



The Clark eNews 4-Sept-09

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1. OPEN HOUSE

The Clark fall open house will be held on September 8th at 7:00 p.m. This night will give you the opportunity to meet each of your child's teachers and to learn about the expectations in each class.

Since you will be following your child's schedule, please ask your child to complete the **attached form** and bring it with you to the open house. For your convenience, maps of the school will be available at the front doors. We look forward to showing you our school and working with you and your child this year.

2. EAST PARKING LOT

The parking lot on the east side of the building will re-open on Tuesday, September 8th. Thank you for your patience during the re-striping of the lot.

3. CLARK EXTRAVAGANZA

The Clark Extravaganza, which was to be held prior to Open House has been canceled.

4. NEWS FROM THE NURSE

With the flu season upon us, please continue to remind your child to practice good hand washing techniques, to cover his/her nose and mouth with a tissue (or shirt sleeve if tissues are not available) when

coughing or sneezing. Please send hand sanitizers with your child to use during the day. Flu shots are highly recommended for your child and are currently available in Plano ISD. Students with flu-like illness should stay home until they have been symptom free (no fever without the use of a fever-reducing medicine) for at least twenty four hours. If your child has a flu-like illness, please give this information to the attendance clerk when you call in the absence at (469) 752-7204.

5. PLANNERS/AGENDAS

The Agendas/Planners have arrived. You may pick up your pre-paid planner or purchase one in the counseling center before or after school or during lunch.

6. PLANO POLICE YOUTH ACADEMY

The Plano Police Youth Academy begins on September 30th. Anyone interested in learning about CSI, self defense or riding on police patrol should see Officer Parker for an application. Snacks are provided.

7. BAND

The Clark High School Band Boosters announce the Garage Sale fundraiser of the year.

This is your opportunity to purchase the finest gently used products that money can buy. Proceeds from the sale help to support band activities throughout the school year. There will be over hundred families bringing items for the sale. Don't miss out on the pot of gold you may find.

When: Saturday, September 12th

Time: 7:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Where: Clark High School, 523 W Spring Creek Pkwy, Plano

8. FFA

Clark/Plano East FFA Kick-off - FREE FOOD!

Who: Anyone who is interested in FFA – students and their families

What: First Meeting of the Year

Where: Bob Woodruff Park

When: Thursday, September 10th @ 6:30 p.m.

Anyone who is currently enrolled in an Ag class, or who will be enrolled in a class next semester can be in FFA. You will have an opportunity to participate in leadership and career events as well as raise livestock and other projects. Come see what we're all about!

9. LASER

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 9th in Room B211 at 8:20 a.m. and 4:20 p.m.

Officers will be elected. Bring your completed club member application, signed and notarized medical forms, and dues (cash preferred).

10. NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Any sophomore interested in being in being an NHS officer this year must attend an informational meeting on September 9th at 4:30 p.m. in Mrs. Jimenez's room – Portable building Y3.

To be eligible to run for office, you must currently have a 3.6 or higher GPA and may not be an officer in more than one other organization.

The next general meeting for sophomores will be on Wed., Sept. 16th at 4:20 p.m. in the library. Office elections will be held at this meeting.

Check the listed posted outside the library for sophomore eligibility SOPHOMORES ONLY!

11. WAC

Upcoming Events:

Wednesday, Sept. 16th from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., Global Fund for Children

Tuesday, Sept. 15th at 8:20 a.m. or 4:20 p.m., Meeting – sign up to run for officer positions

Tuesday, Sept. 22nd at 8:20 a.m., Meeting – elect officers

See Ms. Vickerman for to obtain a pass to attend the morning meetings.

12. SOPHOMORE VOLLEYBALL

Last Friday and Saturday the volleyball team made it to the bronze bracket at the Frisco Varsity Tournament. Beth Strobel's work as captain was superb Maren Cain and Emily Hysell did an outstanding job with their setting and hitting. Cody Gackle was awesome playing middle and blocking and Meredith Mounger did the team proud setting the ball. Each girl on the team played an important role and excelled in her duty.

13. DESTINATION COLLEGE

The Destination College department at Collin College is gearing up for many informational workshops for parents and students this year, and our first two will be held in September. Both are free to attend, but registration is required.

Unless otherwise indicated, all Destination College Workshops will be at the Spring Creek Campus Conference Center, 2800 E. Spring Creek Parkway, Plano.

- Princeton Review: Getting In 6:30 - 8:30 p.m., Thursday, September 10, 2009
- Writing an Effective Application or Scholarship Essay 6:30 - 8:00 p.m., Thursday, September 24, 2009
Preston Ridge Campus Event Center, 9700 Wade Blvd., Frisco
- Princeton Review: Testing Strategies 10 a.m. - noon, Saturday, December 5, 2009
- Exploring Majors: How to Choose 6:30 - 8:00 p.m., Thursday, January 28, 2010
Central Park Campus Conference Center, 2200 W. University Dr., McKinney
- Destination College: The Parent Workshop 6:30 - 8:30 p.m., Thursday, February 4, 2010
- Princeton Review: SAT/ACT Mini-Assessment 10 a.m. - noon, Saturday, February 20, 2010
Preston Ridge Campus Event Center, 9700 Wade Blvd., Frisco
- Collin College Pre-admission Partnerships: Transferring to Universities 6:00 - 8:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 2, 2010
- From High School to College: A Time of Transition for Students and Parents 6:30 - 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 9, 2010
- How to Apply for Financial Aid 6:30 - 8:00 p.m., Thursday, March 25, 2010
Central Park Campus Conference Center, 2200 W. University Dr., McKinney
- Getting Started at Collin College: For New Collin College Students 6:30 - 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 8, 2010

Registration is required for these workshops. E-mail destinationcollege@ccccd.edu or call 972.377.1772 to register or for more information.

