

SSJE

Calendar

9/21: Global Warming Flash Mob @ UC Berkeley 12- 12:15 pm, Sproul Plaza UC Berkeley, Bring your pots and pans, bells and whistles, gongs and rainsticks! We're joining the 500 plus flashmobs that will be forming around the world in order to get the attention of the media, lawmakers, and our peers about the pressing issue of global warming. On Monday at 12 noon we'll make some noise at our "WAKE-UP CALL" FLASHMOB where we'll spontaneously make a thundering racket together, and then minutes later all become quiet to call Senator Feinstein asking for strong action against global warming. We're also looking to remind our international leaders that we're expecting them to

wake up to the climate crisis, and create a fair, ambitious and binding treaty at the Climate Change conference in Copenhagen this December (as the Kyoto agreement is about to expire). We're inviting media, student groups, and YOU to take action, so that the press can deliver a full account of our world wide event to the UN Task Force meeting on Global Warming which is taking place the very next day in New York. 1. Come to Sproul at 12 noon on Monday. (if you have a noon class don't worry, we'll be done by 12:10) 2. Wear your most alarmist red 3. Set your phone alarm to 12:05. 4. At 12:05, go crazy! Set off your noise makers, bang pots and pans, yell, clap, stomp and holler! 5. At 12:07, call the number on the banner we have up and tell Senator Feinstein to take strong action on global warming. (6. Optional but awesome) Hang out for another hour or two and ask your peers to make phone calls too. The more our legislators hear from us, the more they'll champion the message to stop global warming.

9/21: College Visit in the College & Career Center: 10:00 am **University of Tulsa** (OK) - 1st period

9/21: **Late Start: School begins @ 9:57 am**

9/21: **FREE SAT PREP CLASS** -- in H103. The class will meet on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 3:30-5:30 pm. One day will focus on the math section and the other day on the critical reading section of the test. There is no need to register in advance, just come to H103. For more information, go to www.ptps.org, or come to D221.

9/21: If you would like to participate in the upcoming **Senior Rally dance**, a meeting will be held in the A bldg Modern dance room at 4:15 pm.

9/21: College Visit in the College and Career Center: 9:57 am , **University of Tulsa** (OK)

9/22: College Visit in the CCC, 8:27 am: **Ohio Wesleyan**, 9:31am: **Williams**

College

9/22: **BHS Chorus Club Meeting** in A201 @ Lunch

9/22: **Build On Meeting** @ Lunch in D218

9/22: Are you low income? Will you be the first to go to college in your family. If so please come to the UC Berkeley incentive award informational meeting, after school in Conference Room B.

9/22: **PTSA Meeting** in the BHS Little Theater 7-9pm

9/22: **Speak Up for Clean Water in San Jose** 6pm to 8pm Baykeeper is partnering with Greenbelt Alliance to host a Community Conversation on water issues and community planning in San José. We believe that clean water and healthy creeks are an important part of San José's future, and we want to help local residents make this vision a reality through local planning. If you live in the San José area and want to learn more about policies and planning tools that can address key environmental issues, please come out to join the conversation. Visit us online for more information or contact Baykeeper Public Affairs Associate Sara Aminzadeh at sara@baykeeper.org.

9/22: Sharpen your study skills with the **Study Skills workshop** offered from 7-8 pm in the BHS Food Court.

9/22: **School Governance Council (SGC) Meeting** 4:15- 6pm in the Community

Theater Lobby

9/23: Green Corridor Berkeley Tour [Register!](#)

9/23: SSJE HUCKLEBERRY FIELD TRIP 9am -3:30pm

9/23: **Berkeley Unified School District Board Meeting @ 7:30 pm**

9/23: College Visits in the College & Career Center: 8:27am **Connecticut College**, 9:31am **Boston University**, 12:24pm: **University of Washington (WA)**, 1:28 pm **Tulane University (LA)**, 2: 32 pm **U of Oregon**, 3:36pm **Kenyon (OH)** 7th Period

9/24: SSJE HUCKLEBERRY FIELD TRIP 9am- 3:30 pm

9/24: College Visits in the College & Career Center: 8:30 **Smith College (MA)**, 2:32pm **New York University**

9/25: SSJE GROUP PICTURE @ 11:15 am on the BHS Bleachers

9/25: California Scholarship Federation Applications are available in the College Center. D221 Application **Deadline** Sept. 25.

9/25: College Visits in the College & Career Center: 8:27 am **Lewis & Clark**

9/25: HAPPY BIRTHDAY MARNEE!!!

9/25: **Watershed Poetry Festival Presentation** in the Library for 2nd & 3rd periods

9/25: **Expo Symposium for Independent Arts**. Presented by Independent Arts & Media **12 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.** In the Goldman Theater, Hazel Wolf Gallery, and Kinzie Conference Room at the David Brower Center. Expo Symposium for Independent Arts is for those who encourage, empower and create artistic expression. Join us for a discussion about the role of art in civic dialogue, a renewed interest in community driven art, and the inclination for projects that are innovative and entrepreneurial. Includes panels, workshops, networking and coaching. **Learn more**

9/25: **BOYS SOCCER SOCIAL**, 6:00 - 8:30 PM, BHS Food Court. ALL interested Soccer Players and Parents. Come together and join the BHS Soccer Community Carbo load, TALK SOCCER and have a good time! Pasta will be served!!! Meet and talk to the Coaches. Get all your questions answered. Find out what to expect from tryouts and how you can prepare. Get this years preliminary game schedules. Meet veteran players and exchange war stories from the pitch. Sign up for tryouts on the spot with our online volunteers. Check out videos from BHS 2008-2009 season. Reunite with soccer friends from those under 8 club days. This social event is a Pot Luck.

