

Pace Homeschool May 2020 Newsletter

Dates to Remember

May 18th Deadline for all Purchase Requests & Receipts

May 18th Submit 2nd Semester Work Samples

May 18th Monthly Reports Due

May 25th All Learning Centers Closed

June 1st MLC Closed

PACE staff are working diligently from home to help our families while our Learning Centers are closed. We will continue to do SLP appointments by phone, email, or video. Learning center phones have been forwarded to staff's person phones.

Please keep calls to our normal operating hours of Monday to Friday 9am-5pm.

20/21 Enrollment is now open!!

**PACE will have a part-time School Counselor next year!!
Look for more information on counselor services on page 4.**

Please help us out by giving us a review using one of the following links:

Anchorage: <https://g.page/PaceStatewideHomeschool/review?rc>

Ketchikan: <https://g.page/pace-ketchikan-learning-center/review?rc>

Craig: <https://g.page/PaceStatewideHomeschool/review?ma>



ENROLLMENT is now open for the 20/21 school year!

New Families: go to www.paceschool.net and click on the ENROLL button and sign in as a guest to get started.

Returning Families: please sign in to your MyPACE account and click on the Reenroll button at the bottom of the screen.

Once you have completed the online enrollment we will contact you to set up your Student Learning Plan (SLP) appointment.

ENTER to WIN!!

Once you have completed enrollment you will be sent a link to our Activity Survey. Complete the survey by May 31st and you will be entered to win a \$100 gift card.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call your local learning center or the Anchorage office at (907) 677-0992.

Teacher Tip of the Month by: Jen Whicker, KLC Teacher

Seven summer ideas for a better homeschool year: Excerpt from Pam Barnhill (Homeschool Planning)

Ah, summer. The time for swimming pools, cookouts, camp, and getting your house in order. Yep. I said that last one. It is tempting to shut down during the summer and only focus on fun (actually, it is really good to do quite a bit of that), but summer is also a great time to focus on doing some of the things that get pushed aside during the school year. Actually, summer is a great time to work on a few simple things that will allow you to have a much better school year come fall.

Here are seven simple things you can do that will put you a step ahead when you start your school year again.

1. Make a summer plan

Yep, I said that. Making a summer plan allows you to keep your sanity when those rainy or hot boring days stretch out before you. You can use my summer planning pages to do just that. If you spend your days in chaos, you can't make the most of your summer. The handy chore charts and "I'm bored" lists will also help you easily keep the kids in order as well.

2. Get your meals in order

The school year sucks so much out of you. Always on the go and checking off the boxes, you rarely have the extra time to spend on getting your systems set up. Now is the perfect time to focus on getting systems in place that will help you to soar once your school year starts back up.

3. Get your school room organized

Pull everything out, throw things away, ditch or store old curriculum, and catalog the books. When you sit down to do your planning or get ready to start the new school year, you will appreciate all the hard work you did to get ready

4. Avoid the summer slump (but in a fun way)

Our favorite way to stay on top of skills in the summer is by using a fun app like Dreambox (math) or Raz Kids(reading). The kids don't mind spending a few minutes each day keeping their skills sharp with fun games and they take no prep from you.

5. Read, read, read, play!

Everyone can enjoy the extra time in the summer to read. You can read aloud to them, have them join the reading program at the Public Library (most have summer incentives with prizes) Schedule a reading session for a lazy morning in PJs, one in the hot afternoon, and one right between baths and that later bedtime to calm everyone down. Nope, three sessions a day are not too many and you have the time in summer. Catch up on your own reading It is important to our children's education that we continue our own. Play games! There is no better time!

6. Get a good morning routine going

Take the time now to build a morning routine that works for you. Working on it now will make it a habit so when the school year starts you can slide right into easy days.

7. Work on habits with your kids

Speaking of easy days and good habits, summer is the perfect time to focus on obedience, cleanliness, and other habits.

School Counselor coming!!

PACE is happy to announce that we will have a part-time School Counselor available to our families next school year. Below are some of the services she will provide our families:

- Post graduation planning
- Speak with 8th graders about transitioning to high school
- ASVAB scheduling
- Provide information on and help with scheduling ACT and SAT testing
- Meet with families when requested
- SEL Workshops
- Monthly contact with high school students



Happy birthday to...

Johannes

Joseph

Brison

Tia

Chiara

Addysen

Braiden

Kaili

Nataly

Raven

Naomi

Tristan

Simon

James

