Schoolwide Update

SAVE THE DATE: COMMUNITY MEETING!
LEARN MORE ABOUT THE LODESTAR HIGH SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION & OUR PLANS FOR HELPING TRAFFIC IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD.

March 19 from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. at Lodestar

Three reasons why you should care about this meeting and plan on attending:

1. You are a part of Lodestar history! We are growing toward a full K - 12 campus!
2. Construction of a high school and playground will be happening on our campus starting in June 2019 and will complete in May 2020. Come see the plans.
3. The City of Oakland is making our ground-breaking difficult. We need your help and action to ensure we can move forward with construction. We will sign you up to participate in carpooling and more to help with traffic in the area.

Questions: email CEO Jenna Stauffer at jenna.stauffer@lighthousecharter.org

LCPS PARENT NUTRITION FOCUS GROUP
Lighthouse and Lodestar are both embarking on a bidding process to find the best school meals provider for the 2019-20 school year. The Parent Nutrition Focus Group has met to learn about both the process and the timeline for selecting a vendor. The group is also looking at what metrics we will use to best select and evaluate the vendors that will be submitted an offer. I am currently looking for a few more Lodestar parents to participate in the group so that there is equitable voice from our two schools. If you’re interested to join our working group please reach out to Arlene Aldrette, Director of Operations, at arlene.aldrette@lighthousecharter.org or 510-499-3086. We hope to see you!

BOOK FAIR @ LODESTAR
Lodestar Families, the Grandparents Club has taken on the leadership of the first annual Lodestar Book Fair which will be held March 25-29. We need parent volunteers for the open hours as well as for class visit hours. If you would like to volunteering, please contact family liaison, Donna Williams @ donna.williams@lighthousecharter.org and a committee member will get back to you with more specific details. Those of you who have already volunteered will be contacted to confirm if you are still available.

ZUMBA, ANYONE?
The first session of Zumba held last Wednesday was invigorating and fun! Led by Lodestar parent Vanina Doce-Mood, the free Zumba classes happen every Wednesday from 6:10 p.m. - 7 p.m. This is a great gift for the Lodestar community as Ms. Vanina is a professional Zumba instructor. All Lodestar community, staff and families, are welcome! Child care is not provided, but children are welcome to stay on the "kids corner" where coloring pages and blocks will be provided for them. Participants will be asked to sign a liability waiver. Let’s Zumba together! Join us this Wednesday!
SYSTEMS OF OPPRESSION WORKSHOP Pt. 2

There was great information and conversation last week as the terminology that connects to the subject matter was defined and discussed. This is important and relevant information for the times in which we live. Join us for part 2 @ Coffee Friday, March 15th at 9:15 p.m. The workshop is led by Manuel Vasquez of California Charter School Association (CCSA).

K-4 Update
THURSDAY FITNESS GROUPS @ LODESTAR
Thursday fitness groups have been launched in the K-2 lab. We need your support!

- We need 3-6 parent volunteers (1-2 per time block) to support in leading students in organized fitness activities every Thursday.
- The blocks are Thursdays at:
  - 9:45-10:45a
  - 10:45-11:30a
  - 2:20-3:10p
- All volunteers must go through a screening process.
- If you're interested in participating, or want to know more, please fill out this form.

KINDER FAMILIES
Join us, Friday, March 15th at 5 pm at our Lighthouse Campus for the launch of Kinder to College. During this event, parents will participate in a special activity for their child, and will also learn about the Oakland Promise Kinder to College scholarship and how to open up a college savings account. Kinder students will meet some amazing Lighthouse alumni who have graduated from college and will share their journey to and through college. Students will also work on an art activity and at the end of the program will be presented with a $100 scholarship from Oakland Promise. Your child's journey to college starts here ... in Kinder. Join us for this memorable event. Snacks, beverages, translation to Spanish and childcare will be provided.

OAKLAND PROMISE CAL DAY
Imagine hugging robot, seeing a ' T' Rex skeleton , and dancing to the sounds of the UC Berkeley Band. It’s called Cal Day, an extravaganza of events that showcase the most fun and exciting parts of UC Berkeley. Oakland Promise’s Ca l Day is designed for K-2 graders and is also open to siblings and family members of all ages. Come join us for Cal Day! Take a look at last year’s activities: Cal Day. Questions? Email K2c@oaklandpromise.org

6-8 Update

SUMMER CAMP OPPORTUNITIES
Check out this list of summer camp opportunities middle school students in the bay area
https://docs.google.com/.../1NapSH5Y7jW3UQY8tZVG0hkvdv.../edit...

YOUTH OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIPS
There is a summer camp scholarship available for students 6th - 8th grade. The scholarship will pay up to $500 for summer camps! Deadline is March 31! Submit paperwork with karen.fee@lighthousecharter.org.

How to apply: https://www.youthopportunityscholarships.org/.../how-to-apply/

Family Resource Center

YOUTH HEART HEALTH CENTER
Vision services, eye exams and glasses, are now available for MediCal participants. The services are offered to children and youth (no eye exam within the last two years), 3-21 years of age with no
out-of-pocket costs. For more information or to schedule an exam, call 510-879-1557. The center is located at 286 E. 10th Street, Oakland.

**OAKLAND RUNNING FESTIVAL (aka OAKLAND MARATHON)**
Lodestar Families, LCPS will help run the table at the 9th water stop for the race, March 24th, 7:45-11:30 a.m. If you would like to be that one to hand out water to the runners, please email donna.williams@lighthousecharter.org. Info here: [Oakland Running Festival](#)

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