

March 5, 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, wardelli@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.

MAR 11 @ 8:10am
 APR 8 @ 3:45pm
 MAY 13 @ 8:10am

PTA CONTACTS

- Linda Renteria, President: 850-5165; Saliente@aol.com
- Jill Fox, Vice President:

CALENDAR

MAR 5 POPs Concert (Band, Orchestra & Chorus): 7pm, Auditorium
 MAR 7 Talent Show Try-outs, Lunch Period, Auditorium
 MAR 12 PTA Business Meeting (All Welcome): 6-8pm, Main Office
 MAR 13 6th Grade Night of Music: 7:30pm, Auditorium
 MAR 14 Spring Fair: 9am-3pm, Gym
 MAR 17-21 Parent-Teacher Conference: 230-530pm
 MAR 24-28 Spring Break- NO SCHOOL
 MAR 31 Cesar Chavez Day- NO SCHOOL

HOOVER ANNUAL POPS CONCERT: WED, MAR 5 @ 7 pm, Auditorium

*Support our PTA's Annual Fund by attending a concert of popular music played by Hoover's top ensembles! Highlights include: Advanced Orchestra performing "Three Little Pigs" and themes from "Fiddler on the Roof"; Symphonic Band performing themes from "Wicked"; Jazz Band performing "Rock Around the Clock" with Advanced Chorus and "Moondance" and much more...

*There will also be a raffle to raise additional funds for the PTA. Music parents will be selling cake and refreshments at intermission. This is not a bake sale, so we are not asking for baked goods, but if you would like to help sell refreshments, let me know. And bring your friends- it's a great chance to hear the best of Hoover's music programs.

*\$3 admission (\$10 per family); All proceeds benefit Hoover PTA's Annual Fund.

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCE WEEK:

Conference request forms have been sent home. Please be aware that teachers will place priority appointments for students needing greatest support. If you do not get an appointment during conference week, please contact teachers to arrange for alternate time to speak or meet.

TRAFFIC SAFETY: A reminder to parents:

The **Castenada Street entrance is not a pick up or drop off area for students.** It is a staff entrance. The neighbors are concerned about the increase in traffic and student safety.

HOOVER PTA ANNUAL FUND DRIVE!

To date, we have received \$8,000 in contributions. The Hoover PTA's \$85,000 fundraising goal for the school year includes \$60,000 in school staff salaries. These staff, including the counselors and librarian are not fully paid by the school district and without parent funding from us, would not be providing the value they do to our children every school day. 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.

-----Please cut and turn in (or mail) with your donation to the school-----

() **Yes, I can contribute to the Hoover Annual Fund!**

() **Yes, I can contribute/match the Annual Fund through my company.** _____ (name of the company)

Please make checks payable to **Hoover PTA**. Please return this form to the PTA mailbox in the school office, or mail it to us.

Your Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____

Email: _____

Your child(ren)'s name(s) & homeroom number(s) at Hoover _____

If you prefer, you can also make an online donation by credit card through PayPal by visiting <http://sfpta.org/Hoover> and clicking on "Make A Donation". Please indicate your contribution amount:

[] \$1,000 [] \$500 [] \$350 [] \$250 [] \$150 [] \$100 Other: \$ _____

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 50 HOOVER ORCHESTRA, BAND, AND CHORUS

STUDENTS who participated in the 15th annual AIM-SFUSD All-City Music Festival on SAT FEB 23, at Lowell High School. Hoover was among nine middle schools and eight high schools that sent student musicians. Special thanks to Hoover music faculty members Jon Frank, Paul Yonemura, and Alison Kim, who donated many hours of their personal time to ensure an outstanding concert. Also thank you to Hoover parent Burl Enderlin for transporting Hoover's timpanis to Lowell!!

HOOVER TALENT SHOW!

Tryouts are this THURS MAR 7. Come to the auditorium during your lunch period and show off your talent! The talent will be on THURS APR 17. Thanks! Lisa Quoresimo

SIXTH GRADE NIGHT OF MUSIC on THURS MAR 13, at 7:30 pm, features Hoover's sixth grade band and orchestra students in a concert at the Hoover Auditorium. Come see and hear what our sixth graders have accomplished since the beginning of the school year!

285-9211;

ibjill@comcast.net

- Debi Skaggs, Secretary:
dbskaggs@yahoo.com
- Diego Montoya, Treasurer:
dilinc@hotmail.com
- Carol Lee, Membership
Chair: 664-5093;
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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

*Susan Tong, Volunteer Chair:
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Article Due	Distribution Date
MAR 14	MAR 19
MAR 28	APR 2
APR 11	APR 16
APR 25	APR 30
MAY 9	MAY 14
MAY 23	MAY 28
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 POSTED ON:

<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. 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>.

