



## Student Newsletter



January 25, 2008

*Please pass on .....*

## College Readiness Network (CRN)

### Important News and Information

**Update! The application for 7 CSU campuses is extended to March 1, 2008**

These 7 campuses include Dominguez Hills, East Bay, San Bernardino, Bakersfield, Los Angeles, Sacramento State, and Monterey Bay. Please apply soon .

### Upcoming Events

**Castlemont High School and The Play It Smart program presents College Information**

**Night--** Castlemont Community of Small Schools and the Castlemont Play It Smart Program presents its first College Information event for juniors and parents/guardians. This event will have information regarding local colleges and universities, Historical Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs), college tours, financial aid and college preparation programs. Students should bring copies of their transcripts for scholarship consideration. **If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Harold Logwood by Email at: [theminds@pacbell.net](mailto:theminds@pacbell.net) or by cell phone (510)410.2221**

**Thursday, February 21st, 2008**

**6:00pm-8:00pm**

**Castlemont High School Gymnasium**

**8601 MAC ARTHUR BLVD**

**OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA (510) 879-3010 Ext 480**

**Vocational Education Day at Laney College--** This event will provide prospective students the opportunity to explore career possibilities and discover learning opportunities available to them in the Vocational Education Departments at Laney College. Programs represented at the event will include: Architecture, Biomanufacturing, Carpentry, Construction Management, Culinary Arts, Environmental Control Technology, Graphic Arts, Labor Studies, Machine Technology, Media Communication, Photography, Welding Technology, Wood Technology, and more.. **Attendees will gain valuable information about courses of study, job opportunities in existing and new career fields, financial aid information, and a deeper understanding of our programs through tours and faculty/student demonstrations.** To see a complete list of Vocational Education programs at Laney College, visit us on the web at [www.peralta.laney.edu](http://www.peralta.laney.edu), then click "Instructional Programs" at the top of the page. For more information, contact: **David Reed, Outreach Specialist, Office of Student Services (510) 464-3537, [dreed@peralta.edu](mailto:dreed@peralta.edu)**

Wednesday, February 13th, 2008

10:00am-12:30pm

1:00pm-3:30pm

Free

Location: Vocational Education departments and Instructional Labs on the Laney Campus

Lunch will be provided for morning session participants

**The African American Education Summit** -- The African American Education Summit is designed to engage, motivate, and empower African American youth and their families to value education and pursue a college degree by providing information and resources in a festive, family-friendly, environment. LUNCH and TRANSPORTATION provided!

Saturday, March 1, 2008

Registration starts at 8 a.m.; workshops and sessions from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

California State University, East Bay

25800 Carlos Bee Blvd., Hayward, CA

*Proudly Sponsored by The Oakland African American Chamber of Commerce & California State University, East Bay*

**The 8th Annual Latino Education Summit--** Inspiration Speakers and Informative Workshops!

Saturday, February 2, 2008

WHERE: California State University, East Bay

University Gymnasium

25800 Carlos Bee Blvd. w Hayward

WHEN: Conference - 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Resource Fair - 10:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. FREE admission and FREE lunch for everyone! No charge for parking.

Space is limited! Registration is recommended to reserve your space. Register online at [www.csueastbay.edu](http://www.csueastbay.edu) For more information, phone (510) 885-3516.

## Scholarships

Please check the [OUSD Student Website College Readiness](#) page for the following scholarships:

[Latino College Dollars Scholarship Directory](#)

[East Bay College Fund Great Expectations Award](#)

[Piedmont Scholarship Bulletin \(tons of scholarship listings here...\)](#)

[Campaign for College Opportunity's Save Me A Spot In College Scholarship](#)

[East Bay College Fund \(local version of Gates Millennium\)](#)

[PG&E Employee Association Scholarships](#)

[Asian Employee Association Port of Oakland \(you do not have to be Asian to apply\)](#)

**Andrew Graham Scholarship Awards Corporation--** The Andrew Graham Scholarship Awards is sponsoring Scholarships for three deserving high school seniors to assist in paying for their college or vocational school cost. The competitive Scholarship program is open to all seniors with a grade point average of 3.0 or above.

