

Savannah-Chatham County Public School System

Coming Soon

To A School Near You.....

December 8, 2008

District Events

SCCPSS Holiday Performances

The students of the Savannah-Chatham County Public School System would like to extend a formal invitation "to kids from one to ninety-two" to attend any one of a number of very special concerts and performances during this festive holiday season.

Monday, December 8

Coastal Middle School Band 7.00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 9

Bartlett Middle School Chorus, Band, and Dance 6.00 pm

Wednesday, December 10

Savannah Arts Academy Chorus and Orchestra 7.00 p.m.

Thursday, December 11

Pooler Elementary School Chorus and Band 6.00 p.m.

Savannah Arts Academy Chorus and Orchestra 7.00 p.m.

Shuman Middle School Band and Dance 7.00 p.m.

Windsor Forest High School Chorus and Band 7.00 p.m.

School Events

Coastal Middle School PTA Night and School Book Fair

Coastal Middle School will host their December PTA Night in conjunction with the School Book Fair and Band Concert on Monday, December 8. The Book Fair will open at 5:30 p.m. and a local author, Muriel Lindsay, will be speaking at 6:00 p.m. She is the author of Chronicles of the Savannah River Dolphins. The Coastal Middle School Band Concert will begin at 7:00 p.m.

For more information, contact Coastal Middle School at 898-3950.

Georgetown Elementary Band and Chorus Winter Concert

The Georgetown Elementary band and chorus will present their Winter Concert on Tuesday, December 9, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria. The concert will include music of various cultures, musical styles, and languages, and an audience sing-a-long. The public is invited to attend.

For further information, contact Cynthia Dooley at 961-3475.



Mercer Middle School "Sounds of the Holidays"

Mercer Middle School will hold their "Sounds of the Holidays" musical event on Tuesday, December 9, 2008 at the Mighty 8th Museum beginning at 6:00 p.m. The band under the direction of Porter Haskew, and the chorus under the guidance of Anita Homansky, will usher in the holiday season. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

For more information please contact Mercer Middle School at 965-6700.

Groves Students' Artwork on Display

Three art students from Groves High School will be exhibiting their art work at the upcoming Young Artist Showcase sponsored by the Desotorow Gallery, located at 2427 De Soto Ave. in Savannah. The exhibit runs from December 5-10 and the opening reception will be a part of Starland Art District's First Friday on December 5, from 6:00-9:00 p.m.

For more information, contact Groves at 965-2520.

SAA Orchestra and Choral Department Presents "The Sounds of Winter"

It's that time of the year - time for an evening of holiday cheer! Savannah Arts Academy Orchestra and Choral Department will present "*The Sounds of Winter - An Evening of Holiday Music*" on Wednesday, December 10, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. and on Thursday, December 11, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. Each of the five choirs will be showcased during a spectacular two-night musical performance! Tickets are \$6.00 for adults and \$3.00 for students and senior citizens.

For additional information, please feel free to contact the school at 201-5000.

Georgetown Elementary Book Fair Safari

The Scholastic Book Fair 2008 is coming to Georgetown Elementary December 3 through December 11. A special Family Night will be held on Tuesday, December 9, from 4:30-7:00 p.m. Families can register to win \$50.00 worth of books.

For more information, contact Anne Arden at 961-3475.

Shuman Middle School Visual and Performing Arts Event for the Month

December 11 - 17	Winter Visual Arts Exhibition
December 10	Orchestra Performance at the BOE and Jepson -- 10:00 and 11:00 a.m.
December 10	Middle School Chorus Performance at the Jepson -- 12:00 noon
December 11	Chorus, Band, Orchestra, Dance, Drama and Visual Arts presentation to area fifth graders -- 10:00 a.m.
December 12	Chorus, Band, Orchestra, Drama and Visual Arts presentation to area fifth graders -- 10:00 a.m.
December 11	Winter Concert Band - Dance -- 7:00 p.m.
December 12	Golden Pecan Dance Performance - Lucas Theater -- 7:00 p.m.
December 15	Winter Performance Drama -- 7:00 p.m.
December 16	Winter Concert Chorus - Orchestra -- 7:00 p.m.
December 18	Sixth Grade Chorus Performance at the BOE -- 10:00 a.m.

