



San Diego City Schools Newsline – March 11, 2005

Superintendent's Art Exhibition Now on Display

The halls of the Eugene Brucker Education Center (Ed Center) have been filled with color for the fifth year in a row as the Superintendent's Art Exhibition starts its month-long run. Stop by to view the work of our talented student artists now through April 8, 2005 or plan to attend the open house reception on Wednesday, March 30, from 5 to 7 p.m. Over 480 pieces are now on display. For more information, please contact Marty Stegeman, Visual Arts Resource Teacher, at (858) 539-5353 or mstegeman@sandi.net.

Deadline Extended: Classified Employee of the Year Nominations

The deadline for the Classified Employee of the Year Awards has been extended to **Monday, March 21, 2005, at 5 p.m.** Awards will be presented by the Board of Education in May 2005. The nomination form is available online at <http://www.sandi.net/staff/circulars/0405/ic510.pdf>. In conjunction with the presentation of selected Classified Employees of the Year, the Board of Education will recognize Classified School Employees' Week on Tuesday, May 17, 2005. One classified employee representative from each school/work site is invited to be recognized at this meeting. Please use Administrative Circular # 70, online at <http://www.sandi.net/staff/circulars/0405/ac070.pdf> to submit the name of your site's classified representative. For more information, please contact Gloria Rangel at (619) 725-8172 or grangel@sandi.net.

Earth Day Recycling Project

The twelfth annual Earth Day Groceries Project encourages students to decorate paper grocery bags with environmental messages. On **Earth Day, April 22**, these bags will be distributed (full of groceries) to shoppers from local grocery stores. Besides carrying an environmental message, each bag will also have school names and wonderful student artwork, sending shoppers a very clear and positive message that our students care about the environment. For more information or to get involved, contact Andrea Eaton at (858) 627-7376 or acalbow@sandi.net.

SANDAPP Turns 20

The San Diego Adolescent Pregnancy and Parenting Program (SANDAPP) will be celebrating their 20 years of service to the teen community on Wednesday, March 16, 2005, from 1 to 3 p.m. with an afternoon tea. The tea will be held at the home of former pregnant minor teacher Lou Ray Checkert, located at 2650 Narcissus Drive, 92106. The cost is \$25 and a children's book. Proceeds will help fund scholarships for SANDAPP's June graduates. If you would like to attend, please RSVP by Tuesday, March 15, to (619) 525-7358.

Jr. Golf Day and SDCS New Golfer Day

On Saturday, April 2, and Sunday, April 3, new golfers will get a chance to learn to swing at Jr. Golf Day (April 2) and San Diego City School Employees New Golfer Day (April 3) at the Tecolote Canyon Golf Course. Instruction, beverages and raffle items will be available. Please call Gary at (858) 336-7666 to reserve your spot today.

San Diego Walk for Autism and 5K Run

The San Diego Walk for Autism raises funds to benefit children living with autism in San Diego. **This Sunday, March 13, at 8 a.m.**, friends, family and community members close to those with autism (people like you!) will gather in Balboa Park to walk, run and enjoy the music, activities and prizes. For more information, please visit the website at <http://www.nfar.org/News-Events.aspx>, email Walk@NFAR.org or call (858) 679-8800.

Chargers Champions Application: One More Week to Apply

Apply to the *Chargers Champions* Grant Program for a chance to receive funds for physical fitness, education and nutrition programs at your school site. Over the past six years, *Chargers Champions* has provided more than \$1.6 million in scholarships and grants. Apply for a School Grant (**Due by March 18**) online at <http://www.chargers.com/pdf/community/2005ChargersChampions-School.pdf>. For more information, please visit the website at <http://www.chargers.com/community/index.cfm>.

New American History Essay Contest for Students

The New Americans Immigration Museum and Learning Center is now accepting essays for its fourth annual essay competition, "Family Histories: Migrants to the United States Since 1945." Students in Grades 6-12 are encouraged to apply before the **deadline on April 1, 2005**. This competition is open to students with a wide range of writing abilities and experience, and it is designed to work within the *California Standards* in Language Arts and History-Social Science. Applications, user guides, teacher aids and posters are available online at www.naimlc.org or by contacting Caroline McKoen at (858) 452-7873 or carolinemckoen@earthlink.net.

Food Services Essay, Poetry Rap Contest for Students

Bright blue student flyers announcing the Food Services Essay, Poetry Rap Contest are now available at all school sites. Last year over 1,200 students from every grade level entered this contest, which runs each year during the month of March. Sponsored by Sea World, this contest includes prizes, bookmarks and coupons to Sea World for student participants. For more information, please contact Joanne Tucker at (858) 627-7316 or jtucker@sandi.net.

Journalism Scholarship for High School Students

National University and the San Diego Association of Black Journalists (SDABJ) would like to offer high school students the chance at \$1,000 or a four-year scholarship and laptop computer through the SDABJ Scholarship Program. Students must write three essays: one on an experience they may have had in journalism, another on their plans to bridge the gap between the African-American community and the media, and an autobiographical sketch. Essays and the application form must be postmarked by **March 21, 2005**. For more information, please visit the website at www.sdabj.org or contact Jerry McCormick at (619) 293-1035 or Jerry.McCormick@uniontrib.com.

Reminder: Time Warner's 50 Best Moms Essay Contest for Students

Teachers, you could win \$250 for school supplies! Encourage your students (Grades 4-12) to enter Time Warner Cable's *San Diego 50 Best Moms Essay Contest*, a chance to reflect on what makes their mom so wonderful, and to express it in an essay. A panel of local judges will read the essays and choose this year's roster of Best Moms, who will be invited to a luncheon on Saturday, May 7. The student who writes the best essay at each level (elementary, middle and high) will win a new computer, and their teacher will win a \$250 gift card for school supplies! All entries must be postmarked by **March 15, 2005**. View the website at www.discover sandiego.com for more information and the entry form.

New on the Web

Nuts and Bolts Workshop dates, times and locations are now included on the **online SDCS Master Calendar**. To access this calendar in OWA or Outlook, open Public Folders > All Public Folders > Shared Public Resource Calendars > SDCS Master Calendar. If you have any questions about Nuts and Bolts, please contact Edith Adams at (619) 725-7063 or eadams@sandi.net. For information about the calendar, please contact Lisa Jaycox at (619) 725-5598 or ejaycox@sandi.net.

The following new **Bulletins and Circulars** are available online at <http://www.sandi.net/staff/circulars/0405/index.html>.

- **Administrative Circular 79:** Elementary, Middle Level, and Senior High Promotion/Graduation Exercises
- **Administrative Circular 80:** Spring 2005 Districtwide Testing For Grades 2-11, State Testing And Reporting (STAR) CST + CAT/6 (California Standards Tests plus California Achievement Test), CAPA (California Alternate Performance Assessment), and the California State University Early Assessment Program (EAP)
- **Site Operations Circular 1030:** 12-Pay Option Enrollment