AEF VIDEO CONTEST POSTPONED TO FALL 2020 - AEF SPRING APPEAL CANCELED

Mark your calendars! Arcadia’s Got Talent - AEF Video Contest, has been postponed to Fall 2020, and the AEF Spring Appeal has been canceled in light of the COVID-19 pandemic and extended school closure for the remainder of the school year.

Thank you to ALL the students who submitted videos. Please be advised that all the videos submitted thus far will be considered when the new, revised contest timeline will be introduced in fall 2020. ALL current AUSD students are eligible to participate in the contest. The new timeline kicks off on October 15, 2020 and ends on November 15, 2020. The submission deadline for the videos is no later than November 15, 2020. Upon the judges’ review based on the contest rules and requirements, the semifinalists’ videos will be posted to AEF website’s Annual Appeal Page by November 25, 2020.

YOU get to VOTE for the semifinalists’ videos and choose the WINNER! A regular donation earns ONE vote and a recurring donation earns TWO votes. The video contest voting kicks off on November 25, 2020, during the AEF Year-End Giving Donation Drive beginning with the Thanksgiving Day and lasts till the end of December 2020. The winner announcement will be made on January 15, 2021. The winning submission will receive a cash award of $500 and the winning school will receive a $1,000 cash award. We encourage ALL the students to participate in the contest!

Here's how Rancho Lab Students were showcasing their talent for the video contest.

THINGS GET SOLVED IF YOU GET INVOLVED

- Become a donor, sponsor, or trustee
- Donate online or by mail
- SET-UP a recurring gift
- Enroll in your employer’s matching gift program
- Purchase Scrip
- Shop at Amazon through smile.amazon.com and choose AEF as your charity
- Attend our board meetings on the third Tuesday of every month

Learn more about AEF at www.ArcadiaEdFoundation.org or contact us at (626) 447-2165.
GIVE A RECURRING GIFT

- Visit the AEF website, choose an amount you would like to give, and select a frequency for your recurring gift - monthly, quarterly, semi-annually, or annually.
- A donation summary report will be issued at the end of the year.
- For questions, please contact us at info@ArcadiaEdFoundation.org or (626) 447-2165.

ATTEND AEF BOARD MEETINGS

AEF board meetings are open to all. Join us to learn about AEF and how you can get involved in the foundation’s efforts.

When: Third Tuesday of every month at 7:30 pm.
Where: AEC Staff Development Room, Arcadia Education Center, 150 S Third Ave, Arcadia, CA 91006.


BECOME AN AEF TRUSTEE

Trustee expectations:

- Attend majority of the monthly AEF board meetings
- Represent an AUSD school as a liaison
- Donate at a personally meaningful level
- Serve on two committees or chair one
- Attend PTSA/Chamber meetings
- Provide a biography for publication on the AEF website

Trustee benefits:

- Gain nonprofit board experience
- Learn how AUSD administration works with funding
- Involvement in new funding opportunities
- Stay informed of school and district news
- Help the foundation grow

AEF SUMMER SCHOOL

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we prepare to switch from the AEF traditional summer school program to an AEF virtual summer school program at the high school level and a limited virtual program at the middle school level. Unfortunately, we will not be able to offer a virtual program at the elementary school level this summer.

2020 Virtual Summer School Registration Dates: http://aef.campbrainregistration.com/
May 5th: Opens 9:00 am to 9:00 pm: Incoming Junior & Senior
May 6th: Opens 9:00 am to 9:00 pm: Incoming Sophomore
May 7th: Opens 9:00 am ongoing: Incoming Freshman
May 8th: Opens 9:00 am ongoing: Middle School - Incoming 6th, 7th, 8th

Contact us at: AEFsummer@ArcadiaEdFoundation.org or 626.821.6606 (check the AEF website’s summer school page for office hours due to COVID-19)

AEF SCRIP

Scrp is provided and funded by AEF. AEF offers this fund-raiser to the AUSD schools so each school can earn funds directly for their school. When you buy Scrip, a percentage of your purchase goes directly to your school AT NO ADDITIONAL COST TO YOU. Scrip is the same as buying a gift card at any store, with the added benefit of earning money for your school. If you’re putting gas in the car, buying groceries, stopping for a cup of coffee, or eating out, consider doing this with Scrip.

During the school closures due to COVID-19, please contact Paula at Scrip@ArcadiaEdFoundation.org for your Scrip needs.

AEF STAFF PROFILE: ANNIE RAI, DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION

As an invested Arcadia Unified parent since 2005 and former AEF trustee, it is a privilege to work for AEF, a nonprofit that promotes world-class education in 11 Arcadia public schools with approximately 9,500 students.

At AEF, I oversee the day-to-day administrative operations; work with the Board of Trustees and the Committees to help implement initiatives, events, fundraising campaigns and donation drives to further the impact and community outreach; assist with board governance; maintain donor correspondence and stewardship; manage the donor database system, donor summary reports, and donation listings; serve as the content writer, editor, and manager for the AEF website, AEF communications via social media, and AEF publications such as the monthly newsletter, press releases, advertisements, and informational materials; and act as the AEF Liaison for community groups and organizations.

Prior to AEF, I worked as a curriculum developer, and philanthropy and stewardship development professional at nonprofits such as the San Gabriel Valley Literacy Council, National Childhood Cancer Foundation, and St. Baldrick’s Foundation. I have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Life Sciences, Master of Arts Degree in English Literature, Pre-Doctoral Degree in English Studies and Media Communications, TESOL Certification, and Fundraising Essentials Certification.

Outside of AEF, I am actively involved in several community organizations. I am a mom of two AUSD students (UC Berkeley sophomore/8th grader), educator, polyglot, blogger, travel/art/literature/music enthusiast, and volleyball/badminton player.

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