### SAC NEWSLETTER

#### February 2023

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### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

# FREE MONEY FOR COLLEGE!

#### GO TO:

HTTPS://WWW.SCUSD.EDU/S CHOLARSHIPS





Community and district scholarships are posted when they are made available. Available community scholarships can be viewed at scusd.edu/community-scholarships.

For questions or additional information call (916) 643-9293 or email us at scholarships@scusd.edu



### STUDENT VOICES

This February we are sharing more feedback from some of our hardest working students at SCUSD, our Student Ambassadors!

The Student Ambassador program is a youth employment program ran by Youth Development Support Services. Student Ambassadors provide support to after school expanded learning programs across SCUSD, mentor younger students, offer tutoring services and help lead enrichment activities. If you'd like to learn more about being a student ambassador email our lead YDSS youth employment specialist:

david-truong@scusd.edu

In the pages ahead you'll learn about the awesome experiences they've been having in the classroom across SCUSD.





## BEST JOB FOR HIGH SCHOOL

It is extremely amazing that I get to work as a student ambassador for the school that I genuinely enjoy attending every single day. I've liked my experience as a student ambassador during this entire period since I've met so many new people and had such wonderful co-workers. I've had a lot of successful experiences, such as keeping an eye out for those who need support or who are lonely and in need of companionship.

The wonderful thing, in my opinion, is how nice everyone comes together and gets to know one another despite how unique they are. I'm happy that I never doubt helping students whether it's physically or emotionally. Seeing smiles on their faces every day makes me more passionate about being a student ambassador. I personally believe that is the best start for me as a person who never has had experience in work before, so now I have so much courage for this job. Ever since working as a student ambassador, I'm now proud of myself for being capable of supporting everyone in the way that I can.

Furthermore, taking on this job as my first employment and understanding various responsibilities has very much improved me and opened my eyes to a different perspective on life as a working student. For me, the journey has already begun, and I still have a lot to learn. For me, every day is a new beginning and an infinite happy ending. My manager and coworkers have provided me with information that I should remember wherever I go. Feeling the additional responsibilities I'm taking on and will be taking on in the future has pushed me to grow as a person. I am so grateful to get to experience this.



## FUN AT FERN BACON

As A Student Ambassador there is a lot of student activity that I see going on. My days always start off with greetings from the kids. I notice that the kids have built really strong relationships with their team leads, and that is something that I try to add on too. Something that I see that I really like at this school is that the kids feel very comfortable with going to their teachers for help. The team leads offer a safe space for the kids to come to them, whether the problem is with homework, advice, or even bullying. The team leads are always available to hear out their kids and help them work through their issues. With that being said, something that I have a problem with at this school is the way that the kids constantly pick on each other. Although often times the kids are just having a miscommunication with one another, or the problem is being blown out of proportion, It is a never ending problem. With that being said this school has very good problem solving skills, while it may be a headache to deal with certain problems over and over, the clear communication and respect that the students have for their teachers makes it easy to work through them. A part of my everyday tasks is helping out with clubs. I love working with the culture club. In this club the kids learn a lot of information about different cultures. They explore the language, religion, food and much more. The kids are also very eager to learn and participate in this club too. My everyday school day includes coming in, going over the daily task with Ms. Cortez, helping out in clubs, assisting in classroom control, and helping with parent sign out.

-Persaiiaus Hutcherson, Fern Bacon





### **HAVING FUN IN ASES**

Something well that I want to touch on is how helpful ASES is for students. Although some students' parents can not pick them up at dismissal time, kids can take this time to do their homework and have extra time to play with their friends. Another thing that is going well is that every student is involved in any sort of punishment and acknowledges it. For example, I like that when one kid gets time taken away from recess some of the time the others get punished as well but only so that they can encourage their peers to do the right thing then when the students have acknowledged their wrongdoings they are able to them have their recess time. I am not sure what needs to be addressed, everything has gone smoothly from my point of view with the student and team leaders in ASES. Something I would like to add would be if these kids could go on field trips. I know that some students are a little young but I do believe that the kids that are eligible should be able to explore their town with their classmates and be able to make these core memories while they are still in elementary school. This will also help them know that a field trip is a reward, and they should be able to win it. Another thing that is going well is the respect the team leaders have for the kids. The team leaders are on top of their game to build a relationship with these kids. As an ambassador, I have built relationships with the students and they've built confidence with me in coming to me over any little thing such as them learning how to tie their shoes or how their day went. Overall, ASES has been going smoothly I am certain that these kids will remember there child hood when they are older.

-Cristal Vasquez, Luther Burbank HS



### FEEDBACK FROM K-8 AMBASSADOR MENTEES



Jessica Nguyen, Cristal Vasquez, Aiyanna Sandoval

What do you like about having an Ambassador (cross-age mentor)?
Aiyanna S.- "Happy"

Jessica N.- "It makes me happy and if feel so nice"

How has having an Ambassador helped you the most during after school?

Aiyanna S.-" you help me when I got hurt"

Jessica N.- "You have helped me a lot with my homework"

What would you like in the future for an Ambassador to provide you while in the ASES Program?

Aiyanna S.-" That you would come to my birthday party"

Jessica N. "Help me with my college homework"



Click the link below to watch videos of testimonials from Students from Albert Einsten MS After School Program



Black History Month is an annual celebration of achievements by African Americans and a time for recognizing their central role in U.S. history. Also known as African American History Month, the event grew out of "Negro History Week," the brainchild of noted historian Carter G. Woodson and other prominent African Americans. Since 1976, every U.S. president has officially designated the month of February as Black History Month. Other countries around the world, including Canada and the United Kingdom, also devote a month to celebrating Black history.

