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Sunday, March 7, 2010

This week's schedule: C A B A B - Saturday begins Daylight Savings Time

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**Thanks so much to the PTSA volunteers** for the teacher snacks during TAKS this past Wednesday. The faculty and staff appreciated the delicious snacks very much.

### Monday:

#### Faculty v. Student Quiz Bowl

According to Mr. Flowers, the students should destroy the faculty this year.

**Enrollment deadline** for students who were recently admitted or wait-listed, is TODAY.

### Tuesday: CAC meeting at 4:15 in the library

### Wednesday: Coffee with the Principals

**Next week is Spring Break! – Everyone have a restful and SAFE holiday.**

### Counselor's Corner

Have questions about the financial aid awarding process, scholarships or financial aid in general? There will be a **Financial Aid Q&A session** offered on Wednesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> at 12:15 p.m. in the Library conference room. This brown-bag lunch session is targeted to senior parents, but students are welcome to attend as well. For more details, contact Ms. Kocian at [jamie.kocian@austinisd.org](mailto:jamie.kocian@austinisd.org).

**ACC Early College Start Advising – LAST opportunity on campus:** A representative from ACC will return to campus on Monday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> (the day we return from spring break) from 9:00 to 12:00 to finish Early College Start Advising sessions. Students who have all documents completed will be advised at that time. After this date, students who have not submitted their information or completed advising must report to an ACC campus to finish the process. Students must have the following information completed:

- Applied online at [www.austincc.edu/apply](http://www.austincc.edu/apply)
- Typed and printed the Residency Information Form
- Completed the ACC 101 Checklist
- Have either been cleared through PSAT scores for entrance or have taken the Compass test at an ACC campus

## **Congratulations**

### **The LASA SciO teams competed on Saturday at Regionals at UT.**

We fielded two competing teams and one practice team. The two competitive teams placed 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> overall, beating teams from several other really strong schools, including the CyFalls, who has been 2<sup>nd</sup> in the state for two of the past three years.

The performance was impressive and we move on to state at the end of April.

Individual medalists and rankings (in the case of the practice team) are as follows:

**Anatomy and Physiology:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Max Zern and Victoria Cui, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Jaewon Oh and Ivy Nguyen

**Astronomy:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Eliza McDonald and Chris Wang, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Arami Rosales and Daniel Wang

**Cell Biology:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Angela Liu and Zane Ranking, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Jenny Lau and Ivy Nguyen, 4<sup>th</sup> Place: Arthur Lee and Irvin Shen

**Chemistry Lab:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Travis Owen and Allan Sadun, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Jeffrey Holzgrafe and Chloe Ling

**Disease Detective:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Daniel Wang and Jenny Lau, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Victoria Cui and Chris Wang, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place in Ranking only: Dan Liu and Albert Nam

**Dynamic Planet:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Angela Liu and Evelyn Powell, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Jennifer Hu and Mark Sands

**Ecology:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Zane Rankin and Evelyn Powell, 4<sup>th</sup> Place: Mark Sands and Erika Park

**Eggonaut:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Qiaoyi Wang and Angela Liu

**Elevated Bridge:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place Qiaoyi Wang and Zane Ranking, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Juan Hass, 4<sup>th</sup> Place: Daniel Wang and Travis Owen

**Environmental Chemistry:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Rose Kent McGlew and Jeffrey Holzgrafe, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Arthur Lee and Irvin Shen, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Arami Rosales and Daniel Wang

**Forensics:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Jason Pan and Jaewon Oh, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Chloe Ling and Rose Kent McGlew

**Fossils:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Ran Liu and Rose Kent McGlew

**Mousetrap Car:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Jennifer Hu and Erika Park

**Ornithology:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Jeffrey Holzgrafe and Evelyn Powell, 4<sup>th</sup> Place: Jason Pan and Juli Vanderburg

**Physics Lab:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Allan Sadun and Travis Owen, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Eliza McDonald and Zane Rankin

**Picture This:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Eliza McDonald, Chris Wang, and Chloe Ling, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Calvin Ling, Arami Rosales, and Ivy Nguyen

**We've Got Your Number:** 4<sup>th</sup> Place: Chloe Ling and Chris Wang, 4<sup>th</sup> Place: Dan Liu and Irvin Shen

**Trajectory:** 4<sup>th</sup> Place: Leo Breston and Harris Davidson

**Write It/Do It:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Chloe Ling and Max Zern, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Jennifer Hu and Ivy Nguyen, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Noreen Tsai and Juan Hass

Thanks go out to Lisa Sands and Joan Balash for providing food during the competition, to Lisa Powell for providing for the 'After' party, and to Wei Na and Hao Ling for allowing us to have the 'After' party at their house. This impressive showing is a result of a lot of hard work on the part of the students involved. Congratulations to them all!!!

