

The Purple Page



Lanier Middle School 2600 Woodhead St. Houston, TX 77098 (713) 942-1900 May 17, 2013

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 18 New Student Meet & Greet	9-11a
May 21 Spring Concert	6p
May 23 Lanier Dance Show @ Delmar	6:30p
May 27 Memorial Day No School	
May 31 GREAT 8 Dance	7-10p
Jun 3 Choir Field Trip	
Jun 4 Dance Field Trip	
Jun 5 Dave & Buster's 8 th Grade Trip	
Jun 6 8 th Grade Breakfast & Awards	
June 6 Last Day of School	

Rukmini Kalamangalam
Sabrina Koseki
Joseph Lipper
Caroline O'Connor
Allie Schechter
Lily Siegel
Laura Tan
Cierra Weathers

Kelly Kinsella
Ruth Ling
Alisa Lu
Peggy Polydoros
Pavan Shukla
Samantha Su
Rachel Tan

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

DON'T MISS LANIER DANCE'S SPRING SHOW

The 20th annual Lanier Dance Spring Show is Thursday, May 23, 6:30pm at the Delmar Stadium fieldhouse. Come out and support our amazing dance program! Tickets are \$10 each and can be purchased at the door or in advance in the dance room.

PURPLE PRAISE

PUPS GET DUKE TIP GRAND AND STATE RECOGNITION



On Saturday May 11, 2013 select Lanier 7th graders were invited to a recognition ceremony at Lamar University owing to their high scores in the SAT tests. The picture above shows proud pups: **Rukmini Kalamangalam** and **Quinn Bello** with their state and grand recognition medals outside the ceremony hall. **Keep them coming, Lanier!**

PUPS INDUCTED TO NJHS

Congratulations to the following students who were inducted into Lanier's chapter of National Junior Honor Society on May 9th. Hats off to them!

Graham Curtis
Sydney Moore
Nia Prince
Allison Taffett
Ryan Balloun
Isabel Goza
Nathaniel Hajovsky
Rachael Johnson

Jordan Hilder
Emily Myers
Erin Sheena
Arnold Villareal
Aaron Chan
Meagan Hefley
Nathaniel Jackson
Alexandra Kakadiaris

LMS ORCHESTRA'S SPRING CONCERT

Come hear the Spring Concert performed at Lanier on Tuesday, May 21st at 6p
Admission is **free** so bring your family!

HERNANDEZ SHINES LIGHT ON A "DARK" PROBLEM

A new "kickstart" fundraising project needs your help to enhance our renowned fine arts and debate programs! As an HISD Vanguard Magnet Middle School, Lanier has a reputation for providing outstanding academics, producing winners, and our fine arts departments have a growing list of national and local championship titles, awards and honors.

But one thing that hasn't kept pace with the honors is the lighting technology supporting the students. They strain to read their music on stage as 4 orchestras and a band use the auditorium as their classroom as well as a performance venue.

Theater Director Markos Hernandez recognizes that instruction and student effort can only go so far in nurturing and showcasing great art. Students also need to experience and operate up-to-date backstage technology to be completely knowledgeable and skilled in stage craft. Markos created this Kickstarter project "Because I wanted our Purple Pups to stop working in the dark and start feeling the bright lights of success."

Our project will only get funded if we reach 100% funding by May 30th, so we need your help to get the word out! Join Lanier's campaign and Tweet, Facebook,

e-mail, and text everyone who can help save Lanier's 87th performance season.

Visit www.kickstarter.com or click on this link:

<http://www.kickstarter.com/projects/1994536873/rescue-laniers-87th-season-and-let-our-artists-shi>

and get all the information on our project, and on how Kickstarter works.

As Mr. Hernandez puts it, "Lanier students deserve to work in a performance facility that can help them grow, be safe, and educate them for the next level of education." So why not pledge and be a part of the legacy?

ALGEBRA 1 SUMMER CAMP

To all 6th, 7th and 8th grade students thinking on taking Algebra 1 next year-- Lanier will be conducting two different Algebra Summer Camps this summer. **The first Summer Algebra Camp will be offered on 29 July to 1 August and the second Summer Algebra Camp will be offered on 5 August to 8 August 2013.**

Lanier's Summer Algebra camp is filling up fast. The 5-8 August morning session is full and only a few more spots remaining in the 5-8 August afternoon session. **Please check my website:** <http://www.freewebs.com/lms-wisniewski/> **for dates and times still available prior to filling out the registration form.**

Remember there is limited space is available for morning or afternoon sessions. The cost is only \$125 for one week, all 4 days, of the 8:30-11:30 A.M. morning sessions or \$125 for one week, all 4 days, of the 12:30-3:30 P.M. afternoon sessions or \$200 for one week, all 4 days, of both morning and afternoon sessions. Financial assistance is available. Please contact Mr. Wisniewski at bwisniew@houstonisd.org or ski.boyd@gmail.com for application forms or you can download them at: <http://www.freewebs.com/lms-wisniewski/>

"YOUR VOICE" COUNTS!

The Houston Independent School District has commissioned a confidential, third-party, district wide survey of students, parents, teachers, campus administrators, and community members to gather information on how we've progressed toward district goals, to better understand the needs of our school, and to foster a culture of community engagement that will help guide future initiatives.

The *Your Voice* survey will be conducted **May 1-20, 2013** for parents, teachers, campus administrators and community members. Student surveys will start **May 20 and end on May 31, 2013**. Parents and students will have the option of completing the survey online or on paper.

For more information on the Your Voice survey, go to www.houstonisd.org/YourVoice.

- All submissions are due by **5:00pm on TUESDAY**, but **EARLIER is BETTER!!** Later submissions must have principal approval.
- If your submission needs to be translated, it must be submitted **by Tuesday 9:00am**.

Please create a Word Document (Font: Arial, size 10) for all submissions as an attachment to your email.

All information contained in the Purple Page is correct as of 9pm, May 16, 2013, and has been printed with the approval of Linda Smith, Lanier Principal.

IB CORNER

IB WORD OF THE WEEK

Week 36: Reflection - 3. A fixing of the thoughts on something; careful consideration.

4. A thought occurring in consideration or meditation.
<http://dictionary.reference.com/browse/reflection>

NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES FOR THE PURPLE PAGE

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- Submit your article to purplepageeditor@gmail.com.
- **All articles are subject to approval by Ms. Smith.**