



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
April 19, 2019

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, May 2
Parent Council in Library
6:30
Topic: Meet the Middle School!

Save the Dates! Spring Music Extravanzas have been scheduled:

- K-2: Friday, May 3
1:00-2:00
- 3-5: Friday, May 17
1:30-3:00
- 6-8: Friday, May 24
1:30-3:00 *new date!!*

Save the Dates! Spring Art Shows have been scheduled:

- 1-5: Wednesday, May 8 in library
6:30-7:30
- 6-8: Wednesday, May 22 in library
6:30-7:30

Monday, May 27
Memorial Day, No School

Thursday, May 30
Open House
6:00-7:00

Wednesday, June 5
8th Grade Graduation
10:00 a.m.

Friday, June 7
Crossing the Bridge
10:00 a.m.

A Message from Ms. Seekins

Dear Willow Creek families,

Our 2018-19 Willow Creek Academy Yearbook just went to press!

Ms. Powers and the Yearbook elective class have been hard at work creating a thoughtful, colorful artifact that fully captures our beautiful school community. I know that they are proud of their work, and I know that our students are going to love this Yearbook.

Yearbooks are now available for pre-order on our website (just look under Quick Links on our homepage) for \$22.00 each, or you can bring a check or cash to our front office. Students who are eligible for free or reduced price lunch will receive a Yearbook for free. Yearbooks will be distributed on Tuesday, June 4th.

Many, many thanks to Ms. Powers and her team for designing a beautiful representation of our school year!

Best,

Tara

Attendance Report

Average Daily Attendance this week: 95%
Funds lost this week due to absences: \$4,060
Total funds lost this year due to absences (est.): \$117,717

Please remember that you can request an Independent Study for your child for any planned absence of 3 or more days. Please visit Ms. Aleshia in the front office to complete an Independent Study form at least 7 days before the absence is scheduled to begin.

News and Reminders

Please help us keep our students safe by parking only in our parking lots (not in the Kindergarten or MPR turn around areas) and by driving slowly as you approach campus.

Chef Guillaume and his team would like to remind families to make sure their school meals program accounts are up-to-date. Our Conscious Kitchen program is off to a great start this year, and we need to make sure that we're collecting all of the payments due in order to keep it sustainable. Families can pay their accounts online by visiting mymealtime.com. Please contact Erin Baker with any questions about your account or about setting up online payments: ebaker@willowcreekacademy.org.

Our Lost and Found is full (and overflowing) on the MPR stage. Please take a look this week and next to recover any lost treasures. Unclaimed items will be donated over Spring Break. Thank you!

LET'S KEEP RAISING MONEY

Now you can order fun photos from the benefit and
a portion of the profits will go back to the school!

VIEW SLIDESHOW HERE:

