



THE TUESDAY

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PLEASE SHARE WITH YOUR PARENT OR GUARDIAN

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, January 18

Turning the Page Civic Engagement Workshop, 6 p.m.

Thursday, January 19

The Young Artist Exhibition and Community Celebration at The Phillips Collection, 9 a.m.
LSAT Meeting, 6:15 p.m.
Basketball Game at Tyler

Friday, January 20

Records Day—EARLY DISMISSAL, 12:15 PM

Saturday, January 21

DCPS Middle School Fair, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. (Columbia Heights)
Kiddie Cabaret, 3-6 p.m.

Wednesday, January 25

Letters to the Marines Winter Collection Eliot-Hines Open House, 5-7 p.m.

Friday, January 27

Basketball Game at Payne Elementary

Wednesday, February 1

Turning the Page Community Night, 6-8 p.m.

Friday, February 3

Professional Development—NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

Monday, February 6

Parent Conference—NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

Thursday, February 9

PTA General Meeting, 6-7:30 p.m.

Friday, February 10

Open House, 8:30- 9:30 a.m.

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER:

School Scorecards: Last week, DCPS released scorecards for each school. Check your student's backpack for Tyler's scorecard on Tuesday. We encourage families to review Tyler's Scorecard online at dcps.dc.gov/profiles. Please note that the information in the scorecard covers the last school year (2010-2011) and is compared to the 2009-2010 school year.

While we have made some progress, we have a lot of work to do this year to meet our goals of 56% of students scoring advanced or proficient on the DC CAS reading test and 54% of students scoring advanced or proficient on the DC CAS math test. We are also working hard to improve reading and writing for all students, and have instituted action plans to improve community satisfaction and parent engagement. We expect that this year's surveys will reflect improvements. Please feel free to reach out to us if you have any

questions about the scorecard.

School Budget: Budget season is here! In January and February Tyler's Local School Advisory Team (LSAT) will be meeting with the school administration to advise them on budget decisions for the 2012-2013 school year. It is important that everyone's voice is heard. Tyler's diversified LSAT will ensure that these conversations are taking place so that we can make the best possible decisions for the students and that the comprehensive school budget reflects Tyler's vision and goals.

To learn more, please attend the LSAT meeting on Jan. 19 at 6:15 p.m. and look for announcements in the Tyler Times and on the LSAT bulletin board. If you have any questions please contact Miss K at Jennifer.Krystopowicz@DC.gov or Jennifer Frentress at Jennifer.frentress@dc.gov

Best,
Jennifer Frentress

Fitness in the Hallways and Exercise DVD Drive

The next time you roam Tyler's hallways, check out the Fitness Trail Stations posted in the first floor, third floor, and stairwells. The Wellness Team has installed this Fitness Trail to help students incorporate physical activity throughout the day, even while walking from place to place. Teachers

can help their students to use portions of the Trail for short trips down the hall, or complete the entire circuit during indoor recess so that the children have a chance to move. Stop at a station with your own children and move along with them. Get those knees up!

Do you have a new or used exercise DVD that would be appropriate for kids?

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Donate it to Tyler by leaving it in the box in the front office. Your DVDs will go to the teachers who supervise indoor recess so they can get the kids up and moving throughout the period. Videos must have at least a 20-minute exercise segment.

Letters to the Marines

The letters and cards written by Tyler students will be collected on January 25. This week, each student will bring home an information packet about this project, which we started earlier this school year.

Behavior Team Needs Volunteers

Help out the Behavior Team! We are looking for volunteers to help with cutting Tyler bucks. If anyone can assist please stop by Ms. E. Fraticelli's office.

Basketball Games and Cheerleaders' Bake Sale

Please support the Tyler Cheerleaders at the Kiddie Cabaret on Saturday, January 21, from 3-6 pm. We will be selling delicious baked goods to raise money for the team. If you would like to donate a baked good, please email Miss K at Jennifer.Krystopowicz@DC.GOV.

There are two games remaining in Tyler's basketball season: On Thursday, January 19, Tyler plays River Terrace at home, and on Friday, January 27, Tyler plays Payne at Payne Elementary. Come support our players and cheerleaders!

Turning the Page, January 18th

You can start improving your community today! Join Turning the Page for our in-school workshop at Tyler Elementary on Wednesday, January 18, at 6 p.m. This workshop will focus on community service, from identifying needs and resources to getting a project off the ground and finding funding. Some people see "service" as work, but when led by the right people, service

is an incredible force for bringing the community together and improving it. Dinner will be provided at 5:30 pm. If you have any questions, call Turning the Page at 202-347-9841.

LSAT Meeting, January 19th

The next LSAT (Local School Advisory Team) meeting will be on Thursday, January 19, at 6:15 p.m. in Miss K's room (304). Please email Jennifer. Krystopowicz@DC.Gov if you would like to add an item to the agenda.

Young Artist Exhibition and Community Celebration at The Phillips Collection, January 19th

On Thursday, January 19, all Pre-K and 3-5 students will attend a celebration at The Phillips Collection featuring the artwork they created last semester, which will be showcased at The Young Artist Exhibition, a professionally hung and curated exhibit. All families and friends are welcome to attend. Pre-K and Ms. Lutz's class will leave Tyler at 9:00 a.m. and will return by 11:30 a.m. Students in Grades 3-5 will leave Tyler at 10:15 a.m. and will return by 1:45 p.m. Please be on time to school on Tuesday to ensure an on-time departure!

2nd Annual Kiddie Cabaret, January 21st

You are invited to our 2nd annual Kiddie Cabaret to be held Saturday, January 21, from 3-6 p.m. at Tyler Elementary. DJ Pumpin Archie will provide the music and there will be dancing, crafts, facepainting, and great food! Don't miss special performances of hip hop by Joy of Motion as well as African dance by our very own Ms. Lindsey. Please wear your favorite dance or musical costume to be entered in a raffle for fun prizes (prizes for kids only). Free glow necklaces for the first 100 kids!

This event is open to the general public and all are welcome so bring the whole family and invite your friends.

Admission is free for all ages. Food and drinks will be for sale. All proceeds go to support Tyler Elementary School.

If you are available to volunteer at this event, or if you or a business or organization is interested in financially supporting this effort by sponsoring a craft or activity, please contact Kristen Coulon at kristen.coulon@thompsonhine.com.

Middle School Fair, January 21st

Learn about middle school options for your students at the Middle School Fair on Saturday, January 21, at the Columbia Heights Education Campus (3101 16th ST NW) from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. DCPS middle schools, education campuses, and DCPS community partners will showcase their academic programs and extracurricular activities. Eliot-Hines is holding an Open House on Wednesday, January 25, from 5-7 p.m. For more information on the Middle School Fair, see dcps.dc.gov or contact Nancy Iheanacho at (202) 719-6595 or nancy.iheanacho@dc.gov

Weekly Wellness

Drink water. No matter where you are, water should always be the first thing you reach for when you're thirsty. Water truly is essential.

Winter Weather Reminders

Dress for Warmth: As the weather gets colder, please remember to send your child to school with a coat, hat, and gloves. Outdoor recess will take place every day the temperature is above 32 degrees. As your child grows, you can donate new or used children's coats, scarves, hats, and gloves for use during recess at Tyler.

Get Ready for Snow: Be the first to know about weather-related school closings by texting FIRST to 91990.