

LOWELL HIGH SCHOOL

WEEKLY STUDENT/PARENT BULLETIN #14

NOV. 23– NOV. 27, 2009

DATE		SCHEDULE	ACTIVITY
Monday	Nov.23	B-code	
Tuesday	Nov. 24	C-code	
Wednesday	Nov. 25	No School	
Thursday	Nov. 26	No School	
Friday	Nov. 27	No School	
Saturday	Nov. 28	No School	Cross Country(CIF State Championship)-Fresno

Where shall I go for news about the H1N1 (swine) Flu vaccine? Nurse Rainey says go to <http://www.sfcdcp.org/flu.html> Breaking news will be found there. (Rainey)

Lowell Hotline: California Youth Crisis Line, 24/7: 1.800.843-5200 (live person at all times)
Wellness Center, Monday-Friday, 8:30-4:30pm: 242-2575 (leave message if no answer)

Parents may mail a completed SchoolLoop Parent Access application form to Lowell H.S.(1101 Eucalyptus Dr. 94132) Attn: Ms.Hee, Main Office. Remember you have to re-register. (M.Yi)

Students, please check your schoolloop email regarding teacher's report of lost or unreturned book. Names of students who have unreturned books are also posted in the textbook room. Exclusion from spring arena (self scheduling) if this matter is not cleared. To return or pay for the book(s) go to the textbook room (RM152).(S.Magsanay)

ATTENDANCE POLICY:

It is expected that Lowell students will attend school regularly. It has been our experience that more than five days of absence for any reason in an eighteen-week semester results in poor grades.

Re-admit Slip – if a student is absent, the parent/guardian should call the Attendance Office (Ms. Chu) at 759-2730 ext. 3167. The student's legal name and Registry number should be given. When the student returns to school, s/he must bring a note signed by the parent/guardian in order to obtain a "Re-admit" slip. They are issued daily at the following times and locations:

7:15 to 7:30 – Room 131, Attendance Office

8:00 to 9:20 – Room 131, Attendance

7:35 to 8:00 – Room 104, Ms. Schmidt/Valle

9:40-10:00 – Room 104, Ms. Schmidt/Valle

A student must secure the signatures from all his/her teachers AND return the Re-admit slip to Dean Cordoba (Rm127) within THREE DAYS of the absence.

Permit-To-Leave (PTL for Appts)-if a student needs to leave early during the day due to a Dr/DDS appointment/Other(not illness), s/he needs to bring a signed parent note to Rm 104 or Rm 131 in order to request a "Permit-To-Leave (PTL). PTLs for appointments are issued daily between 7:35 and 9:20am. The PTL (white copy) issued to the student must be signed by the parent/guardian and returned to Rm 131 – Attendance Office or Rm 104 – Ms. Schmidt for a Re-admit slip the following morning.

Permit-To-Leave (PTL for illness)-if a student becomes ill during the day, s/he should go to see Nurse Rainey (Rm 129), Ms. Schmidt (Rm 104) or the Attendance Office (Rm 131) anytime during the day. The parent/guardian will be notified and a PTL (white copy) will be issued to the student. The student must have the parent sign the PTL and attach a note regarding the illness. The student must obtain a Re-admit Slip in Rm 131 or Rm104 upon returning to school.

Tardy to School/Cutting Classes: Any loss of school time has the same effect – a loss of educational opportunity. The Dean will assign penalties. Thank you for your cooperation. (J. Tse)

Juniors and Seniors

Spring 2010 Science Fiction and Fantasy students – this course is over-enrolled. You must choose another English class if you fall in the last seven wrap groups. These groups are:

K,N,O CHEV-CZ

L, LEE B,D

F,G,I,J C-CHEU

E, H

See your counselor or Mr. Arber (he is available in the English office, Room 133A, after 1:00) to choose another English class. The choices are:

Advance Composition

Novel

Film as Lit.

American Lit. 1 or 2

Shakespeare

English/European Lit.

See one of them as soon as possible to get your second choice.

