



AXL ADVENTURES
weekly newsletter

December 8, 2011

Celebrations

- **We sat down with Ms. Clare Nelson, Director of Student Achievement, to talk about AXL's new CHALLENGE curriculum!**

Q: Ms. Nelson, how does AXL address the needs of gifted students?

A: Students who demonstrate advanced skills in certain areas are given enrichment in the classroom paired with frequent monitoring by teachers. Some students participate in extension projects that they work on independently and/or with me in order to challenge them academically.

Q: How do students get involved with these extension projects?

A: Students must first complete enrichment work in the classroom with their teacher, as well as score all 3's and 4's on their assessments. They also must score advanced on Galileo benchmark assessments, administered 3 times a year.

Q: What if a student scores advanced in math, but not in reading and writing?

A: Most students have an area of strength, so our goal is to provide them with enrichment and challenge in the specific area they need.

Q: Can you give us some examples of these exciting extension projects?

A: The extension projects can take many different forms. They can either extend the learning students are doing in their expedition or they can focus on a new, higher level skill. These projects are intended to be cross-curricular, so they contain components of math, reading, writing, science, and 21st century research and presentation skills.

- **Buy your first-ever AXL yearbook today!** The yearbook features all AXL students, grades prek – eighth! They are only \$13.00 if purchased by January 15. After that date, the price increases to \$15.00. The deadline for orders is March 23. Order forms are available at the front desk; checks should be made out to AXL Academy.



Upcoming Events

- **The Skate City event is coming up! Join AXL community members on Wednesday, December 14 from 1:30-3:30pm for a skating party!** There will be a fun bus providing a free ride to and from school! **If your scholar would like to ride the fun bus, a permission slip must be turned in by Monday, December 12.**
- **The next round of afterschool clubs starts Tuesday, January 3! Sign up is available at the front desk.** The cost of clubs is \$40 for the ten-week term. There are a variety of clubs to choose from, including a new round of art club for 3rd-5th grade. See details below:
- **Art Club is looking for up to 20 3rd-5th grade AXL Scholars with the desire to develop personal creative skills as well as work with others in building AXL's creative community!** In Art Club, members will learn and practice a variety of creative techniques (including but not limited to painting, drawing, sculpture and digital art). Club member artwork will be exhibited at community events throughout the year.

Important Announcements

- **There is a lunch menu attached to this newsletter!** If you have any questions please contact Nathan Byrne, Director of Operations, at nathan@axlacademy.org or 303.377.0758 ext. 105.
- The attached lunch menu is due to the front office by **Tuesday, December 13.**

MENU OPTIONS for January 2nd– January 13th, 2012
Orders Must be submitted on Tuesday, December 13th!

STUDENT _____ CREW _____ DATE _____

PARENT NAME _____ PARENT SIGNATURE _____

Monday, January 2, 2012

- Professional Development- No Classes
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Tuesday, January 3, 2012

- Chicken Parmesan with Alfredo Fusilli Pasta, Fresh Steamed Broccoli and Honey Roasted Soy Nuts
- Garden Vegetable Bean Soup with Whole Wheat Dinner Roll and Honey Roasted Soy Nuts
- Chicken Salad Sandwich with Green Leaf Lettuce and Sea Salt Pita Chips
- Turkey, Egg and Cheese Chef Salad with Romaine Lettuce, Cilantro Yogurt Dipping, and Whole Wheat Dinner Roll

Wednesday, January 4, 2012

- Buffalo Chicken Wings with Cheesy Rice, Steamed Corn and Individual Whole Grain Cheddar Goldfish Crackers
- All Natural Bean and Cheese Burrito with Baby Carrots
- Southwest Chicken Wrap with Romaine Lettuce and Taco Salad Dressing
- Vegetarian Taco Salad with Romaine Lettuce, Taco Salad Dressing, Whole Wheat Dinner Roll and Honey Roasted Soy Nuts

