

The Sci Academy Newsletter QUARTER 1 October 2013

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Sci Academy Staff and SciPAC invites you to our first...

My Academy Night

October 28, 2013 6:00pm - 7:30pm

Enjoy some delicious food in the company of other parents,
learn more about the school & pick up your child's report card!

We need your support in funding

our co-curriculars!

Please help us by bringing a party pack of
1oz chips or a case of Gatorade that we can
sell at upcoming games and events.

Order of Events for the Night:

6:00 - 6:30pm: Open House
6:30 - 6:45pm: General Whole School Meeting
6:45 - 7:00pm: Grade Level Meeting
7:00 - 7:30pm: Refreshments in the Cafeteria

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Homecoming!

The last week of October will be our 3rd annual Sci Academy Homecoming! While we welcome two classes of alumni home from college, we will also spend the week celebrating the great things our current scholars are achieving. As we continue to grow as a school, we hope to instill a pride in our students that makes them happy to return and proud to be a Sci Academy graduate. We invite all Sci Academy families to join us during all the events this week, especially hope to see many of you at the football game and pep-rally.

Happy Homecoming!
The Sci Academy Student Senate

Calendar of Homecoming Events!

Monday 10/28

Pink Out for Cancer Awareness Dress-Up
My Academy Night 6:00-7:30 at Sci Academy

Tuesday, 10/29

Opposite Dress-Up Day
Carnival and Basketball Tournament 5:00-6:30 at Sci Academy

Wednesday 10/30

Generation Dress-Up Day
Honor Roll Breakfast
Volleyball Game v. Carver 5:00 at Joe Brown Park

Thursday 10/31

Halloween Costume Day
Halloween Movie on the Basketball Court 6:00 at Sci Academy

Friday 11/1

Advisory Spirit Dress-up Day/ Senior Spirit Day
Pep-Rally and Picnic @ Joe Brown Park 11 – 1am
Homecoming Dance 8 – 11:30 at The Regency

Saturday 11/2

Football Game v. Carver 2:00 at Joe Brown Park



Definition of the Quarter!

SCHOLAR SLIP

A slip of paper that every scholar receives upon arrival at school. The slip provides a summary of his or her positive and negative behaviors and most recent grades

SciCATION !



Our next SciCATION: Roller-skating!

Wednesday, November 13th at the Airline Skate Center!

SciCATION is a day-trip awarded to scholars with high attendance records and few demerits once every month. To attend our next SciCATION scholars must earn the following number of Sci bucks between Oct 3rd and Nov 12th....

- 9th Grade Scholars - \$550 Sci Bucks
- 10th and 11th Grade Scholars - \$450 Sci Bucks
- 12th Grade Scholars - \$350 Sci Bucks

Encourage scholars to **EARN** and **SAVE** their Sci Bucks!

Enrollment Updates

It's that time of year again! The Recovery School District in partnership with the Orleans Parish School Board will begin accepting applications for the 2014-15 school year beginning November 4th. Parents can apply at any RSD Parent Center or online at www.enrollnola.org.

Remember that RSD schools honor sibling preference but you must get

Important Dates:

- Nov 4** - Round 1 Applications Available
- Feb 28** - Round 1 Application Deadline for non-selective schools
- Apr 7** - Round 1 Acceptance Notification to families

Collegiate Academies school codes:

- 514** - Sci Academy
- 109** - Carver Preparatory Academy
- 103** - Carver Collegiate Academy

UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR

October

October 19: Football Game v. Lake Are High School at Pan American Stadium, 7pm
October 21: Girls Volleyball Game v. Covenant Christian, 5:00pm
October 22: Girls Volleyball Game v. Kipp Renaissance, 4:30pm
October 24: Girls Volleyball Game v. Sophie B. Wright, 5pm
October 25: Football Game v. De La Salle, location TBD, 7pm
October 28 - November 1: Homecoming Week!
October 28: Pink Out for Cancer Awareness Dress-Up
October 28: My Academy Night, 6pm-7:30pm at Sci Academy
October 29: Opposite Dress-Up Day
October 29: Carnival and Basketball Tournament, 5pm-6pm at Sci Academy
October 29: Girls Volleyball Game v. W.L Cohen at Sci Academy, 6pm
October 30: Girls Volleyball Game v. Carver at Sci Academy, 5pm
October 30: Generation Dress-Up Day
October 30: Honor Roll Breakfast
October 31: Halloween Costume Day
October 33: Halloween Movie on the Basketball Court, 6pm at Sci Academy



November

November 1: Advisory Spirit Dess-Up Day/ Senior Spirit Day
November 1: Prep-Rally and Picnic at Joe Brown Park 11am - 1pm
November 1: Homecoming Dance at The Regency, 8pm - 11:30pm
November 4-7: Interim Assessments
November 4: SCI-PAC Meeting at Sci Academy Team Room, 6pm-8pm
November 6: Football Game v. Donaldsonville at Donaldsonville High School, 6pm
November 8: Teacher Data Day NO SCHOOL
November 11: Veterans Day NO SCHOOL
November 13: SciCATION - Roller-skating!
November 18: Boys Basketball Game v. Archbishop Saw,
November 21:: Boys Basketball Game v. Cohen
November 21: Girls Basketball Game v. Cohen at 5pm
November 25-29: Thanksgiving Break NO SCHOOL

December

December 2: SCI PAC Meeting at Sci Academy Team Room, 6pm
December 5: Senior Night
December 6: Winter Dance @ Sci Academy
December 17 : Boys Basketball Game v. Cohen
December 17: Girls Basketball Game v. Cohen at 5pm
December 20: Girls Basketball Game v. Franklin
December 23-January 3: Winter Break NO SCHOOL

January

January 6-9: Interim Assessments
January 6: SCI PAC Meeting at Sci Academy Room 4, 6pm
January 6: Girls Basketball Game v. Franklin
January 7: Boys Basketball Game v. Phoenix
January 10: Last Day of Quarter 2
January 10: Teacher Data Day NO SCHOOL
January 10: Boys Basketball Game v. Phoenix
January 10: Girls Basketball Game v. Phoenix
January 20: Martin Luther King Day NO SCHOOL
January 21: Boys Basketball Game v. Sophie B
January 21: Girls Basketball Game v. St. Mary's
January 23: Report Card Pick Up Night
January 24: Boys Basketball Game v. Riverside
January 24: Girls Basketball Game v. Riverside
January 27: Girls Basketball Game v. St. James
January 28: Boys Basketball Game v. Carver
January 31: Boys Basketball Game v. Newman

Hey Parents! Want to get more involved? Join Sci PAC!

Mission: The Sci Academy Parent Action Committee works to set a precedent for parent involvement at Sci Academy by serving the school in the arenas already available and designing detailed structures for expanded involvement in the future.

Big Goal 1: Increase frequency of positive family - school interactions

Big Goal 2: Design structures to expand parent involvement at the school.

If you're interested in joining the Sci PAC or would like more information on what we do, come to our next meeting on November 4 at 6:00pm or stop by our table on My Academy Night!

Academic Updates: A Message for our Culture Deans

Class of 2017

The class of 2017 is off to a phenomenal start. In a matter of weeks, your students have transformed themselves using Sci Academy's six core values and 2017's four freshman obsessions:

1. Become a scholar
2. Know and support your team
3. Grow constantly
4. Stay organized

Up Next: We'll be going on a college trip next quarter. To keep your scholar eligible, make sure your scholar attends school every day, makes good grades, and has a good behavior record.

Keep in touch: Don't forget – you can always check a scholar's scholar slip for grades, Sci Bucks, and behavior updates. If you have questions or want to know more about how you can support our scholar – make a phone call to your scholar's advisor or to a teacher.

