Greene Middle School

Important Dates & Back to School Information

Administrative Team

Sixth Grade:

- Mimi Kwon, 6th grade Administrator, mkwon@pausd.org
- Kylie Payne, 6th grade Counselor (Oak Team), kpayne@pausd.org
- Susan Curry, 6th grade Counselor (Redwood & Sequoia Teams), scurry@pausd.org

Seventh Grade:

- Walter Valencia, 7th grade Administrator, wvalencia@pausd.org
- Kylie Payne, 7th grade Counselor, kpayne@pausd.org

Eighth Grade:

- Courtney Carlomagno, 8th grade Administrator, ccarlomagno@pausd.org
- Susan Curry, 8th grade Counselor, scurry@pausd.org

Stay Connected

COMMUNICATION CHANNELS

Greene PTA keeps you up-to-date with relevant information! You can expect to receive emails from various school and district personal as we as:

- **ParentSquare:** PAUSD, Greene Admin & Staff and Greene PTA all send messages through ParentSquare. Check your profile to ensure that you receive notifications of new messages at the time that suits you best. Either 'Instant' or 'Digest'. Click HERE for more information on how to download the link, change settings and more.
- **PTA eNews** is published on Sundays via ParentSquare containing important information, upcoming events, and community news
- **Greene PTA website**: A place to find PTA information, school information and the Greene Calendar
- **Greene PTA Calendar: Subscribe Here!** Contains PAUSD calendar plus PTA events
- **Greene PTA Facebook** : Keep in touch with fellow parents
- Having trouble with ParentSquare or Schoology? You can get help via **Let's Talk on the PAUSD website**
- **WhatsApp Groups:** Stay connected with the PTA! Join the *New* Grade Level Whats App Communities — just like ParentSquare, but for quick, chat-free reminders and updates. Its a great way to get school wide and grade-specific info without the clutter.
    - Class of 2027 (8th Grade)
    - Class of 2028 (7th Grade)
    - Class of 2029 (6th Grade)

Greene PTA Executive Board 2026 - 2027

President - Julia Murphy-Chutorian president@greenemspta.org

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PLEASE COMPLETE :

1 - Register

REGISTER - *ALL GRADES*

***Complete the Annual Data Update** (or ADU) in Infinite Campus. Having your family's current contact information is critical to accurate and timely communication.

- Login to launchpad.classlink.com/pausd
- Launch Infinite Campus
- On the left side menu in Infinite Campus, click "More"
- Click "Online Registration"
- Under "Annual Data Update", next to "Aug 2026 - June 2027 - Next School Year", if it is not marked "complete", click "Start".
- ***ADU must be complete for students to start school, in accordance with district policy.**

If additional assistance is needed for the ADU process, or account information is needed, please submit a help ticket at:
https://www.onflo.com/Lets-Talk/Dialogue.aspx?k=WF4N8KLT@DY9D5B8LT.

Seventh Grade Only – Verify up-to-date ***Tdap vaccination** (click link for more info)
***Tdap vaccination must be verified for students to start school, in accordance with district policy.**

2 - Review & Acknowledge

Review and Acknowledge Greene Policies
Greene Middle School has a Handbook, which contains definitions, policies, and processes set forth by the Palo Alto Unified School District and the Greene Middle School administration. From this Handbook, we have selected 6 policies that set expectations for the behavior and actions for all Greene students. ***Please review each policy (links provided below) and acknowledge that you and your child have read and understand the policy and agree to follow it by marking the checkboxes and signing the acknowledgement form found below.***

- Academic Honesty
- Attendance

- Bullying Prevention
- Cellular Telephones and Electronic Devices
- Lock & Locker Expectations
- Technology use

3- Purchase & Donate

Greene Purchases and Donations for 2026-27
Use the form at the bottom of this post for all purchases and donations. Please submit by August 21st.

PURCHASES

- *PE Uniform*. A Greene Middle School logo uniform is not mandatory, but clothes worn in PE classes must be dark green shorts & a gray short sleeved shirt. Greene logo PE uniforms are available for purchase:
  - PE Uniform Shirt $15
  - PE Uniform Shorts $15
- *Music Materials and Uniforms* (Band, Choir, Orchestra)
  - 6th Grade - Music materials and uniform $30
  - 7th & new 8th Grade - Music materials and uniform $50
  - Returning 8th Grade (already has uniform) - Music materials ONLY $30

DONATIONS - Suggested amounts are listed below. However, any and all donation amounts are appreciated

- ***Associated Student Body (ASB)* - $75 Suggested Donation**

The ASB helps bring campus-life to life! Your donation pays for the teachers and staff who make
extracurricular and leadership opportunities possible for all students
  - Lunchtime and after school clubs
  - Lunchtime sports
  - Cultural and campus leadership events
  - Campus supervision for events
- ***Musical Instrument Donation* - $100 Suggested Donation**
  Greene's Band and Orchestra programs depend on well-maintained instruments for student success. Your donation helps ensure every student has access to quality instruments year-round.
  - Helps maintain and repair the school-owned instruments loaned out to our students.

