



The Lion's Roar



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Mandatory Workshop

ORIENTATION WORKSHOP SATURDAY 9/10

Tuesday, Sept. 4, begins the first week of school this year. Having completed this first week of school, APS families will be ready for our

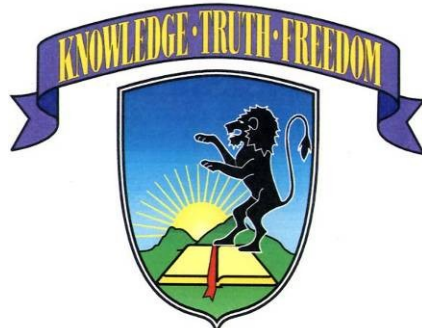
Mandatory Orientation Workshop Saturday, Sept 08 8:45 am

Orientation will take place in "F" building at Grace Baptist Church. We have a lot to accomplish at this Workshop. It is only open to APS Parents and the Class of 2013 who will help serve breakfast before going to have group photos taken.

What to Bring:

- **Questions**
- **Survival Guide**
- **APS Calendar** or any month-at-a-glance calendar.
- **Coupons, SASEs**, pen, paper Lion Moola and checkbook.
- **E-mail address**, work phone number, etc. to update the APS database.
- **Any outstanding paperwork** needed to complete enrollment (**and late fees**).
- **A BIG SMILE**
- **Items for Breakfast (those who signed up)**
- **Blank Grade Sheet for each student.**

There are a number of reasons to attend Orientation; the simplest is that it is **MANDATORY** for APS families.



*You shall know the truth and
the truth shall set you free*

Besides that, we expect to:

- HEAR** important information.
MEET other families with children the same age as your own.
DISCUSS the APS Survival Guide, Resources and Special Events available to APS.
REVIEW Info needed to complete enrollment, make photo day appointments, etc.

We would especially encourage APS-Dads to attend Orientation. We have a very high percentage of supportive Dads, but MORE is BETTER. So Dads, come and find out all that is planned for the coming school year.

We are doing everything we can to shorten the meeting. APS Seniors and some parents will help provide and serve breakfast during the Orientation meeting.

ARE YOU BRINGING items for Breakfast?

Please **COME EARLY** and deposit your items in "F" building as instructed.

APS parents are NOT needed to help in the kitchen this year. Seniors will transport food from the kitchen to "F" building.

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COC Offering BS Degree

COC OFFERS 4-YEAR DEGREE

College of the Canyons and California State University, Los Angeles, have a partnership in the works that would offer students a chance to get a **four-year biological sciences degree at COC's Valencia campus.**

The goal is to begin the first class in the fall of 2013, according to Cathy Ritz, chief operating officer, foundation and University Center operations.

The center will offer the same courses that CSULA students would be taking, but local residents won't have to battle freeway traffic to get to the campus, Ritz said.

It's also a way for the university to satisfy a large community need, she said.

"The greatest number of students seeking an associate's degree are in biological sciences," Ritz said. "Those students will all take the same set of courses (a CSULA student would), which were selected based on a survey of students."

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then follow the easy directions

In addition to **eScrip** and **BoxTops** we have a great way to help fund the APS College Scholarship: **"SPREEBIRD DEALS"**

Once you sign up, you receive a daily e-mail alert offering a special coupon for an unbeatable deal for goods and services from a local business.

The deals offer **discounts of 50% - 90%**. If you see something you like you just click and order the coupon.

The merchant will accept the coupon like cash, BUT you get the item/service for the discounted amount which you paid for the coupon.

It's simple and fast. The best part is **SPREEBIRD DEALS will donate 10% of their proceeds to APS.**

Please give it a try.

There is no sign up fee and no commitment to purchase anything.

You choose to get e-mails only from merchants in your desired areas.

Below, this family would get Daily Deal Alerts for merchants in San Fernando Valley and Santa Clarita Valley. APS is designated to get Contributions from each sale.

Shop smarter. Make a difference.

Santa Clarita Valley

San Fernando Valley

New

Example \$8 – 73% off



1. GET YOUR DAILY ALERT

Each day you will receive an email with an unbeatable deal from your favorite local businesses



2. BUY YOUR COUPON

On our secure site, purchase the daily deal. The next business day you will receive your coupon.



3. TELL YOUR FRIENDS

Share the deal with your friends using Facebook, Twitter and Email. Why? Because everybody wants a deal, and you can get \$10!



Refer Friends, Get \$10

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SCHOOL REWARDS FAQ

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What is Spreebird Deals School Rewards and how does it work?

School Rewards is really simple! You make a purchase through Spreebird Deals. They donate 10% of THEIR net proceeds to the School Rewards program. APS is registered for School Rewards. No middleman, no red tape, no forms to fill out.

