



BLUE OAK SCHOOL

A WALDORF-INSPIRED PUBLIC CHARTER (K-8)

THE ACORN – WEEK OF NOVEMBER 1ST, 2021

UPCOMING EVENTS

11/02 – Parent Council Meeting
(6:00PM)

11/03 – Make Up Picture Day

11/03 – School Tour (9:30AM)

11/04 – School Tour (4:30PM)

11/09 – Finance Committee
(4:15PM)

11/11 – No School (Veterans Day)

11/12 – No School (Teacher In-Service Day)

EQUITY TASK FORCE UPDATE

Please see this month’s Equity and Inclusion Task Force update below. If you are interested in adding an item to our agenda for discussion, please reach out to Ms. Claire Fong (clairefong@blueoakcharterschool.org):

Dress Code – Mrs. Domenighini will be meeting with a handful of elected upper grade students to discuss Blue Oak’s dress code. The task force also worked to remind parents and teachers to be culturally sensitive when choosing Halloween costumes for school.

Indigenous Peoples’ Day – Ms. Claire shared some upcoming workshops and resources with teachers that discuss traditional ecological stewardship as well as how the Gold Rush impacted many Indigenous communities.

Thanksgiving – The Task Force planned an inclusive school assembly to focus on gratitude before Fall Break as well as the Food and Basic Needs Drive.

Community Conversations – Finally, the Task Force decided on a topic of conversation to focus on for our next Community Conversation event.

SCHOOL PICTURES

Make up picture day is happening on **Wednesday, November 3rd**. Please use the link below to order your students school picture.

COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS

The Equity and Inclusion Task Force is excited to announce the first Community Conversation of the year. This is a time for our Blue Oak community to connect, listen, and learn from one another. This conversation will take place via Zoom on **Thursday, December 9th at 5PM**. The wonderful Ms. Darlasia Miller will be there to help facilitate and discuss this events topic: Identity. More details to come soon!

FOOD AND BASIC NEEDS DRIVE

Blue Oak will be hosting a Food and Basic Needs Drive in the weeks leading up to Fall Break! The front office will be accepting items up until **Thursday, November 18th**. Items we are looking to collect are things such as non-perishable food, gas or grocery gift cards, hygiene kits, and family-friendly activities. The Wellness Team will be coordinating with families in the Chico area to gift these goods to. We will share more info in the coming weeks.

LANTERN WALKS

In keeping with the many countries that celebrate the lighting of lanterns, we hold a lantern festival each year to bring our light to the darkness. The Lantern Walk symbolically affirms that our own light can continue to shine even as the light and warmth of the sun are waning. Now and through the winter, light and warmth come from our own heart, from home, and from the fellowship of friends and family. See the attached flyer to learn when and where this years’ Lantern Walks will be held.

NEW CLAIRVAUX FUNDRAISER



We are excited to announce a new adult-friendly fundraiser. Use the QR Code to order online or mention Blue Oak at the tasting room to donate 20% of your proceeds to our school! Blue Oak is aiming to raise \$1,000 for a school beautification project to improve our staff room, create a parent room, and beautify our great room. This is a great opportunity to send gifts to a loved one, order ahead for the holidays, or simply treat yourself to something delicious. Check out the attached flyer to learn more.

SCHOOL VIRTUE: FRIENDSHIP