Also, On December 10th and 16th special guest and 8th grade teacher, Tonia Miller, will be performing with the Chorus! All events are free and open to the public.

For more information, contact Shuman Middle School at 201-7500.



East Broad Street Elementary PTA Night and Book Fair

East Broad Street Elementary invites parents and students to attend PTA Night on Thursday, December 11, 2008 from 6:00-7:00 p.m. in the cafeteria. Each grade level will have a performance by their students. The book fair will be open for parents to make purchases. Christmas portraits will also be available.

For more information, contact East Broad Street Elementary at 201-5500.

Gould Elementary "Fathers Matter Morning" Event

On Friday, December 12, 2008, Gould Elementary will host a "Fathers Matters Morning" event in the school's Media Center from 9:00-11:00 a.m. They have extended a special invitation to all fathers, stepfathers, grandfathers, uncles and significant males to attend this special event, and to celebrate the positive male influence and involvements in the student's life.

For more information, contact Gould Elementary at 395-5400.

Gadsden Elementary Annual Art Exhibit and Reception

Gadsden Performing & Fine Arts Academy will host its annual Art Exhibit and Reception at the Sentient Bean, located at 13 E. Park Avenue on December 12, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. Please come view the wonderful creations from Gadsden art majors as they expound upon their works of art and celebrate their successes during a light dessert reception.

For more information, contact Gadsden Elementary at 395-5940.

J. G. Smith Elementary Pre-K Events

On Thursday, December 11, the Pre-K students at J.G. Smith will be attending the Savannah Danse Theater's production of "The Golden Pecan." The students will have the opportunity to see a live performance up close in the beautiful Lucas Theater. The performance takes place at 10:00 a.m., to be followed by a picnic lunch in the square and a pedicab ride!

As a culminating celebration of their "Travel Around the World" unit, J.G. Smith Pre-K students will be having a Welcome Home Party on Friday, December 19. During the unit, the students were able to make crafts and food from several countries around the world. The celebration will take place at 2:00 p.m. in the classroom.

For more information, contact J.G. Smith at 395-6530

Gould Elementary Parent/Child Christmas Ornament Make-and-Take Workshop

Gould Elementary will be hosting a Parent/Child Christmas Ornament Make-and-Take workshop. The workshop will be held Friday, December 12 from 12:30-2:30 p.m.

For more information contact Brenda Collins, 912-201-5400.

Bloomingtondale Elementary Pre-K Event and Community Service Project

Bloomingtondale Elementary Schools' Pre-K Program will participate in a community service project with two area nursing homes. Students will sing holiday carols and provide small gift bags to the residents of The Place at Pooler and Wisteria Gardens of Pooler. This event is scheduled for Friday, December 12, 2008 at 10:00 a.m.

For more information, contact Bloomingtondale Elementary at 395-3680.



Marshpoint Band and Chorus Night

The Marshpoint Band and Chorus will perform at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, December 15, 2008 in the school gymnasium. The band, with over 80 members, is directed by Mr. Bruce Spradley and will perform a medley of popular selections. The Marshpoint Chorus, directed by Mrs. Theresa Sapp, will sing traditional Christmas favorites.

For more information, contact Marshpoint Elementary at 898-4000.

Largo-Tibet Elementary PTA Meeting and Holiday Extravaganza

Largo-Tibet Elementary School is having its December PTA meeting and Holiday Extravaganza on Tuesday evening, December 16th at 6:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Entertainment will be provided by Largo's 5th grade band and 4th grade chorus. All parents and community members are welcome to attend.

For more information, contact Largo-Tibet Elementary at 961-3450.

Hodge Elementary to Host Holiday Tea

On Tuesday, December 16, 2008, Hodge Preparatory Academy will host a "Holiday Tea." The event begins at 5:00 p.m. in the school's cafeteria. The school chorus will perform holiday tunes, and a group of 2nd graders will present a different version of "The Night Before Christmas," using a news broadcast format. Refreshments will be served.

For more information, contact Hodge Elementary at 395-5200.

Coastal Middle School Holiday Concert

The Coastal Middle School choral concert will be held on Thursday, December 18 at Islands Christian Church at 7:00 p.m. The concert will include dancing, singing, costumes, Santa and candy canes! It will be sure to put you in the holiday spirit.