To sign up, just click this link

http://www.spreebird.com/r/0S3J8KQZI2

then follow the easy directions

Just sign up and make a purchase then Spreebird Deals will send a contribution to APS. The best way to be proactive is to get other people to sign up and select APS too. Once you have selected APS for School Rewards you are helping. It's that easy. Just sit back, relax and tell people to sign up through the School Rewards Program.



Your favorite school is Advantage Preparatory Schools, Inc.

APS is designated to get contributions from the Spreebird deals you select

Examples of deals 60% off iPhone cases, 50% off Sushi, 59% off Memory Foam Insoles

<p>iPhone & iPad Cases 60% Off iPad or iPhone Cases</p>	<p>O Sushi - Santa Clarita 50% Off Lunch at O Sushi Japanese Restaurant</p>	<p>Memory Foam Insoles 59% Off Memory Foam Insoles</p>
<p>\$25 \$10 View</p>	<p>\$20 \$10 View</p>	<p>\$30 \$12 View</p>

67% off iPhone Solar Case 78% off Swarovski Earrings 53% off Onesie Stickers

<p>New</p>		<p>New</p>
<p>iPhone 4/4s Solar Case 67% Off Solar Case for iPhone 4/4s</p>	<p>Swarovski Elements Crystal Square Earri... 78% Off Swarovski Elements Crystal Square Ea...</p>	<p>Onesie Stickers Monthly Milestone Onesie Stickers</p>
<p>\$90 \$29 View</p>	<p>\$99 \$19 View</p>	<p>\$45 \$8 View</p>

School Photo Day:



SCV Monday 09/10, Grace Baptist Church 22833 Copper Hill, Saugus

ONE DAY ONLY – Per Request of Photographer

CUM & Yearbook photos, ID Cards, Christmas gifts for grandma, etc.

Appointments will be made at Orientation.

Please come prepared to sign-up for your location / date / time.

See below for map.

PSAT

Grace Baptist Church; "D" Building Room 221

Wednesday Oct 17 8:30 am thru 1:30 pm

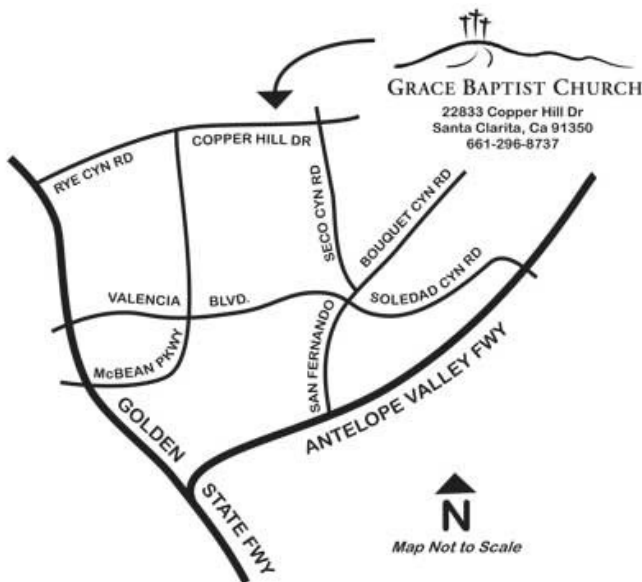
Coupons were due in June.

Please note testing time.

EVERYONE must plan on staying the entire time, regardless of college classes or other schedule conflicts.

In the past, some have assumed that attending a college course, a job, or having some other commitment permitted them to arrive late or leave early. **This assumption is incorrect.**

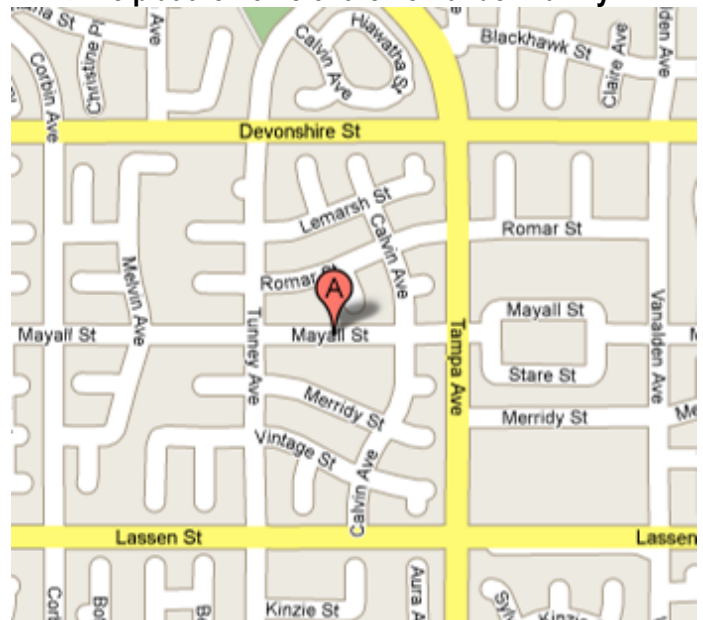
If you have any other time commitments during the above timeframe you must decide to **postpone your other commitments** or cancel the test. **No one may arrive late or leave early.** When testing is complete, **everyone will be expected to help clean the room**, no exceptions. Many hands will make the job go quickly. When the room is clean and the tables & chairs have been put away, all may leave.



