

November 7, 2007

HOOVER HAPPENINGS

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SCHOOL CONTACTS

Attendance 248-1306
Administration 759-2783
Counseling 759-2787
GATE 263-6842
YMCA (Cameron Burch)
832-0622
Ms. Judy Dong (Principal)
263-6782

Please call attendance number when your child will be absent from school. Be prepared to give their full name, grade, homeroom number, and reason for absence.

When calling the school, you will be asked to leave a message. Calls cannot be forwarded to classrooms.

COUNSELING OFFICE VOICEMAIL

- Mr. Graven, Asst. Principal: 273-5451
- Ms. Gibbons, Head Counselor: 273-5710; gibbonsn1@sfusd.edu
- Mr. Leonard, Gr. 8 Counselor: 273-1075; counselor@frankleonard.com
- Ms. Castillo, Gr. 7 Counselor: 759-2783
- Mr. Koppes, Gr. 6 Counselor
- Ms. Zerull, All grades ELD/Immersion

TO BETTER SERVE YOU

We want to better serve you by being able to direct your calls more efficiently. Parents or caretakers are to use the most direct school telephone numbers to relay their questions and concerns.

*Call 248-1306 to report student absences.

*For any student related concerns, call 759-2787 or 2793 to reach the Counseling Department.

SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL MEETINGS

The SSC will meet every month on the 2nd WED, alternating morning and afternoon meeting times each month. All are welcomed to attend.

CALENDAR

NOV 7 PTA Board Meeting, 6:00-7:00pm. All welcome. Main Office
NOV 8 Fall Dance- "Viva Las Vegas", 3:15-4:45pm, Cafeteria
NOV 12 Veteran's Day (*No School*)
NOV 14 PTA General Meeting, 7-8:00pm. School Safety, In & Out of School
NOV 15 8th Grade Panoramic Picture
NOV 21-23 Thanksgiving Break (*No School*)
NOV 27 School Geography Bee

PLEASE ATTEND PTA Board Meeting, NOV 7 6:00-7:00pm. All welcome. Main Office

JOIN HOOVER GOOGLE GROUPS:

*A "FREE" service: Please join Hoover Middle School PTA Google Groups, which has replaced the former Hoover PTA yahoo group. As a member, you will receive the Hoover Happenings Newsletter in electronic format, stay informed on what is going on in your child's school, as well as have the opportunity to ask questions and participate in group discussions.

*To join, please visit <http://groups.google.com/group/hoover-pta> and click on "Apply for Group Membership" on the right. Please e-mail Susan Yalca at syalca@yahoo.com if you need assistance.

2007-08 8th GRADE INFORMATION

*A page has been added to the Hoover PTA Google Group, which contains valuable information for 8th graders.

*To access this page visit <http://groups.google.com/group/hoover-pta/web/2007-08-8th-grade-information?hl=en> or go to the Home Page of the group at <http://groups.google.com/group/hoover-pta>.

*This page will be continually updated throughout the school year, so you may want to add it to your "Favorites". **IMPORTANT: You must be a member of the Hoover PTA Google Group to access this page.** Please follow the instructions above to join if you are not already a member. To submit articles for this 8th Grade Page, please contact Susan Yalca at syalca@yahoo.com.

ENROLLMENT APPLICATIONS:

*Families of 5th and 8th grade students will be receiving pre-printed enrollment applications in the mail. If you do not receive pre-printed applications, you may request one from the main office. Please check your address for accuracy. Hoover MS will be collecting application forms for present 8th graders and siblings of students who want pre-assignment privileges. In order to receive sibling pre-assignment, the older sibling must continue to attend the school in 2008-09, the application form must indicate that they are a sibling, and it must be submitted in person before the **JAN 11, 2008 deadline**.

*Any 8th grader applying for high schools may return their application form to Hoover MS or to the Education Placement Center in person. Please note that there is an additional application for Lowell that needs to be included and turned along with the general application. Lowell deadline is DEC 7. A general application may be submitted to SOTA to the school site, but the parent is responsible for turning in a separate application to SOTA in order to schedule an audition.

*Parents who need to make a change in address must go to the EPC to make this change and bring appropriate documentation: two proofs of address that may include valid CA driver's license, utility bill dated within 90 days, automobile insurance policy, homeowner's/renter's insurance policy, property tax statement, letter from a social services/governmental agency dated within 90 days.

*Please contact Counselor Leonard if you have any questions.

SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL MEETING:

TUES, NOV 13 at 8:00am in the School Library. Agenda items: Election results, finalized budget, plans for expenditures. Final approval of calendar dates and times. All are welcomed to attend.