FIELD TRIP TO SOTA: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: TUES MAR 11 @ 9:45am-3:25pm:

*The field trip is to view "Beauty and the Beast" performed by SOTA students, and the students return before school is over/or just about when it is over at 3:25pm. Ms Cunningham is taking her students.

*15 Chaperones needed to escort two 7th grade and three 8th grade class for TUES MAR 11 field trip to view "Beauty and the Beast" performed by SOTA students

1. Be at Hoover MAR 11 @ 9:45am, sign in and see Ms. Cunningham
2. Receive instructions from Ms. Cunningham and take class information folder
3. Take your class to and from SOTA on MUNI bus #48 (runs every 10 minutes)
4. Back to school by 3:25pm

*Please contact: Ms. Janet Cunningham: 415-759-2783

IT'S HOOVER SPRING FAIR TIME!! VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: FRI MAR 14, ALL DAY:

*This is a very fun PTA event for all of the children at Hoover. Students get to play games at game booths created by students. Hoover's Jazz Band provides the jazzy sounds for the day. Fair food will be served, and there will also be a bake sale.

*Coordinator: Debi Skaggs, e-mail: dbskaggs@yahoo.com

Volunteers can be in one or more of the following three shifts: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 8:30-11:00am• 11:00-1:00pm• 1:00-3:30pm	Need volunteers for: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Selling tickets2. Checking students in3. Distributing game booth prizes4. Serving food (pizza, salad, Chinese food, popcorn, etc.)5. Handling the cash accounting6. Donating bake goods
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SPRING FAIR BAKE SALE: Hoovers' Spring Fair is almost upon us and we need baked good donations for the event!! Goodies should be individually wrapped! Here are some ideas of what we want: banana bread, home-baked cookies, brownies, Rice Krispie Treats, baggies of Chex Mix or pretzels, fruit skewers, - it's all good and needed. Please contact Caroline Scott at carolinescott@zephyrsf.com or 415 244-9754 if you have any questions about the bake sale or if you would like to commit to bringing something. You can bring or send your wrapped treats to the gym on THURS MAR 13 after 3:00pm or early FRI morning MAR 14. Thank you in advance for all of your food donations!

SPRING FAIR TICKETS: Soon your kids will be asking you "When and where do I buy the Hoover Spring Fair tickets?" Well here's the answer! Tickets will be sold in homerooms on the morning of the fair on FRI MAR 14 in \$5 bundles, with additional tickets available for sale during the fair at the ticket table. Kids, don't forget to bring your money (\$\$\$) the morning of MAR 14. There will be games, prizes, and food available to purchase at this very fun event!!

STUDENT BODY DANCE: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: THURS APR 17 @ 3:15-4:45pm:

Coordinator Ms. Diane Woodhull

*5 parents man the doors in the cafeteria and to assist with clean-up. Need one or more parents' help to shop & prepare snacks and drinks.

*Please contact volunteer coordinator at: susan.tong@sf.frb.org

SAVE ME A SPOT IN COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST will award more than \$100,000 in scholarships to over 100 students across California! The contest provides all California 6th-12th grade students an opportunity to share why college is important to them by answering the question, "Why should California leaders save you and your peers a spot in college?" Students may submit a written word, poster, and/or a 30-second TV ad that answers this question. All students who participate in the contest will receive recognition for participating and information preparing them for college, along with their chance to win a **\$500 to \$2,500 scholarship**. To find out more information about this scholarship contest, please visit us online at www.collegecampaign.org/contest. Additionally, if you have any questions or would like to schedule a presentation you may contact Stephanie Romero-Crockett at 800-459-9586 or stephanie@collegecampaign.org.

PE TEACHERS Continues to URGENTLY NEED VOLUNTEERS starting MAR 6:

1. FITNESS SCORERS to help teachers count curl-up, mile run, etc. either am (9:25am-12pm) or pm (1:45-3:2pm). This is a fun, easy way to get to know the PE teachers and see the gym and locker room! Parents will be with teachers at all times.

*Please email Pat Madden at pmadded94116@yahoo.com and write "PE" in the subject line or call her at 681-6207.

*In addition there is an on-going need for one parent to volunteer for the PE Dept. as:

2. TECH SUPPORT
 3. EQUIPMENT ROOM ORGANIZER: need at least two volunteers
 4. JOG/WALK PROGRAM VOLUNTEER: need at least two volunteers
 5. LAUNDRY ASSISTANT
 6. DANCE ASSISTANT
 7. EQUIPMENT ASSEMBLER (a handy person with tools): need at least two volunteers
- *Call Ms. Lee (chair, PE) at 759-2783 Ext. 3201; MTThF: 12-1:40pm & 3:30-5 pm; WED: 12:11-1:46pm, & 3:30-5 pm

2nd ANNUAL BEAUTIFY HOOVER DAY: SAVE THE DATE - SAT, MAY 3

Students, faculty, families, friends are welcome. If you have any questions or would like to help organize, please call: Niki Gibbons, Head Counselor, 752-2788