

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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AUGUST
2009

Important Dates

August 6
Back to School Social

August 10
First Day of School
Early Release for grades
8-12

August 21
Early Release 12:25

August 25
Picture day

MESSAGE FROM THE PO PRESIDENT

Dear TPA Students, Families and Faculty,

The Parent Organization begins the new school year with a vision of increased family involvement this school year: involvement that will build friendships, an increased sense of community, and help to meet the overwhelming needs of the school. Involvement in volunteer opportunities, fundraising, extracurricular activities-sports, clubs, and social events will serve to cultivate our vision. We are all dedicated to our children's academic pursuits; that is one of the reasons we have chosen TPA. Let us be just as dedicated to building up the community of TPA. We can do this together by volunteering our time & talents and participating in the wide range of opportunities available at TPA. Your involvement will help to make this a great school year.

Lynda Hartzler
Parent Organization President

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Parking Lot Procedures

Please adhere to the following procedures when picking up your student(s) at the end of the day:

Upon entering the parking lot, please pull your car into an available parking space.

When your student arrives at the front pick-up area, you may pull your car to the front and pick-up your student.

Please **do not park or wait** for students in the front pick-up area.

We appreciate your cooperation.

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BACK-TO-SCHOOL SOCIAL

Thursday, August 6th

6:30 pm

TPA Campus

Meet up with old friends and meet new friends. Sign up to be involved at TPA this year. Purchase used uniforms. Receive class schedules and locker assignments.

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ICE SKATING SOCIAL

Friday September 11th

3:30 pm - 7 pm

Oceanside Ice Arena

Mark your calendars: TPA's Fall Ice Skating Social is scheduled for September 11 at Oceanside Ice Arena, 1520 N. McClintock. This is an all school, closed door event open to TPA students only.

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Open skating: 3:30-5:15
Broomball: 5:15-7 (**WEAR ATHLETIC SHOES**).

Tickets will be available two weeks prior to the event at TPA. \$10 if purchased at school, \$12 at the door. A full service snack bar will be open during the event.

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PO MEETINGS

August 18TH

4:30pm-6pm

The TPA Parent Organization extends a warm invitation for you to attend its monthly meetings. PO meeting will be held the 3rd Tuesday of every month (except March which will be the 4th Tuesday) from 4:30 pm-6 pm at TPA; room to be announced.

HOMECOMING

The Homecoming dance has been rescheduled from September 26th to September 19th from 7pm-11pm. Location TBD.

SAVE THE DATE: CURRICULUM NIGHT

Thursday, September 3rd, 6:30pm

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

The TPA and TPJA Board of Directors wishes to extend a warm invitation for members of our community to attend its monthly meetings. Generally, the meetings begin at 6:00 p.m. during the second week each month, and are held in the Student Union. Please consult the school calendar at www.tempeprep.org for the exact date of each month's meeting. The agenda is posted in advance of the meetings on the bulletin board at the front office and also online at www.tempeprep.org/pages/downloads/TPAboard_agendas.html. At the beginning of each meeting, the Board President will make a call to the public, during which time any member of the public may address the Board of Directors on any issue not already on that meeting's agenda. The names, contact information, and summary of each director's professional background can be found on the website.

COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Committee **Volunteers** are **needed** for the following positions:

- Booster Sales
- Eighth Grade Promotion
- High School Graduation
- Hospitality
- Hot Lunch Program
- Ice Skating Social

Contact Lynda Hartzler:
hartzlerdl@cox.net

COMMITTEE COORDINATORS NEEDED

Committee **Coordinators** are **needed** for the following positions:

- Carpool
- Eighth Grade Promotion
- High School Graduation
- Marquee
- Renaissance Fair
 - Set Up
 - Clean Up
 - Banner Set Up
 - Food
 - Booster Sales
 - Games
 - Bake Sale
 - Volunteer Coordinator
 - Ticket Sales
- Booster Sales
- Class Basket Fundraiser
- School Store
- Mobil Mini maintenance

Contact Lynda Hartzler:
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OUTDOOR MAINTENANCE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are requesting volunteers to help keep our campus tidy. If you can volunteer once each week, one weekend per month, or whenever your schedule permits, please contact:

Mrs. Veenstra at rveenstra@tempeprep.org or (480)839-3402

OFFICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

- Parking Lot Traffic Control
- Sports Dessert Banquets
- Teacher Appreciation
- Teacher Birthdays
- Used Uniform
- BBQ Grill Maintenance

CLASSROOM LIAISONS NEEDED

One liaison for each section is needed. Liaisons are the contact person for their section. Class liaisons are responsible for making phone calls to parents with respect to social events, fundraisers (Renaissance Festival) and school activities. They are also in charge of coordinating a holiday party with the other Class Liaisons in their grade.

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Volunteer sign-up sheets will also be available at Back to School night on August 6th

ODYSSEY OF THE MIND

Odyssey of the Mind is a creative, problem solving extra-curricular program offered at TPA for both Junior High and High School students. It was first developed in 1979 by Dr. Sam Micklus during an Industrial Design class at Rowan University in New Jersey to challenge his students & encourage creative problem-solving. Odyssey of the Mind involves teams who compete against other schools at regional, state, and international competitions. Competitive settings are available to allow teams to demonstrate their critical thinking and problem solving skills. Teams consist of up to 7 members who choose a problem from a list of five. These 5 problem types include 1) vehicle, 2) technical, 3) classics, 4) structure, & 5) theatrical. (A brief description of each problem is listed below.) By working in a team, participants learn teamwork, self-respect, the appreciation and understanding of others, and that a group is a more powerful thinking force than an individual. Teams who finish first or second in their division/problem advance on to the next level of competition.

Last year, TPA fielded 8 teams consisting of 3 Junior High (Division 2) and 5 High School (Division 3) teams. Six of the eight teams earned an invitation to the World Tournament at Iowa State University in late May. Four of those teams traveled to Iowa to compete in the tournament. Of those, three teams finished in the middle of their packs. These were the Division 2 Vehicle (a first year team), Division 3 Technical, and Division 3 Classics teams.

The fourth team, Division 3 Vehicle Team A, placed 5th in their division, beating out 32 other teams from around the country and the world. They were the only team out of 31 teams from Arizona to be recognized at the closing ceremonies. The members of this highly accomplished team are Ryan Ashton, Rowena Garvie, Margaret Golka, Trevor Hughes, Courtney Krygier, Joe Musico, and Brianna Valdez.

Congratulations to all 8 teams that competed last year. The 2009-2010 season promises to be just as fun and challenging. Start thinking!

For more information about this challenging program, please stop by our booth at Back to School Night on Thursday, August 6th or call Program Director, Dave Dischinger, at 480-966-2753, or email at om@tempeprep.org.

Odyssey of the Mind Problems:

Vehicle Problem

Teams design, build and operate vehicles of various sizes and with various power sources. Sometimes they drive the vehicles, and sometimes the vehicles perform tasks, such as overcoming obstacles or visiting other “countries” to retrieve artifacts.

Technical Problem

Teams make innovative contraptions and incorporate artistic elements into their solutions. They might be asked to write an original musical score to play on a “new” type of instrument, or to build a robot with human characteristics, or to perform tasks using a chain reaction of snapping mousetraps.

Classics Problem

The theme of this problem is based on the classical, from literature to architecture to art. Whether it’s writing an additional chapter to *Moby Dick* or bringing paintings to life, it’s always a terrific learning experience.

Structure Problem

Teams design and build structures, using only balsa wood and glue. They test them by supporting and holding as much weight as possible, sometimes more than a thousand pound! Teams usually present a skit as part of the Style presentation.

Theatrical Problem

In this problem, teams present performances that revolve around a specific theme and incorporate required elements. Past themes include “morphing” objects, animals that express human emotions, and originating folktales.

SPEECH AND DEBATE

Join the 2009 – 2010 State Championship Speech & Debate Team.

Do you want to be part of one of the best competitive teams in the state? Regardless of school size? A team that has won state (1A-2A-3A) **four years running?**

Speech & Debate Wants YOU!

What is Speech & Debate?

