

May 14, 2008

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
- Joanna Wardell, ELD and Immersion Counselor: 273-3299, wardellj@sfusd.edu

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 a TUES, alternating morning and afternoon meeting times each month. All are welcomed to attend.

MAY 13 @ 8:10am

PTA CONTACTS

- Linda Renteria, President: 850-5165; Saliante@aol.com
- Jill Fox, Vice President: 285-9211; ibjill@comcast.net
- Debi Skaggs, Secretary: dbskaggs@yahoo.com
- Diego Montoya, Treasurer: dilinc@hotmail.com

CALENDAR

WED MAY 14 PTA Meeting: Elections/**Volunteer Appreciation Night**: 6:30pm, Library
FRI MAY 16 Band Concert, Hoover Auditorium, 7:30pm, All Bands
Week of MAY 19 Youth Arts Festival, Golden Gate Concert Shell, time TBA, Symphonic Band
MON MAY 19 - TUES MAY 20 Scholastic Book Fair, from 9::30am to 3:30pm, Library
TUES MAY 20 Latino Parent Meeting, 6:30pm, Cafeteria
WED MAY 21 Youth Arts Festival, De Young Museum, 4:00pm, Jazz Band
FRI MAY 23 Orchestra Concert, Hoover Auditorium, 7:30 p.m., All Orchestras
MON MAY 26 Memorial Day (school Closed)
FRI MAY 30 Choral Concert, Hoover Auditorium, 7:30 p.m., Jazz Band

JOIN US TONIGHT: PTA MEETING: ELECTIONS and VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DESSERT PARTY: **WED, MAY 14 @ 6:30pm, Library**

The PTA Board and Hoover Faculty invite you to a reception to thank you for your service to the school. The Faculty wants a chance to Thank All Volunteers for their hard work this year. Join us in the Library. Come celebrate the end of another school year with other volunteers! The evening will also include a brief presentation - the Principal's Report, our PTA Budget Report, and election of PTA Officers for next year. We hope to see you there.

*We still have positions available. You can share a position with another parent! Here is a brief description of the positions still open: Vice President, Secretary, HH Chinese Translator, Volunteer Coordinator, Reflections Chair, and PIE President. Please visit our website for position descriptions.

BEAUTIFY HOOVER DAY!!

Thank you to all those who participated in Beautify Hoover Day! It turned out to be a great sunny day to be out raking, painting, and cleaning up Hoover while listening to KMEL!

STAFF LUNCHEON A SUCCESS!

Thank you to all those who volunteered, sent food, or did both. The teachers and staff were very appreciative of all the salads, tacos, drinks and desserts! Thank you Kate & Brian Ikeda, Susan Tong, Judy Shawley, Shirley Liu, Amy McGeeever, Debi Skaggs, Caroline Scott, Carol Untalan, Tse Family, Kelley Carlin, Claudia Molina, Tricia Carlin, Yuriko, Jesse Roth, Deborah Delambert, Diego Montoya, Catherine K., Jennie Lee, Pat Madden, Teri Hu, Gayline Tom, Angela Morrison, Shauna Woods, Tricia Carlin and Casa Sanchez (dba Juliana's Gourmet) for a wonderful event! Apologies for any missed names.

CONTRIBUTE TO OUR PTA FUND!

To date Hoover PTA community has raised about \$44,000 with various fundraisers including \$20,000 in direct contributions to our annual fund goal of \$85,000". Please send in whatever you can contribute to help Hoover with the huge funding cuts for 2008-2009. A suggested minimum of **\$250** contribution from each family with one child at Hoover, and a **\$350** contribution from each family with multiple children at Hoover. We appreciate any amount you can give.

COME SEE OUR HOOVER SYMPHONIC BAND: HELP US SELL OUR REMAINING GIANTS TICKETS!

We have a limited number of bleachers seats (\$18.50 each) remaining for the Giants vs. N.Y. Mets game at 7:15 pm on TUES., JUNE 3, at which the Hoover Symphonic Band will play the national anthem. The extended ticket order deadline is today, WED., MAY 14, so that we will have time to mail tickets. Please contact me as soon as possible at daphne_powell@yahoo.com if you would still like to purchase tickets. Thanks to everyone who has already bought tickets! Daphne Powell.

ON YOUR MERIT GO!!! from Merit Awards Sponsor Ms. Cunningham

*It's that time of the year again to share with us the wonderful work that you have provided to the school. Merit forms were placed in homeroom mailboxes on 05/09/08. They will be collected by 05/16/08. Thank you for your scholarship, citizenship and service to your school.

ASIAN HERITAGE STREET CELEBRATION:

*AsianWeek's Asian Heritage Street Celebration in on SAT MAY 17 at San Francisco's Japantown on Post from Laguna to Webster Streets. This year AHSC honors students for their work in green science, and we are proud to announce that two Hoover seventh graders will be honored, Madeline Inouye and Elana Rapp.

*Thanks to Ms. Cunningham for her nomination of these two students. In conjunction to the street celebration, the Chinese Immersion Program (CIP) parents have been participating in the AHSC School Raffle Program with proceeds going to CIP. Many thanks to parents: Cindy Choy, Joseph Der, Shu Ling Guan, Susan Hom, Kate Ikeda, Deanna Lee, Chong Low, Kin Keung Ma, Linda Renteria for their efforts.

