# SOHS News

January 2017

## SOHS College Acceptances and College Planning

- All 36 members of the class of 2017 have applied to four-year colleges. Thus far 19 of the 36 seniors have been accepted to one or more of the colleges of their choice. There will be more acceptances forthcoming, as students have not yet heard from the UCal schools, which roll-out their acceptances over the next few months.
- Many seniors are still in the process of applying to private and out-of-state colleges and universities, which have later application deadlines. They will be hearing from these schools in March or April.
- The junior class started their formal college planning in August. Beginning the week of January 30<sup>th</sup> Ms. Ledezma will be scheduling conferences for junior class families. At these meetings the juniors will review their transcripts and strategize their college plans, together with their families.
- Ms. Ledezma will present a special Freshman/Sophomore parent night entitled, "Supporting Your College Bound Student"

on Thursday, February 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm, in the gym. This meeting will introduce the freshmen and sophomore families to the SOHS college planning process.

## January Events @ SOHS

- January 2<sup>nd</sup> .....Classes resume @ 8:45am
- January 16<sup>th</sup>.....no school !
- January 17th-20th.....Semester Exams
- January 19<sup>th</sup>.....Coffee with the Head @ 8:45am and 3:00pm in the gym
- January 20<sup>th</sup>.....End of the 1<sup>st</sup> semester marking period
- January 31st- February 10th......Family Conferences
- February 9<sup>th</sup>...... "Supporting Your College Bound Student" @ 6:30pm in the gym

## Winter Intersession Classes

**Intersession** is scheduled for the week of 1/23/17. It is formatted differently from years past. This year we will be offering "mini classes". Each faculty member will offer a class that will be a <u>four-day exploration</u> of a topic. In most instances there will be an "off campus" element to the class. Students will receive a full description of the course offerings and make their choices during the week of 12/5. Please ask your students to share their Intersession course descriptions with you so that you may have input. On Friday of Intersession week we will host our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual "**Career Day**" at school. If you are interested in sharing your career with the student community, please contact Ms. Ledezma at yanira@silveroakmontessori.org.

### The End of the First Semester: 1/20/17

- Friday, January 20th marks the end of the first semester here at Silver Oak High School.
- Please check your students' current grades on PowerSchool and contact his/her advisor with questions/concerns.
- After school tutoring is required of all students who earned less than a C-, in any core subject, the first quarter.
- Tutoring is available, in each core subject, from 4:00 until 4:30pm, every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. The schedule is posted on the bulletin board, outside of the school office.
- Quarter grades may indicate the need for improvement to insure that semester grades (which appear on the student's permanent transcript) are at a mastery level...C- or higher.

#### SOHS Family Handbook

SOHS's "Family Handbook" is posted on our website at...

http://www.silveroakmontessori.org It is updated and approved by the Board twice yearly and/or as necessary. There is much information contained in the Handbook. The Academic and Conduct Policies sections are of particular importance, as we do follow them closely. Please familiarize yourself with this important document and contact the office with any questions.

#### Sports Schedule

Boys' Basketball Season Practices\*: M, T, Th, F@ 4:15pm...Sunset Gym \*There will be no practices during the Winter Holiday break.

Games:

1/11/17 @ 6:00pm 1/13/17 @ 6:00pm 1/26/17 @ 6:00pm 2/1/17 @ 6:00pm 2/3/17 @ 6:00pm 2/8/17 @ 6:00pm

#### **Family Conferences**

First semester family conferences will be scheduled starting the week of January 30th. They will continue through February 10<sup>th</sup>. Student advisors will be contacting each family, via email and/or phone, to set up an appointment. These conferences are mandatory as they are a review of the student's first semester grades and goals.

Ms. Ledezma will be scheduling the conferences for the junior class families.



When: Thursday, 1/19/17 @ 8:45am or 3:00pm

Where: the school gym

Topic: "The Role of the Family at the Secondary Level"