# Friends of San Pasqual Academy

"Setting the Community's Foster Youth on a Path of Success"



**NOVEMBER 2024** 

### SAN PASQUAL ACADEMY Events Schedule

November Thanksgiving Party
December Holiday Party
December New Years Party
February Valentines Day
June Graduation

Please visit: www.FriendsofSanPasqualAcademy.org for an update on dates and times for volunteer activities.



Halloween Gift Bags Provided by NCL



BACKPACKS WITH SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR EVERY STUDENT

## GI VING TUESDAY

Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> is National Giving Day. We are hopeful you will keep the foster teens of San Pasqual Academy in your thoughts as you prepare your year-end giving. Through your support we have been able to sustain our programs for over 23 years—school supplies, cottage refurbishing, holiday parties, athletic team support, proms, graduation ceremonies, scholarships and so much more—thanks to you. Friends of San Pasqual Academy's pledge to the foster teens that they will have a traditional high school experience, and that people care about their social and academic development, has never wavered.

Recently we were able to outfit two cottages (on campus dorms) for the girls and boys. This provided additional beds for 12 new students. Each month the enrollment increases and our commitment to the foster teens is fulfilled.

The annual Thanksgiving Party was a hit. We do not take for granted that the kids have had these celebrations in previous foster homes—we know from our interaction with them that most have not. The foster teens expressed their sincere thanks to Friends and all our volunteers and donors who make these events possible. The Academy is 'home' to the foster teens, and we want them to love their home and know so many people care about their development.

In the athletics area, the Academy's volleyball team gave a spirited effort in each and every game. While they didn't have a winning record, each member of the team said it was one of the best experiences they have had. We all keep in mind that most of the foster teens at the Academy have never had an opportunity to participate in team sports due to their constant moving from home to home.

In this issue, we are displaying actual quotes from the students regarding what San Pasqual Academy has meant to them. There's theme in every personal statement—"Opportunity." They love having choices and opportunities.

Everything that we do in support of the foster teens of San Pasqual Academy is made possible by YOU, the volunteers and donors who contributed time and money to Friends of San Pasqual Academy. You are making a difference in their lives and the lives of all the people they will eventually touch.

We say Thank You so much! Friends of San Pasqual Academy Board of Directors



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Friends of San Pasqual Academy appreciates all our wonderful volunteers, National Charity League (NCL), Teens Volunteers in Action (TVIA), The Rancho Santa Fe Garden Club and others who support Friends' Programs.



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SOLANA BEACH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL'S SCHOOL SUPPLY DONATION



NCL GIRLS PREPARING HALLOWEEN GIFT BAGS

PLEASE THINK OF THE FOSTER TEENS OF SAN PASQUAL ACADEMY





2024 TEACHER APPRECIATION GIFTS



NCL PREPARED
WELCOME BACK GIFT TAGS



RANCHO SANTA FE ROTARY SCHOOL SUPPLIES DONATION

#### STUDENT PERSONAL MESSAGES

"San Pasqual not only provides, it creates"

"My most memorable moment at SPA was to watch my growth from a boy to a man"

"Life changing. It gave me opportunities I would have never had."

"Allowed me to reach my fullest potential and thrive. Allowed me to gain a support system and helped get me off survival mode