Ciao! ITALIAN LANGUAGE CLASSES WILL BEGIN:

On THURS, NOV 8, Hoover welcomes back the Italian Club. This year the program is funded by Italian Cultural Society. Substituting for Ms. Pia Larocca, on personal

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Article Due
Distribution Date
NOV 16 NOV 21
NOV 30 DEC 5
DEC 7 DEC 12
JAN 4 JAN 9

GOT NEWS?

Please drop Hoover Happenings items in the PTA Happenings mailbox or send items via email to Kate Ikeda:
bkbkikeda@aol.com.

Electronic submissions preferred.

JOIN HOOVER PTA:

Please contact Carol Lee:
phonymom@yahoo.com

SEASONAL SPORTS: INFORMATION

POSTED ON:
<http://sfpta.org/Hoover/HMS2005/html/athletics.htm>

STUDENT CLUBS:

http://sfpta.org/Hoover/HMS2005/html/student_body_clubs.htm

leave, will be Ms. Sam McMillan who will be here for classes on MON & THURS from 8am to 9am. If you are interested in having your child participate, he or she should report to Room C23 on THURS, NOV 8. Judy K. Dong, Principal

RECYCLE CLUB needs parents to take several bags of recycle to the recycle center at Kezar. Please contact Mrs. Cunningham, recycle club teacher sponsor, through the main number at school.

INDEPENDENT LIVING WISH LIST:

- Fabric: Denim (lightweight) or Cotton (non printed); *if you'd like to precut fabric, students sew on swatches that are 7" wide x 12" long
 - Hand Sewing Needles
 - Crafters Pins
 - Paper Napkins
 - Paper Towels
 - Kleenex
 - Good condition pots and pans (regular kitchen size)
 - Laundry Detergent
 - Bleach
- *Items can be put in Ms Cheng's mailbox or room B18. Thank you!

A BIG THANK YOU from Mr. Resnik, B36

To Ms. Mellisa Comito for donating fibers to Mr. Resnik's 7th grade science classes for our "Keeping Flowers Fresh" science lab. For more info on Ms. Stellar's business, go to www.asimpleceremony.com.

MEET THE 2007 GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM:

Aki Shurelds	Christine Horace	Michelle Cai
Bailey Armstrong	Erica Wong	Michelle Lee
Bora Yoon	Hannah Marsh	Sydney Sweeney
Cathy Cai	Mara Robinson	Tiffany Ng
Chiemi Silver		

& the 2007 GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM MANAGERS:

Sandy Wong	Emily Nguyen
Xiao Liu	Michelle Fong

REFLECTIONS PROGRAM:

Chair: Marcia Zorrilla
Deadline for entries: MON, NOV 26. Official rules & entry forms will be in the Main Office this week. Download official rules - please follow CAREFULLY! Many entries were DISQUALIFIED for not FOLLOWING THE RULES.

FAMILY MATH AND SCIENCE NIGHT WAS A GREAT SUCCESS!

Great turnout and great fun while we learned about math and science!

*Thank you to Ms. Prak and her Math and Science Club for the great games and great fun in science and math! Math and Science Club members include Tiffany Ng, Mia Shakelford, Emma Beurman, Jessica Huynh, Cerise Huang, Chiemi Silver, Adriana Miller, Ruta P., Cary Low, Cecilia Fang, Linda Chen, Yuri Guang, Fiona Huynh (your brother too), Leo, Nora Griffin, Nicholas Bourgault, Emily Taplonghari, Anna Highsmith and Anna Lee. A special thank you to Julie (Emma's mom) for providing a pizza dinner for all the club kids.

*Thank you Mr. Austin, Mr. Steller and Mr. Luk for providing the well attended, standing room only Math workshop! Special thanks to David Yee (6th grade parent) for the fun science of making and eating ice cream with nitrogen.

*We are grateful and thank you to the following groups: The San Francisco Youth Mariachi (several Hoover students are in it) for their wonderful music; Jennifer Arguello and Andres Martin from the Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers; the American Society of Civil Engineers chapter at SFSU for the fabulous steel bridge exhibit- thanks Helen and Gary!; the Exploratorium for providing the digital demo and sending someone to run it; and the after-school program for letting us setup early and get things going early!

*Thank you to all the wonderful parent volunteers: Angela Morrison and Anne Baxter for the database of attendees, Shirley Liu for picking up the pizza, Jennie Lee, Catherine Kahookele and Connie Wong for registration and serving the pizza, and all the wonderful parents who helped with setup, working in the booths and clean up! Sorry for not including all the volunteer names...there were so many of you but we appreciate your work!

*The kids are already talking about next year...