The most fun you'll have while wearing a suit and tie

A place where being a smart-mouth or a wise-cracker is considered an asset

Where hard work pays off

Learning skills you will use in high school, college and future employment

Three different debate types

Crazy weekends with hundreds of other competitors

Acting, Arguing, Presenting, Pwning

Trying to convince some random mom you're the smartest guy in the room

Ten different speech events

Where no one cares how much you can bench-press but will be impressed if you are familiar with the works of Slavoj Žižek

Eating dinner with the team and laughing over what some crazy judge thought about your brilliant piece

Pretending you are a Congressman (without the bribes)

Meeting lots of other students from around the state that are pretty cool too

Being on a team that is among the best in the state and watching the face of your competitor when you say your school only has 200 students total (yes – beating the huge schools is fun)

Getting a shot at competing at a national level tournament with thousands of competitors

All of the above!

Speech & Debate is an activity that not only provides you with skills you will use in school and the rest of your life, but provides a competitive venue for them as well. TPA's team is considered among the top in the state, of any school, not just small charter schools.

Approximately 60 schools participate in speech and debate across the state; most of them are 5A schools. We are an **AIA** activity – just like sports. Unfortunately that means the competitive team is only open to high schoolers. There will be a Junior High program, including a tournament with the Great Hearts schools during Fourth Quarter.

Come and check it out. **Our first meeting will be Monday, August 17, in Room 403 right after school.**

Look for our table at the back-to-school night and ask questions. We can tell you about the time commitment, tournament schedule, etc.

Plan on being a part of one of the best teams in the state! Email TPADebate@cox.net for more details.

Extracurricular Performing Arts

This year we are offering...

- * Our wonderful **choir**, Cantamus (please see below), directed by Mrs. Cassandra Ewer. Audition required
- * Our top-notch string group, **Varsity Strings**, directed by Mr. Scott Tran. Audition required
- * Our beginning and intermediate strings group, **Junior Varsity Strings**, directed by Miss Rebecca Benitez. No audition required
- * Our fledgling winds group, **TPA Winds** (for brass and woodwinds), directed by Mr. Michael Burns. No audition required
- * Our fabulous **opera workshop**, this year featuring the longest-running musical in history, *The Fantasticks*, directed by Mr. Ben Tyler (performances in the spring semester). Audition required

Find the extracurricular performing arts table at the back-to-school social for more information.
Dr. Edward Wolfe

CANTAMUS NEWS

Great music and a very fun year is planned for the singers of Cantamus! Read on for important information:

1. Rehearsals will be Tuesday mornings from 7:30 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. for the full Cantamus choir and on Thursday mornings (same time) for sectional rehearsals.
2. Auditions for any new singers interested in participating in Cantamus will be held from 5:00 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. on Thursday, August 6 (before the school social) and August 11 - 14 before school 7:30 - 8:15 a.m. Please email Mrs. Ewer at director@tpacantamus.org to schedule a specific audition time. An audition sign-up will be available at the back-to-school social.
3. Returning singers will need to sign in at the back-to-school social (or email Mrs. Ewer at director@tpacantamus.org) to confirm their spot in Cantamus.
4. Any returning Cantamus singers who have NOT auditioned for a solo or small group in the past year will need to schedule a time to sing for Mrs. Ewer before rehearsals begin.

It's going to be a great year!!

MESSAGE FROM OUR NEW ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

“Success is not so much what we have as it is what we are.” This quote from John Rohn defines the way we measure success at Tempe Prep, especially in our Athletic Department. We have achieved much with very little: 5 women’s 1A State track titles, 2 men’s 1A State track titles, 1 women’s 1A-3A State soccer title, 2 women’s 1A-3A State soccer runner-up titles, and many region championships and state play-off appearances. In 2007-2008, Tempe Prep was awarded the E.A. Rowe award for excellence in extracurricular activities in the 1A Conference. All this with no home football field, no home volleyball court, no home basketball court, no home soccer field, no home baseball or softball fields, and no track or field event facilities. This level of success comes from dedicated leadership, including athletic administration and coaches, excellent students and a vast network of caring parent volunteers who believe in what athletics brings to their student’s TPA experience.