If you'd like to contribute pasta, bread, or salad, paper products and/or icy buckets of beverages for this event, we would be ever so grateful! We'd love your help and contribution!!!

9/26: Green Corridor Berkeley Tour [Register!](#)

9/26: **Registration Deadline** for 10/10 SAT

9/27: Container gardening class at Biofuel Oasis ~ Join Patrick Rodysill and Leslie Bennett of Garden Fare as they talk participants through the basics of using recycled vessels to make container gardens for edible plants. They'll provide the soil, plants and seeds — you bring your own container, if you have one: an old cooking pot, salvaged filing cabinet drawer or old work boot. The class will focus on edibles for a fall and winter garden, as well as growing organically, working with city soil, pest control and irrigation. [Learn more >](#)

9/27: **Central Coast Organic Farm Tour** ~ Take in the abundance at two organic farms that sell at the new Thursday market on this visit to Thomas Farm and Dirty Girl Produce in Santa Cruz County. Jerry Thomas will show us around the farm he started in 1971, which remains one of the most diverse the county. We'll see their flower field, orchard, and vegetables, and meet the family's animals: a pig, chickens, and peacocks. At Dirty Girl in Watsonville, Joel Schirmer will take us to two locations where he grows beans, basil, strawberries, and more. He'll also describe his methods for producing the dry-farmed tomatoes shoppers clamor for. The tour costs \$25, including lunch made with farmers' market ingredients, and runs from 9 am to 6 pm. [Buy tickets](#)

9/27: **Green News Kickoff Meeting** 2-4 pm, Meet and Hear Tales from Wildlife Biologist and Photographer Jim Hale. Jim has spent his life immersed in East Bay wildlife as well as in the Sierra. He'll begin with tales of encounters with local lizards to just this year relocating 250 bears in the Lake Tahoe fire region. He recently radio-collared cougars in the East Bay Hills. What a Kickoff speaker! Most importantly! Meet other students, discuss environmental journalism, explore your interests, and of course, food. Where? David Brower Center - One of the Bay Area's Most Advanced Buildings, 2150 Allston Way, Berkeley, 2 blocks from downtown Berkeley BART and across from UC [click here for directions](#), RSVP - Chiara Swartout, Green News Coordinator, 510-704-4030 or chiara@earthteam.net

9/28: The next chance to order **BART tickets** will be September 28, 29 and 30 at LUNCHTIME ONLY in Room D-224. Ticket price is \$16.00 for a \$32.00 value ticket--CASH ONLY, NO CHECKS PLEASE!!

9/28: Ecology Project International Informational Meeting for Spring Trip to BAJA!! 6-8pm in G207.

9/29: HAPPY BIRTHDAY TECKLE!!!

9/29: The next chance to order **BART tickets** will be September 28, 29 and 30 at LUNCHTIME ONLY in Room D-224. Ticket price is \$16.00 for a \$32.00 value ticket--CASH ONLY, NO CHECKS PLEASE!!

9/29: Kitchen Table Talk ~ The Mayor's Sustainable Food Directive ~ In

July, Mayor Gavin Newsom issued a new Executive Directive for Healthy and Sustainable Food that articulated a vision of a food system with nutritious food for all San Franciscans, shorter distances between consumers and producers, protections for worker health and welfare, reduced environmental impacts, and strengthened connections between urban and rural communities. Hear Paula Jones, Director of Food Systems at the S.F. Department of Public Health, and Jason Mark, co-manager of Alemany Farm, discuss Newsom's directive and the progress being made in the larger effort to make San Francisco a hub for sustainable food. The event takes place at the Sagan-Piechota architecture firm and requires your RSVP. [More information >](#)

9/29: UC Berkeley College of Natural Resources Lectures The Global Food Crisis ~ Hear a panel of activists, scientists, and social scientists discuss the problem of world hunger and some approaches to the solution. [More >](#)

9/29: Want to help out putting together our biggest fundraiser of the year? We are planning our annual BHS Live! gala for the Spring and will need lots of help with it. It's a great way to get connected to the school and work with a lot of wonderful people. Our first big planning meeting will be on Tues. Sept. 29 at 5:30 in conf. room B near the office area at Berkeley High. Everyone who is interested is welcome. We do have some specific volunteer expertise that we need in the following: Web site design, graphic artist, finance, publicity, auction item donations and food. If you can not make it to the meeting but want to volunteer to help, please e-mail Jill McCoy at visualjill@gmail.com.

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9/30: Ecology Project International Fundraiser, 6-9 pm, Gallery 16, SF
http://rs6.net/tn.jsp?et=1102693077981&s=1047&e=001z49Ykdj2z_wCJrpu5qhMnjConTJx2cs4UZy4hOvcmK-bE8X1h0hBn9dziZkDaVS8wCjApQKju9zwEtU-VBmDnsP3rG8IPxGUiTDpuwtRCxh6wa9aNKFa7MkDxhZLNkTqwdurJ6FpuSrPkMOTg97-sAM1zjTYc7sgyAHSLoKlcdYq8q-rUzRRQs3ufer-eni5

9/30: **"Saving the Bay"** Presented by Redford Center **6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.** In the Goldman Theater at the David Brower Center. This event will celebrate community action and leadership with a special screening of the new Ron Blatman film "Saving the Bay," premiering on PBS on October 8th. Narrated by Robert Redford, the film tells the story of three women who rallied an entire region to save the San Francisco Bay from being reduced to little more than a river. **Learn more**

10/1-10/3: WEST COAST GREEN

10/1: Vassar College Information Session, Thursday, Oct.1st, 2009, Jewish Community High, School of the Bay, 1835 Ellis Street. San Francisco, CA 94115

10/1: **Back to School Night** 7pm

10/1: Registration Deadline for 11/7 SAT

10/2: End of the 1st Progress Report Grading

10/2: **UC Berkeley College of Natural Resources Lectures The Buzz on**

Bees ~ October 2 Hear honey bee expert Claire Kremen talk about Colony Collapse Disorder and the relationship between sustainable agriculture and bees. [More >](#)

10/3: HAPPY BIRTHDAY RAVEN!!!

