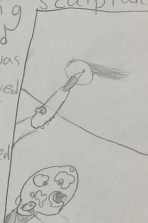
Sculptor

It was also really hard to make it look realistic! Next, his sculptures were HUGE! There were so many details in those big sculptures too. His sculptures told a story, as well. The David was a realistic sculpture carved out of marble that told a story. Its story was a man named David defeated a giant named Goliath with just one stone.

Also, the sculpture The Pieta showed the virgin Mary holding her dead son in her hands.

Finally, Michelangelo's favorite was probably sculpting, because he grew up with a stonecutter and his wife.

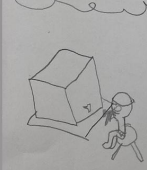
There was lots of marble where he lived, so he was always near the source of his sculptures since he was born. In conclusion, I think that Michelangelo should be more famous for sculpting than painting.



Painter

I think painter is what Michelangelo would be famous for because if he looking up for four years, and plus, if the paint is to wet it's going to start dripping and mixing in with the other paint.

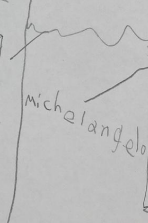
sculpter



3 years

and your neck is going to hurt and with stone

Painter



4 years

you just sit and carve and this might be toun but if it takes more time its makey more harder.

Lindsay Johnson, Grade 4

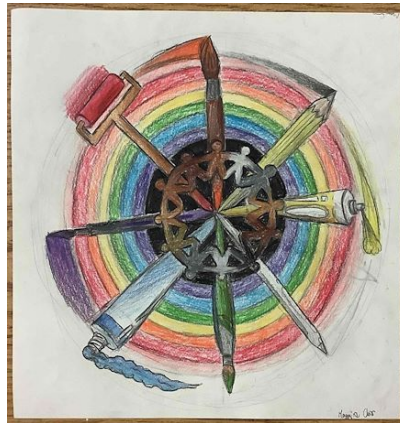
Haru Osaka, Grade 4



Beach Circle

by Aiantas Vasilopoulos, Grade 7

My favorite part is the sky because the blending is good and the colors show up well. My least favorite part is the sand because I could've blended the colors better. This artwork shows that I think art is calming and relaxing, and I feel good and calm when creating art. I made the chair and the sketch, and then blended the colors and added all the details.



Community Circle

by Maggie Clair, Grade 7

My favorite part of the project was the coloring. I had no least favorite part; I enjoyed every aspect of the project. Art, to me, means diversity and uniqueness. Everybody has their own story, their own background, and artists often share that through their artwork. I created an art piece depicting eight different mediums (inking, acrylic painting, pencil, spray paint, digital painting, watercolor painting, gouache, and marker), and a circle representing different colors of the world.

Sign up to get notices about your child(ren)'s artwork from Artsonia

Congratulations! Thank you! Help needed!

Congratulations to Interventionist Priscilla Lindsey who is presenting on 4/21/23 at the AEYC Early Childhood conference in Michigan with Dr. Jenn Moore.

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One of our 8th graders Euan Lacey has recently earned the admirable rank of Petty Officer within the US Naval Sea Cadets with the Nine One One Division based at Great Lakes. He has completed various bootcamps, trainings, service hours and leadership assignments. He is a RT graduate of the esteemed SUNY Maritime School in the Bronx and a Petty Officer Leadership Academy graduate from the Illinois National Guard Training Base in Marseille. He is FEMA certified in

emergency response management and an official DEA youth educator following extensive Federal training. Euan is also trained in gun safety and has earned sharp shooter ribbons. He is currently designing/teaching weekly training to INDOC recruits at the Naval Base and has also designed /taught Naval Aviation training. Euan has been accepted to staff RT / bootcamp at SUNY Maritime this summer and has two weeks of sailing and seamanship training lined up with both USCG and USNSCC in NY and MI. Congratulations, Euan!

