

Savannah-Chatham County Public School System

Coming Soon

To A School Near You.....

March 16, 2009

District Events

Phonebook PLUS Recycling Drive

Keep Savannah Beautiful and SCCPSS have teamed up for their annual Phonebook PLUS Recycling Drive. All schools are participating, but some don't have their own collection points. Red and green or yellow bins are stationed at the following locations: **Alternative School:** Coastal GA Comprehensive Academy; **Elementary Schools:** Bloomingdale, Butler, Gadsden, Garden City, Georgetown, Haven, Hesse, Howard, Islands, Isle of Hope, Juliet Low, Largo-Tibet, Marshpoint, Southwest, J.G. Smith, and West Chatham; **Middle Schools:** Bartlett, Coastal, DeRenne, Myers, Southwest, and West Chatham; and **High Schools:** Beach, Jenkins, Johnson, Savannah Arts, and Windsor Forest. Phonebooks, newspapers, magazines, catalogs, books and white office paper are being accepted now through Tuesday, March 31, 2009. Officials are also asking you to remove the materials from boxes or plastic and paper bags before placing them into the bins. To support a school not mentioned above, just drop off your materials at SP Recycling located at 10 Hoss Drive in Garden City. It's also very important to specify which school you are making the donation to, in order for them to receive credit. Recycling proceeds will benefit each school's PTA. SP Recycling's hours of operation are: Monday through Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Fridays from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. For more information, the company can be reached at 964-4224.

Students' Art on Display at Savannah Mall

As part of National Youth Art Month (YAM), Savannah Mall will feature the works of public school students. Their designs will be displayed on the second floor, near the food court. Exhibit dates for elementary schools are March 16-April 13 during regular mall hours. For more information contact Laura Victore, Teacher Specialist for Visual Arts, at 659-6725.

District Town Hall Meeting

A district-wide town hall meeting will be held Monday, March 23, 2009 in the Jenkins High School Auditorium to receive input from the community. It will be hosted by the Savannah-Chatham County School Board. Joining the school board for the meeting will be Dr. Thomas Lockamy, Superintendent of Schools, Mrs. Jacqueline Chavis, Chief Academic Officer, Mr. Otis Brock, Chief Operations Officer, and Mr. David Feliciano, Chief Information Officer. The meeting lasts from 6:30-8:00 p.m. and is open to all parents and community stakeholders.

SCCPSS Kindergarten Orientation

Kindergarten Orientation will take place at all Public School elementary sites Thursday, March 26, 2009 from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Parents and guardians of children who will attend kindergarten next school year are encouraged to attend the orientation at the school their child will be attending in September 2009. For more information, contact the elementary school site your child will be attending or 395-5635.



Track Meet Rescheduled

The Joe Turner & Jon Young Invitational Track Meet originally scheduled Saturday, March 14, 2009 has been rescheduled to Saturday, March 28, 2009. It will still be held at Savannah State University at 9:00 a.m. For more information contact the SCCPSS Athletic Department at 395-5531.

Important Dates for 2009-2010 Specialty Programs Applicants

SCCPSS wants to remind students and parents about the following important dates for those interested in participating in specialty programs for the 2009-2010 School Year:

March 25, 2009 – Lottery held at elementary sites

March 26, 2009 – Lottery held at secondary sites

April 14, 2009 – Notification letters mailed from sites

May 11, 2009 – Final date for student registration (by 5:00 p.m.)/Slots are forfeited after and waiting list action begins.

For more information on elementary programs contact Richard Krauss at 395-5530 and Marcia Clanton at 395-5871 concerning secondary programs.

School Events

Kite Flying at Georgetown Elementary School

During the month of March, Georgetown Elementary students will take part in the ancient sport of flying kites. The school's Physical Education Department and PTA sponsor the event to offer parents an opportunity to take an active role in their child's Physical Education class. For more information contact Anita Simmons at 961-3475.

Science Speakers to Visit Charles Ellis

Each Friday during the month of March, guest speakers who work in the field of Science will speak with Charles Ellis students in grades 4-6. For more information contact the school at 201-5470.

