

OUSD

Student Newsletter



November 16, 2007

Newsletter highlights:

- * *College Readiness Network--Current news and scholarship info*
- * *NEW OUSD Student Journalism page*
- * *Upcoming Events and Ongoing Classes*
- * *Cool Links and Helpful Resources*

Please pass on

College Readiness Network

The College Readiness Network [CRN] is a consortium of organizations from both within and outside of OUSD. Those organizations represent local institutions of higher learning, academic, scholarship, and guidance services, and student advocacy groups. Members of CRN seek to support and reinforce each others efforts so that as many OUSD high school students can be served. The College Readiness Office of OUSD serves as the coordinator of the CRN.

The OUSD Student Newsletter will provide news, relevant information, and scholarship opportunities in every newsletter.

Important News and Information

FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) Form due between January 1, 2008-March 2nd, 2008 go to www.fafsa.ed.gov for your FREE Application for Federal Student Aid.

Cash for College Workshops for High School Seniors (Class of 2008) and Parents -- Attend a Cash for College workshop to get FREE line-by-line or one-on-one help with the FAFSA, CAL Grant, scholarships, and more!! [Click here to see full OUSD Workshop Schedule](#)

OUSD and Laney College Partner to Launch Gateway to College Program -- Laney will partner with OUSD to offer dual enrollment to students who have dropped out of the K-12 system-- www.gatewaytocollege.org For more info, please contact **William Hanson** at 510-592-1476 or emailing whanson@peralta.edu

Apply for a CAL Grant (high school Seniors) -- Submit your FAFSA and CAL Grant GPA Verification Form between January 1-March 2, 2008 (no earlier and no later unless otherwise directed by a financial aid office) Attend a FREE Cash for College Workshop in January and February and you could cash in on an extra \$1,000 scholarship!! For more info, visit www.calgrants.org

Per Year, Estimated College Costs

www.ousdstudents.org/College_Prep_and_Scholarship_Info/index.html#Per_Year_Estimated_C

College Student Financial Aid Programs for Undergraduates

Scholarships

College Dollars--Scholarship for American's Latino Studentshttp://www.trpi.org/PDFs/Scholarship_Directory.pdf

Full Scholarships Available for Teenage Spoken Word Artists to the University of Wisconsin--Madison. For the application and more information, please visit www.oma.wisc.edu/firstwave.

"Call Me MISTER" program -Black Colleges looking for future black male teachers
www.callmemister.clemson.edu/index.htm for more details and the application or call 800-640-2657

National Vocabulary Championship -- FREE Princeton Review Study resources and \$100,000 for college tuition .
Deadline: November 30th, 2007 For more information, www.winwithwords.com

For more information on Scholarships and other resources and tools, visit the **NEW and REVISED College Readiness Page on the OUSD Student Website**http://ousdstudents.org/College_Prep_and_Scholarship_Info/index.html

OUSD Student Journalism

The OUSD Student Website is proud to introduce the newest addition to our website:

The Student Journalism page

http://ousdstudents.org/Student_Newspapers/index.html

On this page you will find:

Journalism links, School Newspapers, and the All City Student Newspaper Oakland Teen Times for high school students in Oakland.

The Oakland Teen Times is a collaboration between high school journalism teachers and students from OUSD high schools and represents the news and views of teens in Oakland, Ca

[Click here to see the November 2007 Edition](#)

Interested in submitting a story? writing for the newspaper? Have newsworthy pictures to share?.....The Oakland Teen Times WANTS YOU.....(keep reading..)

-- The Oakland Teen Times can send you story ideas so you can write for us or we can contact you to answer questions about current events, schools or anything that relates to teenagers. We also would love to hear your story ideas. We'd love to have your letters to the editor. We'd love to publish your newsworthy photographs.

Let's make this a true all-city teen newspaper. Contact oaktownteen@yahoo.com

Upcoming Events

To submit an upcoming event, please send your information to studentwebsite@ousd.k12.ca.us

Ending the Crisis Among Men and Boys of Color @ Youth Uprising--- Mayor Ron Dellums and more than 100 of nation's top advocates coming to Oakland to tackle this pernicious problem

More than 100 of the Bay Area and nation's leading social inclusion advocates for will join together at the "Men and Boys of Color in Crisis" summit Tuesday, Nov. 20 to throw a spotlight on the multi-faceted challenges facing our young men and boys - and to find some positive ways to move forward.

