

CITY ACADEMY

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Parents Needed for the Math, Engineering, and Science Achievement Committee

The City Academy MESA Committee is searching for a parent member for the remainder of this school year. As a member of the committee you will contribute to planning and implementing our spring MESA activities such as physics day at Lagoon, our City Academy career fair, guest speakers for classes, materials acquisition, and an information data base. Also this spring we will be planning and budgeting for MESA activities next year. If you are interested please contact Sonia at 596-8489.

Spirit Week Days: March 17-21

Monday: Green and black day

Tuesday: Dress like your favorite movie character day

Wednesday: Dress like the '50s day

Thursday: Dress like a teacher day

Friday: Wear your favorite colors day



Next week is the end of the quarter. Citizenship scores were posted this Monday so you should have a pretty good indication of your student's academic progress. Let's all end on a strong note before spring break!

Spring Dances

The Fundraising Committee just completed a very successful cash clash in order to raise money for this spring's dances. There was some fierce competition amongst advisories to bring in the most cash, and many piggy banks were

emptied into classroom milk jugs. In the end, Shelia's advisory won by a VERY close margin after having collected more than 100 dollars.

With the money raised (over \$600), the Social Committee is planning a Jr. Prom to be held for 7th and 8th grades only at

City Academy on April 11, and a High School Prom to be held for 9-12 grades only at the University Student Ballroom on May 17.

*** Watch for an announcement in the coming weeks about opportunities to help out with these events!**

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DATES**

MAR. 17-21
Spirit Week:
Dress-Up Days

MAR. 21
End of Term 3

MAR. 24-28
Spring Break



We want you to be involved at City Academy! Here is our policy:

- I. City Academy will hold an annual Back to School night meeting to which all parents shall be invited and encouraged to attend. At this meeting parents will be informed of the school's participation in Title I and informed of their right to be involved.
- II. The parent organization at City Academy, the Parent Teacher Leadership Team (PTLT), will offer flexible meeting times for their regularly scheduled meetings, for example alternating daytime and evening meetings.
- III. The City Academy Advisory Council (CAAC), consisting of 4 parents with a parent chair, 3 staff, and 2 students, and the PTLT will annually be involved in a review of the Parental Involvement Policy as well as development of the Title I School-wide Plan.
- IV. Parents are provided with a description and explanation of the curriculum in use at the school, the forms of academic assessment used to measure student progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet through the school website, and in hard copy as requested. Each teacher also maintains a website of curriculum and resources for their courses.
- V. During quarterly parent-student-teacher conferences teachers will discuss state and school requirements and assessments with parents as needed.
- VI. Teachers will provide parents with materials and suggestions, as needed, to support their students in improved academic achievement. Suggestions will be printed in the parent newsletter and posted on teachers' websites.
- VII. City Academy will provide information related to school and parent programs in a language the parents can understand to the extent practicable.
- VIII. City Academy will provide meeting space and other reasonable support for parental involvement activities as parents may request and is practicable.



WHAT IS THE WINNING COMBINATION???

Kids Eating Healthy and Generous Parents!!

Once again, we would like to ask you to help to support the Student Store!!

What does it take to donate? Just a moment of your time!

As most of you know, the student store's ability to profit and succeed relies heavily on parent involvement. Please contact either Jodie at jodie@cityacademyslc.org or Rebecca at rebecca.cuppett@octanner.com. You can also call Rebecca at 493-3000 ext. 33672, to see what items are needed in the store.

Cash donations are also welcome.

Don't forget: All donations to the school are a tax write off.

As always, your involvement with the school is appreciated.

Thanks for your help, and remember to see if friends and family want to help out as well.

Have a great upcoming spring break!!!!

QuestBridge Launches 2008 College Prep Scholarship

The QuestBridge College Prep Scholarship levels the playing field of college admissions. It equips outstanding low-income high school juniors with the knowledge necessary to compete for admission to the nation's most selective colleges.

College Prep Scholarship awards include:

- * Full scholarships to college summer school programs: 10 students will receive free counseling from QuestBridge to support their applications to summer school programs at Harvard, Notre Dame, Stanford or Yale. If accepted, they will receive scholarships covering the full cost of travel, tuition, and room & board.
- * Individualized college admissions counseling: 40 students will be paired with a QuestBridge counselor who will provide personalized admissions advice via phone and e-mail throughout the college application process.
- * College Admissions Conference invitations: 800 students will be invited to QuestBridge conferences at Stanford or Yale. Participants will attend workshops in which QuestBridge staff will share lessons on how low-income students can successfully apply to leading colleges. They will also meet college admissions officers and learn more about the opportunities that QuestBridge offers.
- * All-expense-paid campus visits: 30 students will have all of their travel expenses and room & board covered to visit a QuestBridge partner college.
- * Tele-mentoring with college students: 100 students will each be paired with an Amherst College student who will provide advice about the college admissions process. The campus visits and tele-mentoring awards are reserved by our partner colleges exclusively for QuestBridge applicants, and are awarded by the colleges based on a separate application.

The College Prep Scholarship application is available at www.questbridge.org. The application is free of charge and is due March 31, 2008.

The College Prep Scholarship also prepares students to be successful applicants to the QuestBridge National College Match program, which pairs outstanding low-income high school seniors with admission and full four-year scholarships to our partner colleges. Last year, 204 students were offered admission and full four-year College Match scholarships to QuestBridge partner colleges. 500 additional QuestBridge applicants were admitted to partner colleges with generous financial aid through the regular decision process.

QuestBridge partners include Amherst College, Bowdoin College, Claremont McKenna College, Columbia University, Emory University, Oberlin College, Pomona College, Princeton University, Rice University, Scripps College, Stanford University, Swarthmore College, Trinity College, the University of Chicago, the University of Notre Dame, Vassar College, Wellesley College, Wheaton College (IL), Williams College, and Yale University.

QuestBridge is a non-profit program. Our organization has worked for 14 years to place top-tier college education within reach for outstanding low-income students. For more information, please visit our website at www.questbridge.org.