

September 1, 2016

Erfan Marks (new co-vice president) welcomes new families and talks about the many ways to get involved as a new parent.

New dad of second grader - John Salistean [818-469-6992] is running a pumpkin patch at Taft high school beginning October 1st. He is donating a portion of the proceeds to CHIME.

Welcome by Kara Perdenza & Diana Chulak

Family fun night coming up at The Stand 9/13/16. CHIME gets 20% of all proceeds.

Membership form must be filled out yearly for CCA. Please check off boxes at the bottom for anything you're interested in or the sign up sheets. Calendar of all events is also available.

At the end of the year we vote where all of our money goes to. Your money goes right back into the school.

HQ mixer is our first parent mixer coming up on September 10th. This helps build community bonding. Each ticket is \$20 and it supports CHIME.

Another big fundraiser is our Starry Night Gala on Saturday, October 8th at CBS Radford from 6pm-Midnight. It's drinks, dinner, dancing, and an auction. We are honoring the creators of the documentary "Becoming Bulletproof".

Our monthly newsletter is called CHIME chatter. We need advertising to pay for that. It focuses on staff, volunteers, and projects.

Q: Can it be a birthday shout out or an upcoming show?

Kara: We've thought about that, something to consider in the future.

Administrative Update

Dr. Studer: Continuing to wrestle with the district for AC in the auditorium.

Thank you to the faculty reps for coming to the meeting.

LAUSD has taken up the issue of the early start. A board resolution was put forward at the first LAUSD meeting of the year. It's co-sponsored by 3 board members (need 4 votes to pass) the resolution directed superintendent to start school on an unspecified date anytime after Labor Day. High schools want to start early to give as many instructional days before AP exams so those are the people that are against an after Labor Day start and everyone else wants August back. It is my opinion that it helps CHIME to stay within the district boundaries. If

the district goes to after Labor Day start, so will CHIME.

Reminders about pick up & drop off parking and safety. We are training new people how to do drop off and pick up. We are refining some of our systems. Every year we learn. We are installing a white board over the lunch tables, so when a student's name is called they can look for their name on the white board. In the am we are going to start opening the back gate again for overflow parking on the field. That will help with the drop off. There's no parking on the east side of Corbin and they will ticket you so be aware of that. In the afternoons the trick is to time your arrival coming a little early or a little late.

The other thing to note is accessible spaces can also be ticketed. We are not in control of the accessible spaces. Parking enforcement can come onto our campus at any time and ticket those spaces. Drive slowly and safely. We are looking administratively at some different ways for accessible spaces to alleviate the congestion in the parking lot.

Don't park in the auction spaces if you didn't buy the auction space. Jumilla is just parking with the exception of our little loading zone. Everything on Collier is loading zone down and as you come around the corner it is that same scenario all the way up to past the kinder building so you can't get out of your car there. Go all the way up Corbin and don't park past the sign that says no parking.

We can't let pre-k or kinder do pick up in afternoons because there's a safety and staff issue. People wearing red aprons or red shirts are the staff. You can drop older kids at the kinder gate in the am too.

Legacy wall bells & tiles are going to be up soon. Everyone will have one last chance to buy once they go up.

The state assessment scores came out and just be aware that there is zero nuance to those. They do not take into account that we have both elementary and middle school, where the school is located, how many students took the exam and how many with disabilities, etc. The scores are for the parent so the only scores that matter are your own child's scores.

The soccer field is almost done. We are still deciding what to do with the outside. We are getting bids right now for a decomposed granite track.

The district is giving us 50% of the money to start the CHIME high school on Shoup Ave. We need 7.5 million to be raised through philanthropy, lending and possibly some bonds. November will have a ballot measure to discuss bonds with the state. That's how we got our new building here. We worked with an architect pro bono for the new site. There will be 150 parking spaces and it is designed so that the traffic pattern stays on Shoup to avoid the neighborhood. There is a drive through area for non-parkers on Shoup.

We want to take four, two story buildings with an even broader ramp design to have 4 -six classroom pods. There will be an MPR, gym, theater, central learning center, library, administration building and some basketball courts. There will be a full football and soccer field.

Right across the street is Woodland Hills recreation center. They will have an Olympic size pool so we are considering a partnership because recreation centers are more successful if they are used frequently.

The targeted enrollment is just under 500 students. It will be the only fully inclusive high school in country. Social justice is the theme. Every class or collection of classes would partner with a local non-profit in LA, go off campus and work with them and focus the curriculum objectives of their classes through the work with the non-profit. It will be designed to have an impact on the broader community. Inclusion is the first step in social justice. It is yet to be determined if current students would have to re-enter the lottery to get back into the high school.

We don't anticipate full enrollment in the high school so we would enroll 9th & 10th grades, 40 matriculators from our program and 40 from another place for 10th grade. This would be a HS that offers challenging academics, extra curriculars, and all the things we do here but in a small public school environment that doesn't exist elsewhere yet.

Summer 2016 Read-A-Thon update

We raised \$2,700 last year but so far we are at \$3,100. That money goes directly back into the library.

Outdoor Garden Update

Our garden was redone by Rhonda Vittetoe's son, Ryan, as his Eagle Scout project. He worked all summer cleaning, planting and putting in irrigation. Looks AWESOME.

Scrip Sales Update

Go to shop with scrip and sign up like any other website. You link a checking account and it's as secure as paypal. Choose "scripnow" and you're paying what the gift card is worth but a percentage goes back to CHIME. If 550 families earn \$500 each via scrip that's \$275,000 for CHIME each year.

SpiritWear Update

Thank you everyone who placed orders at the back to school picnic. We are working to still get orders fulfilled and they should be in late next week. We are going to be adding a new logo to the t-shirts as a second identifier. New order forms will be out soon.

A parent (Melody Mooney) would like to donate caps and gowns for the

graduating 8th graders.

Remember to re-link your Ralphs card every year to CHIME. These are all easy ways to give free money to the school.

Fence Banners Update

There are 5 confirmed banners going up on Corbin. If interested you have to submit an application within the next few days because the banner goes up for one year. It's \$550 for one year. We currently have the following companies: builder, real estate, insurance and a party company (kids parties).

Open Forum

If you're interested in helping out---spirit wear, CHIME chatter, either advertising or helping to edit that, party bookings (launching October 10), carnival, CHIME-a-palooza, teacher appreciation, working lunch barn Tuesday-Thursday for a few hours, outdoor garden, book fair, walk and roll-a-thon, please sign up.

Ms. Etting announced that the first Wednesday of every month is Wahoo Wednesday's (starting next week), CHIME's 5th grade class gets 20% of all profits which helps with field trips. Popsicle Wednesday starts next week or the following week, and Halloween duckies and grams go on sale at back to school night. You can buy a gram and send to anyone at school. A note from you comes with a Halloween ducky.

Back to school night is next Tuesday and Wednesday. We are selling tickets to the HQ mixer tonight and at back to school night next week. The deadline for tables for the gala and early bird ticket pricing is September 23rd.