

THE ACORN – WEEK OF MARCH 7th, 2022

UPCOMING EVENTS

03/07 – Special Charter Council (5:30PM)

03/08 – Finance Committee (4:15PM)

03/10 – Town Hall Discussion (5:00PM)

03/11 – Last Day of Online Book Fair

03/12 to 03/20 – No School (Spring Break!)

BLUE OAK BOOK FAIR

A **huge** thank you to who attended the Book Fair this year. This year we ended up selling 485+ books, thanks to you! All those sales help us raise Scholastic Dollars for our teachers to grow and diversify their personal classroom libraries. Even with all of those benefits, our favorite reward from the Book Fair is seeing your kids discover new books. Our online Fair ends on March 13th. Happy reading!

VOLUNTEERING

Now that our school board has voted to change our current COVID policy, all Blue Oak parents are allowed back on campus regardless of vaccination status. With this in mind, we'd like to welcome you back to campus with the following information.

How to Get Started:

- To volunteer on campus we require a Live Scan. To do so, pick up a Live Scan Form from the Front Desk and use the link below to find a Live Scan location near you. If you are unsure if you have completed a Live Scan for Blue Oak, please reach out to Alex Archer.
- To volunteer on a field trip we require a copy of your Driver's License and a copy of your insurance as well as a Live Scan.
- On the day you arrive to campus to volunteer, please check in with the Front Desk to receive a volunteer badge.

Ways to Volunteer:

- Events (planning, setup, facilitating, cleanup)
- In the classroom grade level or specialty (material prep, special lesson/celebration/showcase, etc.)
- Field trips (day trips, walking field trips, overnight field trips, etc.)
- Middle school dances (ticket sales, chaperones, setup/cleanup)
- Host a class or school-wide fundraiser (box dinners, bake sales, concession stand, photo booth, etc.)
- Parent Council and/or Garden Club

The Importance of Volunteering:

A message from our Executive Director:

The single most important factor in the success of a child's education is the parent. Volunteering in the classroom, at school events, or helping at home to support school needs shows your student their education is important to you. Children whose parents are involved in their schools do better in terms of grades, behavior, attendance, and testing.

Volunteering helps to build your relationship with your student's teacher and school staff. Time in the classroom helps you better understand the daily routines and expectations and allows you to see your child in the school environment. It builds community; giving you a better opportunity to meet other parents and the students your child spends the day with.

If you choose to volunteer at Blue Oak, do not try to fill every need of the school. Be realistic, find the opportunity that works for you, and say no when you need to.

TOWN HALL DISCUSSION

You're input is needed! Please join us this **Thursday, March 10th at 5:00PM** to discuss the progress of our schools LCAP as well as our schools current looping model. A Zoom link will be sent out via ParentSquare the day of the event. We hope to see you there!

SCHOOL VIRTUE: WISDOM