Exit Interstate 5 at Valencia Blvd. Head east to Mc Bean Parkway. Turn left on Mc Bean (at the Shell Gas Station) and follow it for approximately 4 miles. Turn right at Copper Hill Rd. The church is located 1/2 mile from this point, just over the hill on the left side of the road.

Fernandez Home

SFV November, January and April Workshops will be held at the home of the Fernandez Family



Orientation

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**IT IS TIME FOR SCHOOL!
AND FOR THE
MANDATORY ORIENTATION WORKSHOP**

Date: Sat. 09/08/2012 **Time:** 8:45 AM **Location:** Grace Baptist Church; "F" building

We are looking forward to seeing you at the Orientation Workshop. Please, let us encourage both parents to attend, especially Dads. However, **children may not attend.** (APS Seniors are asked to come and help)

Special Note to DADs: We would strongly encourage DADs to join their wife at Orientation. In so doing you will better understand the upcoming school year and be better equipped to help your wife and children.

Please come early. Orientation will begin with a Complimentary, **Breakfast Burrito Breakfast at 8:45a**. The business part of Orientation will also begin at **8:45 a.m.**

There are a number of reasons to attend Orientation; the simplest is that it is mandatory for APS families.

1ST QUARTER BEGINS Tues. 09/04/2012; ENDS Fri. 11/09/2012

By the time Orientation is held, you should have completed the first week of school.

YOUR FIRST WEEK'S LESSON PLANS will have been reviewed and will be in your APS mailbox.

We ask that, for the remainder of the year, you mail your lesson plans and attendance sheet to a pre-selected **Happy Helper** who will review them and offer suggestions. The name and address of your **Happy Helper** will be provided at Orientation. Your **Happy Helper** must have enough time to review your plans and attendance sheet and return them to your APS mailbox at each Workshop.

Please mail your completed Lesson Plans and attendance sheet **no later than 2 weeks prior to the end of each academic quarter.** As with all deadlines, the \$10 per week, per form, late fee applies.

What to bring to Orientation:

- Questions.**
- Calendar.**
- A Big Smile.**
- Your Survival Guide.**
- Camera for Yearbook Pictures.**
- Paper and pen for notes.**
- E-mail address, work phone, etc.**
- Coupons and Self Addressed Stamped Envelopes.**
- Any outstanding paperwork needed to complete enrollment (and your late fee).**

Only coupons addressed to "APS" can be deposited in the "Coupons" mailbox at Orientation. If the coupons for an event are being collected by an individual, **please mail your coupon, SASE, etc. directly to that individual.**

Coupons are available on the APS Website

What **NOT** to bring into the Orientation room:

- Children** (Sorry – this will be a **WORKshop.**)

ATTENTION FRIENDLY FAMILIES:

If you are a designated **Friendly Family**, please call your new family and invite them to sit with you at Orientation.

PHOTO DAY

ORIENTATION COUPON

ORIENTATION COUPON



We are looking for 100% of our students to have their photos taken at School Photo Day

SCV

Monday 09/10, Grace Baptist Church

SFV

No SFV Photo Day will be scheduled this year due to illness of our photographer



Orientation Facility Services: ORIENTATION - USA - BREAKFAST:

"Many hands make light work."

Next to Promotion, Orientation is our BIGGEST event.

As with all APS events, parents are invited to help make this important Workshop enjoyable and helpful. Please start the new school year right by offering YOUR HELP!

ALL FAMILIES SHOULD CHECK AT LEAST ONE OF THE FOLLOWING I will be happy to:

- I can help any way you need.
I can help set-up tables and chairs Fri. p.m. (especially Seniors)
I can be a kitchen helper at 8:00 a.m. and after 12 p.m.
I can help clean up tables and chairs Sat. after 12 p.m.
I can bring paper goods.
I can bring food, drinks and/or ice.

Parent's Name Total number to help

Phone: E-Mail: @.

Seniors are requested to help

Mail Coupon to: Tracy Nicks 10135 Odessa Ave North Hills CA 91343 (no SASE! - confirmation will be via e-mail)



Share the Work.

