



# ALLEYCAT TIMES

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## Important Dates

### JANUARY

- 7 – Return to School
- 9 – Walk to School Day
- 10 – PTA Board Mtg. (6:30 pm)
- 11 – PTA Movie Night (6:00 pm)
- 17 – Spirit Night at Dave & Busters
- 18 – Student Council Elections (9:00 am)
- 21 – NO SCHOOL – MLK, Jr. Day
- 22 – Progress Reports go Home
- 23 – 4th/5th Grade GATE Testing
- 24 – ELMAC Meeting #3 (6:00 pm)
- 31 – Barnes & Noble Night (6:00 pm)

### FEBRUARY

- 4-8 – Heroes Week
- 6 – Walk to School Day
- 11 – NO SCHOOL – Lincoln Day
- 18 – NO SCHOOL – Presidents Day
- 21 – PTA Board Mtg. (6:30)

### Flyers

- [Empower Youth Soccer](#)
- [Parkour](#)
- [Watch Me Sculpt](#)
- [Bricks 4 Kids](#)
- [Torrance Girls Softball 2019](#)
- [YMCA Early Reg for Summer Camp](#)
- [January Calendar](#)
- [January Menu](#)

### Links

- [Arnold Website](#)
- [Titan K-12 Lunch Account](#)
- [PTA Website](#)
- [Raz-Kids Login](#)
- [Torrance Unified School District](#)
- [California Department of Education](#)

2019 is here!

Happy New Year!



## WALK TO SCHOOL WEDNESDAY

Welcome back, Alleycats! This Wednesday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, is the first Walk to School Day of 2019. It is a great opportunity to catch up with friends by asking them to walk to school with you! Ask someone from your class and see if you can help win the Golden Sneaker trophy for your class this month! Good luck!



## PTA MOVIE NIGHT - FRIDAY, JANUARY 11<sup>TH</sup>

Our next PTA Movie Night will be this Friday, January 11<sup>th</sup>! What a great way to catch up with your Alleycat friends! We will be showing "Smallfoot" right after at 6:00 p.m. The PTA will provide popcorn and water. Tacos and bacon-wrapped hot dogs will be available for sale. Bring your blankets and pillows and get

ready to cozy up with your fellow Alleycats for a fun night. Please remember that students must come with an adult.



## New Front of School Pick-Up Procedures

In order to improve our end-of-the-day pick-up and safety procedures, we are starting two new procedures:

- 1) Students will now wait behind the school gates if being picked up by walking parents/guardians. They will wait behind the Kindergarten fence until their parents arrive. Once a parent/guardian arrives, the student will then go out the gate that is located in front of room K-1. Students waiting to be picked up by car, will still sit in their designated grade-level area outside the gates. We hope that this small change will help some of the congestion that occurs in front of school, and will provide for a safer and more streamlined pick-up at the end of the day. Thanks for your cooperation and understanding.
- 2) All cars going through our valet pick-up will be asked to display a Valet Sign with info that will make it easier to locate your child. You can print the sign [here](#), or pick one up from the office. We will also be ordering page protectors and window hooks that you can purchase for just \$1 (they are on order and should be here in a couple of days).



## DAVE & BUSTERS SPIRIT NIGHT – JANUARY 17<sup>TH</sup>

Bring your family and join your friends at Dave and Busters on January 17th for Arnold Elementary School's Spirit Night! Enjoy dinner and games with your classmates and Ms. Lang! Purchase your power cards ahead of time! Hope to see you there.

## HONORARY SERVICE AWARD NOMINATIONS

Please take a minute to nominate any individual from our Arnold community whom you feel may be deserving of an Honorary Service Award. This can include parents, volunteers, teachers, staff or anyone you think has gone above and beyond for our Alleycat family. Click [here](#) for the nomination form; feel free to email it back to us at [FirstVP@Arnold-PTA.org](mailto:FirstVP@Arnold-PTA.org) or leave the form in the PTA box in the office or even feel free just to send me an email with your nomination. Nominations are due by January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Thank you!

## OPEN ENROLLMENT

Open Enrollment allows parents and guardians who live within TUSD boundaries to apply for their children to attend a school other than their home school. For the 2019-2020 school year, applications must be completed [online Jan. 7 thru Feb. 28 at 4:00 pm](#) for elementary and middle schools. Late applications will **NOT** be accepted. If you are here at Arnold on a Boundary Waiver, or as an overflow from another school, you must apply for Open Enrollment in order to have the chance to stay at Arnold for the 2019-2020 school year.

Completion of an application does NOT guarantee acceptance, as Open Enrollment is granted on a lottery basis. Complete instructions and applications are available [online](#).

## **IMPORTANT REMINDERS**

**NO SCHOOL ON JANUARY 21<sup>ST</sup>**

**SCHOOL STARTS AT 8:50 – DON'T BE LATE!**

**NEXT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING – TUESDAY, JANUARY 22<sup>ND</sup>**

The meeting will be held at 7:00 pm at the District Office – 2336 Plaza del Amo.

**NEXT ELMAC MEETING – THURSDAY, JANUARY 24<sup>TH</sup>**

The meeting will be held at 6:00 pm in the Cafeteria. All are welcome, so please join!

**Check back next week for more important school info.  
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