What: "Men and Boys of Color in Crisis: An Issue We Cannot Deny": A provocative conversation to help understand and address issues affecting men and boys of color.

When: Tuesday, November 20 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.,

Where: Youth UpRising, 8711 MacArthur Blvd., Oakland

Open House for all 5th graders and their families at United for Success Academy (in Fruitvale neighborhood):

When: Wednesday, November 28th from 6pm-7:30pm

Where: United for Success Academy, 2101 35th Ave.

For more information contact the school at 879-1494

NFL Punt, Pass, Kick

The NFL Punt, Pass, Kick (PPK), one of the longest running NFL grassroots programs, offers boys and girls ages 8-15

When: Sunday, November 18th starting at 1:00pm

Where: Oakland Tech High School, 4351 Broadway

Sponsored by:Oakland Parks and Rec

Registration closed; spectators welcome.

GSA Network Presents the 2007 Youth Empowerment Summit

YES is a FREE conference for LGBTQQI youth activists and their allies who are dedicated to defeating homophobia and transphobia, and creating safe and supporting schools for everyone .

The target audience is high school and middle school students, teachers, GSA advisors and the community. The YES conference i s a chance for LGBTQQI and straight ally youth to network and enjoy free workshops on activism nd topics related to queer life.

Registration is now on-line at <http://gsanetwork.org/yes>

For presenter and community table faire info, please send your organization's information to Marco Castro-Bojorquez at <mailto:marco@gsanetwork.org> or call 415-552-4229.

Who: LGBTQQI youth activists and their allies

When: Saturday, December 8, 2007 - 9:00 am-5:00 pm

Where: Everett Middle School, 450 Church Street, San Francisco, CA

Cost: FREE, including breakfast and lunch!

What else: The after-YES dance will take place from 5:00-8:00pm at the Everett cafeteria!!

Ongoing classes/opportunities

Write2Passage: A YOUTH SPEAKS Under 21 Open Mic Series (FREE)

Oakland Mic @ Pro Arts Gallery

When: Friday, November 16th (2nd Friday of most months)

Time: Doors open at 6:30pm, FREE

Where: Pro Arts Gallery, 550 2nd St. @ Clay, Oakland

FREE After School YOUTH SPEAKS Workshop Series. (No Registration Necessary)

Tuesday Class

When: Tuesdays, October 16- December 5th, 2007

Time: 4-6 pm

Where: Oakland Museum: 1000 Oak Street

Led by two Youth Speaks alums, Chinaka Hodge & Terry Taplin. former Youth Speaks Teen Poetry Slam Champions, and leaders in the field, this workshop has been packed each week.

Wednesday Class

When: Wednesdays, October 17- December 5th

Time: 4-6 pm

Where: Berkeley High rm. C-327: 2223 MLK Way, Berkeley

Led by two emcees, two educators, two political activists-- Hodari Davis & Lauren Whitehead

Teen Comic Club at the Martin Luther King Jr. Library-- Join comic book fans as we venture into the world of superhero entertainment. Middle school and High school students are welcome

When: Every Tuesday

Time: 3:30pm-5pm

Where: MLK Jr Branch, 6833 International Blvd. 510-615-5728

Teen Game Zone @ Eastmont Library -- Teens can come and play PS2 games at Eastmont Library

When: Every Friday

Time: 3pm-5pm

Where: Eastmont Town Center, 7200 Bancroft Ave, Suite 211

Cool links and helpful resources

Math.com offers students practice problems, games, tools and tutoring-

<http://www.math.com/students/practice.html>

S.O.S. MATHeMatics includes useful tutorials in algebra, trigonometry, calculus and other advanced topics.

www.sosmath.com

NICE RIDE ---Creating cars and being able to drive a car is something most students want. Have you ever considered having a job designing the cars of the future? Go inside Ford Motor Company to see how designers and engineers use math to steer the design of their concept cars in the right direction

www.thefutureschannel.com/dockets/realworld/creating_cars/