    - Ensures all students have access to functional, quality instruments
- ***6th Grade Donation*** **- $150 Suggested Donation (Only for 6th grade families)** The 6th grade year is full of discovery and transition. Your donation helps create a memorable and enriching experience for our newest Jaguars.
    - Jaguar Journey - a fun and supportive orientation program for incoming 6th graders
    - Exploratory Wheel - Supplies and Materials for hands-on enrichment classes

How To Purchase or Donate:

- To purchase or donate using a credit card, fill out the form at the bottom of this post. **Make sure to print a copy of your transaction as proof of payment/donation.**
- To purchase or donate by cash or check, please visit the GREENE main office and request a form.

Prepare for School

Welcome Back to Greene!

- **Our first day of school is Thursday, August 13th.** When arriving on campus for the first day of school, **students will report to their ADVISORY/PRIME for their first class of the day. The first bell rings at 8:25 am.** Signs listing advisory classes will be posted around campus. Students can also direct any questions to our staff members located throughout campus. During advisory, students will receive their full class schedule with a campus map. Class schedules will also be available in Infinite Campus accounts beginning Wednesday, August 12th at Noon (12:00pm), any earlier publications are not complete schedules. Note: Schedule change requests will only be available for schedules with errors.
- **Student bicycles:** If your child plans to ride their bike to campus, please review a safe route to school and review bike safety with your child. Please also remind your child to wear their helmet and bring and use a bike lock to secure their bike in one of our three bike cages on campus.
    - Resource: Greene Safe Routes to School Map
    - LINK: Bike Safety and Repair Clinic Flyer
    - LINK: PAUSD e-bike information
- **Locks and lockers** for the 26-27 school year will be assigned to 7th & 8th grade students on the first day of school. All 6th grade students will receive their lock and locker assignment during Jaguar Journey during the first days of school.
- **Student Chromebooks: Returning 7th & 8th grade students, please bring your chromebook fully charged back to school on Monday, Aug 17th**. New 7th & 8th grade students will receive their chromebooks during the first days of school. All 6th grade students will access chromebooks in their classrooms, via chromebook carts. *See below for more chromebook information.*
- If your child is returning to our campus, please have your child **bring their ID Card on the first day of school**. Students who are new to our campus will receive an ID card once school photos are taken on Tuesday, Aug 18 & Wednesday, Aug 19th during PE. ID Cards are necessary because they are used for different purposes while on campus, including brunch and lunch pick-up.
- **SCHOOL MEALS: Brunch and Lunch** Palo Alto Unified School District will provide two free meals (brunch and lunch) during each school day to students requesting a meal, regardless of students' free or reduced - price meal eligibility.
    - Although all students may receive free meals without applying, we strongly encourage parents to apply as completion of these forms may bring significant additional funds to our schools; and qualify students for a variety of benefits. Even if your family qualified for free or reduced-price

meals last year, you need to reapply for the 2026-2027 school year unless you recently received a notification letter informing you your student has been pre-approved for free and/or reduced-price meals. Apply online at https://paloalto.familyportal.cloud or return a completed application form (available at all school sites and posted on the district website) to Student Nutrition Services, 25 Churchill Ave., Palo Alto CA 94306.
    - The PAUSD Student Nutrition Services website has been updated. Please visit https://www.pausd.org/school-life/food-services to view all meal plan information and menus. For more information, email foodserv@pausd.org or call (650) 329-3806.
- **Middle School Athletics** is run through the City of Palo Alto. For more information, please view information here: Palo Alto Middle School Athletics Information
- **Useful links:**
    - Aug 2026 First days bell schedule
    - Fall 2026-Student fillable schedule & map
    - 26-27 PAUSD School Year Calendar

Important Information: 2026 - 2027 Chromebook 1:1 Device Transition to Chromebook Carts

After careful deliberation, Greene Middle School is transitioning away from the 1:1 Chromebook model and returning to a shared computer cart model. Our team strongly believes this shift will support our students' overall health, wellness, and focus, while encouraging learning environments that rely less on screen time.

Here is what you and your student need to know as we start the school year:

6th Grade: Starting Fresh

- No Individual Devices Issued: 6th graders will not receive a personal take-home Chromebook at the start of the year.
- Classroom Carts: All core classes (English, Math, Science, and Social Studies) as well as electives are equipped with shared Chromebook carts for students to use during class as needed.
- Need a Device at Home? If your 6th grader needs a dedicated loaner device for homework or home use, please fill out our Take Home Device Request form.

