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Principal's Message *featuring a call from the Parent Council!*

Greetings to all fellow parents of LACHSA students!

LACHSA is a rare community of students and parents--we live all across the city, we have uniquely talented students who benefit from a free public education that is nationally recognized and we have numerous resources amongst this community. The LACHSA community is one that we all need to support as parents and citizens. We are reaching out to you for help. **The greatest asset we have is you!**

As you know, the Parent Council was officially formed in late September after countless summer meetings to establish a set of bylaws that the entire community (LACOE, administration, and parents) can work with. During our first meetings as a parent council we introduced a key list of committees that can address critical needs at the school. The College Conservatory Committee is a shining example of what can be done when parents come together. This parent group has been working with the College Center to provide a comprehensive college and conservatory database. The database will contain current addresses of all of the universities, admissions email and telephone numbers, submission deadlines, and other admissions criteria. This parents are working closely with one of LACHSA's counselors, Irma Dilullo; and has turned into a very important team effort that is well underway.

The other committees are off to a slow start. This is where **you**, the parent, comes in. Please take a look at the list below. Please take a moment to think about your talents and resources and how you can possibly partner with the school in addressing these needs. Please sign up for a committee – meet parents, help your student! To sign up, please send an email to <artshighparentcouncil@gmail.com> We will recap all the volunteers, introduce you to each other, and help you get the team going. Please know you will also have a team member from the school administration or faculty.

Finally, please join us at this coming **Monday's Parent Council meeting. Start time is 6:30pm in King Hall 4017B--and you can be a little late – we welcome everyone.**

Thank you
The Parent Council

Upcoming Events

Parent Council Meeting 3/2

King Hall 4017B
6:30 – 8:00

Theatre: Musical Review 3/2-3/3

Barnsdall Theatre
4800 Hollywood Blvd.
Hollywood, CA

3/2, 7:30 p.m.
3/3, 2:30 & 7:30 p.m.

Parent Council Committee Outline

Community Relations - A committee designed to foster relationships with known stakeholders that can become a strong ally/asset for the school and the student body. The idea is to build relationships that can lead to opening doors and opportunities for the school and the student body.

College, Conservatory, and Career Planning – A parent support group to provide access and information to parents. This committee will work with the Counselors on staff to help facilitate the current program. This committee will also work with the counseling office to identify opportunities for students to ensure their college application requirements are met with alternatives if the current curriculum cannot service the need.

Outreach – This committee will develop a strategy with school administration to achieve heightened visibility among the identified key targets, e.g. Local Corporations and Media as warranted. This committee may also be charged with building awareness of LACHSA among middle schools and the Los Angeles community to stimulate applications.

Disaster Preparedness – The Disaster Preparedness committee will work with the school administration to ensure that safety standards are met, communicate with parents and students to ensure there is a cohesive and “well known” plan for the safety of our students and administration.

Teacher Appreciation--and Administration too! This committee will develop and execute a cohesive plan to support the people to whom we entrust our children's education.

Learning Differences – A parent support committee to work with counselors and administration to facilitate communications regarding support systems and opportunities for students with learning differences, e.g. tutoring, counseling, etc.