Groundbreaking Ceremony at Windsor Forest Elementary

On Monday, March 16, 2009 Windsor Forest Elementary School will hold a groundbreaking ceremony for their new first grade wing and computer lab which is tentatively scheduled to open this Fall. The event begins at 2:00 p.m. School Superintendent Dr. Thomas Lockamy and School Board members will be in attendance. A student representative from each grade level and teachers with the longest tenure at the school have also been asked to participate in the ceremony. For more information contact the school at 395-3353.

Groves Student to Attend National Young Leaders Conference

Zakiyyah Shabazz, a tenth grader at Groves High School, has been invited to attend the National Young Leaders Conference (NYLC). It will be held March 17-22, 2009 in Washington, D.C. The NYLC gives high-achieving high school sophomores, juniors and seniors a greater understanding of their roles in democracy and the responsibilities of leadership.

Math & Science Night, PTA Meeting at DeRenne Middle

DeRenne Middle School will be host Math and Science Night in conjunction with their PTA Meeting Thursday March 19, 2009. The event begins at 5:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend. For more information contact the school at 201-5900.



Charles Ellis PTA Meeting

The Charles Ellis PTA will meet Thursday, March 19, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. A Science Fair Show will be held following the meeting. For more information contact the school at 201-5470.

Blood Drive at Largo-Tibet Elementary

Largo-Tibet Elementary will host a blood drive Tuesday, March 24 from noon to 5:00 p.m. in the school's cafeteria. For more information contact the school at 395-3450.

Jacob G. Smith celebrates Kick Butt's Day

On Wednesday, March 25, 2009 Jacob G. Smith students in grades 3-5 will support Kick Butts Day. The national campaign provides anti-smoking education to children. For more information contact the school at 395-6530.

Savannah Joe Supports West Chatham Elementary

Savannah Joe at Morgan's Corner in Pooler will donate 10% of their profits to West Chatham Elementary School Wednesday, March 25, 2009. For more information contact the school at 748-3601.

Spirit Night Fundraiser for Largo Tibet Elementary

On Thursday, March 26, 2009 Largo-Tibet Elementary will hold Spirit Night at the Chick-fil-A in Oglethorpe Mall. The fundraiser will be held from 5:30-7:30 p.m. For more information contact the school at 395-3450.

Spring Concert at Garden City Elementary

Garden City Elementary School will host its Spring Concert Program Thursday, March 26, 2009. The event begins at 6 p.m. and features the talents of their kindergarten, first & second grade choruses performing, "Kids Sailing in All Kinds of Weather." For more information contact the school at 395-6820.

CRCT Family Night at Hubert Middle School

Hubert Middle School will host CRCT Family Night Thursday, March 26, 2009. The event begins at 6:00 p.m. For more information contact the school at 395-5235.

Spirit Night Fundraiser for West Chatham Elementary School

On Thursday, March 26, 2009, West Chatham Elementary School will host their Spirit Night fundraiser at the Chick-fil-A in Pooler. Proceeds will benefit the school's Field Trip Fund. For more information contact the school at 748-3601.

Savannah Arts Academy Department of Dance Presents Cinderella

The Savannah Arts Academy Department of Dance presents Cinderella, March 26-28. The performances will be held at 7:00 p.m. each night in the school's Theatre. General admission is \$10 and tickets for students and seniors are \$6. For more information contact the school at 201-5000.



Community Events

Kids Day 2009

Kids Day 2009 will be held Sunday, March 22 at the Savannah Civic Center. The annual event sponsored by the Jewish Educational Alliance lasts from noon to 4:00 p.m. and is a time of educational, cultural and social enrichment. Everyone is invited to attend. Admission for each child or family is one donated non-perishable food item. Donations will benefit America's Second Harvest of Coastal Georgia. For more information contact Kim Thebo, Director of Special Events & Fundraising for JEA at (912) 355-8111, ext.211.

Parent University

Parent University will hold their next session Saturday, March 28, 2009 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Savannah High School. 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 members attending. A free Health Fair will also be held during this month's session. For more information, call 507-8566, 201-5090 or 201-2155.

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