7th & 8th Grade: Transitioning Mid-Year

- August – October: Operations remain business-as-usual with current individual Chromebooks.

- November 17–19: All 7th and 8th-grade Chromebooks and chargers will be collected in classrooms right before Thanksgiving break.
- Information for how to request a loaner device will go out in October 2026.
- December: Assignments will be paper-and-pencil based while our tech department converts collected devices into classroom carts.
- January 2027: The entire campus will officially be fully onboarded to the shared classroom cart model. *(Home-use devices can still be requested via the administration as needed).*

We ask that you review these details with your student before school starts so they feel prepared for day one. We deeply appreciate your partnership as we work together to support our students' academic success and well-being.

KEY DATES

Wed, Aug 5

Greene Office opens.

Aug 5-7, Summer Hours: 8:30 am – 2:00 pm.

Aug 10, Regular Hours begin: Monday – Friday, 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM.

Tues, Aug 11 – 9:30am – 1:30pm – Front lawn on N. California

Bike Safety and Repair Clinic sponsored by the Greene PTA and the City of Palo Alto Safe Routes to School

Bike repairs will be on a first come-first serve basis.

Popsicles provided by PTA!

Bike Safety and Repair Clinic Flyer

Safe Routes to School Map

PAUSD e-bike information

Tues, Aug 11 – 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm – MPR

New families to Greene are invited to **Greene 101** on Tuesday, August 11th from 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm in our Multi-Purpose Room (MPR). Adults will attend an informational session in the MPR while students will attend a breakout session with our leadership students, including a student panel Q & A and tour of campus.

Wed, Aug 12 – 12:00 pm – Check Infinite Campus

STUDENT SCHEDULES available at 12:00 pm. To view your student's schedule, log in to Infinite Campus. If you have questions, please contact your child's counselor. Students can print out and fill in this student fillable schedule prior to coming to campus: Fall 2026-Student fillable schedule & map. Note: Schedule change requests will only be available for schedules with errors.

Thurs, Aug 13 – 8:25 am – First day Of School

First Day of School – School starts at 8:25 AM and ends at 3:15 PM. The bell schedule for our first days can be found here: Aug 2026 First Days Bell Schedule

Thurs, Aug 13 – Mon, Aug 17

Jaguar Journey (orientation program) for students – On these three days, 6th graders will review orientation components during classes, and 7th & 8th grade students will review important school information through classes. Interested parents can sign up to volunteer here: Jaguar Journey Volunteer Interest Form

Tues, Aug 18 & Wed, Aug 19

School Picture Days! Photos will be taken for all students through their PE classes. If ordering online (https://my.lifetouch.com) please use our picture day ID code: **EVT78GHGZ.**

Aug 2026-School Photo info flyer

NOTE: *School Photo make-up day is Tuesday, September 29, 2026*

Wed, Aug 19 – 6:30pm

First Principal's Google Meet at 6:30pm.

https://meet.google.com/ohm-pmkt-drz

Fri, Aug 21

Completed Acknowledgements and Purchases & Donations Forms due on ParentSquare or to the Front Office.

Wed, Aug 26 – 5:30-8:00pm

Back-to School Night – Mark your calendars. More information will come through Parent Square.

Thurs, Sept 3

Early Release Thursday Schedule. **2:30pm Dismissal.**

Fri, Sept 4

Minimum Day Schedule. 12:40pm Dismissal.

Mon, Sep 7

NO SCHOOL. Labor Day Holiday

Greene PTA

The Greene Middle School PTA is excited to kick off another amazing year! Whether you're new to our community or returning, we're so glad to have you with us for the 2026-2027 school year.

Our **PTA Annual Give Fundraising Campaign**, kindly requests each Greene family make a donation of **$450 per Greene student - or give what you can!** Your generous support enables the PTA to fund the following list below and organize so much more.

What does the PTA do?

- **Materials and Supplies** - Back to School materials for every student and over 60% of Classroom Materials;
- **Enrichment Programs** - Science, Math, Arts, Cultural Events, Student Workshop Programs, and Field Trips;
- **Student and Parent Community** - Leadership, Wellness, Spirit Weeks, Dances, Student Clubs, Spiritwear, Community Coffees, Just Parties (community parties);
- **Academic Support** - Homework Habitat (Greene's After-School Homework Center);
- **Library Resources** - Expanding book titles and learning materials for all students;
- **Teacher Appreciation** - Teacher and Staff recognition throughout the year
- **Let's make this year great - together! DONATE HERE**

Greene Middle School PTA is a tax exempt 501(c)(3) charity. Donations are tax deductible Tax ID 94-6172286

You can also mail checks: GREENE PTA, 750 N. California Ave., Palo Alto, CA 94303

CORPORATE MATCHING

Make a donation to the PTA and your employer may match your donation to DOUBLE its amount! Below are just some of our Bay Area employers who have a Corporate Matching program. **If you work for one of these companies – please click on the link to apply for a Matching Grant**.

