

# The Purple Page



Lanier Middle School 2600 Woodhead St. Houston, TX 77098 (713) 942-1900 May 24, 2013

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**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<sup>th</sup> Grade Trip**  
**Jun 6 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Breakfast & Awards**  
**June 6 Last Day of School**

## GREAT 8

### CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS: TWO OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE!

We need volunteer help with the dance setup for Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup>. Set up starts at 2pm in the cafeteria. We will need help before the dance, during the dance and after the dance. Please let us know if you can help any time **Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup>**.

Volunteers will also be needed for the Breakfast for the 8<sup>th</sup> graders that will be held Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup>. We will be in the cafeteria setting up and serving breakfast for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. Please let us know if you can help the morning of **Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup>**.

Your GREAT 8 team thanks you! Maryann Mueller, Mary Beth Yard and Kristin Helfand  
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### HEADED TO BELLAIRE IN THE FALL?

Lanier Students attending Bellaire High School next fall are invited to attend **BHS Ninth Grade Cardinal Orientation the week of August 12<sup>th</sup> 2013...** two specific dates will be determined later this month and will be posted at [Bellaire.org](http://Bellaire.org) or call the campus at 713-295-3701 for more details.

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 2013-2014 NJHS APPLICATION DEADLINES MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

The National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) of Lanier Middle School is an honor organization whose purpose is to recognize students who excel in academics as well as leadership, citizenship, service, and character. This organization is open to all 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students who maintain a grade point average of 3.7 or above, an E average in conduct, and have evidence of participation in community service projects outside of Lanier. Applications will be accepted for review by the NJHS

committee in the Fall for 8<sup>th</sup> graders and the Spring for 7<sup>th</sup> graders.

\*All incoming 8<sup>th</sup> grade students interested in joining NJHS will need to turn in their completed applications by September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

\*All incoming 7<sup>th</sup> grade students interested in joining NJHS will need to turn in their completed applications by January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014

\*Applications will be available starting June 7<sup>th</sup> on the NJHS website. <http://www.laniernjhs.weebly.com/>  
If you have any questions please contact Ms. Keenan via e-mail, [kkeenana@houstonisd.org](mailto:kkeenana@houstonisd.org)

### WE'RE SO CLOSE!!!

The Kickstarter Project, our fundraising effort to replace stage lighting in the auditorium, is nearing its end! But our goal is within reach!

Theater Director Markos Hernandez 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 30<sup>th</sup>**, 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 87<sup>th</sup> performance season.

Visit [www.kickstarter.com](http://www.kickstarter.com) or click on this link:

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

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?

### COUNT DOWN TO SUMMER READING!



Lanier Purple Pups are being challenged to read at least five books within their Lexile range during the summer break in an effort to prevent summer reading loss.

Lanier literacy teachers will distribute the Millionaire Club certificates (shown above) to students before the last day of school. Students need to record the titles on the back of the Millionaire Club certificate or a piece of notebook paper, and bring **the completed and signed certificate** back when they return to school in August.

**Each student who completes the  
summer reading program and  
brings back his/her form in the fall  
will receive a  
**FREE DRESS PASS!****

### **ALGEBRA 1 SUMMER CAMP**

To all 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students thinking of 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](mailto:bwisniew@houstonisd.org) or [ski.boyd@gmail.com](mailto:ski.boyd@gmail.com) for application forms or you can download them at: <http://www.freewebs.com/lms-wisniewski/>

### **UNIFORM DONATIONS APPRECIATED**

The Lanier Uniform Store needs donations of gently used uniform clothing, especially larger sizes, but all sizes are appreciated. Donations can be left in Office A. Questions regarding donations can be sent to Rebecca Shukla at [ranneshukla@gmail.com](mailto:ranneshukla@gmail.com).

## **IB CORNER**

### **IB WORD OF THE WEEK**

**Week 37: Intensity** - great energy, strength, concentration, vehemence, etc., as of activity, thought, or feeling

<http://dictionary.reference.com/browse/intensity>

## **NOTES FROM THE EDITOR**

### **SUBMISSION GUIDELINES FOR THE PURPLE PAGE**

Please follow the guidelines below for any submission to the Purple Page:

- Submit your article to [purplepageeditor@gmail.com](mailto:purplepageeditor@gmail.com).
- **All articles are subject to approval by Ms. Smith.**
- 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 23, 2013, and has been printed with the approval of Linda Smith, Lanier Principal.

## **PURPLE PRAISE**

### **AND ON THAT NOTE...**

The following Orchestra students were recognized at the Spring Concert and presented with medals for their demonstrated qualities in the following areas:

#### **Outstanding Citizenship**

Guadalupe Rosales  
Bowen Song

#### **Outstanding Improvement**

Ewan Curtis  
Aishwarya Kotha  
Kaylie O'Connell  
Yaresli Beccera

#### **Outstanding Achievement**

Nia Prince  
Maddie Nguyen  
Nicholas Abraham  
George Tang  
Nicholas Gonzalez  
Marisa Tiscareno  
Elyzia Mustafa

Nice going, Pups!