

January 21th, 2011

TRAILBLAZER TIMES

A Weekly Newsletter for Parents and Students

FROM THE HORSE'S MOUTH

Texas Charter Schools Parent Rally

Where: South Steps of the Capitol, Austin

When: Wednesday, February 9, 2011

Leaving From: YES Prep Home Office: 6201 Bonhomme Rd., Houston TX 77036

Departure Time: 7:30am and returning no later than 6 pm

Parents join us and over 1,500 charter school parents from across the state on the South Steps of the Texas Capitol. The gathering will be the largest show of charter parent support in state history. Take a stand for YES Prep Public Schools and your children by rallying with other charter school parents and supporters! Together, let's show lawmakers how important charter schools are to Texas families. This event is FREE for Texas charter school parents & supporters! Commit to getting on the bus! "Let's Stuff the Bus" and Have our voice heard!



Trailblazers...

.... **think** our education does not end in the classroom.

...**act** and give back to our community.

...**are** open minded.

A registration form will be sent home next week with your child if you are interested in coming or you can contact Norma Mottu'-Garza at 281-382-4007 cell or email her at norma.mottu@yesprep.org.

Attendance (Middle and High School)

We want to encourage you to prioritize your student's attendance at school-every day, all day. As we move into February, it is easy to find reasons for students to miss all or part of the day (dentist appointments, weekend trips, etc.), but this is a critical time in your child's learning, especially as we come upon common assessments and TAKS testing. Please make sure that you are having conversations at home about the best way to schedule appointments and being at school on time.

THE NEW PARENT TEAM=Triangle Committee

The Triangle Committee will meet on Saturday, January 29th, from 9-10:30AM. Please contact Mr. DiBella, School Director, for more information. These meeting are a chance to strength the bond between students, staff and parents!

Journey to College: the Middle School Years

Middle School parents please join us for a valuable information session on your child's journey to college. This month we have been discussing "Why College?" in the Middle School. The College Counseling Team has prepared a presentation aimed to address this question for Middle School parents. Topics include study habits, financing college, and summer learning opportunities. The presentation will be held in the Sanctorium on Thursday, January 27th from 5- 5:30. All parents who attend will receive a jeans pass for their student to "cash" in at his/her will.

IMPORTANT DATES: WEEK OF JANUARY 24TH

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Professional Dress	New Student Information Session (6pm)	Ms. Lopez's Birthday Early Dismissal (1:45pm)	Ms. Schott's Birthday Ms. Yesenia Soto's Birthday	Dance – A – Thon (5-7pm) Saturday – Mrs. Torres' birthday