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Triumph Students Prepare for PS7

By Cristin Fiorelli

For Triumph's 28 pre-k students, kindergarten is just on the horizon. With only 14 weeks of school left, Triumph's first pre-k class is preparing to leave their green uniform shirts behind for PS7's red and blue. This month Triumph and PS7 proudly kicked off a series of events to excite and inform pre-k parents and students about kindergarten. On March 7th Triumph students listened intently as kindergarten teacher Kass Hoinski taught them PS7 school wide rules, read a story about kindergarten, and answered the questions they eagerly asked –what do kids do in kindergarten? What kinds of kids go to kindergarten? Do kids have to say “please” in kindergarten? Later this month PS7 welcomes Triumph families to their campus at our first annual *Kindergarten Preview* event. Pre-k families, who eagerly submitted their kindergarten applications last month, will hear about PS7's outstanding academic program, including touring classrooms and hearing from PS7 parents. Finally, pre-k is already anticipating its *Kindergarten Shadow Day* in late spring. Pre-k will spend the morning experiencing first-hand what it is like to be a PS7 kindergartener. And a few short months from now, in August, they will return –proudly ready to continue their journey through St. HOPE Public Schools as kindergarteners.



PS7 Kindergarten teacher Kass Hoinski visits Triumph.



CCSA visits Oak Park to learn more about SHPS.

California Charter Schools Association Visits Oak Park & St. HOPE

By Shani Alford

On March 6th the California Charter Schools Association held its annual conference in Sacramento with well over 2,000 people in attendance. Part of the conference entailed a bus tour, which allowed participants to visit local charter schools. St. HOPE Public Schools took part in hosting 75 interested educators, school leaders and developers in capturing the spirit of SHPS. The CCSA bus tour group enjoyed a visit to the Guild Theater where school leaders from Triumph, PS7 and Sac High were in attendance to answer questions and share experiences. After an engaging question and answer session, CCSA bus tour attendees were treated to a tour of underground books, Starbucks and the 40 Acres Art Gallery. Thank you to all CCSA attendees for taking the time to visit Oak Park!

Dragons Place 2nd in State Championship Game

By Justin Gatling

The Sacramento High School Boys Basketball team competed in the CIF Division III State Championship game on Saturday, March 15 at Arco Arena for the first time in school history. Their opponent was a Southern California team, Santa Margarita Eagles. Arco arena was filled with purple t-shirts that said “Sacramento Dragons Road to Arco,” which made it a fun-filled environment with alumni, students, parents and staff all watching and supporting their Sacramento Dragons. On paper, the Dragons looked quicker, while the Eagles looked bigger. Chase Tapley had 35 points, 14 of 30 from the field, which puts him tied for fourth on the all time scoring list. But it wasn't enough for the Dragons. Klay Thompson from Santa Margarita had 37 points, 14 of 22 from the field, which helped Santa Margarita get the win. The Eagles defeated the Dragons 72-55. The Dragons finished out the season with a 30-4 record winning the Metro League, Runner-Up Sac-Joaquin Section Division III, Northern California Champions and CIF Division III Runner-Up. It was a great season for the Dragons. Thanks for all the support. We look forward to what next year will bring. For more information about Sacramento High School athletics log onto www.sachighathletics.org



Congrats to Sac High Dragons for making history!

Enroll Now at Triumph!

Looking for an excellent preschool education for your child? Look no further. Triumph Center for Early Childhood Education is a new standard in early childhood education. We are a first-rate, year-round, affordable preschool designed for all children. Triumph is now accepting applications for pre-schoolers age 3 and 4. To learn more about Triumph Center for Early Childhood Education, visit www.thetriumphcenter.org or call (916) 731-8200. Don't wait, enroll now!

Calling all 7th & 8th Grade Students!

You're invited to attend Sac High's Open House. The open house will take place on **Saturday, April 12th from 12:00-2:00pm** at Sac High. During the open house, students and their families will have the opportunity to tour the campus, meet principals and teachers, and hear testimonies from current Sac High students. This event is free and open to the public. For more information, call (916) 649-7910 or visit us on the web at www.sthopepublicschools.org.

Save the Date – Dragon Camp

Sac High will host an all day Dragon Camp for 5th through 8th grade students on April 19, 2008. The camp will feature cheerleading, journalism, photography, dance, science and criminal justice camps. This event is free and open to the community. For more information, contact Shani Alford at salford@sthope.org.

Oak Park Prep Public Hearing

On Thursday, March 27th at 7:00pm the Sacramento City Unified School District heard from representatives from the Oak Park community, who recently turned in a petition for a new middle school, Oak Park Prep Middle School. Community members expressed a need for a middle school in the Oak Park area considering there has not been one to service the community for more than 45 years. On April 17th SCUSD will discuss the petition at a second public meeting. Stay tuned for more information.

40 Acres Art Gallery Update

With the closing of the Peter Wayne Lewis exhibit the 40 Acres Art Gallery is pleased to present its fifth annual "Best of Sac High" juried art competition. Five years is certainly an incredible milestone, both for the 40 Acres Art Gallery as well as for Sacramento High School. Each year the judging team sorts through hundreds of student submissions. Please join us for the opening reception and awards ceremony on April 12th, 5pm-8pm.

Support St. HOPE

Are you looking for a way to financially support St. HOPE? Log on to <http://www.active.com/donate/sthope> and make a 100% tax-deductible contribution with your Visa, Mastercard, or American Express card. Offline donations can be sent to 3400 3rd Ave., Sacramento, CA 95817. Your generosity will enable us to further our goal of ensuring that all children have a better future. Questions about donations? Call (916) 649-7900.

Book the Guild

The Guild Theater is the only remaining theater of the numerous early 20th century motion picture houses for which Oak Park was once known. Designed and financed by Joseph Lewis and completed in 1915, it was the largest of three theaters on 35th Street in Oak Park at that time. Fully renovated, Guild amenities include 200 seating capacity, film projection equipment, 20'x40' stage, dressing rooms and lobby and concession area. Visit us at www.guildtheater.com for more information on rates and availability.

underground bookstore

Patricia Canterbury, Geri Spencer Hunter, Juanita Carr & Sacramento Area Authors will discuss and autograph copies of their new book *Capital Crimes.....15 Tales by Sacramento Area Authors* on **Saturday, April 12, 2- 4 pm**. "Thieves, liars and killers - it's a criminal world out there! From trouble in San Francisco's Chinatown, to farmworkers in the Valley with a secret, a missing Sacramento heiress and much more." Cara Black. Plan to attend this remarkable event!

In the News

April 1, 2008: St. HOPE seeks growth

<http://www.sacbee.com/education/story/826351.html>

March 19, 2008: The Bee's Final Top 20 boys basketball ranking

<http://www.sacbee.com/100/story/796536.html>

March 18, 2008: Boys Basketball Player of the Year: Tapley comes alive on states biggest stage

<http://www.sacbee.com/100/story/793255.html>