As your new Athletic Director, my commitment is to continue to do whatever I can to assure that the coaching staff and athletes have everything they need to have the opportunities for continued success. As we enter the next two years as members of the 2A Conference, I am confident our coaches and athletes will do everything in their power to be competitive and exhibit the highest level of sportsmanship no matter whom we face.

My background is in education as I received my Bachelors of Arts degree in Education from the University of Nebraska- Kearney. I home-schooled my 4 children for 16 years. I am proud to say they are all graduates of TPA. In 2001, I was hired part-time to be the Assistant Athletic Director. Under the mentorship of then Athletic Director Rich Polley, I served as Assistant AD for 8 years. During that time I also held the position of 1A West Region Secretary for 2 years. I have also been the head women’s high school basketball coach for 8 years, an assistant men’s and women’s track coach for 6 years, the head high school softball coach for 2 years and the Head JV volleyball coach for 2 years. I feel completely qualified and ready to take on the full-time position of Athletic Director at Tempe Prep. At this point, I do not have an assistant. However, I will take any volunteer help that is available.

I am excited about some changes in our Athletic Department, as I have nearly every coaching position filled at the high school level. I have also launched a new website for Tempe Prep athletics. You will find the link on the current Tempe Prep school website very soon. I think you will find it very helpful in keeping track of schedules, rosters, coaches, directions and game results. With the help of a volunteer, my goal is to update it weekly to provide the most current information for parents, athletes and fans. We are also implementing a new sports card pass which will give parents and fans the opportunity to buy admission to all home games upfront, never having to worry about having money to enter a home game! These passes will be available at the Open House on August 6.

With your help and support we will continue to have an excellent athletic program. Success, no matter how you define it, defines Tempe Prep. Go Knights!

Nancy Calahan – Athletic Director

THE ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT HAS A NEW WEBSITE

For the best and most current information on schedules and directions for junior high and high school sports, please refer to the Athletic Department’s new website at tempeprepathletics.org. Information regarding high school football and volleyball is on the website. The junior high schedules will NOT be done until August 17 at the earliest. Thanks to Mrs. Beene and Mrs. Calahan for all their time and effort providing families with the most current sports information.

FOOTBALL FOR JUNIOR HIGH AND HIGH SCHOOL

Grades 6-8 are encouraged to participate in Southeast Valley Youth Football. This is a tackle program that classifies athletes by weight and age and includes many current and former Knights among its participants. The season runs from mid-August through late October. Practices are Mon-Fri for the first 3 weeks and twice weekly after that. All games are on Saturdays. Tempe Prep does not offer flag football because we prefer the kids to have a more formative experience playing real football before they begin competing in high school.

High school athletes should be aware that formal practices begin Monday, August 10th after school. Practices are on weekdays and run from 4:00 pm - 6:15 pm. JV games are on Mondays generally, and varsity games are on Friday nights, generally. All paper work is due one week prior to the season i.e. Monday August 3rd. This includes fees, an AIA physical and all participation forms.

The fees for high school sports are the same as last year although the fees do not nearly cover the actual cost of the sport (or any other high school sport for that matter). Therefore, in addition to the fees, which are mandatory and a prerequisite to participation, each athlete needs to work to bring in at least one tax credit for every sport they participate in. Although we cannot mandate this task, we all must understand that unless the athletes and their families make a strong effort to help secure tax credits and other fundraising for athletics at TPA, fees will skyrocket in the coming years. We want to make athletics as affordable as possible for all our young athletes.

Needs of the football program are as follows: preeminently we need parent volunteers to make the season a success.

Some areas in which a parent can volunteer are as follows: facilitating team communication with the families, working the chain gangs, bringing water to and from practices and games, manning the snack stand at home games, travel to and from games and a carpool coordinator, providing snacks for half-time and after games, hosting team parties, repairing damaged or frayed equipment, a team mom for the JV squad and a team Mom for the Varsity, help with the Touchdown Club, calling in scores to the Arizona Republic, planning the end of the year banquet, filming games and opponents' games, etc. etc. etc.

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This season will be our inaugural year in the 2A conference. It is a great opportunity. We will travel much less and the competition will be much, much tougher. Let's all pull together to ensure that the tradition of excellence, in all Tempe Prep sports, continues strong.