10/3: Scheduling Community Forums. We urge all interested parties to attend at least one forum. 10 to noon, Liberty Hill Baptist Church

10/3: **Restore Bay Wetlands at MLK Jr. Regional Shoreline** This park includes some of the last remaining wetland habitat in the East Bay. We need your help removing non-native plants, transplanting seedlings in our native plant nursery and helping with shoreline cleanup. **Sign up today >>**

10/4: Earth Island Institute invites you to join us for a screening of the new documentary *So Right So Smart*. This inspirational film highlights the successes of those businesses that have taken positive steps toward an environmentally sustainable future, and features the pioneering work of Ray Anderson, Founder and Chairman of Interface, Inc. by MagicWig Productions

2:00 pm - 6:00 pm at Richard and Rhoda Goldman Theatre, David Brower Center, 2150 Allston Way (at Oxford), Berkeley, California, The screening will be followed by a question-and-answer period with Ray Anderson, and

a book signing for Ray's new book *Confessions of a Radical Industrialist*. Seating in the Goldman Theatre will be limited to the first 180 guests.

[Your RSVP required](#)

10/4: HAPPY BIRTHDAY VICTOR!!!

10/5: **Late Start: School begins @ 9:57 am**

10/6: Progress Report Entered Online by 8am

10/6: **Whitman College Reception** at 7:00 p.m. The Westin San Francisco Airport.

10/6: HAPPY BIRTHDAY ALAYNA!!!

10/7: Green Corridor Berkeley Tour [Register!](#)

10/8: **Home Energy Improvement Workshops @ St. Johns Presbyterian Church** 2727 College Avenue 7-8:30pm, To RSVP or for information about accommodations, please call 510-981-7473 or email mschwartz@cityofberkeley.info

10/10: **SAT**

10/12: HAPPY BIRTHDAY JEFFEREY!!!

10/12: **Staff Development Day** (No School for Students)

10/13: **School Governance Council (SGC) Meeting** 4:15- 6pm in the Community

Theater Lobby

10/13: **CHILDREN AND NATURE EVENT: New Documentary Spotlights Nature as Teacher** The Center for Ecoliteracy, Sarah Lawrence College, and Hope to Action present *When Learning Comes Naturally* in Berkeley. This new PBS documentary profiles schools that introduce children to the natural world and encourage lasting connections to the environment. A discussion with the filmmaker, Sarah Lawrence College faculty members, and Center for Ecoliteracy staff will follow. There is no charge for the event, which will be held at the David Brower Center, home of the Center for Ecoliteracy. **View the trailer**

10/14: **Berkeley Unified School District Board Meeting** @ 7:30 pm

10/14: **PSAT** for all BHS Sophomores from 8:30- 11:30 am

10/15: **Scheduling Community Forums.** We urge all interested parties to attend at least one forum. 7 to 8:30 p.m. BHS library

10/15-10/18: 2009 **Bioneers Conference**, The Marin Center, San Rafael,

www.bioneers.org **BIONEERS**

10/17: **NACAC Performing Arts & Visual Arts College Fair** -- 3 p.m.to 5 p.m. San Francisco Conservatory of Music, 50 Oak Street, CA. 94102. Senior Parents if you have not received the College Application Handbook for Seniors and Families Class of 2010 please contact Ms. Price or Ms. Sandberg

10/17: **College Information Day** for 6th-12th grade students and parents in Wheeler Hall at UC Berkeley, 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. For more info: (510) 238-9450. You can pre-register online at: www.eastbayconsortium.org.

10/17: **Wetland Restoration Project At San Francisquito Creek** (Palo Alto) Help us restore wetland habitat at the mouth of San Francisquito Creek at the City of Palo Alto Baylands Nature Preserve. Remove non-native plants, transplant seedlings in our native plant nursery and help with shoreline cleanup. **Sign up today >>**

10/19: HAPPY BIRTHDAY DACIA!!!

10/19: **Late Start: School begins @ 9:57 am**

10/19: **SSJE Brower Youth Award Activism Workshops @ David Brower Center**

10/20: **School Governance Council (SGC) Meeting 4:15- 6pm** in the Community Theater Lobby

10/20: **Brower Youth Awards Ceremony**, Herbst Theatre, 7pm,
www.broweryouthawards.org

10/21: **Green Corridor Berkeley Tour** [Register!](#)

10/21: Annual BHS Jazz T-Shirt Contest!! Become a famous graphic artist and the envy of all your friends! Create the artwork and design for this year's BHS Jazz T-Shirt. Artwork entries are due in the Band Room (A-201) by October 21. Voting by all BHS Jazz students will take place on October 22. Pick up an entry flyer in the Band Room today!

10/22: **Home Energy Improvement Workshops @ Epworth United Methodist**

Church 1953 Hopkins Street 7-8:30pm, To RSVP or for information about

accommodations, please call 510-981-7473 or email

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10/24: **ACT**

10/24: **Cal State East Bay Preview Day, 8: a.m.-12:30 p.m.:** Learn about academic programs and majors, attend presentations on admission and financial aid, meet students from different clubs and organizations, and go on tours of the campus and residence hall. Register at www.csueastbay.edu/preview day or call 510-885-2612

10/24: **International Day of Climate Action** <http://www.350.org/invitation>

10/26: **Late Start: School begins @ 9:57 am**

10/27: **School Governance Council (SGC) Meeting 4:15- 6pm in the Community**

Theater Lobby

10/28: Green Corridor Berkeley Tour [Register!](#)

10/28: **Berkeley Unified School District Board Meeting @ 7:30 pm**

10/28: **BHS Development Group Fundraiser at The Cheeseboard Collective** on Shattuck Avenue @ 7:30 to 9 pm. Come sample delicious artisan cheeses with wine and/or sparkling water with other BHS parents and supporters!

