

From Your Principal

Dear Parents,

As one of the most powerful leaders in the Civil Rights Movement, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. fought for justice, empowerment, peace and much more. On Monday, people throughout the country have committed to days of service to honor Dr. King's legacy.

This year marks the 25th anniversary of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, and Chicago has several volunteer and educational opportunities available. (see below)

- The West Town Chicago Public Library will host a program for families with children 3 to 10 years old and teach them Dr. King's legacy through literacy activities.
When: Saturday, January 15, 2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Where: West Town, 1625 W. Chicago Ave.
- View the multi-media presentation, "I Have a Dream," by Donna Horwitz in the morning followed by fun service projects in the area. Please bring toiletries to give to local shelters. For more information, contact Marla Schachtel at (847) 926-1861.
When: Monday, January 17, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Where: Highland Park Country Club, 1201 Park Avenue West, Highland Park
- Stop by to see a staged reading of "North Star," by Gloria Bond Clunie. "North Star" is an award-winning play about a young girl growing up in North Carolina in the early days of the civil rights movement.
When: Monday, January 17, 3 p.m.
Where: Ethel M. Barber Theater, 30 Arts Circle Drive
- Show support and thanks to the veterans and current military members by writing a letter to them.
When: Monday, January 17, 2011 12:00 p.m. to 1 p.m.
Where: Letters can be e-mailed to Jeff Nelson at jnelson@hullhouse.org or by good ole snail-mail to RSVP of Hull House Chicago, attn: Jeff Nelson, Senior Services/RSVP Director, 1030 W. Van Buren, 6th Floor, Chicago, Ill., 60607
- Check out the screening of "Brother Outsider: The Life of Bayard Rustin" followed by two keynote speakers who will discuss the correlation between gay rights and civil rights.
When: Monday, January 17, 10 a.m. to 2:15 p.m.
Where: DePaul Center, 1 E. Jackson Blvd., Room 8005

On another note, as mentioned in the last newsletter we will have new security procedures set in place this month. Beginning Monday, January 23rd all parents and visitors will sign in at the front security desk, instead of inside the main office. This will apply to those who would like to walk their children to the cafeteria, gym or down the hall. If you would like to speak to your child's teacher in the morning please set up a meeting with him/her prior to that day. If you have a meeting with your scholar's teacher, check in to the main office and Mrs. Lacey will call down to your child's classroom to inform the teacher that you are here.

Thank you all for your support in helping secure the safety of our scholars and our staff. If you have any concerns of suggestions please feel free to e-mail me at aplauache@lighthouse-academeis.org or call at 773-535-1460.

Sincerely,
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January

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| 16 | No School –MLK Day |
| 20 | 2:00 Dismissal |
| 26 | Noon Dismissal- PT Conference |
| 27 | PD day |
| 28 | New School Expo @ Soldier Field |
| 31 | Re-Enrollment forms are due |

February

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| 3 | 2:00 Dismissal |
| 17 | 2:00 Dismissal |
| 20 | No School –President Day |
| 21 | Black History Assembly @ 6p.m |

Drop off and Pick up for Scholars

Parents please be considerate and safe when dropping your scholar off and picking up in front and in the back of the school.

-DO NOT double park in front or in back of the school.

-When dropping your scholar **DO NOT** stop and park your car in the crosswalk or the corner.

-Turn your music down in your vehicle.

-If you park in the residential parking lots in the back of the school you will be towed.

IF YOU CANNOT COMPLY YOU WILL BE TICKETED BY THE POLICE.

Important Information-

Entrance Time : Doors open and breakfast begins at 7:30a.m. Breakfast ends at 7:45a.m. School Begins at 8:00a.m you are tardy at 8:01a.m.

Late Fees: Dismissal is at 4:00pm, a late fee of \$1.00 per minute will begin to accrue at 4:11pm. Payment is due at that time.

Early Dismissal: Early dismissals and entry into the school are not allowed after 3:15pm. Parents will be asked to return at 4:00pm to pick up their child(ren).