

# FRANCIS LEWIS HIGH SCHOOL

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## Parent Coordinator's Newsletter

September 28, 2011

Dear Parents/Guardians:

### **REMINDER: Lunch Applications:**

Lunch applications have been distributed to all students. Each completed eligible application returned, provides the school with federal funding which supports our educational programs such as before and after school tutoring, etc.

Even if you **do not qualify for free or reduced lunch**, you are still **required to fill out an application**. All you need to do is check-off the top box, fill out Part 2, sign and return to Room 107 (No other personal information is required).

Have your child **return the completed application to their Social Studies teacher or Room 107** as soon as possible.

### **IMPORTANT PLEASE NOTE:**

As the Lunch Application is computer scanned, your **INFORMATION ON THE APPLICATION CANNOT BE: crossed out, written over and White Out may not be used.** Please request a new application in Room 107. Applications with errors are returned ineligible and delay the process.

**Lunch Applications May Also Be Completed Online.** This is the quickest way for your child's application to be processed. Log on to [www.nyc.gov/accessnyc](http://www.nyc.gov/accessnyc), click on "Apply Online for School Meals" input your information, and submit the application online. You may apply for all your children at the same time. It's simple, secure and confidential.

**Please Note:** Applications are also in different languages. All Applications are available in Room 107. If you have already completed the lunch application, no other action is necessary.

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### **NEW: Freshmen Students ONLY:**

#### **Specialized High School Test/& High School Admission Applications:**

If your child is interested in applying to a Specialized Science High School (SHSAT) for the 10<sup>th</sup> grade, they must sign up in Room 108 for an admissions ticket for the test. The test is on November 5<sup>th</sup> for 9<sup>th</sup> grade students. Deadline date to register is October 12<sup>th</sup>.

If your child is interested in applying to any other high school for the 10<sup>th</sup> grade, they must sign up in Room 108. More information is available at [schools.nyc.gov](http://schools.nyc.gov).

## **Important Reminder:**

### **PTA Meeting:**

**Our first PTA Meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. Graduation requirements will be discussed by Ms. Palomino, Assistant Principal of Pupil Personnel. Please show your support to the PTA and our school by attending this important and informative meeting. A light meal will be provided by the PTA.**

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## **Reminder :Stop & Shop A+ Rewards Program:**

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Starting **October 7, 2011** through **March 29, 2012**, Francis Lewis High School will have the opportunity to earn cash through Stop & Shop A+ School Rewards Program. With the recent budget cuts affecting our schools, we are asking for your support by enrolling in this program. It is FREE, simple and will benefit our children. You do not need to have a child attending our school to participate, therefore, please encourage your friends and relatives to enroll in the Stop & Shop A+ School Rewards Program.

If you are a Stop & Shop customer and have their card all you have to do is:

**Log on to [www.stopandshop.com/aplus](http://www.stopandshop.com/aplus) to register online**

*OR*

**Dial 1-877-275-2758 to register your card over the phone**

**USE ID #: 12854**

After you register your card, each shopping trip at **ANY** Stop & Shop using your Stop & Shop Card earns CASH for our school! Each month, the amount of CASH awarded will be updated on the Stop & Shop website. You can track the amount of points you earn for our school by checking your grocery receipt and online when you create an account at [www.stopandshop.com](http://www.stopandshop.com). Our school will receive a check at the end of the program. The money will be used for our school's educational needs.

Please be sure to register your card ( if you haven't already done so) to benefit **Francis Lewis High School** using ID # **12854**.

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## **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

- September 29 & 30 Rosh Hashanah: School Closed
- October 1 SAT: Register at [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)
- October 5 PTA Meeting: 7:00 pm
- October 10 Columbus Day: School Closed
- October 12 PSAT Inspiration Day: All 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> graders take PSAT- Students will follow a special schedule that day
- October 22 & 23 Borough wide High School Fair at Lewis
- October 17 End of 1<sup>st</sup> marking period
- October 17 Teacher Professional Planning Day-Special Bell Schedule
- October 18 Senior Parent Meeting: 7:00 pm
- October 19 Blood Drive

- October 20 Play Auditions: 2:30-6:30 PM
  - October 22 ACT: Register at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)
  - October 26 Report Card Distribution
  - October 27 Parent Teacher Conference: 6:15 pm – 8:45 pm
  - October 28 Parent Teacher Conference: 12:30 pm – 2:45 pm-Students to follow special schedule that day.
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### **ONLINE ACCESS TO YOUR CHILD'S PROGRESS:**

**If you have not already received your Parent Online Service Account, which enables us to provide you with information about your child's progress (attendance, cuts, report card grades, transcript), and other things related to your child's education, please email me your name, and your child's name, & date of birth and I will email/mail you the information.**

**The NYC DOE Parent Link ARIS is also available. If you have not received this information, please contact me with the information above and I will mail you this information.**

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Dates and information can also be accessed on our website at [francislewishes.org](http://francislewishes.org) which is updated regularly.

Enjoy your weekend.

Regards,