Tickets are \$35 and all proceeds benefit Berkeley High School. Tickets are available at www.brownpapertickets.com. Enter Berkeley High School Development Group in the "EVENT" search box to access the ticket sales info. Questions? Contact Jenny or Rosa: jdburroughs@sbcglobal.net or rluevano@pacbell.net.

10/30: **Registration Deadline** for 12/5 SAT

10/30: **End of the 1st Grading Period**

11/1: **Franklin College Switzerland** - 2:00-3:30 pm, Sir Francis Drake Hotel
405 Powell St., San Francisco, RSVP: 212-922-9650

11/2: HAPPY BIRTHDAY SUREYMA!!!

11/3: 1st Quarter Grades Entered Online by 8am

11/3: HAPPY BIRTHDAY ERIK!!!

11/5: HAPPY BIRTHDAY MARCO!!!

11/6: **Registration Deadline** for 12/12 ACT

11/7: **SAT**

11/9: **Late Start: School begins @ 9:57 am**

11/10: **School Governance Council (SGC) Meeting** 4:15- 6pm in the Community
Theater Lobby

11/11: HAPPY BIRTHDAY DARIA!!!

11/11: **Veteran's Day Holiday**

11/11 & 11/12: **GREEN BUSINESS CONFERENCE**

11/13- 11/15: **Green Festival in SF** [http://www.greenfestivals.org/san-](http://www.greenfestivals.org/san-francisco/)
francisco/ **GREEN FESTIVAL**

11/15- 11/22: Historically Black College & University Tour

<http://www.hbcucampustours.com/home.asp>

11/16: Late Start: School begins @ 9:57 am

11/18: HAPPY BIRTHDAY SADIQUA!!!

11/18: Berkeley Unified School District Board Meeting @ 7:30 pm

11/21: HAPPY BIRTHDAY CAIMAN!!!

11/23: Late Start: School begins @ 9:57 am

11/24: School Governance Council (SGC) Meeting 4:15- 6pm in the Community

Theater Lobby

11/24: SSJE AP Env.Sci. Field Trip to the California Academy of Sciences

11/25-1//27: Thanksgiving Day Holiday

11/27: HAPPY BIRTHDAY ARON!!!

11/28: HAPPY BIRTHDAY GRIFFEN!!!

11/29: HAPPY BIRTHDAY DIAMON!!!

11/30: **Late Start: School begins @ 9:57 am**

12/1: HAPPY BIRTHDAY BREANNA & EUGENE!!!

12/4: End of the 2nd Progress Report Grading

12/5: SAT

12/6: HAPPY BIRTHDAY DINA!!!

12/7: **Late Start: School begins @ 9:57 am**

12/8: Progress Grades Entered Online by 8am

12/8: **School Governance Council (SGC) Meeting 4:15- 6pm in the Community**

Theater Lobby

12/9: HAPPY BIRTHDAY JAHAN!!!

12/9: **Berkeley Unified School District Board Meeting @ 7:30 pm**

12/12: ACT

12/14: **Late Start: School begins @ 9:57 am**

12/16: SSJE Fall Exhibition Night 6:30- 8:30 pm in the BHS Cafeteria

12/18: HAPPY BIRTHDAY REDIAT!!!

12/18: SSJE Film Festival

12/21- 1/1: Winter Recess

12/23: HAPPY BIRTHDAY KIARA!!!

12/24: HAPPY BIRTHDAY GENE!!!

12/29: HAPPY BIRTHDAY DUANNA!!!

12/31: HAPPY BIRTHDAY GABE!!!

1/3: HAPPY BIRTHDAY YASMINE!!!

1/4: HAPPY BIRTHDAY RACHEL!!!

1/7: HAPPY BIRTHDAY TASHAKA!!!

1/8: **Late Start: School begins @ 9:57 am**

1/11: HAPPY BIRTHDAY LILY!!!

1/12: **School Governance Council (SGC) Meeting 4:15- 6pm in the Community**

Theater Lobby

1/13: HAPPY BIRTHDAY THOMAS!!!

1/14: HAPPY BIRTHDAY OSCAR!!!

1/18: HAPPY BIRTHDAY JASON!!!

1/18: MLK Holiday

1/20: HAPPY BIRTHDAY DONTE!!!

1/22: HAPPY BIRTHDAY DANIELLE & DOMINIC!!!

1/22: **Late Start: School begins @ 9:57 am**

1/23: HAPPY BIRTHDAY RICARDO!!!

1/25: Semester Break (No School for Students)

1/26: **School Governance Council (SGC) Meeting 4:15- 6pm in the Community**

Theater Lobby

1/27: 1st & 2nd Period Final Exams

1/28: 3rd & 4th Period Final Exams

1/29: 5th & 6th Period Final Exams

1/29: End of 2nd Quarter & 1st Semester

2/1: HAPPY BIRTHDAY TOMMY!!!

2/1: **Late Start: School begins @ 9:57 am**

2/3: 2nd Quarter & 1st Semester Grades entered by 8am

2/4: HAPPY BIRTHDAY DEVEN!!!

2/7: HAPPY BIRTHDAY BEEBE!!!

