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Newsletter

November 2014

Prop 39 Applications

Thanks to everyone for getting your applications to us on November 3rd! We are in the midst of what we hope will be an improvement to the process. If we require additional materials or evidence related to your specific application, we will be in touch with you by December 1. Otherwise, you can expect to hear back from us in February. We've recently published a [Prop 39 Timeline](#) in the Facilities section of our website that offers a clear picture of what to expect and when.

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Silke Out of the Office

- Silke will be out of the office and off of email from 11/6-11/25 on her "summer vacation." If you have any questions or concerns, please direct them to [Kamala](#) and [Ben](#) and we will address them.



Student Exit Form

- Ben created [this form](#) last spring to make it quick and easy to record Student Exit data. This is a reminder to fill out the form within 24 hours of a student exiting your school. This is in place of including it in your Fall Info Update spreadsheet. Questions? Ask [the creator](#).

Board Contact Updates

- If you do not already publish your school board roster and contacts on your school website, we are requesting that you please do so. Along with board meeting schedules, this is info that parents and community members have been looking for, so they can be involved in your schools.

SPOTLIGHT

Gang Awareness Training

Funded through the City of Oakland's Oakland Unite program, the OUSD Office of Alternative Education is offering free 1-2 hour professional development on Oakland Gang Awareness. This training will support those who work with Oakland youth to better understand what challenges youth face in navigating Oakland neighborhoods. Participants can expect to gain further knowledge of specific Oakland "Gangs" and "Teams," build awareness of possible signs of involvement, learn effective strategies for working with affiliated youth and access critical resources available in our community.

Please contact [Shirley Yee](#) or call (510) 597-4294 to set-up a training.

FREE "Gang Awareness" Staff Training

- * Understand What Challenges Oakland Youth Face Navigating the Streets
- * Increase Your Knowledge on Oakland "Gangs" & "Teams"
- * Recognize Possible Signs of Involvement
- * Learn About Effective Strategies & Community Resources Available

Free 1-2 hour training for Oakland schools and community based organizations [see: Oakland youth](#)

99% of participants said they had a better understanding of gang activity at their school or in their community.

99% of participants report that after the training, they have a better understanding of how to work with youth who are affiliated and also have more knowledge of available community resources and referral mechanisms for working with youth who are affiliated.

"Excellent training. I now have some tools on how to be more proactive with my students who are gang affiliated. It has given me the knowledge of how I can become more aware of what is going on with my students and what to look out for in my classroom!"

Please contact Shirley Yee
OUSD Office of Alternative Education
(510) 597-4294 or shirley.yee@ousd.k12.ca.us
to schedule a training

Trainings made possible by The City of Oakland - Oakland Unite and OUSD Office of Alternative Education in partnership with Oakland California Youth Outreach and Hatcher, Tabernack and Associates.



Girl Scouts Afterschool Program

Girl Scouts of Northern California is offering free, locally-designed afterschool programs to girls at your site. Programs consist of hands-on science, technology and environmental learning, designed to get girls interested and inspired by STEM and environmental science. In addition, the program can include modules focused on financial literacy, self-esteem or other relevant topics.

Contact [Shawun Anderson](#) and visit the [Girl Scout site](#) for more info.

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Month 3 Attendance Report Due // 11.20.14

Original signed report covering October 20-November 14, 2014 due to [Mike Nguyen](#) at 1000 Broadway, Suite 450. No emails or faxes will be accepted.

Working Groups Resume // January 2015

Both the Collective MPO and Teaching Effectiveness Rubric working group meetings will recommence in the fresh light of the new year. Kamala will start scheduling in December when Silke is back in the office.