Pulling together, we can make Orientation a success. Please send in this coupon if you have not already done so.

ALL FAMILIES SHOULD CHECK AT LEAST ONE OF THE ABOVE "I will be happy to" AREAS TO HELP



APS School Choir & Ensemble

Taught by Steve Lively, recording artist, soloist and 'Lifted Up' choir director, this course is designed to give everyone a chance to sing! **The APS School Choir and Ensemble** is the perfect opportunity to try something new & different in a safe and non-threatening learning environment.



APS students in grades 8 - 12 will join 'Lifted Up' the high school / college choir from *The Bridge Bible Fellowship* (TBBF) in Reseda. APS Class sessions and choir **practices are on Monday evenings**. The Choir & Ensemble will lead in worship occasionally at morning church services, deliver an incredible Christmas outreach program, and go on tour in the spring (Memorial Day weekend). They may also perform at APS Graduation and other APS events.

In addition to choir practice, APS students will meet exclusively with Mr. Lively on Monday afternoons (at TBBF) for 1.5 hours to practice special pieces chosen just for our group. This group may perform at festivals and APS events.

APS students **DO NOT have to audition** for the choir or ensemble. Individual evaluations will be made to determine parts the students will learn. Mr. Lively will also include 1 hour (per semester) of individual voice coaching. (This alone is a great value!) Grades will be awarded based on participation, effort and growth, not talent!

Course Fee: \$150 per semester (\$25 discount for full yearly payment of \$275 with registration)

Materials Fee: \$ 25 per semester (Payable first day of class)
(Additional fees will apply to tour and special choir events)

Course Min: 8 students (Course will not be held if minimum is not met)

Mondays: 3:30 – 5:00 pm; APS Ensemble rehearsal
5:30 – 7:00 pm; full rehearsal with "Lifted Up"

Deadline: **Monday August 22, 2012 - You may have already missed it, so HURRY**

This course is open to all **APS Students in grades 8-12** and will earn 5 units for the year.

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APS Choir & Ensemble

Attending Parent Name _____ Total # to Enroll _____

Phone # _____

E-Mail: _____@_____ . _____

Student 1 Name _____ Grade Level _____

Student 2 Name _____ Grade Level _____

Student 3 Name _____ Grade Level _____

I have enclosed the following:

_____ \$150; 1st semester Class Fee. **Make check payable to Steve Lively. OR**

_____ \$275; Full payment of yearly Class Fee. **Make check payable to Steve Lively**

Deadline: You already missed it, so HURRY

Mail payment SASE and coupon by deadline to:

Tracy Nicks 10135 Odessa Ave. North Hills, CA 91343

APS SENIOR FORMAL

MAIL COUPON NOW

APS SENIOR FORMAL

APS Senior Formal ~ Fantasea Yacht Club

Date: Thursday, April 25, 2013

Time: 6:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.

Dinner and dancing on the yacht. Photos at Fernandez Home approx 2:00 pm

Where: Fantasea Yachts & Yacht Club 4215 Admiralty Way, Marina Del Rey

Who: APS Seniors (Class of 2013) & guests (10th grade or above)

APS Juniors (Class of 2014) & guests (10th grade or above)

APS Alumni and guests.

All APS Parents may attend.

Seniors and Juniors **must be** accompanied by at least one parent or comply with the APS Parental Consent Policy**.

** The standard APS Parental Consent Policy is in effect. Students whose parent(s) do not attend the Sr. Formal must arrange with an attending APS Parent willing to be their temporary guardian and sign the APS Parental Consent form. Temporary guardians will provide transportation.

** Non-APS guests must sign the APS Standards of Behavior and Dress. The APS Standards of Behavior and Dress applies to Alumni.

Cost: \$100.00 per person

All students, parents, alumni and guests must pay.

Price will increase to \$120.00 per person for those who register after Dec 31

Deposit: A deposit of \$40.00 per person must be received **no later than Orientation**.

If a minimum of attendees is not reached by this date, **the event will be canceled**.

Payments: Two additional payments of \$30.00 per person will be required in Oct and Jan. As with all APS events, there are **No Refunds!**

This is a formal evening. Parents, it is YOUR responsibility to make sure your students are appropriately and **MODESTLY** dressed. **Gentlemen** must wear suits and ties or tuxedos.

Ladies must wear **MODEST** formal attire (no strapless, backless, or short gowns or immodest cleavage).

Transportation: Optional one-way limousine transportation is available.

Please return the coupon for specific information on cost.

The limousine fee is due in March. Limousine riders must

pre-arrange return transportation for themselves and guest. It is assumed that **APS Students and guests will travel home with Parents**. APS Students with Parental Consent forms must **travel with their temporary guardian**.