- Carol Lee, Membership Chair:
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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

*Susan Tong, Volunteer Chair:
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MAY 30	JUN 4*

*Last Edition

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:

<http://sfpta.org/Hoover/HHMS2005/html/athletics.htm>

STUDENT CLUBS:

http://sfpta.org/Hoover/HHMS2005/html/student_body_clubs.htm

2007-08 8th GRADE

INFORMATION:

*A page has been added to the Hoover PTA Google Group, which contains valuable information for 8th graders.
<http://groups.google.com/group/hoover-pta/web/2007-08-8th-grade-information?hl=en>
or Home Page of the group at <http://groups.google.com/group/hoover-pta>

ELECTIVES for 7th and 8th

GRADERS:

We have added the Hoover electives forms for next year's 7th and 8th graders. Just in case you lost these sheets or did not see them. Please visit www.sfpta.org/Hoover.

Two businesses have offered ways to **SUPPORT HOOVER:**

*We have received donations from Office Depot & Washington Mutual Bank.

*When you are shopping at Office Depot, be sure to use ID # 70014080 to get on the "5% Back to Schools Program" on all qualifying school supply purchases.

www.school.com

<<http://www.school.com/>> & click on the 5% Back to Schools Program or call Hotline at 877-567-5BTS (877-567-5287). We have been using the credit to purchase copy paper.

*Washington Mutual customers have chosen Hoover to be part of the "WAMoola for Schools" program. 1-888-354-7099 or www.wamoolaforschools.com

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR!!

*On MON MAY 19 and TUES MAY 20, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., there will be a Scholastic Book Fair held in the Hoover school library.

*We will also be open on WED, May 14 during the volunteer appreciation evening (6-8pm), FRI during 0 period, lunch and before the Band Concert (6:30-7:30pm).

*It is a great opportunity to load up on books for summer reading as well as to purchase a book (or more!) for a teacher or classroom donation.

So, bring your money and shop, shop, shop!!

*VOLUNTEERS needed for the book fair for both MON MAY 19 and TUES MAY 20: Please contact Connie Wong, cell: 606-8599, e-mail: calcon11@sbcglobal.net to let her know if you can share any of your time with us on either of those days. The duties will vary according to the number of volunteers, but we **need help** with inventory, treasurer, packing and unpacking and plenty of help watching over the stock. Thank you so much.

SPRING MUSIC CONCERTS for HOOVER BAND SCHEDULE: Please let Mr. Yonemura or me know if you can chaperone.

- FRI, MAY 16: Band Concert, Hoover Auditorium, 7:30 pm., All Bands. We need parents to bring baked goods and help set up the bake sale. Amy McGeever is managing the bake sale. Please contact her at (415) 566-9617 or amysean@att.net to let her know what you can bring and if you can help out.
- TUES MAY 20: Symphonic Band: Youth Arts Festival, Golden Gate Band Shell Concert:
*We need five adults to chaperone. We have buses for this field trip so adults can ride on the bus or drive separately. Permission slips will come home for this. Departure Time: 10am. Performance Time: Band Shell - 11am to 11:45am. Leave performance site: 12 noon. We should be back at Hoover by 12:15pm or so.
- WED MAY 21: Jazz Band: Youth Arts Fest., De Young Museum, 4 pm: Performing for 150 elementary school principals and others.
*We need 2 adults to chaperone. Again, we have a bus for this trip. Departure Time: 2:45pm. Performance Time: 4 p.m. to 4:30-4:45m. Leave performance site: 4:45pm. We should be back at Hoover around 5 p.m. Please arrange to pick up your student at Hoover then.
- FRI MAY 23: Orchestra Concert, 7:30 pm. Please bring baked goods to the concert for bake sale.
- FRI MAY 30: Choral Concert, Hoover Auditorium, 7:30pm, Jazz Band
- TUES JUN 03: SF Giants, AT&T Park, 6 pm, Symphonic Band
- TUES JUN 10: 8th Gr. Assembly, Hoover Auditorium, 9:30am, Jazz Band
- WED JUN 11: Graduation, Lincoln High School, 8:30am call, Symphonic Band

HOOVER ORCHESTRA FESTIVAL: from Mr. Frank

Congratulations to members of the Hoover Advanced Orchestra for being excellent hosts at the Hoover Orchestra Festival APR 24. Our guests included orchestras from Aptos, Giannini and SOTA. After excellent performances by each school, all musicians relaxed and socialized at an ice cream party!

HOOVER SWEATSHIRTS (Grey w/Hawk) & T-SHIRTS FOR SALE

*The sweatshirts and T-Shirts are for sale in the student store at school. See the order form for details:

<http://www.geocities.com/terihu/HooverTshirtOrderForm.pdf>;

<http://www.geocities.com/terihu/HooverSweatshirt.htm>

*You can also contact our sweatshirt/t-shirt coordinator, Teri Hu (6th grade mom) at cell 510- 825- 2000 or email her at terihu@gmail.com. We will take pre-orders on the T-Shirts through 05/16/08.

BEFORE SCHOOL SOCCER (7-9 am) COMING NEXT FALL, EARLY SEPT. OPEN TO ALL BOYS AND GIRLS WHO WISH TO LEARN OR IMPROVE THEIR SOCCER SKILLS.

*Our math teacher, Mr. Haycox, who doubles as the Hoover soccer coach, has just been awarded a Sports for Health Grant from Philanthropic Ventures Foundation in Oakland to hold soccer training for Hoover students who have an interest in learning and practicing soccer. Students may come from 7-8am or 8-9am once a week.

*You do **not** need to be on the soccer team to take part. Students who do not have the grade point average to qualify for team sports at Hoover, or those who tried out but did not make the soccer team are encouraged to take part. This grant will allow Mr. Haycox to purchase new soccer equipment! Look for more information next fall or talk to Mr. Haycox (Room 37).

*Mr. Haycox thanks parent volunteer, Pat Madden, for her assistance in getting this grant.

Parents and Students: do you have an idea of how to get Hoover students more physically active? If so, contact Ms. Lee, Chair, P.E. Dept., (759-2783 ext. 3201, 12-1:40PM & 3:30-5PM except Wed.).