

Savannah-Chatham County Public School System

Coming Soon

To A School Near You.....

April 27, 2009

District Events

Capital Improvement Committee Meeting

The Savannah-Chatham County Board of Public Education's Capital Improvement Committee will meet Tuesday, April 28, 2009 in room 103 of the SCCPSS' Administration Building, 208 Bull Street. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. and will include an update on ESPLOST and a discussion of other Capital Improvement items. For more information, contact Otis Brock, Chief Operations Officer, at 395-3000.

Second District Community Meeting

Second District School Board representative, Mr. Floyd Adams, Jr., will host a community meeting Thursday, April 30, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. in the Hubert Middle School cafeteria. The event is being held in conjunction with the school's PTA meeting.

2009-2010 Specialty Program Registration Deadline Approaching

SCCPSS wants to remind students and parents that Specialty Program notification letters for School Year 2009-2010 have been mailed to their homes from the school sites. Remember the final date for registration is **Monday, May 11, 2009 by 5:00 p.m.** Slots will be forfeited after this date and time and waiting list action will commence. For more information on elementary programs contact Richard Krauss at 395-5530 and Marcia Clanton concerning secondary programs at 395-5871.

District Eight Town Hall

Eighth District School Board Representative, Ruby Jones, will host a Town Hall meeting for residents of the eighth district Tuesday, May 12, 2009 at Beach High School from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Mrs. Jones will be joined by Dr. Thomas Lockamy, Superintendent of Schools, and his executive staff. Representatives from every eighth district school (Bartow, Beach, Butler, Coastal Empire Montessori, Gadsden, Garrison, Gould, Hodge, Oglethorpe Academy and Woodville-Tompkins) will also be in attendance. A "Q & A" session will be held concerning matters related to the district. District eight residents are encouraged to attend this meeting as the school board continues its efforts to engage parents and the community as part of the District Accountability Plan.

May Day

May Day, the traditional welcoming of spring, will be celebrated May 19, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. in Calhoun Square in front of the historic Massie Heritage Center. Students will participate in the festivities by performing ethnic dances from around the world. Originating in the 1850's, May Day continues to evolve into one of the largest multi-cultural events in the district.



2009 Summer Day Camp at Massie – Enroll Today!

Massie Heritage Center invites children to spend an exciting week investigating old and new Savannah this summer to explore the diversity of Georgia's first city. The camp will be offered June 15-19 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and is open to students who have just completed grades 3-5. The registration deadline is May 22, 2009. For more information or to register call 201-5070 or visit www.massieschool.com.

Summer School and Credit Recovery Program

SCCPSS will offer a Summer School 1st Time Credit and Credit Recovery Program at Groves High School to provide students in grades 9-12 with the opportunity to complete missing credits and achieve academic success. Pre-Registration will take place June 8-10, 2009 at the Savannah Arts Academy from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. Registration will be held June 18 and 19 at Groves High School from 8:00 a.m. to noon and 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. For more information, contact Dr. Angie Lewis at (912) 201-5000.

School Events

Jazz Appreciation Month Concert at Savannah Arts Academy

Savannah Arts Academy will celebrate Jazz Appreciation Month by hosting a special performance Tuesday, April 28, 2009. The event begins at 7:00 p.m. and will feature the school's Skyelite Jazz Band, along with local musical legends Teddy Adams and Huxsle Scott. A student art gallery will also be on display featuring a tribute to Johnny Mercer. Tickets are \$6. For more information, contact the school at 201-5000.

Annual CRCT Staff Basketball Game at Windsor Forest Elementary

Windsor Forest Elementary School will hold its first ever CRCT Staff Basketball Game Friday, May 1, 2009 at 2:30 p.m. in the school's gymnasium, as part of their preparation for the CRCT. WFES teachers on each grade level decided upon specific math facts or formulas that were critical for success on the CRCT and each student on that grade level has to learn that information in order to view the game. On a specific day, the school's principal, Dr. Marcia McManus, will appear on closed-circuit television at the school and ask each student to write the required information on paper. Teachers will check the information and the students who get the correct answer will receive a "ticket" to the basketball game. Fourteen staff members will suit up in the basketball game sporting either green or white shirts (the school's colors). Other staff members will serve as cheerleaders and provide a special half-time show. Students will display posters that show CRCT math facts, formulas, and words that support their favorite staff members. For more information, contact Barry Cline at 961-3353.

Charles Ellis PTA Meeting

The Charles Ellis School PTA will meet Thursday, May 21 at 6:30 p.m. at the school. A Children's Drama Festival will be held following the meeting. For more information, contact the school at 201-5470.

Awards Night at Hubert Middle

Hubert Middle School will host Eighth Grade Awards Night May 28, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. Other activities will include a Marvelous Math Museum and information on the GEAR UP program. For more information, contact the school at 395-5235.



Movie in the Field Night at Hesse Elementary

Hesse Elementary School's PTA will host its first ever "Movie in the Field" Night Saturday May 30, 2009. A current family-friendly movie (to be announced) will be shown on a 30-foot screen. Gates open at 6:30 p.m. and the movie will begin around 8:30 p.m., when it gets dark. Grilled hamburgers and hotdogs will be available for reasonable prices and glow-in-the-dark items will also be for sale. The event is open to families in the community. For more information, contact the school at 395-6440.

Community Events

Savannah Spoken Word Festival

In honor of National Poetry Month, Spitfire Poetry Group presents the Fifth Annual Savannah Spoken Word Festival, May 1-3, 2009. The event will feature activities for the entire family, including an Open Mic, Youth and Adult Poetry Slam Competitions and performances by The Charlotte National Slam Team (2008 National Champions). For more information contact Clinton Powell at (912) 704-3586 or visit www.savannahspokenwordfestival.com.

Tour de Kids Fundraiser

Tour de Kids will be held Saturday, May 2, 2009 from 9 a.m. to noon in Daffin Park. The bike tour event is open to students in grades Pre-K to 8th. Registration is \$10 and includes an event T-Shirt, water bottle and admission to carnival-style activities in the park. Participants are also asked to raise \$50 in pledges. Proceeds will benefit Interfaith Hospitality Network, a non-profit organization that assists homeless families regain their independence. For more information, contact Cynthia Saxon at (912) 790-9446 or email her at cynthia.saxon@sccpss.com.

Cinco de Mayo Festival

The 2009 Cinco de Mayo Festival will be held Saturday, May 2, 2009, from 3:00 to 11:00 p.m., at the Oglethorpe Speedway in Pooler. For more information, contact Araceli Harper, Savannah Latina Inc. President, at 354-3161 or 272-4579.

Savannah Reads Event

As part of the **Savannah Reads Program**, noted author Andrew Ferguson will host a public lecture about his book *Land of Lincoln: Adventures in Abe's America*. The event will be held Thursday, May 7, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in St. John's Episcopal Church, located on Madison Square. A reception will follow the lecture.

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