Students may not drive themselves to/from the Yacht Club unless driving with their parents.

**Mail coupon
from the Sept
2012 Coupons
on the APS
Website**



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REGARDING FORMS:

ALL ENROLLMENT RELATED FORMS SHOULD HAVE BEEN TURNED IN TO APS BY July 31.

Forms that are turned in after a deadline are subject to a **late fee of \$10 per week, per form.**

Why would APS charge late fees?

One of the biggest work-makers for APS is paperwork that is late or poorly done.

Every time something is due, APS office workers (mostly Cindee Grant) must check who is on time and who is late or incomplete.

She must then make a list of the late families and contact them.

Then, she must re-check late incoming paperwork, make another contact list, re-contact those who are still late, etc. The solution: **A late fee.**

If you can believe it, Cindee and APS-Mom Jodi Syms have **processed over 1500 forms this summer.**

- 1) Grades were entered into CUMS, which require comparing courses, units and grades listed on the grade sheets against the courses and units listed on the Educational Expectations filed last year.
- 2) Lesson Plans and Educational Expectations for this year were reviewed and new CUMS created listing the courses written on your Educational Expectations forms for this year.
- 3) Other forms, like immunization / health forms, required by the State of California, were checked and rechecked.

Some families understand what is needed and turn in forms without any issues. Other families either seem to not understand or they fail to read their Survival Guide when filling out their forms. So then Cindee has to contact them to set things in order. One of the reasons our transcripts are so well accepted by universities and other schools is the care and attention to details that Cindee provides.

Special thanks to:

Jodi Syms

who joined Cindee in reviewing Lesson Plans, Educational Expectations, Health records etc, entering database information like grades and CUMS, typing e-mails and letters, etc. All this was done so that everything will be in order by Orientation.

Obviously, this all takes a great deal of time and effort. The July 31 deadline gives APS only five weeks to complete the job. **Just answering the e-mail could take five weeks!**

So, the answer to the question: "**Why would APS charge late fees?**" is obvious, don't you think?

How can you help?

The **BIG #1 thing you can do to help** reduce the workload is turn in all your forms **complete and on time**. Please don't send APS forms via e-mail – it might be easier for you, but it is not easier for us. If we accepted forms via e-mail all we would do all day is open e-mails and print forms.

When sending in **coupons**, make sure they **ARRIVE BEFORE the posted deadline**. We suggest you **mail your coupons on the first day they are published**. You cannot be too early. Why wait?

The **BIG #2 thing you can do to help is, if you are late**, please include the standard late fee of **\$10 per form, per week**. (Do the math – if one form is late one week, include \$10. If two forms are late one week, include \$20, etc. – this incremental late fee is our way of encouraging everyone to be ON TIME. We don't want the fees we want the forms. But if you are late, pay the fees.)

Some families act as if the fees just don't apply to them, or so it seems, because they don't send in their fees when they turn in late forms. This then creates MORE office work because someone has to check, call them, then make a list and recheck it as the fees comes in.

The **BIG #3 thing you can do to help** is to **READ YOUR SURVIVAL GUIDE** before sending an e-mail with a question. New families can also ask their Friendly Families. ☺☺☺

As we begin another school year, it is time to remind the APS Family about our programs to help you **earn school funds for yourself** and for the **APS College Scholarship**:

Earn FREE MONEY for the APS Scholarship with the **Vons, Pavilions** and **Safeway eScrip** program. Once enrolled, up to 4% of your qualifying purchases are credited to APS every time you shop with your **VonsClub Card**, your **Pavilions ValuePlus Card** and/or your **Safeway Club Card**.

APS families **shop as they normally would**, using eScrip-registered **grocery loyalty cards** or **credit / ATM / debit cards**. Merchants automatically make contributions based on your normal spending. All you have to do is **register on their website**. We even pay your registration fee.

In addition to **grocery loyalty cards** families can register their credit cards, debit card and ATM cards. There are also services available on the eScrip website's "Market Place" where **downloading music** or purchases from **Amazon.com** will be credited to APS. You just have to access those websites through the eScrip website's "Market Place".

YOU can directly benefit from eScrip.

APS will return 1/2 of eScrip contributions to participating families in the form of LION MOOLA, which can be spent on APS tuition and APS Special Events.

Will you help?

WE NEED YOU TO **REGISTER / RENEW NOW**.

Just visit their website: www.escrip.com

Many APS families use eScrip, but a number are not even signed-up. Please take a moment to visit their website and **update your account**, or **register for the first time**.

You can help provide funding for this year's college scholarship and help **reduce your own APS-related expenses at the same time**.

In a heartbeat it will be April and you'll get your Lion Moola. Then, it will be June and one of our seniors will be handed a college scholarship. How cool is that!

