



Student Newsletter



November 2, 2007

The OUSD Student Website has a new website address

www.ousdstudents.org

please update your bookmark with this new address

OUSD has a new Interim State Administrator

State Superintendent of Public Instruction Jack O'Connell announced the appointment of Vincent Matthews as Interim State Administrator of the Oakland Unified School District. Matthews succeeds outgoing State Administrator Dr. Kimberly Statham, who resigned September 27, 2007.

To read more about Mr. Matthews, go to <http://webportal.ousd.k12.ca.us/WebItem.aspx?WebItemID=2>

College Readiness Network

Scholarships

" Save Me a Spot in College " Scholarship \$100,000 in scholarships for California 6th - 12th grade students!

The Campaign for College Opportunity is proud to launch the Third year of the "Save Me a Spot in College" scholarship contest. For more information including the application, go to <http://www.collegecampaign.org/contest>

Deadline for all contest submissions is March 15, 2008

SAT/ACT information

Important Upcoming

Dates:

NOVEMBER 2, 2007 Regular Deadline for December 8 ACT test

SAT and ACT Calendar & Fees 2007-2008

<http://ousdstudents.org/College Prep and Scholarship Info/index.html>

All information compiled by the East Bay Consortium/Cal-SOAP: www.eastbayconsortium.org

All City Council (ACC)/ Meaningful Student Engagement

Middle School ACC General Meeting

Date: Tuesday, November 13th
Time: 10am-12pm, Lunch provided
Location: Westlake Middle School Library, 2629 Harrison St., 94612

OPEN TO ALL MIDDLE SCHOOL LEADERSHIP STUDENTS IN OUSD

High School ACC General Meeting

Date: Thursday, November 15th, 2007
Time: 1pm-3pm, Lunch provided
Location: Fremont Federation Library, 4610 Foothill Blvd., 94601
Hosted by: Robeson School of Visual & Performing Arts @ Fremont Federation

OPEN TO ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS IN OUSD

For more information or to RSVP, contact Raquel Jimenez, ACC Coordinator, at 510-879-8714 (office)
Raquel.Jimenez@ousd.k12.ca.us

Student Grants, Contests and Opportunities

Move Further Student Grants for OUSD student ages 4-21

Marcus A Foster Educational Institute (MAFEI)

http://www.marcusfoster.org/cms2/viewpage.php?domain_id=31&menu_id=319

Students are encouraged to identify activities including, but not limited to performing and visual arts, leadership development, physical education, tutoring, foreign languages, and pre-college exploration.

No deadline, grants are on-going

Captain Planet Foundation Hands-On Environmental Project Grants

<http://www.captainplanetfdn.org/grants.html>

\$250-\$2,500 awards to fund and support hands-on environmental projects for children and youths to solve environmental problems in their neighborhood

Deadline: November 30, 2007

Volvo Adventure Awards

<http://www.volvoadventure.org/home.aspx>

\$4,000-\$10,000 awards to students ages 13-16 for their work on local environmental project.

Deadline: January 31, 2008

Be the Change! Share the Story! School Video Contest

www.quantumshift.tv/schools/

\$50,000 in cash and prizes awarded for videos on environmentalism and social issues.

Deadlines: part one of contest-December 15, 2007 & part two- March 31, 2008

The Federal Aviation Association is taking applications for air traffic controller school

http://www.faa.gov/jobs/job_opportunities/airtraffic_controllers/

Need only a high school diploma to apply and credit is given for college on the exam

Upcoming Community events for youth

Real Unity --Bringing Together the Movements, Showcases, Cyphers, and Sessions

The Weekend Wake-Up FREE Monthly Community Events returns for its fourth year in the Bay Area with a larger mission, a broader outlook, and a bigger posse.

Date: Friday, November 9, 2007
Time: 7 PM until Midnight
Location: Café Axe Cultural Center , 1525 Webster St., Oakland CA, 94612
Cost : FREE

Beats & Flows @ Eastside Cultural Center

After-school workshop for youth teaches recording, mixing, songwriting, performance, digital music production, and the history of black music. For information, call workshop leader Bicasso at 510-282-0015 or 510-533-6629.

Date: Every week TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY (until Monday, Dec. 31)
Time: 6pm-9pm
Location: Eastside Cultural Center, 2277 International Blvd., Oakland, 533-6629
Cost : FREE

Below Radar Arts & Video Education @Eastside Cultural Center

Project teaches resistance curricula through guerrilla theater, muraling, mixed-media arts, and video. For information, call Eden Jequinto or Tommy Wong at 510-533-6629

Date: Daily, from Wed., August 15 until Mon., December 31
Location: Eastside Cultural Center, 2277 International Blvd., Oakland, 533-6629

Cost : FREE

Citywide Sports Winter Basketball League Registration - Boys & Girls, Grades K-8

Sponsored by: Oakland Parks and Rec

Registration Begins: Online or By Mail on November 6;

Special sign-up session for teams and individual players on December 1, 10am- 12pm @ Ira Jinkins Recreation Center at 9175 Edes Avenue.

For more information, call 510-238-3497 or email carmstrong@oaklandnet.com

NFL Punt, Pass, Kick

Sponsored by: Oakland Parks and Rec

Date: November 18 | Oakland Technical High School | 4351 Broadway | 1pm

Registration closed; spectators welcome.

The NFL Punt, Pass, Kick (PPK), one of the longest running NFL grassroots programs, offers boys and girls ages 8-15 the opportunity to compete against each other in football skills events.

Local News and Links

Fines & Lost Books Forgiveness at the Oakland Public Library

November 24 thru December 14, 2007

Come into any Oakland Public Library location during these dates. We 'll forgive your fines and fees for overdue or lost materials checked out before November 1, and welcome you back to the library!

Don 't miss out on this special one-time offer.

For more information, contact (510) 238-3134, your nearest branch library, or visit www.oaklandlibrary.org

The Oakland Tribune has two new websites:

Not Just a Number <http://www.bayareanewsgroup.com/multimedia/iba/njn/>

In response to the high homicide rate of 2006 and the growing rate of 2007, this site was created to give Oakland a chance to share stories, connect and find solutions together.

To see and hear some McClymonds students talk about violence in their community

<http://www.bayareanewsgroup.com/multimedia/iba/njn/#/communityvoices/>

Oakland Tribune City Wide Services Map http://www.insidebayarea.com/ci_6883337

An interactive map of Oakland that shows all community resources under the following categories: Community Builders, Parks & Recreation, Legal Assistance, Job Training/Re-Entry programs, Health Services, and Youth Outreach

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