

The Purple Page



Lanier Middle School 2600 Woodhead St. Houston, TX 77098 (713) 942-1900 October 2, 2009

UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct 2	Millionaire Book Club Party	Lunchtime!
Oct 3	HISD Central Region Parents of Students with Disabilities Workshop	
	Rice School, 7550 Seuss	9-12a
Oct 5	IB/Gradespeed Workshop*	6:00
Oct 8	IB/Gradespeed Workshop*	2:00
Oct 12	HISD Region Back to School Bash	
	Lamar H.S.	5-7p
Oct 15	IB/Gradespeed Workshop*	6:00
Oct 19	Grand Reopening of Lanier Athletic Field	4:00
Oct 22	SDMC Meeting	3:30

7378 or helpdesk@houstonisd.org. Help Desk hours of operation are 7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. This new tool is a wonderful way for parents to keep connected to their children's progress. I highly encourage each parent to take the few minutes it requires to register on line.

El "Parent Student Connect" o Conexión Padres - Estudiantes (PSC) , ya está funcionando. El "Parent Student Connect" le permite es el acceso en línea a las calificaciones diarias, tareas, reportes del progreso de los estudiantes y mucho más. También pueden tener acceso a las boletas de calificaciones y resultados de TAKS de años anteriores. Yo misma hice el proceso de registro y comprobé que es relativamente fácil. Usted deberá tener alguna información antes de comenzar el proceso de registro:

- número de identificación de estudiante en HISD
- fecha de nacimiento
- últimos 5 dígitos del número de seguridad social de su hijo, si usted lo incluyó en la tarjeta de inscripción; si no lo hizo, usted necesita llamar a la escuela y solicitar el número PEIMS de su hijo.

Asegúrese de que la información que está proporcionando es exactamente la misma que se encuentra en el archivo de la escuela.

Si se le dificulta, puede ponerse en contacto con la línea de asistencia de HISD al 713-892-7378 o helpdesk@houstonisd.org. El horario de asistencia es de 7: 00 a.m. – 5: 00 p.m., de lunes a viernes. Esta nueva herramienta es una buena manera para que los padres puedan estar conectados al progreso de su hijo. Le recomiendo mucho a cada uno de los padres que se tomen unos minutos y se registren en línea.

Linda Smith
Lanier Principal/Directora

PURPLE PAGE HIGHLIGHTS

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PRINCIPAL'S PARAGRAPH

Parent Student Connect (PSC) is up and running!! The Parent Student Connect is online access to daily grades, assignments, progress reports, and much more. You can also view report cards and TAKS results from previous years. I went through the registration process myself and found that it was relatively easy. You must have some information before you begin the registration process:

- Student ID number (HISD)
- Student date of birth
- Last 5 digits of your child's social security number if you included this on the enrollment card; if not you will need to call the school for your child's PEIMS number.

Be sure that the information you are entering is the exact same data that is on file with the school. If you still have difficulty you can contact the HISD Help Desk: 713-892-

OFFICER WARREN'S WINDOW

Smile!

No this is not Candid Camera, but the Lanier Middle School camera surveillance system. The system was installed over the summer with monies from the bond program. There are more than seventy (70) cameras on the Lanier campus.

So remember students, there are more eyes than ever watching you! (10/2)

A MESSAGE FROM HISD

FOODS OF MINIMUM NUTRITIONAL VALUE

The State of Texas' nutritional policy has changed to further limit students' access to Foods of Minimum Nutritional Value, FMNV. As of August 1, 2009, all HISD campuses must comply with the following restrictions:

- Schools may not serve or provide access for students to FMNV or any other forms of candy at any time anywhere on the school premises until the end of the last scheduled class. Foods and beverages that qualify as FMNV may not be sold or given away to students by teachers, students, parents, parent groups, student groups, or any other person.

What does this mean? We can not celebrate birthdays or any other special event with cupcakes, candy, gum, sodas, and certain candies that qualify as FMNV during the school day. The school is allowed 3 days in which school-wide these restricted foods would be allowed. Violations of these restrictions may result in the imposition of financial penalties on schools by the Texas Department of Agriculture. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter. (10/2)

ALIMENTOS CON VALOR NUTRICIONAL MINIMO (FMNV)

La política nutricional del estado de Texas ha cambiado para limitar aún más el acceso de los estudiantes a alimentos con valor nutricional mínimo, FMNV. A partir del 1º de agosto del 2009, todos los campus HISD deben cumplir con las siguientes restricciones:

