



## SLICES NEWSLETTER

# February 5, 2021



### Calendar Highlights

**TODAY Feb. 5: Silent Auction closes**

**Feb. 6 - 6:00 pm: Masquerade Auction - Live Online Stream. More info [HERE](#).**

**Feb. 6 - Deserts delivered to winning bidders**

**Feb. 8 - 9: Volunteers needed for the Auction. Sign up [HERE](#).**

**Feb. 8: Next Steps - Steps to Independence (see enclosed flyer)**

**Feb. 11 - 9:00 am: Coffee Cart (via [Zoom](#))**

**Feb. 15 - Feb. 19: President's Day & Mid-Winter Break - NO SCHOOL**

**Feb. 18 - 9:00 am: Coffee Cart (via [Zoom](#))**

**Feb. 22: Next Steps - Steps to Independence (see enclosed flyer)**

**Feb. 25 - 9:00 am: Coffee Cart (via [Zoom](#))**

You can check out our whole school calendar any time [HERE](#).

# Inclement Weather Reminder

Though we've been enjoying some sunny skies lately, we may still have snow in the forecast throughout this winter season. We know many of our APL families live outside of the immediate Seattle area and may be impacted by icy roads, snow fall, and power outages. Thus, we are following guidelines similar to that of our surrounding school districts when determining the closure of in-person learning:

*If winter weather requires late start, early dismissal, or cancellation of in-person learning, all students will learn remotely.*

- Families of students receiving in-person instruction will be notified at 6:30 a.m. of cancellation.
- Students receiving in-person instruction will switch to at-home learning over Zoom.
- All other students will continue learning remotely.

If weather conditions make a schedule change necessary, APL will communicate the decision through the following methods and in this order:

1. *Emails, text messages, and phone calls:* Families will receive an email notification, text message, or phone call by 6:30 a.m.
2. *Social media:* APL Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter accounts will be updated. Follow us on [APL Facebook](#), [APL Instagram](#), and [APL Twitter](#).
3. *School website:* We will post school schedule updates to <https://www.aplschool.org>.

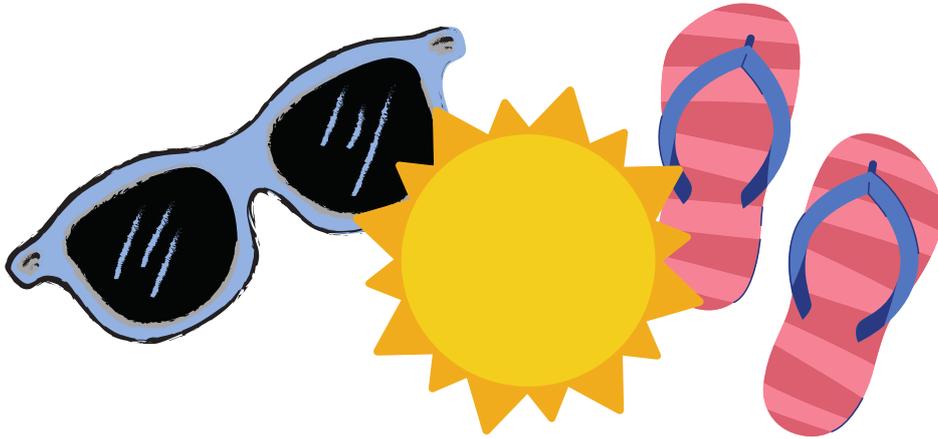
If your family loses power or internet access and school is not cancelled, please notify your child's teachers so they can excuse their absence and plan for making up any missed assignments.

For any questions or concerns, please contact Laura Barringer at [laura.b@aplschool.org](mailto:laura.b@aplschool.org).

Stay safe and warm!

# Updates from Kelly

Extended School Year Returns This Summer!



We have begun planning for our Summer Program, which will run in July and August. If you are interested in exploring this additional programming for your student, please fill out the [Extended School Year \(ESY\) Survey](#).