If you have any questions about football at TPA please contact me, Tom Brittain, at gbrittain@tempeprep.org or at home at 480-641-7612.

DOUBLE YOUR DONATION

Please note that some businesses will match their employee's donations. Check with your employer about matching your contributions to Tempe Prep.

NOTES FROM THE TOUCHDOWN CLUB

Here are the upcoming football team events:

.Leadership camp: August 7th - 9th.

.Training Camp: rigorous practice after school in uniform: August 10th -14th or 15th

.Parent Orientation: Evening of August 14th

Also, the Touchdown club will be selling Entertainment books starting August 10th, 2009. The senior class has been invited to join us so they may raise money for their senior trip. This year the Entertainment books will sell for \$30 and will include four \$5 gift cards, one each for El Pollo Loco, Macayo's, TGI Friday and Native New Yorker. Please contact info@Knighitime.org if you would like to sell or buy books. Also, we ask businesses that have public access to allow us to sell books in front of their place of business.

Thank you and Go Knights!

Diane Rines

CROSS COUNTRY

Cross Country practice begins on August 11th for all high school and junior high athletes. All paperwork and payments must be received before athletes may join us. Please see Mrs. Hickernell, Dr. Hickernell, or Mrs. Alf at the "Back to School Social" for paperwork. Questions and requests for paperwork may also be sent by email to Mrs. Hickernell at Lhickernell@tempeprep.org.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The high school football team has a record number of players participating this fall - 45!!



However, we did not anticipate this number when we calculated our 2009-2010 budget for football. We need to outfit 5 new players, plus replace worn and damaged equipment! Please consider how you might like to "sponsor" a Tempe Prep football player. Outlined below is a list of what equipment will be ordered to accommodate our large numbers.

Helmet - \$125

Shoulder Pads - \$120

Home and Away Game Jersey - \$150

Home and Away Game Pants - \$75

All Other Pads \$30

Completely outfit one player: \$500

You can choose to sponsor a portion of the equipment listed above from one item, two items, etc. or choose to sponsor an entire player for \$500. Please contact Nancy Calahan, Athletic Director, to help with this budget crisis. This contribution would be in addition to your annual tax credit to support all Tempe Prep extra-curriculars. If you choose to remain anonymous, please indicate so on your check, as I wish to publish all names of donors in our football game programs. All checks should be made out to Tempe Prep Academy and "sponsor football player" indicated on the memo line. You can also give by credit card on the Tempe Prep website via PayPal (please note that you are donating to sponsor a football player). Thanks for supporting Knights football!



Nancy Calahan
Athletic Director

COACHES FOR FALL 2009

Head Varsity football coach: Tom Brittain

Head Junior Varsity football coach: Sam Bryant

Assistant Football Coaches: James Atkinson, Josh Costella, Darren Ingram, Mark Milek