2/8: **Late Start: School begins @ 9:57 am**

2/9: **School Governance Council (SGC) Meeting 4:15- 6pm in the Community**

Theater Lobby

2/10: HAPPY BIRTHDAY TERENCE!!!

2/12: Lincoln's Birthday

2/15: President's Day Holiday

2/18: HAPPY BIRTHDAY CARA & THANG!!!

2/18: Open House 7pm

2/22: **Late Start: School begins @ 9:57 am**

2/23: HAPPY BIRTHDAY CHIKE!!!

2/23: **School Governance Council (SGC) Meeting 4:15- 6pm in the Community Theater Lobby**

2/26: End of 3rd Progress Report Grading

2/26: HAPPY BIRTHDAY BROOKS!!!

2/27: HAPPY BIRTHDAY SAM!!!

3/1: **Late Start: School begins @ 9:57 am**

3/2 Progress Report Grades entered online by 8am

3/2: HAPPY BIRTHDAY DELAINE

3/4: HAPPY BIRTHDAY STEVEN!!!

3/5: HAPPY BIRTHDAY KAYLA & DARRIAN!!!

3/8: **Late Start: School begins @ 9:57 am**

3/9: **School Governance Council (SGC) Meeting 4:15- 6pm in the Community**

Theater Lobby

3/15: **Late Start: School begins @ 9:57 am**

3/20: HAPPY BIRTHDAY OMAR!!!

3/21- 3/28: **Historically Black College & University Tour**

<http://www.hbcucampustours.com/home.asp>

3/22: HAPPY BIRTHDAY KEVIN!!!

3/23: **School Governance Council (SGC) Meeting** 4:15- 6pm in the Community

Theater Lobby

3/27: HAPPY BIRTHDAY HOLLY!!!

3/29- 4/2: **Spring Recess**

3/30: HAPPY BIRTHDAY ANGIE & ERICA!!!

4/2: HAPPY BIRTHDAY PECO!!!

4/4- 4/11: **Historically Black College & University Tour**

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4/1: HAPPY BIRTHDAY SEGHEN & BAYANA!!!

4/2: HAPPY BIRTHDAY BIANCA!!!

4/5: HAPPY BIRTHDAY DAWAN!!!

4/6: HAPPY BIRTHDAY MICHAEL!!!!

4/7: BHS Spring Musical will be the Broadway "The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee." Show opens April 7th.

4/7: HAPPY BIRTHDAY SHUKURA & AMEERA!!!

4/9: End of 3rd Quarter Grades

4/13: 3rd Quarter Grades entered online by 8am

4/13: **School Governance Council (SGC)** Meeting 4:15- 6pm in the Community Theater Lobby

4/20: HAPPY BIRTHDAY RAYUAN!!!

4/25: HAPPY BIRTHDAY FORREST!!!

4/27: HAPPY BIRTHDAY JOEL & ANDREA!!!

4/27: **School Governance Council (SGC)** Meeting 4:15- 6pm in the Community Theater Lobby

4/30: HAPPY BIRTHDAY ASHLEY!!!

5/4: HAPPY BIRTHDAY DANA!!!

5/7: HAPPY BIRTHDAY SHARHONDA!!!

5/7: End of 4th Progress Report Grading Period

5/8: HAPPY BIRTHDAY ERIN & ORLANDO!!!

5/11: Progress Report entered by 8am

5/11: **School Governance Council (SGC)** Meeting 4:15- 6pm in the Community

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5/13: HAPPY BIRTHDAY LUKAS!!!

5/13: **The Intel International Science and Engineering Fair (ISEF)** is the Olympics of science! The fair gathers 1500 of the brightest teens from over 50 countries to compete and share their work with all.

5/17: Malcolm X's Holiday

5/20: HAPPY BIRTHDAY SAMSON!!!

5/25: **School Governance Council (SGC) Meeting** 4:15- 6pm in the Community

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5/27: HAPPY BIRTHDAY JUAN!!!

5/28: HAPPY BIRTHDAY CHRIS!!!

5/31: Memorial Day Holiday

6/3: HAPPY BIRTHDAY NAGI!!!

6/5: HAPPY BIRTHDAY HEATHER!!!

6/6: HAPPY BIRTHDAY ELIZA!!!

6/7: HAPPY BIRTHDAY RONALD!!!

6/8: HAPPY BIRTHDAY TATIYANA!!!

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6/15: 1st & 2nd Period Final Exams

6/16: 3rd & 4th Period Final Exams

6/17: 5th & 6th Period Final Exams

6/17: HAPPY BIRTHDAY MAURICE!!!

6/18: Last Day of School

6/18: End of 4th Quarter & 2nd Semester

6/19: HAPPY BIRTHDAY KEVIN!!!

6/21: 4th Quarter & 2nd Semester Grades Due

6/25: HAPPY BIRTHDAY KSEN!!!

6/27: HAPPY BIRTHDAY ANTHONY!!!

6/28: HAPPY BIRTHDAY ROSEMARY!!!

6/30: HAPPY BIRTHDAY TALIA!!!

7/2: HAPPY BIRTHDAY TREVEL!!!

7/13: HAPPY BIRTHDAY DEMONTE!!!

7/27: HAPPY BIRTHDAY RUBEN!& KD!!!

7/28: HAPPY BIRTHDAY KIMBERLY!!!

8/3: HAPPY BIRTHDAY TARYMA!!!

8/6: HAPPY BIRTHDAY MALACHI!!!

8/7: HAPPY BIRTHDAY LOWELL!!!

8/19: HAPPY BIRTHDAY JORDAN!!!

8/20: HAPPY BIRTHDAY CHRIS!!!

8/23: HAPPY BIRTHDAY ALGERNON!!!

8/25: HAPPY BIRTHDAY WYATT!!!