Just visit their website:
www.escrip.com

VONS SHOPPERS

Von's contributions are tracked from the time families renew.

[Click here](#)



Have you ever wondered how all the very cool APS special events happen?

The answer is also a motto:

'If You Want It To Happen Make It Happen'

Every APS Special Event has an APS-Mom or Dad behind it.

There are many APS folks who sponsor events, but many others have never done so. YES – this means YOU.

This year we are asking **EVERY APS family** to sponsor one Special Event. If you have never had coupons come to your home then this request is especially for you.

Some may think they are too busy or they lack the skills to make an event happen, but the truth is EVERYONE is busy and really, the only **ability** you need is **availability**. We have made special events very easy. We even have a Special Events template in the FORMS section of the APS website for you to follow. Just click: www.aps4me.com

You can plan something simple like a 6th grade boys Lego day, or a 3rd grade girls tea party – or something for the whole family like a trip to the observatory.

Just put your idea on paper (the template) and then e-mail it to our new APS Master Calendar Lady, Jenni Gilbert:

gilbertsco@gmail.com

APS Has The Best People in Town

News from the planet Bizarro

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif. – Like many middle-schoolers, 13-year-old Brianna Gentry likes to decorate her school notebook with pictures of herself, her family and her friends, but one of these photos is extra special. The high-achieving student keeps a **photo of her brother Derrick, a military policeman** stationed in Montana, in a prominent spot.

"My brother's very important to me," Brianna told KTLA. "I haven't seen him in a while."

So Brianna and her mother Jaima Eudy were shocked when an administrator at Golden Valley Middle School in San Bernardino told the girl she was **breaking school rules by displaying the photo**, as well as one of her softball team, even though there is no explicit rule against having photos on binders.

"The counselor took me out of class twice telling me that the pictures are added material," Brianna told KTLA. "But they haven't pulled any other students with pictures out from their class... Just me."

Eudy sent an angry letter to the school, claiming her daughter was being singled out and discriminated against. The school replied by sending home a list of the rules for the **AVID program, a high-achieving club that Brianna is a part of**, with the section on binders highlighted. However, Eudy says the rules never specifically said photos weren't allowed.

"I was very upset about it, because this is an AVID rule, **not a rule for the whole entire school**," Eudy told KTLA. "I think if you're going to enforce a rule, the rule should apply to all children."

After speaking with KTLA the school agreed to allow Brianna to keep her brother's photo, but not the one of her softball team. Brianna and her mother say they are happy with the compromise.

"I'd rather have my brother in my pictures than to have nothing at all," Brianna told the station. "So I'm fine with the decision."

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Source: Fox News
Read more:

<http://www.foxnews.com/us/2012/08/18/eighth-grader-threatened-with-expulsion-for-having-pictures-military-brother-on/?test=latestnews#ixzz23uzTKvr2>

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The program allows students to pay CSULA's extended learning fees — roughly \$364 per month — while earning a four-year degree at COC, Ritz said.

The [COC] University Center offers 40 programs, including 19 bachelor degrees and a mix of advanced certification programs...

<http://www.canyons.edu/offices/UnivCtr/>

For the four-year school, it's another great way to attract students, said Nancy McQueen, chairwoman of the biological sciences department for CSULA.

The curriculum is currently awaiting approval from the Western Association of Schools and Colleges, which the center expects to have in hand within a few months, Ritz said.

The University Center offers 40 programs, including 19 bachelor degrees and a mix of advanced certification programs.

"This is a way to service more students," McQueen said. "Right now, there's such a crunch at the university."

The California State University system is not accepting new students for the spring semester.

Officials face a \$200 million cut if Gov. Jerry Brown's tax-hike plan on the November ballot fails.

There's an added advantage for students considering the biological sciences degree that they won't get in most other programs, according to Ritz.

Once an enrollment minimum is reached and classes begin, the center will guarantee a path of course offerings that will lead to a degree.

"The students are guaranteed the class, the classes will not be cut, and the students will be out in two years," Ritz said.

University Center Open House Sept. 13

Learn how you can earn a bachelor's or master's degree -- without ever leaving the Santa Clarita Valley - - during the next **University Center Open House from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 13**. Attendees will be able to get information about the educational opportunities offered by University Center partners, as well as speak to university representatives, meet with counselors, fill out applications and learn about financial aid options. Parking will be free in campus lots 13, 14 and 15 for this event. **For more information, call (661) 362-5150.**

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News from the planet Bizarro

Aug 15, 2012 - Last week in Egypt, when Muslim Brotherhood supporters terrorized the secular media, several Arabic websites—including [Arab News](#), [Al Khabar News](#), [Dostor Watany](#), and [Egypt Now](#)—reported that **people were being "crucified."** The relevant excerpt follows in translation:

A Sky News Arabic correspondent in Cairo confirmed that protestors belonging to the Muslim Brotherhood crucified those opposing Egyptian President Muhammad Morsi naked on trees in front of the presidential palace while abusing others. Likewise, Muslim Brotherhood supporters locked the doors of the media production facilities of 6-October [a major media region in Cairo], where they proceeded to attack several popular journalists.