Head Varsity Volleyball Coach: Alisa Zawodny

Assistant Varsity Volleyball Coach: Sarah Lulling

Head Junior Varsity Volleyball Coach: Rachel Knebelsberger

Assistant Junior Varsity Volleyball Coach: Lacey Rhoades

Head Cross Country Coach: Tom Hickernell

Assistant Cross Country Coaches: Lori Hickernell/Carey Alf

Head Junior High Cross Country Coach: Lori Hickernell

Assistant Junior High Cross Country Coach: Carey Alf

Junior High Volleyball Coaches: Jim Ditsworth/Carissa Drake

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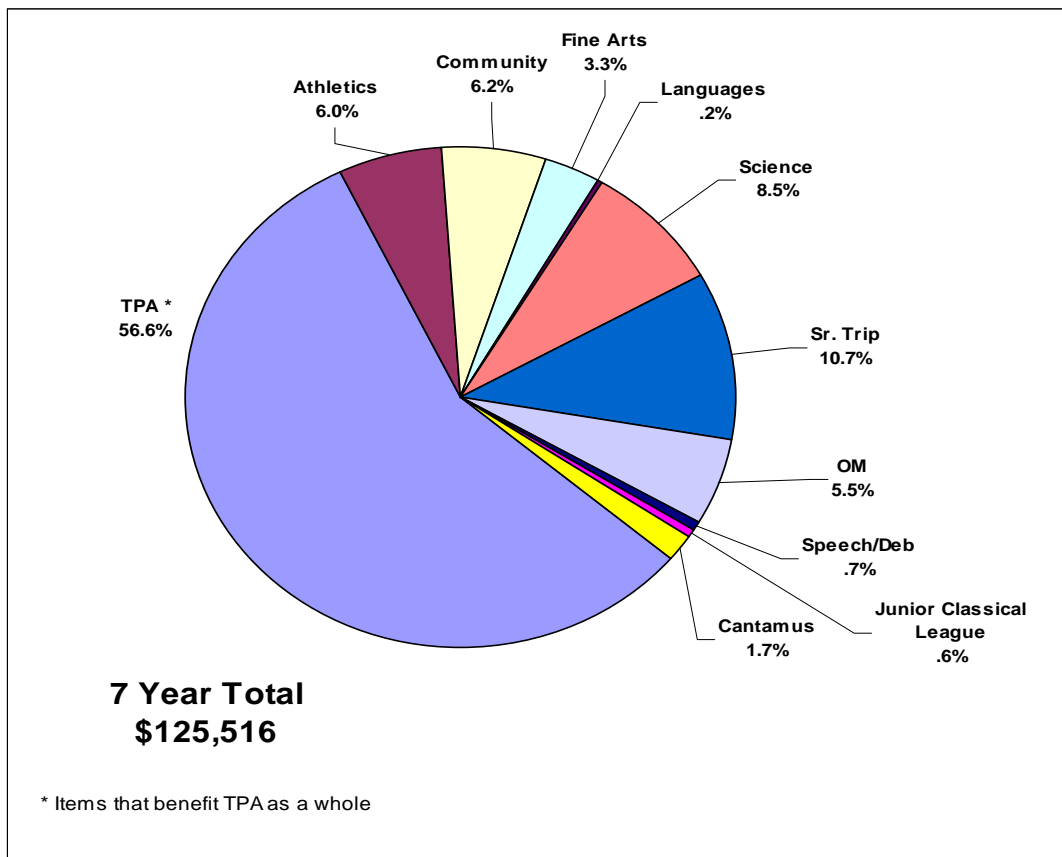
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| 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 Back to School Social, 6:30pm TPA Campus | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| 10 First Day of School | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| 17 Early Dismissal 12:25pm for grades 8-12 3:10pm for grades 6-7 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 Early Release 12:25pm | 22 | 23 |
| 24 Speech & Debate Room 403 right after school. | 25 PO Meeting 4:30pm-6:00pm | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| 31 | Picture Day | | | | | |

Summary of PO Discretionary Spending Through June 2009

(If you have questions, please contact Kelly Walterscheid, PO treasurer, at walterscheidp@asme.org)

The TPA Parent Organization does fundraising throughout the school year with our Hot Lunch program, but our largest fundraising event is the *Renaissance Fair*. In general, money is spent for items to enhance the classroom and campus environment, for extracurricular needs, and travel expenses not covered in the school budget. Preference is given to areas benefiting the most students. Monies are not spent for compensation or any administrative needs or to make up for shortfalls in the school's operations budget. In addition to the discretionary spending summarized below, the PO has paid for or subsidized sports banquets, the Snowstorm program, the 8th and 12th grade graduation receptions, teacher appreciation, the school newsletter, and refreshments for the back-to-school social and various other social events.

| | 2002-2003 | 2003-2004 | 2004-2005 | 2005-2006 | 2006-2007 | 2007-2008 | 2008-2009 | Total |
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| TPA | 8,885 | 22,907 | 15,617 | 6,902 | 6,531 | 6,020 | 4,263 | 71,124 |
| Athletics | | 1,650 | | | 4,710 | 1,190 | | 7,550 |
| Clubs | | | | 2,830 | 4,315 | 1,926 | 1,500 | 10,571 |
| Community | | | 176 | 150 | 1,151 | 1,068 | 5,273 | 7,817 |
| Fine Arts | | | | | 3,925 | | 280 | 4,205 |
| Languages | | | | 223 | | | | 223 |
| Science | | | 246 | | 495 | 9,910 | | 10,651 |
| Senior Trip | | | | 1,375 | 4,000 | 4,000 | 4,000 | 13,375 |
| Humane Ltrs. | | | | | | | | |
| Math | | | | | | | | |
| Other | | | | | | | | |
| Yearly Total | \$8,885 | \$24,557 | \$16,038 | \$11,480 | \$25,126 | \$24,113 | \$15,317 | 125,516 |



