

ORCA K-8 SCHOOL



Principal Tonie
April 7, 2017

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WE ALL BELONG!

EVENTS

NEWS

UPDATES

As we move forward in the school year, next week will be spring break for all students and most staff here at Orca. This lends me the opportunity to reflect on what all has happened from September to date.

We started the school year with our annual PTSA potluck, an evening event that always excites parents and children. And not too many days into the month of September, we had several classrooms going on field trips. We've been on Light Rail, First Student, Metro or walking ever since.

I am so proud of our Middle School Academies, which launched this school year; we look forward to our fifth graders not only moving up a grade, but also a flight. They will be able to experience our Academies first hand, being active in Arts Corps, We.APP and Drama, along with our mainstream curriculum.

Orca's staff is committed to making sure that we are a school that not only speaks on social justice and inclusion, but that it reflects in our actions, in our open communication, our truth. We are making great strides in this area, with open communication with the focus of inclusion seen in our field trips, assemblies and family events.

Orca's young volleyball team earned a victory last Saturday. Our volleyball players are gelling together nicely under the leadership of Coach Shawn Cudney. The next games are on April 8th and April 29th, each game is at 3:30pm @ Whitman Middle School.

When school resumes after spring break, we will be coming back with less than 10 weeks remaining in the school year. We have our Book Fair upcoming, sponsored by Third Place Books, along with more classes going to camp—one day and overnight stays, as well as our end of the year band concert. These are a few of our exciting upcoming events here at Orca.

Have a safe and enjoyable spring break!

SAVE THE DATE



2nd ANNUAL, Saturday, May 6th RISING VOICES ORATORY COMPETITION

Bold. Confident. Fearless. Proud.



We.APP Rising Voices Oratory Competition:

We.APP (We Act. Present. Perform) is hosting the 2nd Annual Rising Voices Oratory Competition on Saturday, May 6th at South Shore PK - 8.

We.App (Act. Present. Perform.) Young Artists Academy (YAA) is proud to present the 2nd Annual Rising Voices Oratory Competition hosted by South Shore PK – 8 School on May 6, 2017 from 10:30am – 1pm. Doors open at 10:00am. We.APP YAA scholars attending six schools across three school districts will compete in a citywide public speaking showcase to spark a brave new movement of voices dedicated to truth and liberation.

In front of a panel of judges and community members, contestants ages 12 to 18 will present powerful personal narratives that capture their deepest feelings and aspirations. Each original speech is written and spoken in unapologetic vernacular, drawing upon personal perspectives on life and what it takes to progress as a community and nation. The Rising Voices Oratory Competition gives each participant the opportunity to combat silence and develop in the areas of literacy and inclusion, which are critical in disrupting the school-to-prison pipeline.

Partnering Schools:

- Mount View Elementary -South Shore PK-8 -Orca K-8
- Summit Sierra -Cleveland High School

Awards for each category (Grade: 5-6, 7-8, 9-10 & 11-12): +

-1st place, \$200 + plaque

-2nd place, Silver medal + gift card

3rd place, bronze medal + gift card

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9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19 Joint PTSA Race Forum Meeting Dinner and Childcare 6:30—8:30pm	20	21 Orca Garden Work Party	22
23	24	25	26 Orca K-8 Book Fair	27 Orca K-8 Book Fair	28 Orca K-8 Book Fair	29
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