# 2021 Masquerade Auction



Today: Silent Auction Closes Tonight  
Tomorrow: Live Event - February 6, 6:00 PM

Register to bid today at  
<https://www.aplschool.org/auction>



## Keep Bidding!

Silent Auction ends today! Don't miss out. There are great items and a chance to support individual classrooms (Wish Tree). Register once and be ready to bid today and tomorrow at the Live Event.

Registration is open and waiting for you [HERE](#). You can opt to receive notices when you have been outbid so you can bid again. You can also look at all the great items at your leisure!

### Spread the Word

Extended family or friends wonder what APL is all about? They can find out from our teachers, BT's, parents and Executive Director during the Live Event.

Invite them all!  
 Register [HERE](#).

Everyone can virtually bid and attend - friends, family, coworkers, associates, neighbors far and near. This may be their only chance to attend an APL event. Send them an email or text share our FB event, post on your social media pages and encourage them to register.

[www.aplschool.org/auction](http://www.aplschool.org/auction)

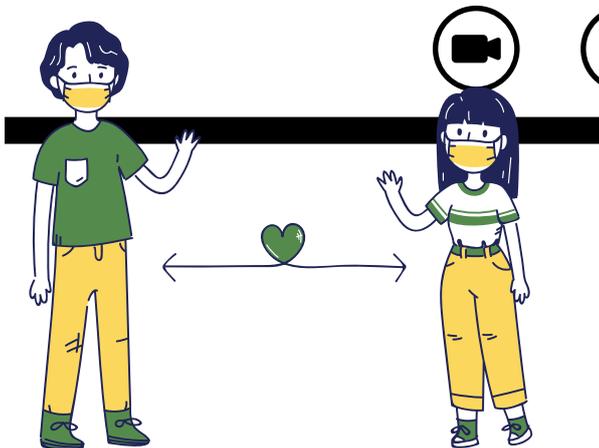
# 2021 Masquerade Auction Week



Here's a peek at the Live Auction -  
Feb. 6 6:00PM

Check Out This Sneak Peek video about the incredible announcement we'll be making at the Auction.

Tune in HERE for the Pre Event slide show and Live Auction!



- Student Art Projects
  - Pictures and videos of our families
- Hot Air Balloon Ride
  - Teachers telling their stories
- Start a Wine Cellar
  - Parent and Board Member talks about APL
- XBox
  - a surprise!?! Be in the know...

Our Volunteers have been tireless this past week. They have put together gift bags, wine bags and cocktail bags and delivered them. They are delivering desserts tomorrow and delivering items next week. They will be there to help you with technology issues on during the Live Auction. They will be writing thank you cards to our supporters. That is just this week! Thank you to every single one of them!

*Thank!  
You!*

# Upcoming Online Programming



## Winter Virtual MS and HS Family-Teacher Conferences

**February 10-12, 2021**

- Wed. 2/10: HS Family-Teacher Conferences Only
- Thurs. 2/11: MS and HS -- Student Dismissal at 12:10 pm
- Fri. 2/12: MS and HS -- Student Dismissal at 12:10 pm

[Middle School Family Sign Up](#)

[High School Family Sign Up](#)

**We look forward to seeing you!**

# Upcoming Online Programming

## College Bound Resource Fair for Students with Disabilities

*Register for College Bound 2021!*

The 5th Annual College Bound Resource Fair is **TOMORROW!**

This unique event was created specifically for people with disabilities who aspire to become college students and the families and educators in their lives.

College Bound has gone virtual for 2021, so join us from the comfort of home for presentations and resources curated to help you make college a success.

Saturday, February 6, 2021

9AM - 1 PM

Online via Microsoft Teams

Register [HERE](#).

*College is Possible!*

Join us for the Fifth Annual

## COLLEGE BOUND

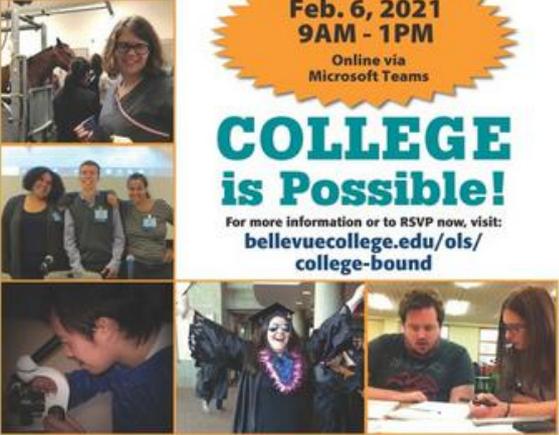
Resource Fair for Students with Disabilities

