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Emails for this newsletter were pulled from Aspen on 8/2/22. 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.

January 13, 2023

Prescott families and friends,

Student-Led Conferences at home empower our Kindergartners-8th graders to reflect on their learning in the 2nd Quarter (how did they *glow*). Then they plan their adjustments to further learn in the 3rd Quarter (how will they *grow*).

We want your feedback! Please answer these questions regarding *Student-Led Conferences at home* this January. We want to know ways we can improve them for at home conferences at the end of the 4th Quarter. If you have more than one child at Prescott, please consider completing additional surveys.

We appreciate your input and look forward to improving this student-led initiative.

[Student-Led Conferences at home 2nd Quarter: Family Feedback](#)

Erin Roche, Principal

Meghan Breyer, Assistant 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](#)

[Student-Led Conferences at home 2nd Quarter: Family Feedback](#)

[The Prescott Howl-- 2nd edition](#)

**[Creative School Certification
Prescott School \(12/9/22\)](#)**

Calendar of upcoming events

January

13 Boys 5/6th basketball game at Warren Park 7:30pm v. Blaine

14 Girls 5/6th basketball game at Clemente HS 10am v. Bell

16 School closed in observation of Dr. MLKing's birthday
19 Girls 5/6th basketball game at Clemente HS TBA v. TBA
21 Girls 5/6th basketball game at Clemente HS 12pm v. Mozart
21 Boys 5/6th basketball game at Warren Park 12pm v. Burley
26 Eye exams
27 Boys 5/6th basketball game at Warren Park 7:30pm v. WXF

February

3 No school for students; staff development day
3 Boys 5/6th basketball game at Warren Park 8:30pm v. Rockets
6 Boys 5/6th basketball game at Amundsen High School 8:30pm v. Bell
10 Q3 Progress Reports sent home to families
13 Boys 5/6th basketball game at Amundsen High School 8:30pm v. Patriots
13-17 Kindness Week
14 School tour at 9am
16 Family STEM Night 5-6pm
20 School closed in observation of Presidents Day
24 Boys 5/6th basketball game at Warren Park 6:30pm v. St. Clements

**Prescott School 2022-23
Calendar (updated)**

**Prescott School absent
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de la escuela Prescott**

**5/6th Girls basketball schedule--
updated here**

**7/8th grade Boys basketball
schedule-- updated here**

I am deeply saddened to announce the death of former Prescott Building Engineer Tracy Brewer, age 65, after a brave battle with cancer. Mr. Brewer served Prescott School from roughly 2019 to 2021. He kept Prescott's systems in running order, advocated to the district for school improvements, and provided many clever solutions to hanging student artwork. Visitation at Hitzeman Funderal Home 9445 W. 31st St. in Brookfield, IL is Sunday, January 15 from 2pm to the time of services at 7pm. The interment will be private. Please send sympathy cards to Mr. Brewer's family to the funeral home c/o Tracy Brewer family. Memorials appreciated to AdventHealth Cancer Institute Hinsdale 1 Salt Creek Ln, Hinsdale, IL 60521. Principal Erin Roche has sent a card and will attend the visitation on behalf of the Prescott School community.
-- Erin Roche, Principal

Physical Education

Welcome back Prescott Students, Parents, Guardians, and School Community! I hope you had a wonderful and restful break and that 2023 is off to a great start for you all. In this week's post, students from Mrs. Barajas Kindergarten Class (Room 101) learned about muscular strength, flexibility, balance, agility, and accuracy. Students engaged in physical activities via stations that focused on various body parts, development, and movements (NASPE Standards 1-5). In addition, students learned to work in small groups independently with little assistance from the teacher.

Health Education

Parents and caregivers can learn about sexual health education (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!

The third round of SHE will begin in the third quarter for the following classrooms:

7th Grade Room 204
7th Grade Room 202
5th Grade Room 207
1st Grade Room 102
3rd Grade Room 301

Parents/Guardians whose child(ren) will participate will be informed. Please be on the lookout for an email correspondence from Mr. Medina

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!



Counselor's Corner

Upper Elementary families:

Pathways to Connection is offering workshops for students on executive functioning skills, flexible thinking, and changing your inner critic to an inner coach. Learn more information and register on their [website](#).

All families:

The Office of Student Health and Wellness has a few more in-person and virtual workshops this year for families, both in English and Spanish. Click [here](#) to view the in-person sessions and [here](#) to view the virtual sessions available.

Looking for ways to support your child(ren)'s mental health or support them through a challenging time?

1. Erika's Lighthouse, who provides mental health and wellness curriculum for schools, is now offering self-paced family engagement workshops. Click [here](#) to access the workshops and a parent handbook.
2. CPS is partnering with an organization called Big Health to provide two personalized digital programs that use cognitive and behavioral techniques to address poor sleep, worry, and anxiety:
 - **Sleepio** is a sleep improvement program that teaches you to establish healthy sleep patterns to get a better night's sleep and wake up energized.
 - **Daylight** is an app that helps you gain control over your worry and anxiety by addressing the underlying causes of worry and teaching techniques that can be practiced in as little as a few minutes a day.

6th grade families:

- The High Jump application is open now until February 13th! High Jump is

"designed for intellectually curious and academically motivated students seeking a high school experience that will challenge them socially and academically" and was created to provide these experiences to students who otherwise may not have that opportunity. Learn more about the program [here](#) and start your application [here](#).

[Counseling Referral Form](#)

Restorative Practices

In November, 8th graders visited classrooms to go over bathroom expectations at Prescott. There were a few problems at the beginning of the year with how our facilities were being taken care of, so the 8th graders volunteered their time to come up with a plan to solve this school-wide issue.

Click the link below to view one of the visits:

[Video Link](#)

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1JRwmtxNRFntLEwZreszIL3OBNEhmZoE8/view?usp=share_link

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!

[Prescott Art Gallery](#)



Chicago Star Skyline

by Olivia Luisi, Grade 7

My favorite is the John Hancock tower because it's close to the water tower mall and I like going to American girl. I learned that the tallest building is the Willis tower I added some color to my building and I made the water by adding blue and purple crayon and blue and purple water colors I chose my colors by looking at what would look pretty and what would not look pretty



Chicago Skyline Stars

by Fox Poynter, Grade 3

The Willis Tower is my favorite because it's the tallest. The St Regis Tower was the tallest building designed by a woman. The trees and the ferris wheel and the extra buildings are details.

I chose the colors that go together on the color wheel.

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

Congratulations! Thank you! Help needed!

Congratulations to 6th grader Gianna Chumil who was selected by *United Voices Chicago* (formerly *Chicago Children's Choir*) to sing in the children's chorus in the Lyric Opera's production of *Carmen*! She has been attending extra practices and has been featured several times in the choir.

Congratulations also to 8th grader Lila Finegold who was also selected by the *United Voices Chicago* to perform in the children's chorus in the Lyric Opera's performance of *Hansel & Gretel*. She has been attending weekend rehearsals since October, and the first performance is Jan 25.

Get your child their Covid booster!

Federal health officials have approved an updated COVID-19 vaccine, also known as a "bivalent booster," that protects against Omicron variants.

Who can get this updated booster?

Chicagoans 5 and up who have received their primary COVID-19 vaccine series should get this new booster at least two months after their last COVID-19 dose or booster. Visit [Chicago.gov/boost](https://chicago.gov/boost) for more information.

Where can I get this booster (or my primary COVID-19 vaccine series)?

Visit cps.edu/vaccinations

Student weekly Covid testing registration/ Inscríbete 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