14. FBLA

The first meeting of the 2009-10 school year for the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) will be on Tuesday, September 8th at 4:30 p.m. in Mr. Freeman's room, Room 110A. Please be there if you are interested in being a member this year. Membership criteria will be discussed at the meeting, which will last about thirty minutes.

15. 2010 GRADUATION CEREMONIES

The 2010 graduation ceremonies will be held on Tuesday, June 8th at the Dallas Convention Center. The order of the three ceremonies will be:

#1 - Plano Senior High

#2 - Plano East Senior High

#3 - Plano West Senior High

16. COLLEGE NIGHTS

Plano West Senior High School and Plano Senior High School will host College Nights September 14 and 15, respectively. All Plano ISD students and parents are invited to attend these events, where more than 200 colleges and universities will be represented. Additional information can be found on the [PISD website](#).

17. CELL PHONES

The use of cell phones is prohibited during academic hours (8:00 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.). Failure to comply with this policy may result in the phone's being taken from the student and turned in to the front office.

18. DRESS CODE

Students' dress and grooming are expected to be in keeping with accepted community standards. The following statements are guidelines:

Shoes must be worn at all times.

Students in grades K-2 may wear regular shorts. Students in grades 3-12 may wear shorts, but they must meet the following standards:

- a) Must be loose fitting: no biking shorts, cutoffs, boxer shorts, or combination thereof.
- b) Must be hemmed or cuffed.
- c) Length must be to the fingertips or longer.
- d) Top of slits in skirts or shorts must be fingertip length.

Dresses or skirts must be longer than fingertips.

Modestly cut tank tops and sundresses are acceptable, but tube tops, halter-type blouses, and mesh shirts will not be permitted. Jersey type shirts must be worn over a sleeved shirt. Shirts must overlap the waistband of skirts, shorts, or pants at all times.

Items with provocative offensive, violent, or drug-related pictures or slogans will not be permitted.

Items advertising alcoholic beverages or tobacco products will not be permitted.

No hats, caps, bandannas, headbands, unnatural hair color, hoods, chains, or sunglasses.

No pajamas or "pajama-like" attire, house slippers, or shoes that look like house slippers will be allowed.

No type of clothing that has been torn or has holes will be allowed.

No sagging pants or shorts will be allowed.

No gang paraphernalia will be allowed.

No visible pierced jewelry other than earrings will be allowed.

All students are expected to meet community standards and school policies with regard to health, cleanliness, and appearance. All safety rules must be obeyed at all times.

19. ELEVATOR KEYS

Students with a medical need for an elevator key should see the school nurse. There will be a deposit fee of \$10.00 per elevator key. The deposit will be returned if the key is returned on time. If the key is returned late and the key has been replaced by Clark, half of the deposit will be retained. The entire deposit will be retained if the key is not returned.

20. FOOD AND NUTRITIONAL SERVICES

Students must submit a new application each school year to qualify for free and reduced price meals. If an application is not received and processed by October 5th the previous year's status will be changed to full pay.

Meal Prices:

Secondary: Breakfast (Where Served): \$1.35 Lunch: \$2.55

District Adult & Guest: Breakfast (Where Served): \$1.55 Lunch: \$3.00

PayPAMS: The district has an on-line payment option. PayPAMS allows parents to make credit card payments to their child's lunch account via the Internet. Parents can find the PayPAMS link on the PISD website at: <http://pisd.edu>.

21. VOE FORMS

ABOUT TO START DRIVING?

Students will need a VOE (TEA) form when starting Driver's Ed and any time they go to the DPS until they are eighteen years old.

Please sign up in the front office several days before you need a VOE form. Completed VOE forms will be ready on Wednesdays and Fridays beginning at lunch time. They may be picked up in the front office at lunch time and after school.

22. COUNSELOR ALPHA ASSIGNMENTS

The counselor alpha assignments for the 2009-2010 school-year will be:

Jan Moody: A-F, AVID

Marcie Woodrow: G-N

Cindy Dakota: O-Z, ESL

Sharon Blum: IH, Testing Coordinator

23. SPORTS INFORMATION

Links to Clark sporting events and directions to stadiums can be found on the [Clark website](#). There are also links to forms needed to participate in athletic activities.

24. IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

Sept. 8 9th Volleyball vs. Williams, 6:00/7:00 p.m.

Sept. 9 10th Volleyball vs. Williams, 6:30 p.m.

Sept. 10 10th Football vs. McKinney Boyd @ Kimbrough, 6:00 p.m.

9th Football vs. Colleyville Heritage @ Clark West, 5:30/7:00 p.m.

Sept. 11 9th-A Volleyball vs. Frisco Heritage, 6:00/7:00 p.m.

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Sincerely,
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