

Weekly Bulletin for the City High School Community ~ October 10 '07

Principal's Notes

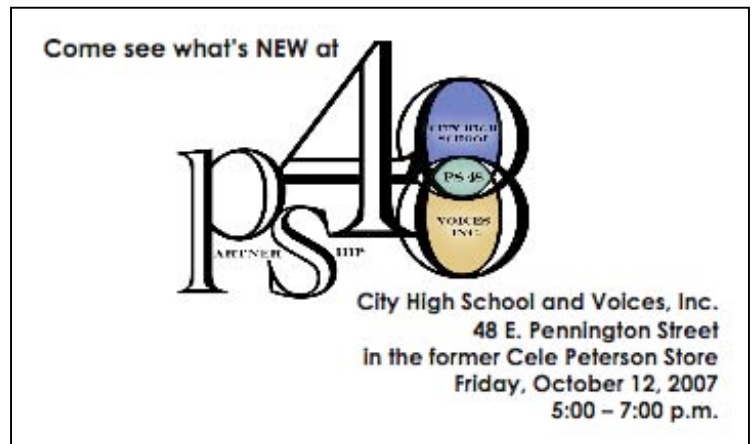
We encourage parent participation at City High School on many levels. Two important opportunities for parent involvement are coming up – our first quarter parent-teacher conferences this week and the school's site council holds its first meeting of the year next week. In addition, we are always looking for parent volunteers to help out, and the PTO "City High Parents" meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month from 6:00-7:00 p.m. Get involved in your child's education in more ways than one and become an active member of the City High community! **(Please review information on the parent-teacher conferences and half-day schedules on page 2.)**

~ Carrie Brennan, Principal
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"PS48" Open House with Voices, Inc.

Join us Friday evening, October 12, from 5:00-7:00 p.m. when we open the doors to the Tucson community to celebrate the completion of our new renovations. The Open House is co-sponsored by Voices, Inc.: Community Stories Past & Present, our close neighbor and partner. All are welcome, so bring friends and family by for a bite to eat and a tour.

Voices, Inc. is best known for its highly successful after-school program called 110 Degrees: Tucson's Teens Tell Tucson's Stories. *Congratulations to our City High students who were accepted into the 110° program this year: **Lilliana Lopez, Alex Noelke, and Margo Wallace.***



PSAT (Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test) Offered at City High School

All 11th graders and up to 10 10th graders will take the PSAT at school next week. Registration forms due on Friday, 10/12. (See copy of form below.) For more information, contact Eve Rifkin, eve@cityhighschool.org or 623-7223 x216.

City High School - PSAT Registration Form

All juniors will be taking the PSAT on Wednesday, October 17, during their CityWorks classes. The test costs \$15.00/student. We will have financial waivers and offer a sliding-scale fee for families that qualify. There are a limited number of sophomores who will be taking the test as well.

Parents/Guardians: please check the appropriate box and send this form and payment to school with your son/daughter by no later than Friday, October 12. Payment and forms should be placed in Eve Rifkin's mailbox. *Please circle one of the 3 options below.*

Student name:

- Attached is full payment \$15.00 • Attached is partial payment of _____ • We need a fee waiver.

Parent/Guardian signature:

Date:

Community Advisory Council Meets on October 17

The school's site council, called Community Advisory Council, includes student, parent, staff, and board representatives. The council is designed to review and advise school and board leadership on topics and issues pertaining to the school's mission, goals, and progress. The group reviews school-wide data and goals and provides feedback on academic programs. **First meeting: Wed. 10/17, 6:00-7:30 p.m.**

Parent-Teacher Conferences & Half-Day Schedules

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES, October 11-12

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Parent-teacher conferences take place during 1st quarter. They are an opportunity at the beginning of the school year for parents to check in with each teacher on their child's progress in the class.

The conferences are organized on a drop-in basis. Time slots are 15 minutes for each conference. Parents sign up for open conference slots when they arrive at school and can meet with as many teachers as they like. Students are welcome to participate in conferences with their parent or guardian, but are not required to do so.

SPECIAL HALF-DAY SCHEDULES FOR STUDENTS

Thursday, 10/11

8:30-8:45 advisory
8:50-9:50 period 1
9:55-10:55 period 2
11:00-12:00 period 3

Parent-Teacher Conferences 12:30-4:00 p.m.

Friday, 10/12

8:30-8:45 advisory
8:50-9:50 period 5
9:55-10:55 period 6
11:00-12:00 period 7

Parent-Teacher Conferences 12:30-4:00 p.m.

HOW DO THE P/T CONFERENCES DIFFER FROM SEMESTER ROUNDTABLES?

Parent-teacher conferences are different than the student-led roundtables that take place at the end of each semester (in January and May). The roundtables are group meetings facilitated by the student's advisor that involve parents, student, advisor, invited teachers, and invited peers and are centrally scheduled through the front office. Student participation in roundtables is required, and the focus of the roundtables is on the student presenting highlights of their learning from the semester.

ANY QUESTIONS?

Please contact Principal Carrie Brennan, 623-7223 x203 or carrie@cityhighschool.org, or contact your child's advisor.