(J.Tse)

STUDENTS WHO SIGNED UP FOR SCIENCE FICTION AND FANTASY automatically have the option of taking an equally appealing course: ENGLISH AND EUROPEAN LIT 2: Gothic Literature. This class will focus on novels, poetry, and films of the Gothic tradition. Think ruined castles, thrills and chills, ghosts, vampires, and monsters. Primary texts: Mary Shelley's *Frankenstein*, Bram Stoker's *Dracula* and Robert Louis Stevenson's *Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde*. If you have an early slot in the Arena rotation, you can make the change at the English tables. If you're in the last seven RAPs, see your counselor or Mr. Arber ASAP (S.Arber)

Advanced Placement Students: The fee reduction forms for Advanced Placement examinations are in Room 120/122. The deadline for turning in all fee reduction applications for Advanced Placement examinations is Friday, December 4, 2009, by 3:30PM in Ms. Giles's office, Room 120/122. If you have any questions, please see Mr. I. Yee in Room 101F or Room 132. (I.Yee)

Seniors and Senior Parents - Financial Aid Information Night is on Wednesday, December 9, 2009 from 6:00 - 7:30pm. English and Spanish presentations will be in the auditorium and Chinese presentation will be in room 110. Speakers will be discussing grants, scholarships, loans, and other important information. Please Attend. (J.Tse)

AP JAPANESE STUDENTS WIN LOCAL 2009 WORLD LANGUAGE POSTER CONTEST. *Omedetoo* to AP Japanese students for their winning entries in the Foreign Language Association of Northern California (FLANC) Poster Contest at San Francisco State University on Nov. 14th. Certificates and cash awards were given to Seu Mei Fung & Kirsten Hom "Most Original," Ziyi Fan & Natalie Wittenbrook "Most Amusing Idea," and Taylor Chan & Annie Ye – whose creative entry in the 2009 "Language: A Bridge to Everywhere!" themed contest was awarded both "Best Graphic Technique" and "Grand Prize Winner." Half of the \$250 prize money will be used for a sushi party for the class. Drop by Room 217A to see the award-winning posters! (N.Okada)

52 DEBATERS COMPETE AT SANTA ROSA JC -- Members of the Lowell Forensic Society's parliamentary debate, policy debate and student congress squads (a total of 52 students) competed on November 15th at Santa Rosa Jr College. In Congress, Ashley Wu was recognized as best presiding officer while House members Shin San and Kenny Leung earned 3rd and 5th place awards, respectively. Parliamentary debate teams earning trophies were Thomas Tu & Alison Ong (varsity); Sampson Gu & Miles Faber (novice); and Jenny Liao & Grace Sun (novice). Trophies were also awarded to the novice policy debate team of Rick Hsu & Larry Lam. Congratulations to ALL who competed! (T. Abad)

GARDEN SUPPLIES NEEDED. Mr. Strother's class in room T-23 is starting a garden project and we need supplies. If anybody has gloves, shovels, rakes, clippers, or any other garden implements, please bring them to room T-23. Thank you. (Strother)

COLLEGE VISITS/VICCI INFO-Note: The VICCI has moved to the end of the hall, Room 116. Seniors and juniors are welcome to sign up to attend these college visits in the VICCI. Many college representatives have come a long way to meet with you. Please be courteous and be sure to attend these visits once you have signed up. (M.Choi)

November 23	Monday	9:45am	Yale University
	Monday	11:15am	United States Military Academy

THE NATIONAL SECURITY LANGUAGE INITIATIVE FOR YOUTH (NSLI-Y) is offering more than 600 full scholarships to high school students this summer to study abroad and learn Arabic, Chinese, Farsi, Hindi, Korean, Russian, and Turkish. Students must be U.S. citizens, 15-18 years old at time of departure, and have at least a 2.5 GPA. **Deadline: 12/4/09.** Details at www.NSLIforYouth.org. (VICCI/Su)

Formerly the BRICK AWARD The Do Something Awards celebrate young people 25 and under who are tackling a problem and changing the world. Five winners will be selected; each will receive a minimum of \$10,000 with one of those five winning the Grand Prize total of \$100,000. This is a "best-in-class" award for leaders and innovators. All information and applications are available ONLY online. Go to www.dosomething.org/awards to apply. Application closes December 15, 2009.

MISS TEENAGE CALIFORNIA contest winner will receive a \$10,000 scholarship to the college of her choice, will represent California at the Annual Miss Teen of the Nation Program in Washington, D.C. all expenses paid, and win \$1000 wardrobe, and other prizes. Four state runners-up will win \$1200-\$4000. Female students at least 13 and not over the age of 19 are eligible. Candidates are evaluated in areas of academic achievement and activities. Visit website at www.Missteenageca.com Download the self nominated form from this site and submit nomination form to VICCI by Tuesday December 8, 2009. Lowell can submit up to 50 candidates.