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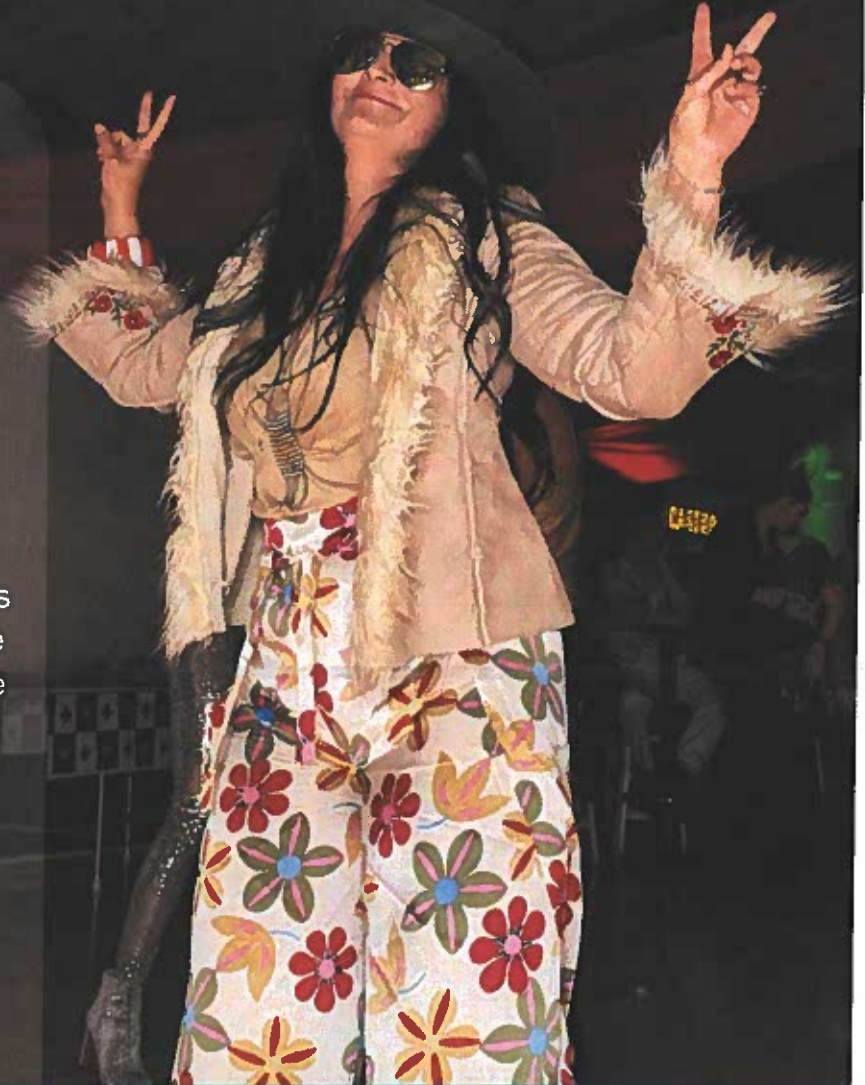
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TO SCHOOLS**
MARIN COUNTY



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Arrive by
8am

Only 500
meter walk

Park Here
on Coloma

Martin Luther
King Jr Park

Willow Creek Academy



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Sacramento Ave

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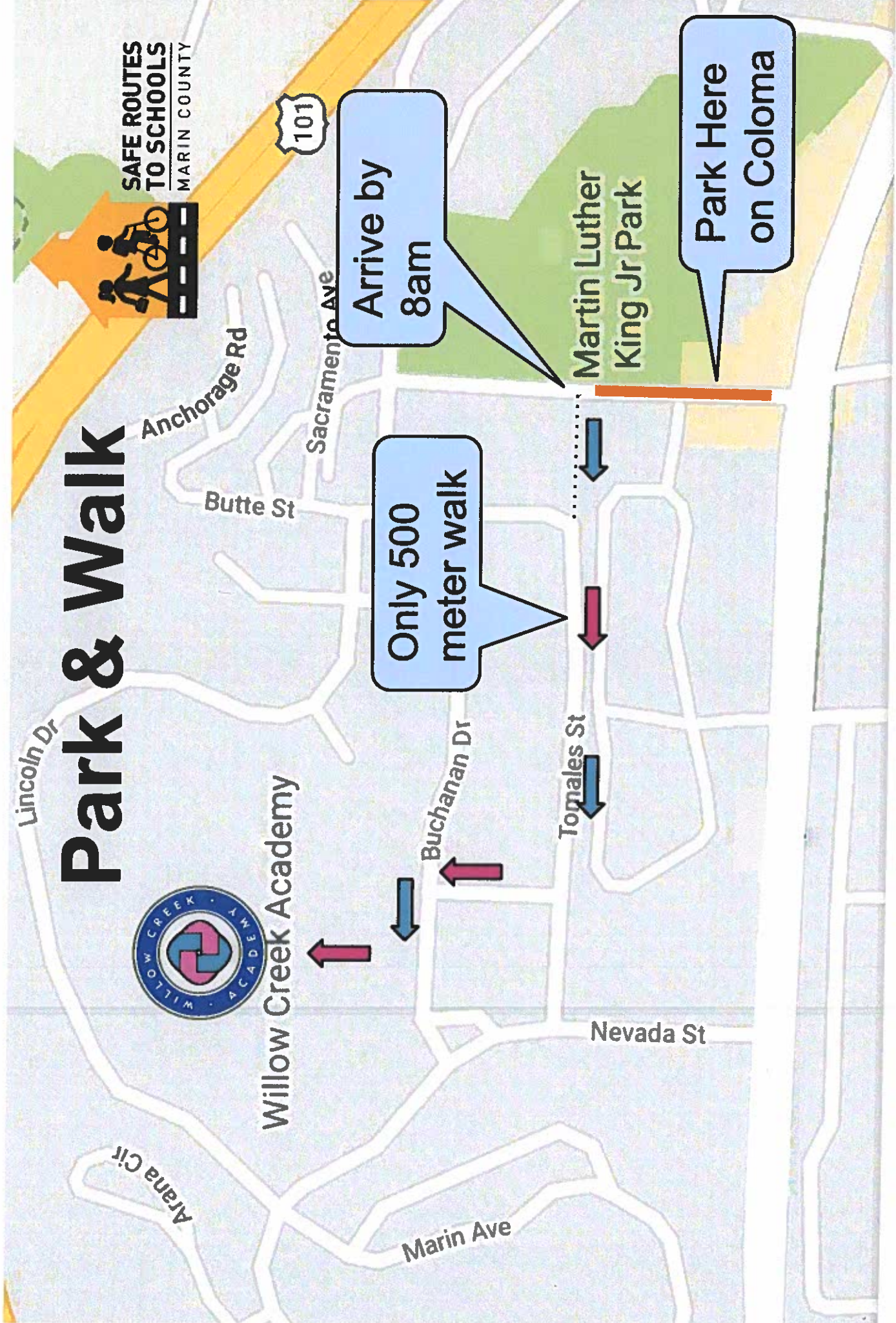
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Tomales St