For more information, contact Coastal Middle School at 898-3950.

Gadsden Elementary Winter Musical

Gadsden Performing & Fine Arts Academy will host their Winter Musical, "I Need a Christmas Vacation" on Thursday, December 18, 2008 in Café Gadsden at 6:00 p.m. Performers will feature their fifth grade arts' majors. The audience will also be entertained by selections from the band and strings students. Everyone is invited to attend!

For more information, contact Gadsden Elementary at 395-5940.

Southwest Middle School Human Spell Checkers

Southwest Middle School will hold their 2008 Spelling Bee on Thursday, December 18, 2008 beginning at 8:30 a.m. Students will be spelling long words...short words...and almost every part of speech! Parents, family members, school staff and the community are invited to attend. Come and help motivate the students at Southwest as they demonstrate their ability to be "human spell checkers!"

For more information, contact Southwest Middle School at 961-3540.



Charles Ellis Holiday Concert and Sing-a-Long

Join Charles Ellis Montessori School on Thursday, December 18, 2008, for an evening of holiday music performed by Ellis students. The event will be held in the school's Multi-Purpose Room from 7:00-8:00 p.m. All invited.

Also, on Friday, December 19, join Charles Ellis students and staff at 2:15 p.m. on the front steps for a holiday sing-a-long!

For more information, contact Charles Ellis at 201-5470.

Groves High School Cell Phones and Inkjet Cartridges Collection

Groves High is collecting used cell phones and inkjet cartridges to help raise funds for their Career and Technical Instruction Youth Organization for the purpose of financial support of career and technical activities. They will receive money from Phonerasier for each item donated.

For more information, contact Susan Gonzales 965-2520.

Gadsden Elementary Community Performance

Gadsden Performing & Fine Arts Academy will take a scene from their winter musical, "I Need a Christmas Vacation," on the road on Friday, December 19, 2008. The arts' majors will perform at the Board of Education at 11:00 a.m. and at the Jepson Center for the Arts at 12:00 noon.

For more information, contact Gadsden Elementary at 395-5940.

Georgetown Elementary Annual Toy Drive

Georgetown Elementary has begun their annual toy drive to provide a joyous and happy Christmas for several families within the school community. This year's goal is to collect new toys for 25 - 30 children ages 4 through 12. The toys need to be unwrapped and turned into the school by December 19.

For more information contact Shawn Sanders at 961-3475.

Marshpoint Elementary Celebrates Polar Express Day

Students, faculty, and staff at Marshpoint Elementary School will celebrate Polar Express Day on Friday, December 19, 2008 with a variety of exciting activities throughout the day. Dressed in their warmest pajamas, students will watch the Polar Express movie, drink hot chocolate, and participate in activities related to this famous story.

For more information, contact Marshpoint Elementary at 898-4000.

Jenkins High Holiday Project...Toys for Tots

Jenkins High School has begun their holiday project, Toys for Tots. They are asking parents, students, and staff to bring in a new, unwrapped toy to donate to the Toys for Tots program to help support the Jenkins Career and Technical Student Organizations. Their goal is to collect 100 toys! The collection ends Friday, December 12.

For more information, contact Jenkins High at 303-6300.



Community Events

Barnes & Noble Annual Holiday Book Drive

Barnes & Noble located at the Oglethorpe Mall invite customers to share the joy of reading with the launch of its Annual Holiday Book Drive. The Holiday Book Drive provides an opportunity for customers to donate books for the Savannah Fund for Excellence in Public Education who will donate them to Savannah-Chatham County Public Schools.

Between November 1, 2008 and January 1, 2009, customers can stop by the Oglethorpe Mall Barnes & Noble and purchase a book for the Holiday Book Drive.

For more information about how you can help our schools earn books, contact Community Relations Manager, Robin Wheeler at (912) 353-9231 or visit the Barnes & Noble store at Oglethorpe Mall.

Parent University January Session

Parent University will hold their next session on Saturday, January 31, 2009 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Savannah Arts Academy (500 Washington Ave). Parents will have the opportunity to take classes, learn valuable lessons and network. Free childcare and lunch will be provided. Exciting character and virtues classes are available for youth and special guest appearances.

To register or get further information about Parent University, call (912) 507-8566, 201-5090 or 201-2155.

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