The following message was sent out from the Human Resources department earlier this month. *Stop* now ... and take a moment to recognize a remarkable individual. Acknowledge a teacher that provides the level of service you appreciate ... and all children deserve.  *Thank you.*

This email is to announce that the District is accepting nominations for the **2012-13 Teacher of the Year**. We encourage you to *nominate outstanding pre-kindergarten through grade 12 teachers*, including adult education teachers if they are providing instruction in the same curriculum as those who teach in elementary or secondary grades. Teachers who have some administrative responsibilities are also eligible; however, teaching must be their primary responsibility. *All teachers who qualify must have at least seven years of teaching experience.*

Please submit your nomination forms by **February 3, 2012**, to the Human Resource Services Department, School Box 770.

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**February 2012 Calendar**

*Black History Month*

*Children’s Dental Health Month*

*Boost Self Esteem Month*

- 2/02/12  Groundhog Day
- 2/07/12  Support Provider Meeting
- 2/13/12  Lincoln Birthday Holiday
- 2/14/12  Valentine’s Day
- 2/17/12  Winter Seminar Due Date
- 2/20/12  Presidents’ Day Holiday
The following teacher workshops are being offered at the Crocker Art Museum. In addition, teachers who participate in eight hours of the Crocker's Teacher Workshops or Educator Evenings may receive units of academic credit through the College of Continuing Education at California State University, Sacramento.

To register for a workshop, visit crockerartmuseum.org, call 916.808.1987 or e-mail msais@crockerartmuseum.org.

**Multisensory Art Experiences for Early Learners**
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 9:30 AM-1:30 PM
$25 MEMBERS • $30 NONMEMBERS
See, hear, smell, touch and taste! Designed for teachers of early learners (Pre-K and Kindergarten), Lorraine Weatherspoon, professor of early childhood education at Sacramento City Community College, will highlight artists in the Crocker’s collection and connect their styles and techniques to multisensory hands-on art experiences that engage children in fun learning. Light refreshments served. Advance registration required by February 17.

**Art for All Abilities**
SATURDAY, MARCH 17, 9:30 AM-1:30 PM
$25 MEMBERS • $30 NONMEMBERS
Alice Parente, Executive Director of I CAN DO THAT!/Very Special Arts, will provide practical approaches, methods, and techniques for teaching in integrated classrooms. Participants will learn how to utilize the arts to structure successful learning environments that meet the diverse cognitive, physical, cultural and emotional needs of students with a range of abilities. Light refreshments served. Advance registration required by March 9.

**Walk, Look, Learn**
THURSDAY, MAY 10, 4-6:30 PM
$15 MEMBERS • $20 NONMEMBERS
Gain skills in looking at and discussing art. Look at and learn about artworks in the Crocker’s galleries by local Sacramento artists Stephen Kaltenbach and Robert Brady, then go on a public art walking tour with Sacramento Metropolitan Arts Commission (SMAC) docents. Light refreshments served. Advance registration required by May 3.
Vision Statement

SCUSD’s BTSA Induction program will guide and support participating teachers by providing flexible individualized support, implementing a structured curriculum and offering guidance through induction specific standards; yet will remain flexible enough to address unique issues faced by beginning teachers.