Nevada St

Marin Ave

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AN EMPOWERMENT WORKSHOP

XR SUPER GIRLS

Discover your super power and the awesome potential of XR
Virtual Reality, Augmented Reality & Immersive Storytelling

Saturday, April 27 | 10am - 12pm

931 C Street, Novato, CA 94903

- Join middle school, high school, and college students for mentoring and coaching sessions with top women leaders and entrepreneurs in XR.
- Try XR and see where art, science & technology meet in the new worlds of extended reality.
- Discover how your super power, talents and strengths, along with careers in XR can change the world!

Register at <https://www.xrmarin.net/industry-workshops>

Anyone age 13 years and above is welcome to join our workshop. Priority given to Marin County students. Cost: \$20 and students are free. Space is limited!



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UN TALLER DE EMPODERAMIENTO

XR SUPER CHICAS

DESCUBRE TU SUPERPODER Y EL IMPRESIONANTE POTENCIAL DE XR

LA REALIDAD VIRTUAL, REALIDAD AUMENTADA Y CUENTOS INMERSIVOS

SÁBADO ABRIL 27 DE 10 AM A 12 PM

931 C Street, Novato, CA 94903

- ÚNASE A ESTUDIANTE DE ESCUELA INTERMEDIA, ESCUELA SECUNDARIA Y LOS ESTUDIANTES UNIVERSITARIOS PARA LAS SESIONES DE TUTORIA Y SESIONES DE ENTRENAMIENTO CON LAS MEJORES LÍDERES DE MUJERS EN XR.
- TRATE XR Y VEA DONDE EL ARTE, LA CIENCIA Y LA TECNOLOGÍA SE REUNEN EN LOS NUEVOS MUNDOS DE LA REALIDAD EXTENDIDA.
- ¡DESCUBRE CÓMO SU SUPER PODER, TALENTOS Y FORTALEZAS, JUNTO CON CARRERAS EN XR PUEDE CAMBIAR EL MUNDO!

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CUALQUIERA PERSONA DE EDAD DE 13 AÑOS PARA ARRIBA, ES BIENVENIDO A UNIRSE A NUESTRO TALLER. PRIORIDAD DADA A LOS ESTUDIANTES DEL CONDADO DE MARIN. COSTO: \$ 20 Y ESTUDIANTES SON GRATIS. ¡EL ESPACIO ES LIMITADO!



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Dear Parents:

Our school has been selected for a new Park and Walk pilot (PAW) to fill up our sidewalks with happy, vibrant students on their way to school! Parking a short distance away from campus and then walking to school decreases heavy traffic congestion and nurtures healthier habits and independence for our children. Many WCA kids already walk, roll or take the bus to school. **PAW** gives working parents and families who live far away the chance to have their child participate during the sunny month of May.

Students can pick up a **School Tag** from **Aaron Roller** before morning assemblies or from **Safety Patrol** at the drop off zone. Using their School Tag, students will “tag” designated boxes on their way to school to collect points. These boxes are marked on the recommended route map, attached. Students must do their final “tag” in the MPR before the school bell rings.