Thursday, January 5, 2012

- Chicken Enchilada with Verde Sauce, Spanish Rice and Steamed Corn
- Cheese Ravioli with Steamed Carrots, Whole Wheat Dinner Roll and Honey Roasted Soy Nuts
- All Natural Ham and Cheese Sandwich on a Fresh Baked Roll with Green Leaf Lettuce, and Honey Roasted Soy Nuts
- Revy Cheeseburger on a Fresh Baked Bun with Organic Ketchup and Baby Carrots

Friday, January 6, 2012

- All Natural Boneless Honey Glazed Chicken with Cheesy Rice and Fresh Butternut Squash
- Veggie Chili with Cheese and Whole Wheat Dinner Roll
- Chicken Caesar Wrap with Romaine Lettuce and Caesar Dressing
- All Natural Beef Hot Dog on a Fresh Baked Bun with Organic Ketchup, Sea Salt Pita Chips and Baby Carrots

PLEASE TURN OVER FOR NEXT WEEK AND BREAKFAST

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Monday, January 9, 2012

- All Natural Boneless BBQ Chicken with Cheesy Rice and Braised Greens
- Deep Dish Cheese Pizza with Baby Carrots
- Sesame Chicken Wrap with Sesame Vinaigrette and Sesame Sticks
- Sunbutter and Jelly Sandwich with Celery Sticks and String Cheese

Tuesday, January 10, 2012

- Spaghetti Marinara with All Natural Meatballs and Cheese and Steamed Carrots
- Handmade Chicken Tamale with Seasoned Black Beans, Brown Rice and Steamed Corn
- Pasta Marinara with Parmesan, White Beans and Steamed Carrots
- All Natural Turkey and Cheese Sandwich on a Fresh Baked Roll with Green Leaf Lettuce, and Sea Salt Pita Chips
- Vegetarian Taco Salad with Romaine Lettuce, Taco Salad Dressing, Whole Wheat Dinner Roll and Honey Roasted Soy Nuts

Wednesday, January 11, 2012

- NEW!!** Buffalo Chicken Sandwich with Baby Carrots and Honey Roasted Soy Nuts
- Cheese Enchilada with Verde Sauce, Spanish Rice and Steamed Corn
- Chicken Salad Sandwich with Green Leaf Lettuce and Sea Salt Pita Chips
- All Natural Chili Dog with Cheese on a Fresh Baked Bun, Honey Roasted Soy Nuts and Steamed Corn

Thursday, January 12, 2012

- BBQ Chicken Wings with Cheesy Rice, Steamed Corn and Individual Whole Grain Cheddar Goldfish Crackers
- Macaroni and Cheese with Baked Beans and Baby Carrots
- All Natural Chicken Fajita Burrito
- BBQ Turkey and Cheese Wrap with Romaine Lettuce and Creamy BBQ Dressing

Friday, January 13, 2012

- Chicken Noodle and Vegetable Soup with Sunflower Seeds and Whole Wheat Dinner Roll
- Fiesta Bowl with Chicken, Steamed Corn and Sea Salt Pita Chips
- All Natural Ham and Cheese Sandwich on a Fresh Baked Roll with Green Leaf Lettuce, Mayonnaise on the Side and Honey Roasted Soy Nuts
- Spaghetti Marinara with Vegetarian Meat Sauce, White Beans and Steamed Carrots

Total Number of Lunches	Total Price
1	\$3.20
2	\$6.40
3	\$9.60
4	\$12.80
5	\$16.00
6	\$19.20
7	\$22.40
8	\$25.60
9	\$28.80
10	\$32.00

Breakfast- No Cash will be taken during breakfast. Payment must be received in advance. Full price Breakfast is \$10 per week, \$2 per day. No charge for free AND reduced lunch students. Please check which week you would like breakfast and include the cost with your lunch payment.

Oct. 31th- Nov.4th Breakfast _____

Nov. 7th- Nov. 11th Breakfast _____