8/29: HAPPY BIRTHDAY CHRISTIAN!!!

9/10: HAPPY BIRTHDAY CIARA!!!

9/12: HAPPY BIRTHDAY TIJUANA!!!

9/14: HAPPY BIRTHDAY DENISE!!!

9/16: HAPPY BIRTHDAY ASHLEY!!!

9/17: HAPPY BIRTHDAY EVAN & LEON!!!

SSJE

Parents

Parents...want to learn how to go on our new

Powerschool program? We will give you

Powerschool log-ins and access to the system at Back-to-School night. Please be patient until then. You will be able

to log on and see your child's attendance, grades, homework assignments and more. Back-to-School night is October 1, 2009.

What Does the SGC Do? The School

Governance Council has two tasks: • **To gather and look at information about how the school and its students are doing.** The SGC looks at attendance and absenteeism, test scores and grades, school "climate" and physical fitness, etc. • **To make decisions about how to use the school's resources to make the school better.** The SGC develops a School Plan with goals and programs. Some parts of the Plan cost no money (like instituting hand-washing before lunch). The SGC supports other parts of the Plan by setting the budget for several "pots" of money (BSEP tax dollars, State & Federal funds, PTA funds), to fund such items as Reading Teachers to promote literacy, P.E. teachers to promote and health, and much more.

School Governance Councils Critical Place for

Parent Participation Mary Hurlbert **What is the SGC?** September means Back- to-School, and it also means, Back-to-SGC. SGC is shorthand for the School Governance Council. Each BUSD school has a School Governance Council, an elected group of parents, teachers, staff, and principal (usually 12 in total), who serve as a guiding force for improving their school. **How Can You Join the SGC? Elections for the 09-10 School Governance Council members (both parents and staff) take place in September each year.** All parents and teachers are eligible to run for a spot on the SGC. Check with your principal, PTA, or current SGC members to find out when the election will take place. Nominate yourself or another parent or teacher. Vote! And attend SGC meetings, which are open to all. Participating with the School Governance Council is a great way to learn more about your school, to discover how well it is serving all of its students, and to help make

it stronger. 920 Allston Way Call BUSD Office of Family & Community Partnerships for more info: 510-883-5222.

Healthy School Lunches: Buy School Lunches

Online, Mark Coplan, Making sure your child has a healthy lunch just got easier. You can now pre-pay for meals using a new online credit card system,

www.myschoolbucks.com or by sending a check made out to

BUSD Child Nutrition Services to school with your

student. Your child's participation will help ensure our

ability to continue offering this wonderful program.

Together we can support healthy foodchoices at school and

home, and raise a new generation of healthier and

better educated young people.

H1N1: As our students return to school, parents around

the nation are asking the question; "Are schools

prepared to deal with the H1N1 virus?" Districts

everywhere are being advised to follow the same

procedures they would for the seasonal flu. We have the benefit of having a city health department on hand to advise us directly. Superintendent Huyett has maintained regular communications with Berkeley's Acting Health Officer Dr. Janet Berryman since the concerns over the H1N1 virus hit the nation last year, and together we have developed a plan that is continually evolving as new information becomes available. Though school closures are very unlikely at this stage, the successful closure of Malcolm X School last spring is a model that we are confident would work effectively in any of our schools. Our plan continues to be based on education and awareness of best practices, such as frequent hand washing; soap and water are best, and we will be increasing this practice, especially in our K-3 classrooms. Review the steps for protecting your family in the side box and look for the latest information and resources on our website: www.berkeley.k12.ca.us

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Looking for a job? Looking for Community Service hours? Like to work with children? Need a tutor for a 3rd grader who needs help in Grammar/Spelling. See Belinda at the Administration office for details.

Volunteer to tutor Middle School students in the Willard Mathworks program and receive tutoring credit, community service and internship credit.

Are you looking for a way to earn community service hours without an overwhelming commitment? Join the Key Club, the most AWESOME CLUB at Berkeley High! Come to an informational meeting today (Monday) at lunch. There will be snacks! See you all in C115..5. Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors. Come out to join the California Scholarship Federation, Berkeley high School;s Honor Society. CSF is a statewide organization that recognizes select high school students for high standards of a scholarship. Service and citizenship. Pick up an application in the college Career Centerr and turn it in before the 25th to join.

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Heal the Streets Fellowship, Apply to be a Heal the Streets

Fellow <http://salsa.democracyinaction.org/dia/track.jsp?v=2&c=gV2jCxeTPJC8660eeLg2jXBfCSB4rvcU>

<http://salsa.democracyinaction.org/dia/track.jsp?v=2&c=5nk0N%2F%2Bo5C8P7wL%2FmXUXVnBfCSB4rvcU>

Heal the Streets is off and running! As you know, we recently launched a brand-new fellowship program to train youth to lead advocacy efforts around violence prevention policy. We're excited to announce that the application period is open! If you know any Bay Area youth who wish to work on a violence prevention campaign in Oakland,

please encourage them to apply. The program will offer training and hands-on experience in creating and advocating for violence prevention policy in Oakland. Once the Fellowship is complete, Fellows will be placed in a mentoring partnership with community leaders throughout the Bay Area. We're looking for 10-12 young people, ages 15-18, who are committed to changing their neighborhoods for the better. Click here to apply:http://www.ellabakercenter.org/?p=hts_application
<http://salsa.democracyinaction.org/dia/track.jsp?v=2&c=NFCT5R6XDy7qkw5hsb8EV3BfCSB4rvcU>