Class of 2016

Hello! This year started by reminding scholars that sophomore year is exactly like freshman, but harder. The scholars really took to it and our two obsessions that allow them to tackle the more difficult work that sophomore year brings. Sophomores focus on 2 things: outdoing themselves academically everyday and becoming a teammate who achieves team goals. Having shaken off the summer dust and broken some habits our sophomores or looking ready to push themselves to the next level of our obsessions.

This past week scholars throughout the grade started to outdo themselves academically by putting their name on a waiting list to get the next book in the Divergent series they started reading this summer. Not only that, but scholars like Savannah Tenner and Ceddrica Thomas constantly look to themselves to help others. They assign themselves to scholars that are struggling in their courses and know that the help they provide now will help the team achieve our year-end goals. We love having our parents stay involved! The biggest thing you can do to support your scholars and help us reach our team goals is to push your scholar to do HW every night. Many scholars are working to outdo themselves academically in class, but need to take it to the next level by doing all their HW as well. Check in with your scholar every night by looking at their scholar slip from the day before to see their grades and to check for homework demerits. We can't wait to see you at back to school night.

Class of 2015

What a great start to the year 2015 has had! Junior year is all about college, and the class of 2015 has embraced that idea with gusto. This is the year that colleges care most about grades, this is the year when scholars will identify teachers for letters of recommendation, this is the year that scholars take the ACT, and this is the year that scholars are asked to take on more responsibility for their education than they ever have. More and more, teachers are asking scholars to be self-motivated and independent, no longer depending on their teachers or advisors to be pushed toward excellence. Some of the scholars who are new to Sci Academy--such as Lacy Nunez and Farnell Doyle--have stood out for their immediate excellence, and some of the veterans--such as Tina Nguyen and Chance Holmes--have already pushed themselves to do an exceptional amount of college research. In the coming months, please be talking to your scholars about their college dreams, studying for the ACT, and how they're pushing themselves in classes. The best way for you to help your scholars is to ensure they are (1) coming to school every day, (2) doing all of their homework, and (3) actively engaging in the college search process. Ask them each night! We look forward to seeing you outside of school hours at MyAcademy nights and your scholars at 2015's Movie Nights each month.

Class of 2014

The senior year of the Class of 2014 are already off to a strong start. This fall also marked the unveiling of a new tradition at Sci: the Senior Bell. This bell is locked in a glass case all year, and only gets removed on the day a scholar is admitted to college. On that day--the scholar's "Bell Day"--the scholar hits the bell in front of the entire senior class, and then in front of each of the other grade levels. They also sign the Bell Book, a leatherbound book which will be kept at Sci Academy for decades to come. In a wonderful surprise, the Senior Bell has already been heard many times throughout our halls. Even though we're less than three months into the school year, we've already had TEN seniors admitted to college! Nine scholars have been admitted to LSU and one scholar has been admitted to Nicholls State--and there are many more on the way! The Class of 2014 has reputation for their academic focus and success, and it appears colleges have started to notice it, too. Our focus for this year year is getting seniors ready for "Game Day" (the first day of college). Every few weeks, we will focus on a new set of skills our scholars need to be successful in college. Our focus in the upcoming weeks is on time management and organization. Please be sure to make sure your child is using a personal organization system (for example, the Get Stuff Done sheet we provided them) and doing their homework every night. Homework is the key to their success in senior year, and on into college.

Freshman Scholars OF THE WEEK!

Venecia Mitchelle (Cornell A&S)
Bryan Anthony (Northeastern)
Mykia Ducket (Yale 17)
Jarnell Hayes (Northeastern)
Quiara Willis (Wellesley)
Brice Kensey (Rutgers Knights)
Brittany White (Cal Bears)
Rodney Griffen Jr (Rutgers Knights)
Kaila Miles (Wellesley)
Vincent Nguyen (Northeastern)

Sophomore Scholars OF THE WEEK!

Brandi Sylvie (UVA)
Hope Walton (LadyPack)
Ceddrica Thomas (CM)
Danisha Morgan (Charleston)
Janisha Halphen (UVA)

Junior Scholars OF THE WEEK!

