

City Academy

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PLEASE TAKE A SURVEY!

We would love your participation with a strategic planning survey for City Academy from our Board of Trustees.

http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=b7rk3z04a60FI3wQk9ILkw_3d_3d

Thank you in advance for taking the time to give them honest and robust feedback through this survey.

SAVE THE DATE

City Academy is holding a book fair the first week in December (Nov. 30-Dec. 5). It will be an in-store book fair at Sam Weller's books. We'll have a kick off event at the store on Monday the 30th. More detailed information will be posted in a future newsletter.

LEARNING PROGRESS IS IMPORTANT

If you believe your student is not making satisfactory progress in their school work due to undiagnosed learning disabilities, you can follow up with your child's health care provider for more information. If your child is a student at City Academy you can also refer your concerns to Deanna, our Educational Support Services coordinator. Deanna then begins a process of dialogue with you and your student's teachers, classroom observation, and possibly testing to gather more information about how your student's education is progressing.

The end of the quarter is this week, October 29. Progress reports will be posted on SIS by November 6, and copies will be sent home. This is a good time to talk with your student about their learning and goals for next quarter. Academic goals set for each class will be on the progress reports.

COMMUNITY COAT EXCHANGE

The Community Coat Exchange is a collection and distribution of winter coats and other clothing items. The idea is for folks to bring donations to CA (serving as one of four drop off centers) before Thanksgiving or to the event itself. At the event, no questions are asked: If you need a coat, come get one. If you want to exchange a coat, bring the coat you want to donate and take one in exchange. If you have a donation of coats, we know people who can use them.

Left over coats are donated to the Crossroads Urban Center Thrift Store, a project of the Crossroads Urban Center which advocates for low income and homeless people.

IMPORTANT DATES

OCT. 29
End of First Term

OCT. 30
No School-
Teacher Professional
Development Day

NOV. 2
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Teacher Professional
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FLU UPDATE

This time of year we usually hear of several kids staying home ill on any day. We have reports of students out sick with cold symptoms, flu symptoms, sore throat, stomach bug....all the usual illnesses that make the rounds each year. We have not yet had any reports of Swine Flu, but these other sicknesses are no fun either, so I want to remind you about the best ways to avoid spreading these infections.

*Please talk to your children about the importance of Hand Washing...Hot Water. Soap. Often.

*Teenagers love to hug and hang out in close proximity to one another. Remind them about keeping their hands to themselves when they are ill.

*Keep your student home if he/she is sick, especially if running a fever, and please call me to let me know.

*Keep your child home until 24 hours after their fever has broken and isn't needing medicine to keep the fever down.

A parent sent me this link to a news report on cold vs. flu symptoms

<http://www.turnto23.com/news/19337804/detail.html>

Call me if you have any questions!

Sara

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PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION

With City Academy 1st quarter winding down and the winter months fast approaching the PTO would like to invite everyone to attend our next PTO meeting to be held: Tuesday, November 3, 2009, 5:30 p.m at the school, rm. 2. We will be discussing the school's winter events such as the Student's Day of the Dead Dance, and Parent Social scheduled to take place on November 6, 2009, Arts Share Night, and ideas for a Community Service Project. Hope to see you Nov. 3!

TWO REQUESTS FROM SOCIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE

Here at the Social Events Committee, we are really looking forward to our annual "Day of the Dead Dance" coming up on Friday, November 6th, at 7:00 p.m. The Food and Drink Sub-Committee is short a few necessary provisions. Anything will help, but we are specifically looking for:

- Halloween cookies*
- Soda*
- Juice*
- Other drinks*
- Crackers*
- Chips*
- Brownies*
- Candy*
- Dry ice (for the drinks)*
- Home-made goods (vegetarian friendly please!)*

Food and drink donations can be dropped off in the multipurpose room at 6:30 p.m. or later. Any donation will greatly be appreciated. Happy Halloween!

*Sincerely,
The Food and Drink Sub-Committee*

Also for the Day of the Dead Dance, the Social Events Committee is looking for some pumpkins to use as decorations. They would prefer large pumpkins but any size will do. They would greatly appreciate the help and donations. If you could donate a pumpkin(s) by Thursday October 29th that would be great. You can drop them off in Caitlin's room (Room 10). Thank you for all the help!

ATTENTION MATH STUDENTS

Students in Pre-algebra, Algebra, and Geometry classes need to be working on [ALEKS](#). Those who have not been doing so are in danger of suffering academically. Q1 ALEKS scores will be finalized on 10/29/09.