This month we want to offer you a digital library of videos dedicated to learning more about African American and Black History. In this library you'll find 27 different videos that can be used to build knowledge and teach others. Please feel free to share these videos with friends, family and teachers!

The following video library are part of the yearly Sankofa series developed by Dr. Malika Hollinside and her team at Delta Community College in Stockton, CA. The Sankofa series is a way to learn about and celebrate African African communities, culture and history. Click the links to explore the entire collection. Dr. Hollinside is a former SCUSD teacher, alumni of Sacramento State University and key note speaker for the SCUSD Girl Inspired Conference (look out for more info on this event in the future).



### SANKOFA VIDEO SERIES



## SHOW LOVE DURING VALENTINE'S DAY

First, let's be clear, you don't have to be in a romantic relationship to celebrate Valentine's Day. Undoubtedly the day has become synonymous with overpriced flowers, gifts, candy, dates and relationships but this year, we challenge you to think about this day differently. Let's celebrate the day by showing love through action. The list below has some ideas that anyone can use to show their acquaintances, friends or family some love during Valentine's day. Love is Love!

Send them a thoughtful book/movie/music recommendation

Make an effort to be present, non-distracted and attentive

Surprise them with a positive affirmation and mean it

Take the time to tell them what you've learned from them

Follow up on lost conversations and meaningful memories

Show up in difficult circumstances

Give the gift of time (your most precious commodity)

## YOUNG WOMEN IN STEM-

In honor of International Women in Science day on February IIth 2023, we would like to share the importance of getting young girls and women from our community involved in STEM fields. STEM stands for Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics. STEM college majors and professional fields are disproportionately over represented by men and we want to encourage young girls and women to fight for equity! In order to get there, we need inspiration and opportunity. Listed below are some local Sacramento opportunities to get involved in STEM.



Women Who Code Program at SCC



Girls Who Code Clubs in Sacramento





**UC Davis STEM 4 Girls Program** 



Mad Science SCUSD After Schooll



### FAMOUS AFRICAN AMERICAN WOMEN **IN STEM**



Rebecca Lee Crumpler (First African American Female to Earn an MD)

Mary Eliza Mahoney (First African American Graduate Nurse)

Sarah Boone (Patent Holder for Improved Ironing Board)

Lydia O. Newman (Inventor: Hairbrush with Detachable Brush and Bristles)

Madame C.J. Walker (Born: Sarah Breedlove Walker, Inventor: Straightening Comb and Cosmetics)

May Edward Chinn (First African American Female Intern in Harlem Hospital, Cancer Research)

Ruth Ella Moore (First African American Female PhD in Bacteriology)

Roger Arliner Young (First African American Female Zoologist, Marine Biologist)

Helen Octavia Dickens (First African American Female in the American College of Surgeons)

Dorothy Lavinia Brown (First African American Female Surgeon in the South)

Dorothy McClendon (Microbiology Research, US Army)

Mabel K. Staupers (Desegregation Nurse, US Army)

Jewel Plummer Cobb (PhD Cell Physiology, Melanin Research, Cancer

Treatment)

Bessie Blount (Patent Holder for Handicapped Feeding Device)

Jocelyn Elders (US Surgeon General)

Jane Cooke Wright (First African American Female to be Associate Dean of a

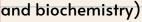
Medical School and President of the NY Cancer Society)

Alexa Canady (First African American in Neurosurgery)

Mae Carol Jemison (First African American admitted to the Astronaut Training Program)

Patricia Bath (Patent Holder for Laserphacoprobe for Cataracts)

Dale Emeagwali (NTA's Scientist of the Year in microbiology, molecular biology













## SCHOLARSHIPS FOR YOUNG WOMEN STUDYING STEM

The following list is for scholarships for young women who want to study STEM in college. Check out this list and help yourself or someone else to fund your college dreams in STEM!



## LOGIC MONITOR SCHOLARSHIPS COLLEGE MADE EASY STEM SCHOLARSHIPS

**SCHOLARSHIP INSTITUTE** 

**SCHOLARSHIPS FOR WOMEN IN STEM** 

PGE STEM SCHOLARSHIPS FOR GIRLS

**WORLD SCHOLARSHIP VAULT** 



FEBRUARY RECOGNITION

### LET'S CELEBRATE

Monthly Observances in February 2023





### FEBRUARY 2023 Holidays & Observances



Thursday February 2nd
Hedgehog Day



Tuesday February 7th
Periodic Table Day



Pizza Day



International Day of Women and Girls in Science



Monday February 13th Tortellini Day



Tuesday February 14<sup>th</sup> Valentine's Day



👺 🛮 Friday February 17th

Carnival of Brazil



Monday February 20<sup>th</sup>

么以 Love Your Pet Day



Monday February 20th
President's Day



 $\Delta$  Tuesday February 28 $^{th}$ Public Sleeping Day

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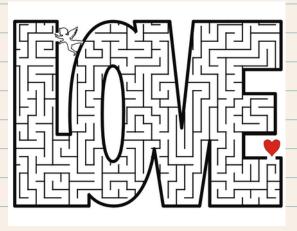
### **BRAIN BREAK**

### Valentine's Day Word Search

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valentine arrow cupid hearts love red fourteenth hugs chocolate pink

roses friend flowers sweetheart kisses



What did the farmer give his wife for Valentine's Day?



Hogs and kisses.

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