Open to 9th-12th Graders, High School Graduates, Aspiring College Students, Young Adults, Parents, Educators, and Service Providers

**Feb. 6, 2021  
9AM - 1PM**  
Online via Microsoft Teams

## COLLEGE is Possible!

For more information or to RSVP now, visit:  
[bellevuecollege.edu/ols/college-bound](http://bellevuecollege.edu/ols/college-bound)



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### Register Now for two Online Series: Steps to Independence and Lifelong Learning

We are excited to announce APL is partnering with Seattle Children's Autism Center to implement the Next Steps Curriculum in a school setting for the first time! Next Steps is a 3-part class series for APL families only, designed to provide information and support for parents and caregivers of a child 15 to 21 years old and transitioning to adulthood. APL is opening this class up to ALL families interested in learning about the transition process, non-dependent on your child's age. These classes will be facilitated by Alicia Nathan, APL's Director of Counseling and Transition.

*Please see the attached flyer for detailed class information.*

Through March 2021, APL will begin a monthly rotation of each series. Each series will be comprised of 3 weeks of classes to cover the full curriculum and will be held via Zoom on Mondays, 5:00-6:30 pm.

Rotation 3: *Steps to Independence* - 2/8, 2/22

Rotation 5: *Lifelong Learning* - 3/1, 3/8, 3/15

### Middle School Affinity Groups

We are excited to announce the launch of Affinity Groups for Middle School students, which are being facilitated by APL staff members. These will be held on Wednesdays at 12:25 pm. Check out the topic areas below. If one of your middle school students would be interested, email [info@aplschool.org](mailto:info@aplschool.org) for more information.

- Jack's Minecraft Group
- David's Board Games Group
- Toby's Anime/Manga Group
- Kwame's Crafting/Making Group
- Steve's Cooking Group
- Jesse's Makeup Artistry Group

# Upcoming Online Programming

Register Today for the 3rd Annual Washington Fatherhood Summit, *March 16-18*

Join the Washington Fatherhood Summit on March 16-18, 8:30 am - 12:00 pm & optional virtual lunch 12:00 - 1:00 pm PT

Who: Fathers, providers, lay and professional leaders, policy makers, philanthropists, and fatherhood advocates.

Why: Help Washington State continue to build a state where all men can become the fathers they want to be.

Where: Zoom with interactive engagement.

Register on [Eventbrite](#) today!



**Keynote: Corey Best**  
A father and leader in community organizing, authentic family engagement, racial justice, anti-racism and pre-crisis support by those impacted by the child welfare system.

**3rd Annual Washington Fatherhood Summit: Resilient Dads: Fathering in Challenging Times**  
March 16th - 18th  
8:30am - 12:00pm (PST)  
12:00pm-1:00pm Lunch Optional  
Visit our website: [waFatherhoodCouncil.org](http://waFatherhoodCouncil.org) for agenda, photo contest, VROOM focus group, and registration

**Interagency Fatherhood Council Washington**  
**Who:** Lay & Professional Leaders, fathers, policy makers, providers, advocates, and philanthropists.  
**Why:** Help Washington become a state where all men become the fathers they want to be  
**Where:** Zoom with interactive engagement  
**What's New: Photo Contest-** Win Prized! To launch WA Father's Photo Bank

Tell us your opinion! Give us the dad perspective of the VROOM app by participating in a focus group.  
Supporting us in building the Washington Fatherhood photo bank by entering the photo contest  
For agenda, photo contest, VROOM focus group, and registration visit: [waFatherhoodCouncil.org](http://waFatherhoodCouncil.org)  
**Interagency Fatherhood Council Washington**

**Featured Speakers:**  
3/16: Corey Best  
3/17: Fatherhood Panel  
3/18: Kevin Bremond, Co-Founder Alameda County Fatherhood Corps

More details [HERE](#).