### **Quiz Bowl wins Prison Bowl in New York!**

LASA Quiz Bowl cleared the field with a 8-0 record and won the Prison Bowl tournament at Hunter College High School in New York. Along the way, LASA A defeated Dorman High School from South Carolina (ranked #4 in the nation in the mid-season poll) 405-275, and St. Anselm's Abbey School from Washington, DC (#7 in the nation) twice - 450-300 in the prelims and 475-235 in the tournament final. Also attending were Bergen County Academy from New Jersey (#26 in the mid-season poll, defeated 575-100 by LASA in the playoffs) and several other schools from the New York City area. Unfortunately, several other teams, including #1 State College (PA), #5 Georgetown Day School (DC) and #11 Charter School of Wilmington (DE) could not attend due to inclement weather. In addition to LASA A's tournament victory, Aaron Pellowski of LASA's B team played as a solo team in the tournament. He placed 9th and was the leading individual scorer. This was a great day for LASA Quiz Bowl and we've had a great time in New York. Next action for LASA Quiz Bowl is March 6 at the TQBA State Tournament, and March 8 at the Third Annual Faculty / Student Quiz Bowl match.

## **PFLASA**

Next PFLASA meeting is on Friday, March 26 at 8:00 in the library.

*Please note it's on the 4th Friday because of Spring Break.*

## **STRESS SURVEY**

The Stress Task Force has been working on ways to identify sources of stress for our students in order to implement programs and ways to help them cope with their stress. To that end and to have various perspectives, we are surveying the students, the teachers and the parents. Below is the link to the Parent Stress Survey, please take a few minutes to complete it by **Wednesday, March 10**. Please complete it even if you feel your child is not stressed so all the voices can be heard. The individual responses are anonymous; the collective results will be shared with students, parents, teachers and administration. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/WMQZPYR>

Thank you very much for taking the time to complete this survey. Your responses will help guide the next steps in addressing student stress at LASA. If you have any questions you can contact Ana Irizarry at [atirizarry2@gmail.com](mailto:atirizarry2@gmail.com).

## **Wish of the Week (WOW)**

### **JUNIOR CLASS ICE CREAM SOCIAL THIS FRIDAY - VOLUNTEERS AND ICE CREAM TOPPINGS NEEDED!**

Junior Class Ice Cream Social will be held this Friday, March 12th in the Fine Arts hallway during both LBJ and LASA lunches. Help with set-up beginning around 11:00am and runs to 1:10pm. We are seeking 5+ volunteers to help scoop ice cream, run the toppings table, and help with clean-up. We are also seeking donations of toppings such as: chocolate sauce, caramel sauce, whipped cream, crushed oreos, crushed candy bars, gummies, nuts, sprinkles, mini-marshmallows, mini-chocolate chips, etc.

Please send your donated toppings to the office with a note "junior class ice cream social".

Contact Julie Delgado at Cell: 512-554-2653 or email: [jdelgado@kw.com](mailto:jdelgado@kw.com)

## **Get Connected**

- [www.LasaOnline.org](http://www.LasaOnline.org) is the parent run website that has Lots of LASA archived, a list of teacher's e-mails and phone numbers in the directory (top right) and much, much more!
- **PTSA Jaguar Tracks E-newsletter** Send a blank email to [PTSA-News-subscribe@lbjptsa.org](mailto:PTSA-News-subscribe@lbjptsa.org)
- **PFLASA Yahoo Group (Parents and Friends of LASA)** Send a blank email to [pflasa-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:pflasa-subscribe@yahoogroups.com). (Note: This is an Announce-only list)
- **Class of 2010 Yahoo Group** Send a blank email to [lbjlasa2010-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:lbjlasa2010-subscribe@yahoogroups.com).
- **Class of 2011 Yahoo Group** Send a blank email to [lbjlasa2011-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:lbjlasa2011-subscribe@yahoogroups.com).
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