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Triumph Students Get Ready for Kindergarten

By Cristin Fiorelli

Triumph students are investigating, asking questions, and exploring – and showing they are ready for kindergarten in the process. Students’ math and literacy skills are put to the test as they collect, count and compare acorns on a nature walk, plant seeds in their new garden, and graph the spots on ladybugs they have collected. Their extraordinary achievements at Triumph were on display as they stepped onto PS7’s campus last week. Working alongside a kindergarten buddy and with the support of the kindergarten teachers, Triumph students were kindergartners for a day. Showing off their skills with ease, pre-k students rose to the challenge and returned after a busy day excited by “what a lot of hard work it is” to be a kindergartener. When asked if they are ready for it, their resounding chorus is “yes!” So is ours!



A Triumph student working on his coloring.



A PS7 student working on her geometry during Mr. Scheible’s class

PS7 Students Excel in Academics

By Jim Scheible

Students at PS7 Middle School have been working harder than ever knowing that the end of the school year is rapidly approaching. Taking advantage of every minute of the day students have been completing two hour blocks of double study hall, voluntarily coming to school on the weekends for “Sum It Up Saturday” math review sessions, and even voting to move a Saturday review session to Starbucks on Broadway when campus was closed due to construction. As one 8th grader proudly put it, “It’s just about focusing on results!” All students at PS7 Middle School have taken these last four weeks to “show what they know” on the annual CSTs and we predict excellent results for our first year of operation. Furthermore, our students are going above and beyond their grade level standards to prepare for the next grade level. 7th graders will soon begin their three week study of Algebra I to get a head start on next year’s math class. In addition, PS7’s inaugural class of 8th graders will be traveling to Six Flags Discovery Kingdom for Physics Day, and they will host a science exposition showcasing their knowledge as a wrap-up to 8th grade science. These same 8th graders have also started an introduction to geometry for their final math unit as they prepare for high school. Help us send off PS7’s first ever 8th graders as they are promoted to high school on Wednesday, June 18th, at 9:00am in the Sac High Auditorium.

Sac High Celebrates Student Achievement

By Ed Manansala

This past Friday Sac High celebrated the first annual College Declaration Ceremony. Eighty-two percent of the Class of 2008 has been accepted into a 4-year college. The ceremony provided an opportunity for students to publicly announce their school of choice, and to share the special moment with students, faculty, and family. “This ceremony means a lot to seniors because we are being recognized for all of our hard work to get into college,” said senior Marc Romo who will be attending the University of California at Riverside. “This event should also inspire the junior class to push themselves and study hard so that they can get into colleges next year.” Sac High students were accepted into more than 70 colleges this year, including; MIT, Stanford, UC Berkeley, UC Davis, UCLA, Purdue, San Francisco State, Sacramento State, Arizona State, and Howard University. On Wednesday, May 21st, the California Department of Education released their annual Similar Schools Ranking and gave Sacramento Charter High School an “8” out of “10”, which puts the school in the top 30% of similar schools. The year before Sac High became a charter, the similar schools ranking was a 2-- the bottom 20% of similar schools. The new school ranking puts Sac High as the second highest performing high school of similar schools in the Sacramento City Unified School District only behind West Campus.



Sac High students are accepted to colleges all over the country.

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!

Sac High is accepting student applications for enrollment for the 2008-2009 school year. You can pick up an application at Sac High or download the application from the website. For additional information, call (916) 649-7910 or visit us on the web at www.sthopepublicschools.org.

Washington Mutual Bank Partnership

Through a special partnership with Washington Mutual Bank (WaMu), nearly 20 Sac High seniors opened their first bank account and received an additional \$75 to deposit. To commemorate the opening of the new Del Paso Blvd. branch in Natomas, \$25 will be donated to St. HOPE for every new account that is opened between now and June 27.

Guild Theater

Images Theater Company will present a stage play, Wings of Freedom, on May 30th at 8:00pm. Check www.imagestheater.org for details.

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.

40 Acres Art Gallery Update

On Saturday, May 31st, The Best of Sac High 2008 at the 40 Acres Art Gallery will be officially closing. There is still artwork available for purchase, and 100% of sales proceeds benefit the students of Sac High. On view in the gallery is the student-created video, "Agents of Change" a call-to-action recognizing the dreams of students in Oak Park and made in response to the Claudia Bernardi's artist residency last fall. So far the video has been gaining national exposure as far as Chicago and in Canada. Thanks to the diligent efforts of Claudia in spreading the good news of what's happening at Sac High.

underground bookstore

Sacramento's own Cornel West, Professor at Princeton University will speak at *Sacramento High School on Saturday, May 31 from 4 - 6 pm*. Event is free. Book signing to follow immediately at underground books. Stay tuned!

In the News

May 23, 2008: Seniors share words of inspiration at graduation
<http://www.sacbee.com/107/story/957616.html>

May 19, 2008: City charter schools should be able to recruit students
<http://www.sacbee.com/110/story/948627.html>

May 13, 2008: St. HOPE withdraws middle school charter petition
<http://www.sacbee.com/education/story/933352.html>