

## QHIA Weekly Update: September 30, 2016

Hello QHIA families,

**Our Middle School Movie Night has been postponed from Oct. 4 to Oct. 11 from 6-8:30**

### **\*A note about our parking lot and student pick up**

~When waiting in the parking lot after school, students must behave responsibly and respectfully at the benches in front of the D.O., there are offices just inside where staff are in the middle of their work day.

~Please do not drive down the driveway towards our classroom. Cars MUST stay up in the primary parking lot.

Now on to our update : )

Thank you to those parents who joined us for our QH site picnic. It was fun hanging out with QH Homeschool students and parents, and our QHIA kids had a great time playing tag and leading Improv games with everyone (teachers and parents included!) As I mentioned earlier in the week, we had a great visit/discussion with Jen Simms, our Charter counselor, on Tuesday. Please refer to that email for details. I have included a link to a video Jen shared with us at the bottom of this email. Jen's contact number is:

[jsims@slvusd.org](mailto:jsims@slvusd.org)

We also had a great first Capture the Flag event at Quail Hollow Ranch with 38 participants of all ages. Join us for the next one on October 28!

**\*Please read all the way to the bottom, as there is important info about HALLOWEEN and OUR BIGGEST FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITY: DRIVE FOR SCHOOLS!**

**All important info, including All Student Assignments and our calendar of events, will be accessible at any time here. Just click on this link:**

[QHIA Website](#)

### **Huge Fundraising Opportunity:**

#### **Toyota Drive for Schools**

**Get your tickets!** This is our biggest fundraising opportunity of the year. Every program in the Charter participates. Please get some booklets from Amber and sell as many as you can - all money raised stays 100% in our QHIA program! (And you can win some amazing prizes too!) ***This is how we will be able to pay for more theater field trips and guest teachers, like Hunter!***

Last day to turn money and tickets - Friday October 14 at 2:30pm

Tickets are \$5 each or a book of 6 is \$25

**Update:**

### **Math and Physical Science**

Students have been progressing through the math content really well, and will have some chapter review work next week. In Physical Sciences we have been working on the topics of solutions, colloids, suspensions, and physical vs. chemical changes in matter.

**\*See Assignments at the bottom of this email.**

### **History and English**

I am in the process of evaluating the student's writing benchmarks, and will provide copies of their writing with notes on how to take it to the next step.

The kids wrote amazing thank you letters to Amy Sandahl, learning one appropriate format for writing a professional thank you letter. We also completed a Multiple Intelligences quiz, based on Howard Gardner's theory, which we will continue with next week.

**\*As noted in a previous email, the students have 2 homework assignments due on Monday: 1) Watch the first Presidential Debate on YouTube (it is 90 min. long) 2) Complete the worksheet on the Declaratory Act, Townshend Act, etc.**

### **Art**

We had a great week completing their coil ceramic mugs. They will be bisque fired next week (hopefully) then they will be all set for glazing. Hunter had jury duty on Tuesday, so I led a shorter Improv class with the kids. Hunter will do an extra class for the Tuesday group; he'll just extend the class by a week.

Thank you for sharing your students with me!

~Amber

### **Mark your calendars! Upcoming QHIA and Charter Events in October:**

**Tuesday, October 4: Parent Education Night** Begin with the Brain: Three Things Parents Need to Know

*Presenter: Martha Kaufeldt*

**5:30-7pm** FALL CREEK Campus – LUDLOW Center

*Do you often wonder what is going on inside your child or teen's developing brain? What are some things that parents can do to encourage and motivate learning and curiosity in their children? Come and learn from a veteran "neuro-educator," author, presenter, parent educator, and charter teacher!*

1. Discover how stress levels, too much pressure and over-scheduling can often minimize learning.
2. Learn how multi-sensory first-hand experiences can promote brain growth and development at any age!
3. "Use It or Lose It" is true! To maximize learning, 21st Century students need to actively process in a variety of ways!

*No matter if your child is in pre-school or high school, you will find these ideas thought provoking and leave with several new parenting strategies.* This 90 minute presentation begins with a thought-provoking overview of how too much stress and pressure can hi-jack children's brains and minimize learning. This entertaining session will also encourage quick reflections and discussions. A short Q & A will follow the presentation.

*Co-parents, spouses and partners are encouraged to come together!*

**RSVP Requested to prepare materials, childcare, snacks, and meeting space. Please email Julie at: [jwalker@slvusd.org](mailto:jwalker@slvusd.org)**

**Monday, October 10:** NO SCHOOL for students

**Tuesday, October 11:** Middle School Movie Night with CRMS: 6:00-8:30pm in our QHIA room. We will watch "Holes".

**Thursday, October 13:** Vision/Hearing Screening

**Friday, October 14:** Month 2 Attendance Paperwork Due/Drive For School \$ and Tickets Due

**Thursday, October 20:** Picture Day

**Friday, October 21:** All Charter Skate Day at the Roller Palladium

**Thursday, October 27:** **Halloween Costume Parade and Fall Celebration**

We welcome some parent participation for this event. We will spend part of our day with the QH Homeschool students, and part of our day on our own, engaged in Art/Activities that have a Fall or Halloween theme. We welcome parent volunteers to lead our students in crafts, cooking, or experiments! 3 or 4 activities would be great. Please respond to this email if you would like to offer an activity for our students.

**Just a Reminder:** All costumes must be in good taste. Gruesome costumes and bloody, fake wounds are not appropriate for a school with young participants. Weapons (including "fakes" made from cardboard, plastic, wood, etc.), skateboards and roller blades/skates are not allowed as part of costumes at school.

9:00-9:45 QHIA focus

9:45 gather with QH Homeschool students on the court

10:00 "parade" and pictures

10:30 free time, have some food

11:00 - 1:30 crafting and activities/lunch/\*outside play at the end of the day with the younger students

1:20-2:30 QHIA focus

### **Contests for our Students!**

**Young Writer's Contest through Bookshop Santa Cruz. Entries due by October 9.**

<http://www.bookshopsantacruz.com/young-writers-contest>

**Youth Art Logo Contest - SC Mountain Art Center** If you are ages 3 – 17, send us a hand-dipped, traced or painted print of your hand by **October 15th**. There will be free Foster Freeze, Boulder Creek cones for the first 40 entries. Handprints selected for the new logo design will receive fun prizes and a free art class! Deadline for entries is Saturday, October 15, 2016. Winners will be announced Saturday, October 22, 2016. Please submit works by mail or in person to the Santa Cruz Mountains Art Center, 9341 Mill Street, Ben

Lomond, California 95005. Students attending SCMAC's Art After School classes may deliver artwork to their AAS teachers during class. Email Brenda Berg with questions at [bberg.scmac@gmail.com](mailto:bberg.scmac@gmail.com).

**Assignments:**

**Due on Sunday, October 2**

**CK12 Science: 2.6, 2.7, 2.8, 2.9**

Review Lessons

Complete the online practices

Complete the written work for questions 2.6, 2.7, and 2.9

Copy the summary for Lesson 2.8 in your science notebook

**Due on Monday, October 3 \*Prior to Class**

1) Watch the first Presidential Debate on YouTube (it is 90 min. long)

2) Complete the worksheet on the Declaratory Act, Townshend Act, etc.

**Videos we watched in Class:**

[6 Chemical Reactions that Changed History](#)

[Physical vs Chemical Changes](#)

[Video on Resilience \(shown by Jen Simms\)](#)