I hope everyone has had an interesting summer break. I know I have! I visited 10 colleges and universities in the Pacific Northwest:

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| Whitworth University | Whitman College |
| Eastern Oregon University | Eastern Washington University |
| The College of Idaho | Boise State University |
| University of Idaho | Washington State University |
| Gonzaga University | Lewis-Clark State College (NOT Lewis & Clark College) |

This was a mixture of private and public institutions. The public universities offer a discount on out-of-state tuition to Arizona students, and Eastern Oregon offers in-state tuition to ALL students. Some of the public institutions are much smaller than our Arizona universities, so they can offer more personal attention. I have lots of photographs and materials on each school I visited, so let me know if you want more information.

I would appreciate an email (vdavies@tempeprep.org) from any student that wants to let me know about their summer experiences- a nudge from the parents couldn't hurt. They can also just stop by my office for a chat. I might want to add their summer program to my list on PrepHQ.

All students that took a summer school class for credit should ask for an official transcript to be sent to Tempe Prep. This is not an automatic process- please ask! Please let me know what transcripts to expect so that I can follow up with the schools if I don't receive a transcript by September. I will give juniors & seniors a copy of their unofficial transcript in late August/early September, so be sure to check for the summer school classes on that transcript.

September will be an exciting month for parents of juniors and seniors. Plans for the Joint College Symposium are being finalized, and you should expect to receive more information in late August about the location and the list of college/university participants.

PSAT and PLAN test registration materials will be distributed by early September. If you want your student to take one of these tests on an alternate date, you will need to contact another school before September. The PSAT is offered at Tempe Prep on Saturday, October 17. This is during the fall break, so keep it in mind when you make travel plans. The only other date for the PSAT is Wednesday, October 14. The College Board has information about schools offering the PSAT at <https://psatordering.collegeboard.com/pno/public/search.do>

Not all schools will accept students from another school for testing, so be sure to call in advance and ask. The PLAN test, offered at Tempe Prep on the Veteran's Day holiday, November 11, does not have a rigid test date, so call another high school to find out when they offer the test. I will have extra copies of both tests that will be available in December after the scores are received. If your student takes the test at home, I will score it for you.

Juniors will start a College Admissions 101 class with a book of information about the college admissions process. Dates for the classes will be announced.

Sophomores and juniors should have received information about registering for PrepHQ (prephq.com/?id=aztempe) with their grades last June. PrepHQ is the place to go for college planning. I keep information about summer programs, scholarships, upcoming college visits, and historical information about Tempe Prep college admissions. Testing information, links to college-related websites, and college information from the Peterson's guide are available, too. Please register now (if you haven't already done so). Send an email to Mrs. Davies (vdavies@tempeprep.org) if you can't remember how to login.

Important Dates:

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| Aug 7 | Regular Registration deadline for Sept ACT |
| Sept 9 | Regular Registration deadline for Oct SAT |
| Sept 18 | Regular Registration deadline for Oct ACT |
| Sept 26 | Joint College Symposium (Juniors, Seniors, & their parents), 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm |
| Sept 27 | NACAC Phoenix College Fair, 12:00 pm – 3:30 pm, Phoenix Civic Center |
| Sept 12 | ACT |
| Oct 10 | SAT |
| Oct 17 | PSAT (Sophomores and Juniors), 8:00 am – 12:00 pm, Zelman |
| Oct 21 & Nov 2 | Junior Parent Night (Junior parents), 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm, Student Union |
| Oct 24 | ACT |
| Nov 9 | Senior Financial Aid Night (Seniors & parents), 7:00 – 8:30pm, Zelman |
| Nov 11 | PLAN (Sophomores), 8:00 am – 12:00 pm, Zelman |

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