

Dear RAM families,

With the school year well under way and Thanksgiving just around the corner, I wanted to take a moment to thank all of you for helping Twin Peaks have a wonderful first quarter. We know that our students are a reflection of your hard work and the values of our community.

The CJSF Canned Food Drive ends this Wednesday, November 16th. Please bring your cans and packaged food items to your RAM class. We have collected 1,032 cans so far. Let's try to beat last year's total, which was 2,836 cans. The RAM class with the most canned goods will receive a prize. Also on Wednesday is our Fall Orchestra Concert at The Poway Center for the Performing Arts between 6 – 8pm.

Once again we are searching for a crossing guard to cover the Twin Peaks and Tierra Bonita intersection. We need coverage from 3:00 – 3:35 in the afternoon. If you or someone you know might be interested in this position, please contact assistant principal, Rod Jiu at rjiu@powayusd.com. Thanks so much for helping keep our students safe. Speaking of safety, the staff at Tierra Bonita have asked us to not park in the through lanes of their parking lot on Thursday afternoons. There are about 100 students that leave from chorus and the parents are having a difficult time picking up their children from school in a safe manner as they have to weave between the cars. Our neighbors to the north appreciate your cooperation.

Our Attendance Office has asked me to remind you to please avoid checking your student out during their lunch period or during the last 30 minutes of the day. As always, if your child is absent for any reason, please call our attendance hotline at (858) 668-2730. We appreciate you sending in doctor's notes for illnesses and doctor or dental appointments.

As the holiday season approaches, Twin Peaks PTSA is proud to once again support the PUSD and Palomar Council PTA Adopt-A-Family program. This program serves over 500 families throughout PUSD each year. These families often struggle to make ends meet throughout the year and that becomes even more difficult during the holidays. These are your student's classmates, your neighbors, your friends. We need your help to give them a memorable holiday. When you adopt a family, or even a single member, you are offering to purchase gifts or gift cards from their wish list. These will be provided to the families prior to the December holidays. *Out of respect to our recipients, both they and their donors will remain anonymous. If you are able to support a family in need, please consider "adopting" a child or an entire family. If you have a company or group (book club, church group, scout troop, etc.) who would like to adopt, please sign up. There are still over 100 families in the PUSD program available for adoption!

Click the following link to make your selection. Specific instructions are provided, including gift guidelines and amounts and delivery instructions. <http://www.slyreply.com/app/sheets/dcwXu4356ehz/>
If you would like to participate but aren't able to adopt an individual or family, we are also encouraging the donation of gas and grocery gift cards that can be provided to the families. These are appreciated from any local merchant, in any denomination. Simply send them to school in a sealed envelope marked "PTSA Adopt-A-Family". Every donation to our gift card drive makes a difference!

If you have any questions, contact Rachel Allums (858) 513-2585 or rachelallums@yahoo.com. THANK YOU!

That's it for now. I look forward to seeing you all tomorrow and remember, it's a 6/2/4 day.

Sincerely,

Dr. Burke