Miss Teen Chinatown competition. *An exciting evening to show intelligence, poise and talent!* \$2000 scholarship, rt ticket to Hong Kong, Goodwill Ambassador of the SF Chinatown Lions Club. Age 14 - 18, female, Chinese descent, minimum 3.0 GPA for prior school year to application. Application, recent photo and school transcript. Info at VICCI or sflionsclub.org. (VICCI/Sch)

DEADLINE: 12/15/09 (postmarked)

ATHLETICS

Girl's Badminton Team Info Meeting on Monday, Nov. 23rd after school 3:45 in Room 21 for everyone interested in joining the Badminton Team in Spring. Guys are welcome to try out for a manager position! (C.Hosoda)

Baseball...sign-up meeting for 2010 Varsity and Soph-Frosh baseball take place Thursday, Dec. 3rd, 3:30pm in Room 21. (J.Donohue)

6th Annual Faculty vs. Students Basketball Game, Friday December 4th at 3:45 in the gym. If you would like to play for the student team, please sign up at Mr. Ambrose's desk in the math dept. (Rm 344). In the last 5 years, this event has raised over \$10,000 for cancer research!!! (M. Ambrose)

Lowell Athletics. Don't forget to check the website, lowellathletics.com for all the scores and updates and pictures of your favorite teams! (R.Ray)

INTERESTED?

Come to a STAR PARTY! Mr. Cooley will give you a basic introduction to Astronomy and then take you outside to view planets and stars with several telescopes. Meet in Room S203 at 5:30pm on 11/24. Rain or shine (we will do a slide show if weather is poor). Ends about 7:30pm. (B.Cooley)

If you have lunch during mods 6-7 then come to the YOUTH SPEAKS POETRY SLAM!!!!!! This AMAZING event will be held on TUESDAY NOVEMBER 24th during mods 6-7-8 in the auditorium. Any questions, stop by the Wellness Center or email manders@sfallness.org

MORE POEMS? Submit your "As You Like It? Love poems (and, of course, any other writing or art) for a chance to be published in the Myriad, our school literary magazine. Submission boxes in the library, English office, and various English classrooms. (N.Henares)

CSF Drop-In Tutoring. Would you like help with your Spanish homework? Need extra guidance in composing an English essay? Problems keeping up with math? Sign up for one-on-one CSF Tutor by going to Lowellcsf.webs.com and fill out the form under the tab "Tutees". Drop-in tutoring is also available everyday from CSF members who have skills and experience in the courses you are taking. Stop by T-14B during mods 9/10; Room 217A during mods 19/20; or the library during mods 11/12 or from 3:30-4:10pm. (N.Okada)

Want a fun and educational elective class? Enroll in CVE Marketing Class Spring 2010 – Learn computer skills for office clerical jobs. Learn selling and marketing skills for sales customer jobs. Learn how to get a job. Receive job placement assistance (optional). Earn 5 credits for the class and up to 10 credits for your job (optional). Class offered mods 4-5 or 9-10 or Tuesday 3:30 to 6:30PM, or Wednesday 3:30 to 6:30PM. Working students encouraged to enroll. Students seeking employment encouraged to enroll. Students seeking job skill training encouraged to enroll. Sign up on your course selection form in Reg, or see your counselor or see Mr. Nager in room S106 mods-Reg, 6,7,8,11,12,13. (N.Nager)

The 2010 National Scholastic Art and Writing Awards are now accepting entries. Students can register and submit work online @ <http://artandwriting.org>. The deadline for SFUSD students is December 15, 2009 and there is no registration fee! Categories for submission of art work include Architecture, Photography, Ceramics, Digital Art, Design, Drawing, Film, and Painting, among others (see online for more info). Senior can submit portfolios for scholarship consideration. Lowell architecture, photography and art students have earned local and national recognition in this nationally prominent art competition for seven consecutive years. Go for it, and submit your best work (see a visual arts teacher for advice on what to submit)! (J.Pollack)

CLUBS

PreMed Club. Our next meeting is on Tuesday, Dec. 1st. We have a cardiologist guest speaking, pizza and soda, so be sure to come! Members, bring friends and questions! Room S203 at 3:40pm. See you there. (B.Cooley)

MATHLETES COMPETITIONS are an excellent way to test your math skills/gain bragging rights. Check out Mathletes every Tuesday after school in Room 338 to sharpen those skills! (T. Chan)

Looking for a volunteers club and a soul-feeding experience? Come to Random Acts of Kindness Club in Rm 70 on Fridays at 3:45pm. Email randomactsofkindnesslowell@yahoo.com. (J.Chan)

Korean Club. PATBINGSOO DAY! (Korean shaved ice dessert with ice cream, fruit, and all that good stuff.) Bring \$3 and come to Room 215 afterschool on Monday! (A.Cho)

Hey buildOn Club members! Remember to bring your Equal Exchange Order forms to our meeting this Tuesday so that you guys can turn them in. See you on Tuesday and have a Happy Thanksgiving! (K.Hoffman)

FOUND: Set of keys belonging to a male student. Please see Ms. Murase in the Main Office.