The Requirements for this scholarship are: A 3.0 or higher grade point average, Submit a two (2) page biographical Sketch entitled "Life Experiences.", and Participate in an oral interview on April 5, 2008.

**Send your biographical sketch for review by 4:00 pm on February 8, 2008 to :**

Ms. Annette Starks

Student Assignment Office

1098 2nd Avenue Pt.15

Oakland, CA 94606

[annette.starks@ousd.k12.ca.us](mailto:annette.starks@ousd.k12.ca.us)

# Meaningful Student Engagement/All City Council

## Upcoming Events

### **ACC Orientation for Students on School Site Council**

Thursday, Jan 31st

4:30-5:30pm

Portable 15 (Across the street from the main district building at 1025 2nd Avenue)

"Orange" and "red" schools in Oakland are encouraged to attend.

For more information please contact ACC Coordinator Raquel at 510-879-8714 (office) 510-703-4825 (Cell).

## Oakland Teen Times

Read what OUSD students have to say!

[January 2008 Issue](#)

## Youth Opportunities, Workshops, Homework Help

### **Oakland Libraries After School (OLAS) Provides Free Drop-In Homework Help Plus**

**Enrichment Activities-** Oakland Libraries After School (OLAS) will offer access to computers, library collections that support school curriculum, drop-in homework assistance for elementary school and first year middle school students (grades K-6), and the opportunity for children to participate in enrichment programs. Activities will take place 3-5 pm on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, and 2-5 pm on Wednesdays. This program services students from Oakland, Emeryville and Piedmont. Regular attendance is not required, so children who come to the libraries on an occasional basis can still participate in OLAS. Four branch libraries (Main, César E. Chávez, Eastmont and Golden Gate) will be the pilot sites to offer OLAS. For more information, see the Oakland Public Library's Website, [oaklandlibrary.org](http://oaklandlibrary.org), or call (510) 238-3848.

### **SF Women's Film Festival/Going Green Youth Media Project SFWFF/Youth Media**

**Initiative** The San Francisco Women's Film Festival is looking for 12 young women (ages 14-19) to participate in our free filmmaking program. The program starts on February 6th and ends on March 19th. For more information, please go to The TILT/Film Arts Foundation website at <http://www.tiltmedia.org>

**Experience Berkeley** -- a wonderful opportunity for high achieving (3.5 or higher G.P.A.) African American juniors (class of 2009) to get an up close and personal look at UC Berkeley. The program is privately funded and all expenses are paid for those who are selected to participate. **Many current UC Berkeley students have remarked that this was a defining**

experience in their college application and ultimate selection process. **Applications are due March 14, 2008.** For more information and the application, <http://www.stileshall.org/>

## **LIKHA-Pilipino Folk Ensemble would like to announce its new Youth Program**

**LIKHA Too!**-- LIKHA-Pilipino Folk Ensemble's mission is to educate diverse audiences about Philippine culture through music and dance. Join us as we extend this education to our young community members ages 5-14 years.

**LIKHA Too! promises to be an interactive and fun experience for your youth while educating them about Philippine culture.**

**WHEN:** Classes begin Sunday, February 3rd, 2008 and continues every Sunday

**TIME:** 1:00pm to 2:30pm

**WHERE:** Malonga Casquelourd Center for the Arts - 1428 Alice Street, Oakland (Studio E)

**COST:** \$100 per participant

TO REGISTER --Please email Herna Cruz, Executive Director at [herna@likha.org](mailto:herna@likha.org) for an application. For questions, call (510) 836-0734.

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## **Upcoming Events**

**The 6th Annual OUSD Jazz Festival--** The concert features more than 250 OUSD student musicians from 10 OUSD Middle and High Schools, and a special guest performance by "Big O," the OUSD Music Teachers' Big Band. Admission is FREE! Come and check out what Jazz in OUSD is all about!