Las escuelas no pueden servir o proporcionar a los estudiantes acceso a alimentos de poco valor nutricional (FMNV) o cualquier otra forma de dulces en ningún momento mientras se encuentren en la escuela y hasta el final de la última clase programada. Está prohibido que los maestros, estudiantes, padres u otros grupos o personas, le vendan o regalen a los estudiantes, alimentos y bebidas que se consideren FMNV. ¿Qué significa esto? No podemos celebrar cumpleaños o cualquier otro evento especial con pastelillos, dulces, goma de mascar, refrescos y ciertos caramelos que pueden considerarse FMNV durante el día escolar. La escuela tendrá permitidos 3 días determinados en los que se permitirán estos alimentos. La violación de estas restricciones puede resultar en la imposición de sanciones financieras a las escuelas por parte del Departamento de Agricultura de Texas. Agradeceremos su colaboración en este asunto.

PRAISE FOR PUPS!

LANIER DEBATE TEAM SHINES!

This past weekend the Lanier Speech and Debate team competed in the 10th Annual Bellaire Novice Extravaganza. Competing against 14 other high schools, Lanier captured top honors in all the events.

In extemporaneous speaking

Abby Govindan – 4th
John Peavy – 3rd
Adem Sengal – 2nd
Ahmed Abdelhamid – 1st

In Student Congress

Peter Power – 2nd
Dylan Dickens – 2nd
Cari Bonilla – 1st
Jinah Kim – 1st

In LD debate...

9th – Andres Covarrubias
6th – Ahmed Abdelhamid
4th – Connor Burwell
2nd – Sergio Infante

In PF debate

8th – Sophia Arena and Simone Delacey
7th – Adem Sengal and Kieran Vanderslice
3rd – Abby Diaz and Katherine Farmer
1st – Evan Grimes and Kerby Huffman

In CX debate

1st – Justin Lau and Gregory Ross

Thanks to Mrs. Azagury for keeping the team fed and hydrated and for Mr. Giroir for his moral support. The team will return to Bellaire in October for their 55th Annual Forensics Tournament.

IB CORNER

IB THEME OF THE WEEK:

Areas of Interaction: Environments

Through the lens of Environments, students will explore how they can control the classroom environment around themselves and their uniqueness.

Guiding Question(s)

1. How do I become a better friend/listener?
2. What are the ways to solve the problems in my life?

LANIER LINES

CLUB INFO FOR PARENTS AND STUDENTS

MILLIONAIRE CLUB CELEBRATION PARTY!

All millionaire club participants, please join us for a pizza & popsicle party in The Hutch outside patio area during your lunch on Friday, October 2nd. **You will need to bring your own drink.** You should be receiving an invitation during GSG which will serve as your entry ticket to the party. Millionaire Club t-shirts can also be worn to school on Friday, October 2nd. For more information, contact Mrs. Keating Smith in 118B, or at mkeatin2@houstonisd.org.

LANIER CELEBRATES INTERNATIONALISM

On February 26th, Lanier will be host to various cultural groups. Our students, faculty, and parents will have a chance to view some of the different cultures that

comprise this community. There will be music, dancing, poetry readings, and art displays.

If you would like to take part in this event, please plan on attending the informational meeting on **Wednesday October 7th starting at 7:15am in the Gym**. Don't miss out on showing off your culture and talents to your community. Please see Coach Sifuentes if you have any questions.

In order to celebrate Lanier's International culture, we will have designated "Lanier Internationalism Days". On these days students will be able to wear special t-shirts to display the rich and varied culture at Lanier. These shirts will be available for purchase during each lunch period. If the shirt you want is not available, you can pick-up an order form for a special order shirt, fill it out, and hand it to Coach Sifuentes, Coach Cabell, or Coach Kunz and they will contact you. T-shirts that are in-stock will be \$15, special order or special sizes will be extra. The "Lanier Internationalism Days" are: Oct. 30th, Nov. 20th, Dec. 18th, Jan 15th, February 26th, March 12th, April 23rd and May 22nd.

HISTORY FAIR

If you enjoy history, facing challenges, and a little bit of competition, then come by room 346 on **Monday October 5** when we will begin discussing this year's theme for the National History Day contest. Each year, National History Day uses a theme as a lens through which students can examine history. The theme for 2010 is *Innovation in History: Impact and Change*. The theme is broad enough so students can select from any place (local, national, or world history) and any time period. Once students choose their topics, they will use primary and secondary sources to conduct research. Students will choose how to present their analysis, interpretations, and conclusions through an original paper, exhibit, performance, website, or documentary. Meetings will occur on Mondays until the Regional History Day contest in early January. If you have any questions and you are not able to meet on 10/5/09, then please email Mrs. Valero at jvalero1@houstonisd.org.

