A+ ACADEMY Parent

Partnership Program

Dear A+ Academy Families,

Welcome to the 2016-2017 school year here at A+ Academy! It is so wonderful to see lots of returning faces. If you are new to our school, WELCOME! We hope everyone had a wonderful summer break, and is looking forward to an exciting school year.

For all the newcomers to A+ Academy, the Parent Partnership Program (or P3) is our school's version of a PTSO. P3 was established in 2013. Our goals have been to support, listen, and help carry out the mission of A+/Autism Academy for Education and Development.

Please take a moment to look through this newsletter. It highlights all the events P3 did this past school year.

We welcome you to come join us for our <u>first P3 meeting of the year</u>. It will be held on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>August 16</u>, <u>2016</u>, <u>from 7 pm to</u> <u>8:30 pm</u>, <u>at the Tempe Campus</u>. If you have any questions or would like to share any ideas or comments, please contact us at <u>p3tempe@gmail.com</u>. As always, P3 thanks you for your support, and appreciates all you do for A+ Academy!

Sincerely,

Laurie Hopkins, President

A+ Academy P3



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First A+ P3 Meeting

Join us for our first Parent Partnership Program (P3) meeting on Tuesday, August 16th from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Tempe campus.

Hope you can join us!



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2015 - 16 A+ Academy P3 Board Members

President: Laurie Hopkins

Treasurers: Kristin Tate and Laurie Hopkins

Members at Large:

Facebook Editor: Casey Brown Newsletter Editor: Susan Alonzo Fundraising Chairperson: Vicki Ruiz



Here's an ongoing fundraiser you can start participating in now!



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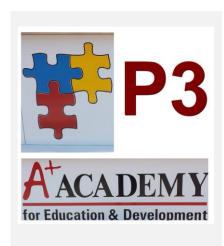


Here are some examples: (out of over 15,000 qualifying retailers!)

- ✓ Grocers Kroger, Safeway, Publix, HEB, Food Lion and absolutely any grocery store including your local mom & pop grocer
- ✓ Supercenters Walmart, Target, Kmart, Meijer, and etcetera
- ✓ Clubs Costco, Sam's Club, BJ's and any other club store that sell grocery products (even if you don't buy groceries when you shop there)
- ✓ Drug Stores Walgreens, CVS, Rite-Aid, Jewel-Osco and any other similar store that sells grocery-like products even a local drug store
- ✓ Convenience Stores 7-Eleven, Circle-K, Wawa, Shell, BP and any other convenience store (as long as more than gas appears on the receipt)
- ✓ Dollar Stores Dollar General, Family Dollar, & Dollar Tree plus many more
- ✓ Pet Supply Stores PetSmart, Petco, and any others!

Select Autism Academy for Education and Development in Gilbert, AZ as your cause. Take a Picture of Your Receipts. https://liter.nlm that Easy!!

If you have questions, please contact the Parent Partnership Program at p3tempe@gmail.com



What is A+ P3?

- It's our school's parent organization . . . our own PTSO.
- The Parent Partnership Program – p3 -- was established in 2013 by a group of parents sincerely committed in seeing the success of our school.
- Our goal is to support, listen to, and carryout the mission of Autism Academy for Education & Development
- We meet once a month and plan events and activities that enhance our students' experiences here at our Tempe campus.

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P3 Sponsored Events

A HARVEST of FUN!







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Friendship Dance 2016







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#### This past May, P3 let our A+ teachers know how appreciated they truly are:

- Monday Flower Day teachers and staff receive a flower
- Tuesday Lovely Lunch Day lunch provided to teachers and staff.
- Wednesday Chocolate Day for a mid-week pick-me-up.
- Thursday Gift Card Day each teacher will receive a gift card. And, teachers and staff will be provided a munchable sweet treat.
- Friday Bagels Brunch Day with cream cheese, fruit platter, and juices.







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As an end-of-school-year activity, P3 supplied pizza, assorted fresh vegetables and cookies – gf/cf options available, too – to our students after a hearty and fun morning of School Olympics.







## **P3 Fundraisers**

**Harkins Movie Night Fundraier** – P3 raffled two movie night packages each including \$25 gift card, a Harkins T-shirt, Loyalty Cup and candy. We raised \$460!



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**Spare Change Collection** -- The winning classroom won a pizza party. We raised more than \$600!



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Village Inn Pie Card Sale – P3 sold 150 pie gift cards and raised more than \$900!





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### Let's Ream Our School Contest

Our school received a total of more than 100 reams as a result of this contest. Thanks to all who participated for your generous donations!

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#### A+ Academy T-Shirts and Water Bottles

P3 sent out picture/order forms for parents and students to order A+ Academy logo t-shirts and water bottles in an assortment of colors and styles! All profits from these sales went to P3! We raised almost \$900!







# Making a Change For Autism

During April and May, P3 hosted another **SPARE CHANGE** Collection Contest. This time it was not which classroom collected the most **SPARE CHANGE**...it was which teacher!!! The three teachers with the highest amount collected, received a pie in the face during an awards assembly during the last week of school. We raised approximately \$200.

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Join P3 and be a part of this parent team dedicated to helping our students!

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