



From Dr. Robbins

Maryland School Assessment (MSA) – As I write this article, Sudbrook and the other middle and elementary schools in the state of Maryland have just finished testing. Our students concentrated and worked very hard during the eight days of testing. We are sure that their hard work will pay off in their individual scores and school score.

Final Two Months of the School Year - When we return from Spring Break, we will have only two months remaining in the school year. Now is a good time to review your child's academic progress. If you have any concerns, please contact a teacher via email or school phone (410.887.6720). Consider contacting one of our guidance counselors: Debbie Franklin-grade six; Keleigh Kongkrathun-grade seven; Catrisa Bicknell-grade eight at 410.887.1254.

Here Are Some Helpful Study Tips: first, ask your student if he/she has homework --- do this every night. If he/she says that he/she does not have homework, then ask to see the SMMS Agenda Book to verify this. Second, if your student says that he/she has a test or quiz the next day, then ask if you could help him/her study. It is often very helpful to study with another person. Parents continue to assist students well into high school with homework or projects or tests.

Guidance News

Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Young Scholars Program*

Eligibility Requirements:

- 7th Grade Students
- High Academic Achievement
- A motivation to succeed
- An interest in the arts or other extracurricular areas
- Financial need
- Commitment to leadership and public service

Website: www.jkcf.org : To Learn more about the Young Scholars Program and to download an application. The application deadline is April 27, 2009.

Upcoming Kids Grief and Kids Circle Sessions

Sponsored by Hopewell Cancer Support

Saturdays, 10:00-11:30 a.m. from April 1-May 9

Contact Person Carol Sharp, Program Director at (410) 832-2719

She Matters: Girls' Empowerment Conference and Expo- May 16, 2009*

Information and online registration at www.shematterstoo.com

* *These activities are not affiliated with Baltimore County Public Schools.*

Student Service Learning

Information about Student Service Learning opportunities is available in the guidance office.

Current Fundraiser

This is our only large fundraiser
of the year so we need
as much participation as possible.
SMMS receives 50% of purchases!

Order online at www.currentfun.com

**Orders due by
Friday, April 17**

**The top seller receives a
\$50gift card.**

Join us for the next PTSA meeting

Thursday, April 16

6:30 pm

Trailers behind the school
Refreshments will be served

Health and Physical Education

Post Fitnessgram Testing
for all P.E. and Health students in May.

P.E./Health 6th; P.E Final 7th; P.E./Health 8th grade
Finals at end of May-June.

Congratulations!

The Sudbrook Boy's Basketball Team is #1 in their division coming in first place in a tournament held at Old Court Middle School. Congratulations to Coach Weddle and Assistant Coach Whitehead.

World Languages Magnet

We are awaiting final results from the National French and Spanish exams. So far, we know that 9 of our French magnet students have placed in the top ten percent in the state of Maryland. This is quite impressive as they compete against high school students. Also, our World Languages final exams will take place during the final week of May and the first week of June.

Visual Arts Magnet News

April 15—Level 2 Visual Arts Magnet fieldtrip to the Baltimore Museum of Art

April 16-Level 3 Visual Arts Magnet fieldtrip to the American Visionary Arts Museum

May 15—Spring Arts Show and Activity:
Come Together 6:00-8:00 pm

Upcoming Budget Hearing

The Northwest Area Education Advisory Council invites you to our Capital Pre-Budget Hearing which will be held on Thursday, April 16, 2009, 7:00 pm, at Franklin High School. This public hearing gives residents in your community an opportunity to present testimony on school capital budget items that they want included in the Fiscal Year 2010 Capital Budget of the Baltimore County Public Schools.

A sign-up sheet will be available at 6:30 pm for those individuals who wish to present oral testimony. Each person will be given three minutes to present testimony. Individuals presenting testimony as well as those who do not speak can provide the Council with written testimony during the hearing. We will use testimony received to prepare a report informing the Baltimore County Board of Education about issues, concerns, and recommendations pertaining to the FY 2010 Capital budget.