

FRANCIS LEWIS HIGH SCHOOL

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Parent Coordinator's Newsletter

February 8, 2012

Dear Parents/Guardians,

NEW: Junior Parents and Students College Night Meeting:

Our college counselors invite you to attend our Junior College Night on **Thursday, February 16th at 7 p.m.** This meeting is crucial, as you will receive important information related to the college exploration process.

SAVE THE DATE: College Fair at FLHS: Thursday, April 19th from 6:30 PM- 9 PM

NEW: Senior College Info:

- Seniors are required to submit copies of all college notification letters (Early Decision/ Early Action, acceptance, non-acceptance, scholarship award, and financial aid packages) to the College Office, Room 111.
- Seniors should be filling out their FAFSA (Financial Aid Forms) online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. Any financial aid questions should be directed to the colleges' financial aid office.
- Seniors who have yet to apply to a college should speak with their guidance counselor or visit the College Office, Room 111 for information.

Just a reminder: Seniors must bring in their stamped envelopes for their midyear grades to the college office.

NEW: Free Practice ACT @ Francis Lewis High School

(Offered by PRINCETON REVIEW in conjunction with the PTA)

Take a **FREE** full-length **practice ACT** under actual testing conditions and find out. It's a great way to try your hand at the type of questions you'll face on the actual exam, build confidence and get comfortable with the exam's format.

Saturday, March 31, 2012

9 am – 1 pm

Francis Lewis High School

Event is free, but registration is required at PrincetonReview.com/Testfest or call 800-2Review (800-273-8429)

Event # 55244

Limited to Francis Lewis HS students

Space is limited.
Register today!

Reminder: Parent Meetings in Our Community

Queens High School Presidents Council: Legislative Breakfast

You are cordially invited to attend the legislative breakfast with our local Queens politicians. The parent representatives of your schools throughout Queens would like to share with you exactly what is happening in our schools and how the edicts of the DOE affect our schools and families directly.

When: Friday, February 10th, 2012

Time: 9 AM

Where: 30-48 Linden Place - 4th floor Conference Room

RSVP: Jane Reiff at 347-256-4128 or Email: jesnik@nyc.rr.com

(Parking available at the bowling alley next door for \$6.00)

Queens High School Presidents Council: General Meeting

Date: February 13th, 2012

Time: 7 PM

Place: Queens Borough Hall*
120-55 Queens Boulevard
Kew Gardens, NY 1142

*This meeting's location has been changed to the above location to accommodate parents who want to attend Borough President Helen Marshall's forum about the turnaround schools. Her forum begins at 6:30 PM. Following, there will be a Math Core Curriculum workshop in Helen Marshall's conference room at 7:30.

Community District Education Council 26: Town Hall Meeting

Guest Speaker: Chancellor Dennis Walcott

Date: Wednesday, February 15, 2012

Place: MS 74 (Nathaniel Hawthorne)
61-15 Oceania Street, Bayside - (Auditorium)

Time: 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Meeting will be starting promptly at 6:30 p.m. sharp

Come out and share your concerns with members of the District 26 Education Community and Chancellor Walcott. Chancellor Walcott will speak and answer questions from the audience.

Anyone wishing to ask a question must sign the Speaker's list prior to the start of the meeting.

Light refreshments will be served

All meetings are held at wheelchair accessible sites. Interpretation services will be available if requested.

NEW: The Citywide Council on Special Education February Public Meeting

Date: Thursday, February 16, 2012

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Place: P177Q

The Robin Sue Ward School for Exceptional Children
56-37 188th Street
Queens, NY 11365 (718) 357-4650

RSVP: (718) 391-8354 (Please call if translation services are required.)

Refreshments will be available.

NEW: Anti-Bullying Fair

DATE: Thursday, March 1, 2012

TIME: 2–6 p.m.

PLACE: United Federation of Teachers

Central office, 52 Broadway, New York 2nd floor

PARENTS, SCHOOL STAFF AND COMMUNITY GROUPS:

- Get information and become more involved with anti-bullying efforts in the New York City area
- Meet people and organizations that have a wealth of knowledge and expertise on bullying
- Speak with anti-bullying advocates, vendors and allies and learn about what they can offer your school, students, and community.

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Important Reminder:

Student Pick Up and Drop Off:

Please do not pick up and/or drop off your child in front of Francis Lewis High School on Utopia Parkway. Parking is not permitted in front of the school building from 7 AM to 7 PM. Double parking is never permitted. This is creating a very dangerous situation for pedestrians and drivers alike. The 111th Police Precinct has brought this issue to our attention as this is a hazard and a serious concern for our children's safety. Police officers will be issuing tickets.

Parents are urged to pick up and drop off their children on 59th Avenue and on Booth Memorial Avenue only. Thank you for your cooperation.

Dates to Remember:

Feb 11 JROTC League Drill Competition
Feb 16 Junior Parent College Meeting 7 PM
Feb 20-24 **Mid-Winter Recess - School Closed**
Feb 29 Blood Drive (New Date)

Looking Ahead:

Mar 7 **PTA Meeting – 7 pm**
Mar 8 Café Night – 4 pm
Mar 10 JROTC Northeast Drill Competition
Mar 11 **Daylight Savings – Set clocks ahead 1 hour**
Mar 15 **Prom Expo-5:30 PM-ATT: SENIORS**
Mar 19 End of Marking Period 1

Mar 22 **Professional Planning Day -Students follow Special Schedule**
Mar 23 International Festival – 5pm
Mar 28 **ARISTA Installation – 7pm**
 Report Card Distribution
Mar 29 Parent Teacher Conference – Evening – Time TBA
Mar 30 Parent Teacher Conference – Afternoon 12:30pm – 2:45pm
 Dance Recital – 7pm

Dates and information can also be accessed on our website at francislewishes.org which is updated regularly.

Regards,

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