

Cougar Families,

This past week finished in an amazing showcase of talent for Clissold School! Our 4th Annual Celebrating Clissold Creativity event at the Beverly Art Center was truly an inspiring evening packed with incredible performances and demonstrations of unique abilities. If you were not one of the audience members that helped us pack the house you really missed a magical evening. From the dances to the songs to the historical figures coming to life, this was a great night for Clissold School hosted by two courageous and charismatic eighth graders! A huge thank you to Ms. Guerrero and all of the volunteers, staff, and community members for your assistance with another hugely successful event in partnership with the Beverly arts Center. This was just another reminder for the passion and creativity that exists within our school community, and I could not be more proud of our scholars and school community.

**Here are a few reminders:**

**FOC Out of Uniform Day:** Thank you FOC for another successful day!

**PTA Chrysler Cars for Kids:** Congrats to our PTA and school community for helping to make our goal of test drives- you all helped our school ear \$3,000 dollars!! We received the check this past week!

**PTA Track:** Forms were distributed last week! Athletes' interested need to return these as soon as possible to participate in another exciting season!

**Technology:** Please be mindful and observant of your child's screen time. It has been brought to our attention that students are searching, discussing, watching and taking part in potentially dangerous activities online. It is extremely important for all of us to be vigilant with our children when it comes to what they are doing on line. It is all of our responsibility to put safeguards in place and protect the innocence of our scholars.

**Register NOW for SelectivePrep's After School NWEA/MAP Test Program (for 7th Graders):** SelectivePrep offers a 16-hour program to help prepare students for the Measure of Academic Progress (NWEA/MAP) test that will be used for the 7th grade standardized test score. Scores from this test represent one third of the Selective Enrollment admissions score. Additionally, scores from this Exam will play a crucial role in whether or not a student is admitted to other competitive programs including International Baccalaureate (IB) and advanced magnet high schools. To fully prepare students for these more rigorous tests, the SelectivePrep program has incorporated material based on the new tougher Common Core standards.

- Classes at Clissold Elementary will start on Monday, March 11, 2019 and run for 8 sessions from 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM.
- We will need a minimum of 10 students to run the class at Clissold Elementary – so please spread the word. The deadline for registration is Monday, March 1, 2019.

- [Click here to Register NOW](#) OR go to the SelectivePrep website & look under the 7th Grade Programs tab, Register for a Class for the “On-Site Clissold” class. If you need more information or have any questions, please visit our website at <http://www.selectiveprep.com> or call 312-409-8411.

**Traffic:** The conditions outside will only make it more challenging during drop off and dismissal. Please be patient and courteous, do not forget to use the kiss-n-go near the playground. No cars should be parking in the bus parking spaces.

**Parking Lots:** The school parking lots are for school staff only. Do not park in lots or block the entrances.

**School Uniform:** Scholars should be dressed in school uniform daily unless otherwise instructed. Also, please remember layering options should be solid colored; maroon, navy, white or black.

**Thinking Ahead:**

**2/27** Cafe Clissold from 9-10 AM: This is an opportunity for parents to stop in for a cup of coffee and meet with Mr. McNichols. Topics will range from our recent news of capitol funding and technology usage.

**2/28 Vision Outreach Black History Performance at 4:00 PM.**

**3/15** The 2nd Annual Clissold Family Bowling Party at Eagle Lanes. The event forms are due on the 28th.

**3/30** Mother/ Son Night

As you know, we are a Montessori and IB MYP educational community who believes in the gift of every child to inspire and empower the future of our humanity.

Collaborate with one another  
Support one another  
Care for one another  
Encourage one another  
And Remarkable things will happen!

Kindly,

Your Cougar Administration