Farnell Doyle (Wisconsin)
Tyanna Crump (Concordia)

Senior Scholars OF THE WEEK!

Derrionta Everfield (Indiana)
Tova Andre (Miami)
Kevin Coffil (Harvard)
Paris Graves (Texas)
Bob Taylor (Harvard)

The Road To College

2 seniors have received free trips to visit colleges

12 seniors have earned college acceptances

26 colleges and universities have visited Sci Academy in September and October

50% of the senior class has completed at least one college application

100% of 2014 has attended at least one college visit

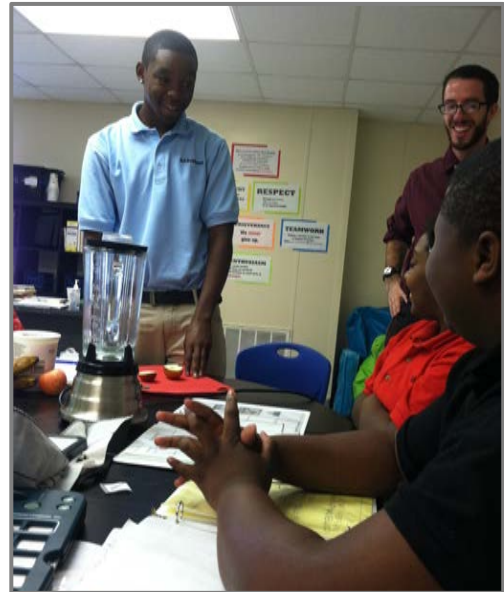
100% of the class will have applied to at least one college



A Look into Life At Sci Academy



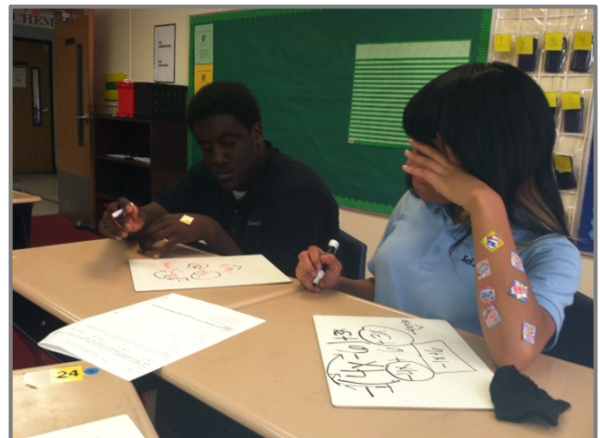
Paris Livas '14 gives a presentation to the members of Tulane Riptide



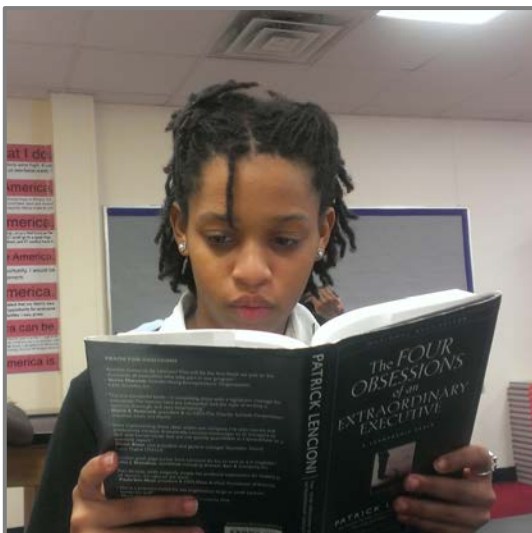
Tyrin Thompson '15 assists Mr. Mahoney at Essential Skills



Mr. Zeininger shows his Wisconsin advisory how to put on a tie!



Hope Walton '16 and Jarrod Carter '15 work together during tutoring



Brandi Sylve '16 during College Prep



The Sophomore boys working hard!