If any Prescott student or family member, aged 10-18 years are interested in amazing opportunity to be a US Naval Sea Cadet at Great Lakes and attend nationwide training, please ask Euan in room 203 or e-mail Euan's Mum at [jgilmartin13@gmail.com](mailto:jgilmartin13@gmail.com)

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The book fair will be open in the multipurpose room at the times shown below during Monday, May 1st through Friday, May 5th:

Monday-Thursday 8:15-8:45am, 11:00am-1:45pm, and 3:45-4:30pm
Friday 8:15-8:45am
*no lunchtime or after-school hours on Friday

LOTS of volunteers are needed to run this event. Book fair volunteers will be involved in checking out students/adults at the register, straightening up books, walking around and helping students choose or calculate the cost of the books they've chosen. If you are new to volunteering at the book fair, please rest assured that this is a fun and easy way to help students cultivate the love of reading! A detailed email with instructions will be sent out prior to the fair and many of the current volunteers are veterans so they will be able to provide any support you need.

Please click the link below and sign up for any of the open shifts:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1OH1vBkUyuUK_867twecDQcKKe0eSjvFaW5rUE6-WBy0/edit?usp=sharing

ALL VOLUNTEERS entering the school building with students present are required to be a Level 2 volunteer (<https://chicagopublicschools.civicore.com/index.php?action=userLogin>)

Thank you for supporting our readers!

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**Prescott Parents is holding elections for the Board of Directors positions on May 29, 2023 and you are encouraged to apply.**

There are 6 total board positions to be filled during this election There are up to 13 Board of Directors positions total.

Currently 7 sitting Board members will retain their positions and will be joined by the new Board members starting July 1, 2023.

Prescott Parents strives to make the Board of Directors representative of the student body and believes that diverse backgrounds make a strong parent organization. Please consider joining the Board of Directors to make an impact at Prescott. Prescott Parents members interested in joining the Board of Directors should submit an application to [prescottschoolchicago@gmail.com](mailto:prescottschoolchicago@gmail.com).

Candidate applications are due April 28, 2023 and should be submitted to Prescott Parents via email: [prescottschoolchicago@gmail.com](mailto:prescottschoolchicago@gmail.com).

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Last week's newsletter misspelled Room 104 Student-Teacher's Ms. Hameed's name. Prescott regrets the error.

Purchase your Prescott Yearbook for 2022-23

This year's Prescott Yearbook is now available to purchase! It includes class photos and photo memories of all grades, K-8. Your copy of the Prescott yearbook also includes two FREE custom pages you may personalize with photos and memories of your kid(s) that will only appear in your book.

The deadline to add custom pages to make it your own is Friday, April 28, 2023. The yearbook is \$14.91 (excluding sales tax). To order go to <http://www.treering.com/validate> and enter the school's passcode: 1014075079274593

Dear Prescott Families:

Prescott Parents will be hosting a current and prospective family meet and greet on Sunday, April 23 from 2:30-4:00 at the Lincoln Park Library large meeting room. This is an informal meet and greet with current parents, school leadership, and alumni to learn more about Prescott.

Sign-up is required by Sunday, April 16. Please sign up [here](#):

Estimadas familias de Prescott:

Los padres de Prescott organizarán una reunión familiar actual y futura el domingo 23 de abril de 2:30 a 4:00 en la gran sala de reuniones de la Biblioteca Lincoln Park. Esta es una reunión informal para saludar a los padres actuales, el liderazgo escolar y los ex alumnos para aprender más sobre Prescott.

Es necesario registrarse antes del domingo 16 de abril. Regístrese [aquí](#):

[Sign up here](#)

[Regístrate aqui](#)

Get your child their Covid booster!

[Student weekly Covid testing registration/ Inscríbele para una prueba semanal de Covid para estudiantes](#)

[Get your child a Covid booster! Obtenga una dosis de refuerzo para su niño/a!](#)

[Covid-19 Guidance for Prescott families and staff](#)

[Orientación de Covid-19 para las familias y el personal de Prescott](#)

[Click here to learn more about ways to protect your child\(ren\) from RSV and Covid](#)

[Hágase un clic aquí para aprender más de cómo prevenir el Virus sincitial respiratorio \(RSV\)](#)

Early Dismissal, Alternative Pick-up, and Building Access