**Featuring Jazz Bands from:**

Bret Harte Middle~ ~Roosevelt Middle~~ Claremont Middle~~ Edna Brewer Middle~~ Elmhurst Middle~~ Montera Middle~~ Oakland High~~ Oakland Technical High~~ Skyline High~~ Westlake Middle~~ "Big O" (the Oakland Music Teachers' Big Band)

Thursday, February 7, 2008 6:30 pm

Farnsworth Theater, Skyline HS

ADMISSION IS FREE!

## **The 3rd Annual YOUTHSPEAKS OUSD District-Wide Slam**

Friday, February 8, 2008

Oakland Museum, 1000 Oak St./10th Ave

1:00-2:00 p.m

For more information, go to [www.youthspeaks.org](http://www.youthspeaks.org)

## **One Less Gun Buyback Day--\$250 cash for returned guns**

Saturday, February 9th from 10am-2pm

Senate President pro Tem Don Perata (D-Oakland) today announced that he has teamed up with the Alameda County Public Health Agency and leaders of the faith-based community to hold a **"One Less Gun" voluntary gun buyback event on**

**Saturday, Feb. 9 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at three Oakland locations:**

**East Oakland:** Allen Temple, 8501 International Blvd., Oakland (at 85<sup>th</sup> Ave.)

**West Oakland:** True Vine Ministries, 896 Isabella St., Oakland (between San Pablo & Market)

**Central Oakland/ San Antonio-Fruitvale :** Christian Cathedral, 2433 Coolidge Ave., Oakland

## **Oakland Main Library presents "Educate to Liberate: The Schools of the Black**

**Panther Party, 1969-1982"** Stop by the **Oakland History Room at Oakland's Main Library, 125 14th Street, between January 15 and April 15** to see this new exhibit, about the Oakland Community School, the first of the Black Panther

Party's "liberation" schools. **A program and reception will be held at the West Oakland Branch Library on February 16 at 1801 Adeline Street starting at 1 pm.** For details, contact Steven Lavoie in the Oakland History Room at the Main Library at 238-3222.

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## **OUSD Students in the News**

**Classmates raise \$30,000 for injured Oakland boy-** By Katy Murphy, Oakland Tribune STAFF WRITER

[http://www.insidebayarea.com/ci\\_7996356?source=email](http://www.insidebayarea.com/ci_7996356?source=email)

With the help of their parents, student from Crocker Highlands Elementary School raised money for their injured classmate by baking treats.

**Video: Bake sale for Christopher--**[http://bayareanewsgroup.com/multimedia/iba/2008/player/?f=0116\\_bake](http://bayareanewsgroup.com/multimedia/iba/2008/player/?f=0116_bake)

**School kids find voices at MLK event--Oration contest helps elementary students face their fear--**By Katy Murphy, STAFF WRITER

[http://www.insidebayarea.com/ci\\_8074651](http://www.insidebayarea.com/ci_8074651)

**Readers React to Uniform Rumors at Skyline High--** By Katy Murphy, Oakland Tribune STAFF WRITER [http://www.insidebayarea.com/ci\\_8063785](http://www.insidebayarea.com/ci_8063785)

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## **Cool links and helpful resources**

This is an election year. Check out the following links for some information and helpful information about the candidates, caucuses and primaries, and the election process. In the years preceding a presidential election, many candidates announce their intent to run. But by mid-September of election year, the race focuses primarily on the candidates chosen by the Republican and Democratic parties. How do the parties choose their candidates?

**CNN Student News One-Sheet: Caucuses and Primaries**

<http://www.cnn.com/2008/LIVING/studentnews/01/03/one.sheet.caucus.primary/>

**Enchanted Learning: U.S. Election Glossary**

<http://www.enchantedlearning.com/election/glossary.shtml>

**Howstuffworks: How do Caucuses Work?**

<http://people.howstuffworks.com/question721.htm>

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