



## GUNN'S WEEKLY NEWS UPDATE

March 13, 2017

### **Not In Our Schools Week (NIOS) Parent**

Not In Our Schools Week Parent Event: Thursday, March 16 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. located in the N-Building

Come join the Wellness Team at the Not in Our Schools Week/Social Emotional Learning Parent Event. Social and emotional learning (SEL) is the process through which children and adults acquire and effectively apply the knowledge, attitudes and skills necessary to understand and manage emotions, set and achieve positive goals, feel and show empathy for others, establish and maintain positive relationships, and make positive decisions.

On Mar. 16 from 7 to 8:30 p.m., parents will have an opportunity to engage with teachers and students around social and emotional learning curriculum and some of the ways in which Gunn promotes empathy and caring throughout campus. The event will offer student perspectives on SEL and the Sources of Strength program on campus, teacher perspective on the impact of SEL on students and a school, a chance to sample an SEL lesson and examine the newly adopted PAUSD SEL standards.

### **Not In Our Schools Week (NIOS) Student**

Not in Our Schools Week is happening March 13-17.

NIOS Week is meant to give students a chance to build their empathy skills and also celebrate the strength of our diverse campus. This year, many of the NIOS Week events will be happening at lunch on the quad so that all students can participate. Please check out the schedule below so you can see what the week will offer.

Monday: ROCK (Reach Out. Care. Know) will be hosting a "Talk to Me" T-shirt station on the quad during lunch. Bring a white t-shirt to participate.

Tuesday: Ted Talks that center on issues of race and diversity will be hosted in various classes during Flex Time. Check Schoology next week for a schedule. Also the BSU, LSU and GSA clubs will host a lunchtime activity on the quad.

Wednesday: The Wellness Center will host a lunchtime activity on the quad.

Thursday: Create your own I am Stronger poster/social media post on the quad at lunch. World Language rooms will be hosting a NIOS Film Festival during Tutorial.

Friday: The SEC will have an inclusive celebration in the quad at lunch. All students should wear the 2017 NIOS Week T-shirt that you'll get in your B period class at the start of the week.

### **Summer School (all grades)**

The summer school website: <https://www.pausd.org/programs/summer-school>

Counselors will continue to enroll students for summer school classes that are “credit recovery.”

For student registration of classes, registration went live on 2/22/17 at 8:00 am.

Self-registration is only applicable for the following courses:

1. Living Skills (priority to rising 11th and 12th grade students)
2. Economics
3. Work/Exploratory Experience
4. Bridge to Geometry A (rising 9th graders)
5. Geometry A (rising 10th graders)
6. Transition to Calculus

To register for these classes on the summer school website the following information is required:

1. Student's Infinite Campus ID Number
2. Student's email address
3. Parent email address
4. Phone number

### **Appointments with Counselors (all grades)**

Our counselors are available for drop-ins before school, during brunch, lunch or after school. Appointments can be requested via the pink slips in the counselor's door or via email. Parents are encouraged to contact the counselor directly via email or through the counseling department to request appointments. We may be in classrooms or meeting with students and want to be able to provide you the necessary time and supports for your individual questions.

### **Sophomore Conferences (grade 10)**

Sophomore conferences have been postponed until April, due to scheduling conflicts with school wide campus events.

### **College and Career Corner (10th, 11th and 12th grade)**

Juniors if you have not set up your Naviance (Family Connection) account, please email Mr. Lang (llang@pausd.org)

Community College Fair in the library on 12th of April at 7 PM.

March 16: C&CC portable 7-9 PM "New to the USA college system" Info night. Send e-mail to lkirsch@pausd if you plan to attend and the number who will be in your group.

MARCH MADNESS and I don't mean basketball, is starting this Wednesday. This is officially when colleges will start sending out news on admit, deny and waitlist. Please remain calm until your student has heard from all the colleges applied to and know that some will not reveal the news till the very end of the month. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Lang or Mrs Kirsch. Do plan on taking your student to visit some of the yes locations on spring break.

### **Junior Parent & Student Night (11th grade)**

Join our amazing counseling team on April 26, beginning at 6:30 pm in Titan Gym. The evening will be focusing on preparing for senior year and remaining calm and focused during the admission craze.

The evening will begin with Junior Parents and Students together in Titan Gym. After the opening statements, students will be engaging in breakout sessions focusing on starting the Common Ap and a session about marketing themselves during the application process.

Parents will engage in sessions from a variety of speakers focusing on the admissions process, the social emotional impact and learning that occurs during senior year, how to support your student through senior year and beyond, Family Connection, Financial Aid and Scholarships.

The evening will close with parents and students coming back together for a panel discussion. The panel will host counselors, parents, current seniors and graduates.

Don't miss this fabulous event, mark your calendars now.

### **Senior Section (12th grade)**

Seniors, please make sure you are up to date on all of your senior information by checking the Student Activities [website](#). This website is updated by our Student Activities office and will have all relevant information for seniors and their families.

<https://sites.google.com/site/gunnstudentactivities/senior-class-information>

**Body Language & Communication (all grades)**

Dr. Lillian Glass will be presenting in the Paly Haymarket Theatre on March 14th beginning at 4:30 pm. The event is hosted by: Meri Gyves, Work Experience Coordinator & Sgt. DuJuan Green, Palo Alto Police Department.

**AP Testing (all grades)**

Early registration ended February 28 and late registration continues until March 26. You may visit [www.TotalRegistration.net/AP/052347](http://www.TotalRegistration.net/AP/052347) to register for AP Exams. Please see the flyer on the main Gunn web page for more information.

Questions: contact Mr. Jack Ballard ([jballard@pausd.org](mailto:jballard@pausd.org))

**Support PiE**

Thank you to all that have supported Partners in Education (PiE). The donations to PiE continue to support many programs at Gunn, including our guidance department. Your donations have made a difference for all students at Gunn.

Thanks for your support!

With Gratitude,

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