- Google - https://google.benevity.org/
- Apple - https://apple.benevity.org/

- Nvidia - https://nvidia.benevity.org/
- Oracle - https://oracle.benevity.org/
- Genentech - https://genentech.benevity.org/
- Intel - https://intel.benevity.org/
- Adobe - https://adobe.benevity.org/
- Gilead - https://gilead.benevity.org/

"JUST PARTIES" FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN

Greene Middle School's long-standing tradition of **family-hosted parties** is more than just a way to build community—it's a powerful way to support our students. Every ticket purchased directly funds vital programs and resources that enrich our children's education.
Join us and be part of something that truly makes a difference!
What is "*Just Parties*" ?
Just Parties are fun events generously hosted and funded by one or more Greene families. 100% of party ticket sales go directly to the Greene PTA to support our school.

These popular events often sell out quickly—especially during our **free Parent Social in September,** which kicks off the Just Parties ticket sales!

Get excited & mark your calendar for the **Just Parties Ticket Launch Event! FREE! Friday, Sept. 18 from 6:00pm - 8:00pm** at the Lucie Stern Community Center - Patio

Want to host a party for "*Just Parties*"? Or join a group looking for more party hosts? Please fill out the form **HERE.**

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

For the 2026-27 school year, the Greene PTA will be providing school supplies for each student. Binder, pencil/pen case, pencils, pens, Binder Reminder Student Planner, and more!

These school supplies will be handed out during the Advisory period.

VOLUNTEER

There are many opportunities to get involved with the Greene PTA and on campus events & activities. Our dedicated team is always in need of helping hands to have fun and support our amazing students, teachers and staff.
If you would like to volunteer, please complete this form and join this **PTA volunteer whatsapp group** so we can text you when we are short handed! Thank You!

JOIN GREENE PTA

Please join our PTA! Membership is $10 (not tax deductible)
PTA Membership is essential if you wish to attend PTA Meetings and vote on any agenda items!

PiE

Be a PiE Champion This Year
PiE is in need of parent volunteers to add to our Greene PiE Team. Volunteering can easily be adapted around busy schedules. Your participation makes a huge impact on our students.

How can you help?

As a PiE volunteer you help communicate the benefits of PiE in order to gather donations. These donations fund several of our Electives Teachers and Wellness Counselors. PiE volunteers are fellow parents sharing information to support our students. We have one-time event opportunities where you can help with as little or as often your schedule allows throughout the school year. Examples of these events are sending emails in November, being at a table at music events, or speaking at school parent meetings.
Interested? Email greene@papie.org for more details.

Make a Partners in Education (PiE) donation:
PiE funds important electives, music programs, counselors and classroom support. Learn more on PiE's website. You may also donate via the PiE donation website or Back to School Forms linked below. Forms can be dropped off in the Greene Main Office PiE donation box. Thank you for your contribution to PiE!
2026 PiE Back to School Form (English)
2026 PiE Back to School Form (Spanish)
2026 PiE Back to School Form (Mandarin)

YCS

YCS is our local Youth Community Service organization.
Please click on the link provided for more information on how to get involved with local community service.
LINK: August 2026 - Youth Community Service Information Flyer

Youth Community Service donations can be submitted through this link:
https://www.youthcommunityservice.org/donate-to-ycs/

Yearbook

Pre-purchase to reserve your 2026-27 Yearbook now!

Throughout the 26-27 school year, your child will be making memories. Please click on the link provided to reserve your 26-27 Yearbook now for $50, prices go up to $60 on November 1st.
LINK: Pre-purchase to reserve 26-27 Yearbook now

8th Grade Baby Ads
Traditionally, 8th grade families have marked this milestone in our annual yearbook by purchasing an 8th grade Baby Ad. Baby ads can be ¼ page for $70 or ½ page for $120 featuring photos and a personal message from the 8th grader's family marking their promotion to high school. Baby ads must be purchased and submitted by January 9th for our publication. For more information or to purchase an 8th grade Baby Ad, click the link below.
LINK: Purchase an 8th Grade Baby Ad

Get involved with the Yearbook
Our annual yearbook is created through a yearbook club which meets at lunchtime and afterschool during the school year. If you or your child would like to get involved with the creation of our yearbook, please submit an interest form.
LINK: Yearbook Club Interest Form

You can also get involved by submitting your photos of events held outside of school hours (i.e. Greene Sports, Dances, Concerts, etc.) through "Yearbook Snap". Click on the link for more information about how to submit your photos for yearbook consideration.
LINK: Yearbook Snap Information