

May 8, 2014 Program Reports and Highlights

Outdoor Education

1. Jess Hewitt will replace me as Director of Outdoor Education on July 1, 2014. Current Board Members have met her at the August Board meetings the last few years, as she has attended in my place.
2. May 14, 8:45 a.m.: we are excited to host the Board at Foothill Horizons. Dress for outdoor exploration. Meet the new Director of Outdoor Education, Jess Hewitt.
3. The instructional staff at the outdoor school are focusing on introducing Common Core and Next Generation Science Standards practices into their teaching (Gary Carpenter will address this during today's student presentation).
4. There are just a few places left for campers in our summer camp program. If you know a youngster graduating from 2nd – 7th grades who is interested in attending a summer camp, please direct their parents to our website, <foothillhorizons.com>. Income from the summer camp program helps us offset the cost of outdoor education.
5. Our instructional staff are actively creating and posting instructional videos on our website, at foothillhorizons.com. In addition, an overview of the program in Spanish was posted a few weeks ago.

Student Events Program

1. The 2013-14 Student Events Program just finished with the final event; Harold Pope Jr Relays track meet. There were teams from 26 (approximately 600 students) Stanislaus County Middle Schools who participated in the event. Sutter Health was the sponsor/naming opportunity for this event. A HUGE "Thank You" to Ben Balsbaugh for stepping in at the last minute to announce at the track meet.
2. There was an increase in participation from the 2012-13 school year and the 2013-14 school year in the following events:
 - Academic Decathlon and Elementary Science Olympiad – 1 each
 - Academic Pentathlon – 4
 - Regional Science Olympiad and Pope Jr Relays – 1 each
 - Future City - 8
3. Please see the 2014-15 Draft Student Events Program Calendar at www.scoestudentevents.org.

YES Co.

1. Peter Pan is YES Company's 23rd Summer Production - Gallo Center for the Arts
2. The Multipurpose Room at Mildred Perkins, used by YES Co, is now WiFi ready and will make rehearsals much easier.
3. You can support YES by:
 - a. Volunteering for Friends of YES
 - b. Placing an Advertisement in the Program
 - c. Schedule or refer group/individuals to reserve a performance by YES Ambassadors for special events/holidays.
4. Share with friends the performance dates/times for Peter Pan
 - July 18, 2014 - 7:30 p.m.
 - July 19, 2014 - 3:00 p.m.
 - July 20, 2014 - 3:00 p.m.
 - *July 24, 2014 - 7:30 p.m. Ed Foundation Board Evening
 - July 25, 2014 - 7:30 p.m.
 - July 26, 2014 - 3:00 p.m.
 - July 27, 2014 - 3:00 p.m.

Melanee is home recuperating from a successful right hip replacement. She will be ready and raring to go for the first YES CO 2014 rehearsal and all that follows!