Young people and young adults of color under the age of 25 are rarely engaged in violence prevention work. They are typically seen as the problem rather than the solution. Our challenge is to establish a dialogue between policy makers and youth while creating a proactive youth culture. We're committed to training the new leaders of Oakland to work on the city's toughest issues, and we're excited to engage young people in working for racial and social justice in Oakland through the Heal the Streets Fellowship. Help us spread the word! Click here to learn more about the Fellowship program and to apply today: http://www.ellabakercenter.org/?p=hts_fellowship
Crystallee Crain, Heal the Streets Project Coordinator

Berkeley Public Library, Berkeley Public Library is hiring seven (7) students to work at the Central library and branches. These jobs involve assisting Teen Services librarians in a variety of tasks and working with library materials. Salary: \$10/hour. The application period runs from Sept. 8 through Sept. 30, 2009. Pick up and return the completed applications to the 2nd floor Reference Desk at the Central Library. You must be at least 16 years old. Successful applicants can expect to begin work in mid-October. For more info, call Kay at 510 981-6135 or email bplteens@ci.berkeley.ca.us.

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Students

ESTO ES UNA BUENA OPORTUNIDAD PARA UN ESTUDIANTE INTELIGENTE: Mr. Roose needs a Spanish proctor during period two or five. If you passed at least Spanish 3-4 and are interested in being a proctor, talk to Mr. Roose. He's in portable #8.

The Teach@15 Award program helps schools that serve grades 7-12 meet their technology needs. Teens (ages 13-18) who are registered members on at15.com can nominate their schools to win a Teach@15 Award. Starting September 15, teen members can vote once a day for 15 days for one nomination. Every 15 days, Best Buy will award 3 schools with Best Buy gift cards based on member votes. The first place school will win \$1,500, second place \$1,000, and third place

\$500. For more information, please visit:

http://www.bestbuyinc.com/community_relations/teacher_awards.htm

The Tutoring Center is open after school Monday-Friday from 3:30 to 6 p.m. in the College and Career Center. Tutors are available in all subjects. The Tutoring Center is funded by BSEP.

More tutoring. The Teachers' Tutorials schedule will be available at Back-to-School Night, Thursday, Oct. 1. Funded by the BHS Development Group, teachers in all subjects will conduct study groups after school in their classrooms starting in early October.

Angela Price at Angela_Price@berkeley.k12.ca.us

If your child is a senior in the following

International High School Green House

Academic Choice Last name beginning with Le-Z

SSJE And CPA

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Freshpeople

Calling all Freshmen!! Your class needs leadership! Come to the

Leadership office between the food court and counseling office to learn more

and pick up an application. Applications are now due on

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Sophomores

California Scholarship Federation Applications are available in the College

Center. D221 Application Deadline Sept. 25.

PSAT -- Berkeley High School is offering the PSAT on Wednesday, October 14 from 8:30-11:30. All sophomores will automatically be registered for the test and can take it for free, due to a generous donation from an anonymous donor. Juniors can register with Ms. Reed in D173 at lunchtime and immediately after school beginning Monday Sept. 21. Cost is \$20. Fee reductions are available for low income students. Please see Ms. Price or Ms. Sandberg in D221. The PSAT is an excellent practice test for the SAT, which is required by the UCs, Cal States and many private schools. For juniors only, it is also the qualifying exam for National Merit Scholarships.

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In order to be considered for the programs below you must take The PSAT on Wednesday October 14. National Merit Scholarship Program and The National Achievement Programs

The **National Merit® Scholarship Program** is an academic competition for recognition and scholarships that began in 1955. High school students enter the National Merit Program by taking the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test

(PSAT/NMST)) is a test which serves as an initial screen of approximately 1.5 million entrants each year—and by meeting published program entry/participation requirements.

The **National Achievement® Scholarship Program** is an academic competition established in 1964 to provide recognition for outstanding Black American high school students. Black students may enter both the National Achievement Program and the National Merit® Program by taking the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT) and meeting other published requirements for participation. The two annual programs are conducted concurrently but operated and funded separately. A student's standing is determined independently in each program. Black American students can qualify for recognition and be honored as Scholars in both the National Merit Program and the National Achievement Program, but can receive only one monetary award from NMSC.

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Seniors

California Scholarship Federation Applications are available in the
College

Center. D221 Application Deadline Sept. 25.

College Advisors appointment are available, come to Rm. D221 and
sign up for an appointment.

Drop in times are before school, lunch time, and after school.

Incentive Awards Program -- Find out about this excellent scholarship/mentorship/leadership development program for students applying to UC Berkeley. You are eligible to apply if you are UC eligible, have a minimum unweighted 3.5 GPA from your UC approved classes taken in 10th and 11th grades, come from a low income family, and are a US citizen, permanent resident or eligible non-citizen. Stop by the college center on Monday Sept. 21 to find out about the time and

date of the informational meeting.

College Essay readers will be in the college center beginning Monday Sept. 21 at lunch time in the College Center D221. Please come and get help with your college essays.

College List -- Early Action/ Early Decision College Lists are due in the College Center

D221 on **Oct. 15**. All students who are applying to private colleges and need a counselor recommendation remember to give us the Secondary School Report, stamped manila envelope, and blue transcript request

form for each college you intend to apply to. If your college list is not in the College Office on or before Oct.15, we cannot guarantee we will be able to complete a counselor recommendation for you. If you have questions please come to D221.

*FREE SAT PREP CLASS -- Starts Monday, September 21 in H103. The class will meet on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 3:30-5:30 pm. One day will focus on the math section and the other day on the critical reading section of the test. There is no need to register in advance, just come to H103. For more information, go to www.ptps.org, or come to D221.

Over 100 college representatives visit the Berkeley High College/Career Center every year. Seniors may attend up to 10 of those meetings, with the permission of the teacher whose class they are missing. Sign up in advance in the College/Career Center and pick up a permission slip. The complete September list is available in the college center and was handed out to all seniors last week in class.

