



November News from the Director

Winter Sports Programs: *All* Anansi students participate in the Winter Sports Program for five consecutive Fridays starting January 11th and ending February 8th. The ACS Winter Sports program options are as follows and the activities' prices are approximations:

- TSV School Skiing/Snowboarding Program: cost \$165, Free lunch student cost: \$66, Reduced lunch student cost: \$99 (Cost for TSV Employees: \$122, Free lunch cost \$49, Reduced lunch cost \$73)
- Ice Skating Program: cost \$55 w/ skate rental, Free lunch student cost \$27 w/ skate rental Reduced lunch student cost \$38 w/ skate rental, **free** for students who participate in the Saturday Skating Program (based upon last year's prices)
- Gymnastics Program: cost \$60, Free lunch student cost \$25, Reduced lunch student cost \$38
- Dance Program: cost \$75, Free lunch student cost \$30, Reduced Lunch cost \$45 (based upon last year's prices)

- **All students must turn in their selection form attached to the newsletter by Friday, November 9th**
- **TSV School Sking/Snowboarding Program Enrollment Paperwork & Payment due November 16th to the Anansi Charter School Office**
- **Gymnastics, Skating, or Dance Paper work due Friday, December 14th to the Anansi Charter School Office**
- **Students in grades 5th-8th are required to be in good academic standing to sign up and participate in the programs.**
- **In order to benefit from the scholarship rates for reduced and free lunch, you must volunteer to help with the fundraiser projects of Art Cards or Truffle Making, & sell the minimum amount required)**

Truffles & Art Cards Fundraisers to Benefit Winter Sports Programs: All parents should have received an order form for our handmade gourmet truffles sale and art card sale. ***We ask each student to sell a minimum of 3 boxes of truffles to contribute to our main goal of selling 700 boxes of truffles!*** There are 8 truffles in each box which is topped with a student made mini gift card. In addition, every student has created a piece of artwork featured on an art card for the sale. Art cards come in packets of 8 cards for \$10. All orders are due to the office by Friday, November 9th and we ask that all checks be made out to the Friends of Anansi Charter School. You will be able to pick up your orders on December 9th at the school. We will also host a truffles sale at Cid's Market on December 14th to sell any remaining truffles. The proceeds from these fundraisers provide scholarships and the bus transportation for the Winter Sports Programs. The total cost to the Friends for providing for these programs is about \$7-8,000. These fundraisers are sponsored by the Friends of Anansi Charter School.

Volunteers are Needed for Truffle Fundraiser: We currently have sign-up sheets in the office and in every classroom to gather and organize volunteers to help with our fundraiser. We will need three shifts of about 15-20 parents on December 8th to help with making and packaging the truffles. We will begin at 9 and wrap up our work hopefully by 4pm, and to make it easier for parents to help, we will be offering child care for the children and food for our volunteers. We will also be seeking volunteers to help with the Cid's sale on the 14th of December, we need a parent to run this effort and our middle school students can assist with the sale. It is a lot of fun to bring our community together for the sake of our sports programs and your efforts are very much appreciated! Please sign up right away to help us you can find a signup sheet in your child's classroom!

Anansi Charter School Governance Council Needs You!: The members of the 2018-2019 Anansi Charter School Governance Council have been hard at work this school year, and would like to invite other individuals interested in the possibility of serving on the council to contact Governance Council President Andy Jones by emailing ajones@anansi.acstaos.org and the school director, mhunt@anansi.acstaos.org.

Learn more about the Governing Board, please join us for our next meeting on November 14th at 5:30 at the Anansi Charter School.

Coffee with the Director: Coffee with the Director will take place on Wednesday, November 28th from 8:30-9:10, the topic will be the continuation of EQ for parents

To Be Determined:

- First Semester Celebrations of Learning in science or social studies for all grade levels

Mid-Year Short Cycle Assessments: The first grade through 8th grade students will participate in their mid-year short cycle assessments sometime during the weeks of December 11th through the 21st. This will provide an academic progress check prior to the end of the semester on December 22nd. Report cards will then be provided after our first week back to school in January on the 16th.

Dates for November & December:

November 9th: Winter Sports Survey Due to Anansi Office

November 9th: Truffle & Art Card Orders & Payments are Due to the Office

November 14th: Friends Board meeting, 8:45-10, Cafeteria

November 14th: Governance Council Meeting, 5:30pm, Anansi Library

November 16th: TSV School Skiing/Snowboarding Program Enrollment paperwork & payment due!

November 16th: Middle School Early Dismissal Day

November 19th-23rd: No School, Thanksgiving Break

November 28th: Coffee with the Director Meeting 8:30-9

December 1st: Enrollment forms & payment due for winter sports programs

December 8th : Truffle Making Day at Anansi 9-4, child care available while you volunteer

December 10th: Pick up pre-paid/pre-ordered truffles at Anansi

December 10-21: Short Cycle Assessments MAP for grades 1-8

December 14th: Truffle Sale at Cids, volunteer to help

December 14th: Winter Sports Enrollment & Payment Due for Skating, Dance, Gymnastics

December 21: Winter Performance & Singalong (tentative plan, watch for more information)

December 21: Middle School Early Dismissal Day

December 22-January 7: Winter Break, No School

Winter Sports Student Selection Survey

Please fill out your survey for your child so that we are able to distribute the correct forms for enrolling in the Winter Sports Programs. The survey is not your enrollment form, it only expressing your selection of sport, you will then have enrollment forms to complete.

Anansi Winter Sports Selection Survey Form: Due to the Office by Friday, November 9th!

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____

Choice of Sport (please circle):

Skiing/Snowboarding Ice Skating Gymnastics Dance

I am eligible for a Winter Sports Program Scholarship & I want to accept it: Yes No

I understand in order to receive a scholarship for my child, I must participate in the truffles or art card fundraisers.

Parent Signature: _____

Enrollment forms & Payment for Ski/Snowboarding Due November 16th

Enrollment forms & Payment for Skating, Dance, Gymnastics Due December 14th.

Find the TSV Paperwork Attached, all other sports enrollment forms will be sent after Thanksgiving!

Thank you