That there were attacks and violence—both in front of Egypt's presidential palace and at major media facilities—is well-documented. An August 9 report by [El Balad](#), a widely read Egyptian website, gives the details:

Last Wednesday, August 8, "thousands of the Muslim Brotherhood's supporters" attacked 6-October's media facilities, beat Khaled Salah—chief editor of the privately-owned and secular *Youm 7* newspaper—prevented Yusif al-Hassani, an On TV broadcaster, from entering the building, and generally "terrorized the employees."

El Balad adds that the supporters of Tawfik Okasha, another vocal critic of President Morsi—the one who widely disseminated the [graphic video](#) of a Muslim apostate being slaughtered to cries of "Allahu Akbar"—gathered around the presidential palace, only to be surrounded by Brotherhood supporters, who "attacked them with sticks, knives, and Molotov cocktails, crucifying some of them on trees, leading to the deaths of two and the wounding of dozens."

Far from condemning these terrorists, Al Azhar, Egypt's most authoritative Islamic institution, has just issued [a fatwa](#) calling for more violence and suppression, saying that "fighting participants in anti-Muslim Brotherhood demonstrations planned for 24 August is a religious obligation."

Most of the aforementioned Arabic sites point out that these attacks are part of the Muslim Brotherhood's campaign to intimidate and thus censor Egypt's secular media from exposing the group's Islamist agenda, which *Youm 7*, On TV, and Okasha do daily. [Note: the latter's channel was recently shut down, despite Morsi's [previous reassurances](#) that "no station or media will be shut down in my era."]

These threats are not new; back in April, an organization called the "[Jihad Group to Cleanse the Country](#)" threatened these media with "painful and

severe punishments." Apparently now that Morsi has become master of Egypt, threats are becoming reality, just as promises are being broken.

And the threats are taking their toll. Sky News, which was first to report about the crucifixions, has taken down its original article (though the URL [still appears](#) in the address box with the Arabic words "protesters-crucified-in front of-egypt's-presidential-palace").

While one may argue that Sky News removed the article because it was found false, one can equally argue that it censored itself for fear that it would be next in the terror campaign against the media.

In reality, there is little reason to doubt this crucifixion story. Militant Muslims crucifying their opponents is a regular feature of the Islamic world—recent cases coming from the Ivory Coast, where [two Christian brothers were crucified](#), similarly by supporters of a Muslim president who ousted a Christian; Indonesia, where [Islamic separatists crucified a fellow Muslim](#) for being a military informant; and in Iraq, where [Muslim militants crucified Christian children](#).

Moreover, those alleged to have been crucified in Egypt certainly fit the Koran's description of who deserves to be crucified. According to Allah, "The punishment of those who wage war against Allah and His messenger and strive to make mischief in the land is only this: that they should be murdered or crucified or their hands and their feet should be cut off..." (Koran 5:33).

"Making mischief in the land" is precisely what the secular media is being accused of, by constantly exposing the Muslim Brotherhood and prompting the people to protest. Even the Jihad Group to Cleanse the Country, which threatens to "liquidate" many secular media, accuses them of "creating chaos to implement the American and Zionist agenda."

Finally, it is telling that only a few months ago, and for the first time in Egypt's modern history, an Egyptian MP proposed to institutionalize Sharia's most draconian punishments—including [crucifixion](#).

Under the Muslim Brotherhood in Egypt, the bottle has been uncorked and the Islamic Genie set loose. Expect much worse to come.

"The Copts (Egyptian Christians) must get out of Egypt as soon as possible – for the many millions who will not be able to get out, I expect things will continue to deteriorate – just as they did for Germany's and Europe's Jews from the 1930s onward," said Center for Security Policy Senior Fellow Clare Lopez. ☐☐☐

News from the planet Bizarro

PARENTS

IF YOU DELEGATE INSTRUCTION OF
YOUR CHILDREN TO OTHERS
(Concurrent Enrollment at a Community
College for instance)

YOUR JOB IS NOT DONE – YOU NEED TO
STAY ALERT AND INVOLVED, NOT ONLY
FOR EDUCATIONAL REASONS BUT ALSO
FOR THE SAFETY OF YOUR CHILDREN

A 46-year-old Orange County nursing instructor was sentenced to four months in jail for **sexually touching three female teenage students**, who were 17 and 18 years old.