Join the PAW fun from May 1 - 31!
Your child has the chance to win prizes.



Students with points collected will be entered into a weekly drawing for \$10.00 Target Gift Card. Every Friday in May, participating students can come to the welcome table by the MPR to collect fun prizes. Raffle prize winners for each week will be announced on Fridays in the MPR.

Thank YOU for helping to reduce traffic and pollution at Willow Creek Academy.
Important travel reminders ...

- *Drive slowly and watch for children*
- *Allow children to exit car only when legally parked*
- *Drive in one direction (do not U turn or turn around in neighbors' driveways)*
- *Use marked crosswalks when possible. If no crosswalk, cross at the corner, not mid-block.*
- *Walk together on the sidewalk; do not walk in the street or on neighbors' properties.*



Health Ambassador Recruitment

2019 Marin County Fair

Hello,

We're looking to recruit individuals (ages 12 and older) to **volunteer** as Health Ambassadors in the Marin County fair this year.

Duties of the "Health Ambassadors" include:

- Walk around the fair and distribute donated items to fairgoers to promote healthy living (i.e. sunscreen, hand sanitizer, sunglasses, etc.)
- Engage with fairgoers and provide guidance to different parts of the fair (i.e. water stations, the Baby Sanctuary, Play Fair tent, etc.)
- Promote health and safety and have fun!

Health Ambassadors are asked to serve a **4-hour shift** per fair day:
Early Afternoon (**11 am – 3 pm**) or Late Afternoon (**3 pm-7 pm**)

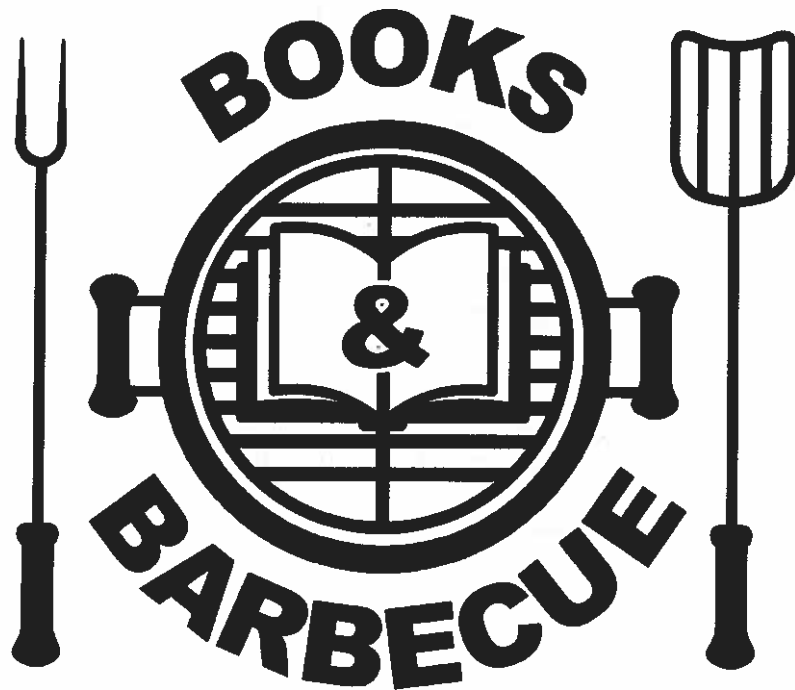
Incentives for serving as a "Health Ambassador":

- Monetary stipend
- Volunteer Hours (credit) – great addition to a resume
- T-shirts and snacks will be provided
- Free entrance to the fair the day of your shift

If you are interested in being a part of a fun and fulfilling initiative to promote health, wellness and fun, please consider contacting our Play Fair coordinator at **415-473-2140** or via email

Ssoriano@marincounty.org.

**MARIN HOUSING AUTHORITY & ITS MARIN CITY
COMMUNITY PARTNERS PRESENT:**



**A SUMMER CELEBRATION OF OUR SCHOLARS
FREE FOOD, DRINKS, AND BOOKS!**

**FRIDAY, JULY 14TH • 12PM - 2PM
ROCKY GRAHAM PARK • MARIN CITY**

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL LEWIS JORDAN AT: 415-472-3398

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