



# BLUE OAK SCHOOL

A WALDORF-INSPIRED PUBLIC CHARTER (K-8)

## THE ACORN – WEEK OF DECEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2021

### UPCOMING EVENTS

12/14 – Finance Committee  
(4:15PM)

12/15 – Charter Council (6:00PM)

12/18 – Start of Winter Break!

# Happy Holidays!

### SCHOOL VIRTUE: REVERENCE

#### WELLNESS ROOM

Did you know the Wellness Room has a supply of basic needs bin for our Blue Oak students? Our Wellness Team works year-round to ensure we keep these bins stocked. If you are interested in helping with their efforts, feel free to drop off hygiene products, new/used clothing, or individually packaged snacks at the front desk any time of year.

#### MASK REMINDER

We know mornings can be hectic, so below are some tips to help your child remember to bring a mask to school:

- Keep extra masks in your car
- Pack your child’s mask in their backpack at night
- Hang your masks by the door
- Set reminders on your phone

Although we have masks on campus for those “oops, I forgot” mornings, we are noticing more and more students forgetting their masks each week.

**Blue Oak has purchased 7,700 disposable masks since the beginning of this school year.** Help our environment and help our school by helping your student remember to bring a mask. Your efforts are greatly appreciated!

#### YEAR-ROUND DONATIONS

Interested in learning more about how to donate to Blue Oak or help in our fundraising efforts? Check out our newly updated Donations Page. Here you can find information regarding our

Year-Round Fundraising efforts such as Box Tops and Amazon Smile as well as ongoing or current fundraisers. Additionally, this page explains how to get involved in fundraising for Blue Oak as a whole, your students classroom, the Parent Council, and even specific grade field trips. Check out the link below to learn more.

#### GRATITUDE

This holiday season there is much to be thankful for. Although it may not be Thanksgiving anymore, there is always room for gratitude year-round. In some Indigenous cultures, including the Iroquois and the Haudenasaunee people, some version of the Thanksgiving Address is used at gatherings. Please enjoy the version attached used by Ms. Claire in her Handwork class.

#### TEACHER CORNER

When asked to write what are some important life lessons they have learned while at Blue Oak, this student wrote: “I have learned how to knit, be kind to one another and treat our differences as a gift.” – Amiya T., 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Student

#### SEASONAL QUOTE

*“And winter’s stars do shiver  
with a wish to fall as snow;  
landing gently on the earth  
melting into life below.”*  
-Angie Weiland-Crosby