Alfredo Fernandez Gonzalez, a certified nursing assistant and resident of Orange, was accused of placing his hands on the students' hips, kissing them on the neck and pulling the females toward him. He allegedly grabbed and touched their buttocks "under the guise of simulating nursing procedures," a statement by the district attorney's office said.

He talked about dating them and told them they had attractive bodies, the statement said.

The teens were in a nursing technical education course, known as a Regional Occupational Program, at Park West Care and Rehabilitation Center in Santa Ana. **The program provides career training to high school students.**

The females told their mothers about the touching, which, according to prosecutors, occurred over a two-month period in the spring of 2011. They then notified Santa Ana police.

Gonzalez's sentence came after he pleaded guilty to three misdemeanor counts of lewd conduct. In addition to 120 days in jail, he is to receive three years of probation. ☐☐☐

*M*ore than 1.7 million illegal immigrants became eligible for tentative legal status Aug 15, 2012 when President-for-now Obama's non-deportation policy went into effect. Congress rejected the President's Dream Act, which was his attempt to liberalize immigrations laws, so President-for-now Obama, simply relaxed the rules by Presidential decree; raising a furor in DC. Activists say the policy is the biggest change on immigration in decades.

On Tuesday Aug 14, 2012, President-for-now Obama laid out final details, including **relaxed education standards that set a low bar.**

Under the rules, illegal immigrants in job training or who have enrolled in a GED course are eligible for legal status — a lesser requirement than obtaining a high school diploma or equivalency certificate.

The government began taking applications Aug 15. Immigrant rights groups have scheduled legal clinics across the country to help determine if immigrants qualify and to aid them in filling out forms.

"Our job is to make sure that everyone who's eligible for this program knows about it and applies for it if they feel comfortable after weighing the risks and benefits," said [Chung-Waha Hong](#), executive director of the [New York Immigration Coalition](#). "So far, the benefits have kind of outweighed the risks, based on the **hundreds and thousands of people coming forward.**"

The policy halts deportations for illegal immigrants who fall within certain age ranges, who don't have a major criminal record, and who can show they have been in the country studying or in job training.

Those who qualify also can obtain a permit to work in the U.S. In certain states, that could be good enough to obtain a driver's license or in-state tuition at state schools.

Republicans said it will push hundreds of thousands of new legal workers into an already tough job market, where they will compete with Americans. They also said the [administration](#) is not requiring in-person interviews for applicants and is accepting affidavits for some requirements, which they said is **an invitation to fraud.**

"While potentially millions of illegal immigrants will be permitted to compete with American workers for jobs, there seems to be little if any mechanism in place for vetting fraudulent applications," House [Judiciary Committee](#) Chairman [Lamar Smith](#) and [Sen. Chuck Grassley](#) said in a letter to Homeland Security Secretary [Janet A. Napolitano](#). Homeland Security estimates about 11 million illegal immigrants reside in the U.S. ☐☐☐

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Last year APS-Mom Heidi Monroe provided the following exciting information about

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He is a math geek who graduate from **MIT and Harvard**.

While he was working as a hedge fund analyst, he was asked to tutor his 6th grade cousin in math. Being in another state, he decided to use his computer and tutor her via *YouTube*.

Not only did it help his cousin in math, but he started receiving letters from others who had seen him on *YouTube* and thanking him for **making math understandable**.

He began developing a vision for changing education and **providing the world with a free virtual classroom**. He quit his job and started devoting himself to the project.

He started a non-profit organization which is supported by individuals as well as the Gates Foundation. He also won Google's '*Project 10 to the 100*' of ideas to change the world.

Many of his staff are fellow MIT friends who come from engineering, math, and computer software backgrounds. He is not a Christian and teaches evolution in his biology videos, but it seems his only agenda is to present concepts in an easy to understand 12 minute video clips where he speaks and writes on a black screen as he works out math problems.

He has even worked through every problem in the College Board "Official SAT Study Guide". He suggests taking the test and then watching the videos on problems that were done incorrectly. You could then retake the test.

He has also done some lectures on the Singapore Math Curriculum.

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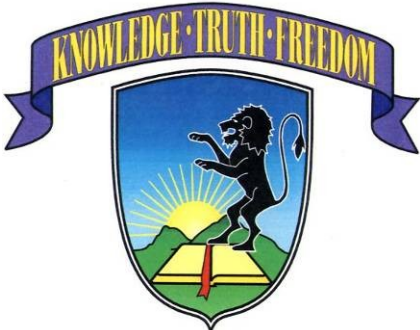
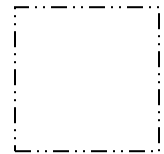


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