Monday - September 21 – LATE START DAY

10:00 University of Tulsa (OK) – 1st period

Tuesday, September 22

8:27 Ohio Wesleyan

9:31 Williams College

Wed, September 23

8:27 Connecticut College

9:31 Boston University

12:24 University of Washington (WA)

1:28 Tulane University (LA)

2: 32 U of Oregon

3:36 Kenyon (OH) 7th Period

Thurs. September 24

8:30 Smith College (MA)

2:32 New York University

Friday, September 25

8:27 Lewis & Clark

SAT/ACT TEST DATES – LATE REGISTRATION DEADLINE EXTENDED! Friday, September 26 is the late registration deadline for the October 10 SAT and SAT subject tests. Fee waivers for low income students are available in D221.

COLLEGE INFORMATION SESSIONS IN THE BAY AREA

1. Vassar College Information Session, Thursday, Oct. 1st, 2009,
Jewish Community High

School of the Bay, 1835 Ellis Street. San Francisco, CA 94115

2. Whitman College Reception, Tuesday, October 6, 2009 at
7:00 p.m. The Westin San Francisco Airport.

3. Franklin College Switzerland – Sunday, November 1, 2:00-3:30 pm, Sir Francis Drake Hotel 405 Powell St., San Francisco, RSVP: 212-922-9650

College Visit in the College and Career Center: 9:57 am ,
University of Tulsa (OK)

If you would like to participate in the upcoming Senior Rally dance, a

meeting will be held in the A bldg Modern dance room on Monday, September

21st at 4:15 pm.

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BC Harrell has mailed a letter home to all BHS seniors with
information on how to sign up for a senior portrait. Senior families
should be receiving this information in the next few days. Families
may wish to periodically check:

<http://www.abcschoolportraits.com/srappointments/> to see
if Berkeley High has been added to the "Select Event" drop-down
menu. Please note that ABC Harrell opens new dates as the current
dates fill up, and if things go as they did last year, portrait dates will
be offered into at least October. However, it is advantageous to get
the photos taken as early as possible, as appointments will eventually
fill up. ABC School Portraits can be contacted at:
customerservice@abcharrell.com

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Early Decision/Early Action: **Early decision** plans are binding. Your child agrees to attend the college if it accepts him and offers an adequate financial aid package. Although your child can apply to only one college for early decision, he may apply to other colleges through the regular admissions process. If he's accepted by his first-choice college early, your child must withdraw all other applications. Usually, colleges insist on a nonrefundable deposit well before May 1.

Early action plans are similar but are not binding, unlike early decision. If your child has been accepted, he can

choose to commit to the college immediately, or wait until the spring. Under these plans, your child may also apply early action to other colleges. Usually, your child has until the late spring to let the college know his decision.

Single-choice early action is a new option offered by a few colleges. This plan works the same way as other early action plans, but candidates may not apply early (either early action or early decision) to any other school. Your child can still apply to other schools and is not required to give a final answer of acceptance until the regular decision deadline.

Senior Class visits: Ms. Price and Ms. Sandberg will be coming to speak to all seniors in their English classes the week of 9/14.. We will review the college process and hand out information that will guide you through the college process for both private and public colleges. If you are absent from class on the day we come, your English teacher will have your handouts.

TESTING: SAT We have not received fee waivers for low income students from College Board. We hope to get them into the College Center on Wednesday, Sept. 9. If you are eligible for a fee waiver please see Ms. Price or Ms. Sandberg in the College Center on or after Sept. 9.

College Board has extended the registration deadline for the Oct. 10 test date. The new deadline is September 25. **SAT and Subject Tests Dates and Registration Deadlines: Test Dates**

Registration Deadlines	Late Registration deadlines
October 10, 2009	Sept. 9 (extended to Sept. 25)
After Sept. 25th	November 7, 2009
October 1	Oct. 15
December 5, 2009	October 30
Nov. 12	

ACT ACT Test Dates and Registration Deadlines

Test Dates	Registration Deadlines
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Late Fee required

October 24, 2009
2009

September 18,
Sept.19 - Oct. 2, 2009

December 12, 2009
2009

November 6,
November 7 - 20, 2009

**We have registration packets in the College Center
for the ACT Test.**

SIGN UP TO MEET WITH YOUR COLLEGE ADVISOR -
If you have not previously signed up for an appointment,
you can do so now. Don't miss this opportunity to get a
start on your college admissions process. Sign up in D221.

HELPFUL WEBSITE -- If you want to take a campus tour
but can't get to the campus, check out
<http://youiversitytv.com/>.

The pamphlet *Introducing the University* is also available in the *College/Career Center*. This pamphlet contains helpful information on admissions, majors and financial aid from the UC system. Pick your copy up before the end of school!

The *Junior Summer To Do List* and the *Senior Profile* are both available in the *College/Career Center*. Come by and pick yours up. It will make the fall much easier if you start your college search and application process during the summer.

ATHLETES

Seniors who want to play Division I or Division II sports in college need to register with the NCAA Clearinghouse at <https://web1.ncaa.org/eligibilitycenter/common/> . They

also need to instruct College Board or ACT to send their SAT or ACT scores to the NCAA Eligibility Center.

Finally, they will need to turn in a Transcript Request Form to our registrar, Barbara Mellion (D173). Mark "FINAL JUNIOR TRANSCRIPT" across the top of the form and paperclip the request to a stamped business size envelope addressed to the NCAA Eligibility Center. You must use Berkeley High School (1980 Allston Way, Berkeley 94704) as the return address on the envelope or the Eligibility Center will not accept them. If you have any questions about how to complete any of these tasks, see your College Advisor at lunch or after school.

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