

THE ACORN - WEEK OF JANUARY 10TH, 2021

UPCOMING EVENTS

01/11 – Finance Committee (4:15PM)

01/17 – No School (MLK Jr. Day)

01/18 – GOTR Registration Begins

01/18 - Charter Council (6:00PM)

01/20 – Middle School Transition Night (6:00PM)

ON-SITE COVID TESTING

With an increase in COVID cases in Butte County, along with the rest of the world, we would like to remind you that Blue Oak provides on-site testing every Tuesday from 8:30AM to 11:30AM, no appointment necessary. Before arriving, you will just need to make sure you have completed the **one-time registration** form for each individual that is being tested; this form will only need to be completed once. The link below is also saved under the Links section of ParentSquare and can be found on the COVID Resources page on our website. Please reach out to Ms. Kayla if you have any questions.

MIDDLE SCHOOL TRANSITION NIGHT

Calling all 5th Grade Parents! Please join us at our upcoming Middle School Transition Night on **Thursday**, **January 20th at 6:00PM**. Mrs. Murray and Mrs. Hamblin will be presenting valuable information about what middle school at Blue Oak will look like for your student(s).

You will have the opportunity to hear about our wonderful Specialty and elective programs, and learn about the transition to high school with our Registrar. Please help spread the word to any non-Blue Oak families who may be interested, all are welcome.

To help track attendance and to help gather questions to answer at this event, **please complete the survey below**. You may join us on campus if you are following Blue Oaks COVID protocols otherwise, please save the Zoom link below to join.

GIRLS ON THE RUN REGSITRATION

Girls on the Run is back! All female-identified students 3rd to 5th Grade are welcome to join our team coached by Ms. Sarah Lee, Ms. Darlasia Miller, and Ms. Alex Archer. This program focuses on building social, emotional and physical skills in a fun and empowering way. **Registration for our Blue Oak team begins January 18**th. Please check out the attached flyer or visit **gotrnorthstate.org** for more details. We are so excited to get started.

EQUITY TEAM UPDATE

Please see this month's Equity & 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.

<u>Professional Development</u> – The Task Force is looking into training options for All Staff through organizations such as Redbud Resource Group and the Stonewall Alliance Center.

<u>Gender Neutral Bathrooms</u> – The possibility of providing a gender neutral bathroom option to our students was discussed.

<u>Gender & Sexuality Alliance</u> –Mrs. Domenighini is working with staff members to get the GSA started again for our Middle School students.

<u>Black History Month</u> – An upcoming school assembly is in the works to acknowledge and celebrate Black History Month.

PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

Blue Oak is currently working to develop a Waldorf-inspired preschool. Some of the goals of this program is to provide preschool services on the same site as our TK-8th programs, create cohesion from preschool to Kindergarten, and to create a space to practice kindergarten readiness. In order to help us develop a program that fits the needs of our community, **please complete the survey below**. Your feedback and insight is very important and always greatly appreciated!

COVID PROTOCOL

Please remember, **all visitors** must check in at the front desk to show proof of vaccination or negative test results before going on to campus.

SCHOOL VIRTUE: WISDOM