YYC/SSP

The Yes You Can/Si Se Puede club is looking for sponsors or donors to help provide a vehicle for this year's project. The vehicle just needs to have wheels to participate. It does not need to be a car. It can be a golf cart, motorcycle, bicycle, etc... Please contact Coach Sifuentes if you are willing to donate or lend your assistance in this project. 713-942-1900.

LITERACY FESTIVAL AND BOOK FAIR COMING SOON!!

The Literacy Festival and Book Fair will run **November 9-13**. There will be two evening events - Tuesday Nov 10 and Thursday Nov 12. Please stay tuned for more info!!!

Don't forget to turn in your **READING - The PLACES It Takes You** survey. Please drop it into the Literacy

Festival boxes or give them to your literacy teacher by October 2nd. You will be entered to win a gift card to a local book store!!!!!!!

Book Fair vouchers are on sale now online through the PTO website!!!!!!!

Parents - If you would like to volunteer during the week of the Literacy Festival please contact Catherine Wintz at cdwintz@gmail.com or Betsy Furler at bfurler@sbcglobal.net.

MAGNET WEEK NEEDS YOU!

Students interested in volunteering during Magnet Week, please check out the announcement in the Volunteer Section!

EUROPE—JUNE 2011

Mrs. Millican and Mrs. Ratcliff have planned their biannual summer Europe trip for June of 2011 and would love for you to join them. This will be their third time to travel with students together. In addition, Mrs. Ratcliff took two previous Europe trips with students as well as chaperoned multiple trips within the United States.

This trip is an eleven day adventure to Munich, Berlin, Prague, and Vienna. Don't worry if you don't speak the language(s) as most Europeans speak English, and we will have a guide with us as well. For more information on the trip, please get all of the details at <http://www.explorica.com/Ratcliff-211>.

Mrs. Ratcliff is the 7B math teacher and math department chairwoman. This is her 11th year of teaching, 9 of which have been at Lanier. Mrs. Millican came to Lanier at the start of her second career 5 years ago. She is the 7B science teacher and cluster leader. Please contact either of them (rratclif@houstonisd.org or cmillica@houstonisd.org) if you have additional questions.

PURPLE PUP SPORTS BOX

FOOTBALL

Oct 5	7 th Lanier v Holland**	5:00
Oct 7	8 th Lanier v Revere	7:00

*Delmar Stadium

VOLLEYBALL

Oct 2-3	7 th Pershing/Rice Tournament	TBA
Oct 5	Lanier v Pin Oak*	5:00

CROSS COUNTRY

Oct 3	HISD Invitational	8:30a
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**Butler Stadium

PUP POWER PRODUCES PLAYING FIELD!

We did it! The countless hours of designing, fundraising, coaxing and cajoling have led to the realization of our long awaited Lanier Athletic Field renovation. Our undying thanks goes to all the Purple Pup parents,

business owners, and alumni who so generously gave and gave and gave so that our dream of a beautifully lush playing field could come true. Over the summer, the contractor stripped the old grass, evened out the depressions, filled in the dirt spots, eradicated the ant piles and weeds, installed a new irrigation system, and laid down new TIF #419 sod.

Additionally, we will be installing a new Lanier scoreboard just in time to highlight what is sure to be a winning 7th grade Purple Pup football game on October 19th. We will be having a brief Donor Appreciation event before the game on the 19th at 4:00 p.m. with performances by the band, cheerleaders, and dance team. Look for more details in the upcoming editions of the Purple Page.

We would like to especially thank the following families for pitching in to make our needs your cause. We hope you will take pleasure in knowing that 1300 kids will enjoy the benefit of your gift each and every day!

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**GIRLS' CROSSCOUNTRY
 SECOND MEET A STUNNING SUCCESS!**

Running in their second meet of the season at the Houston Christian Invitational, the Lanier Girls Cross Country looked awesome placing 2nd in the 8th grade race behind the Awty School, and placing 3rd in the 7th grade race behind ROB and AOS. With over 35 middle schools competing and over 100 runners in each division, the competition was steep, but the Lanier team was up for the challenge. Finishers in the 8th grade race were, Abby Patchett-4th, Fiona Fahey-11th, Katie Black-12th, Gabi Alatorre-23rd, Molly Oretsky-24th, Audrey Schmitt-32nd, Claudia Pacheco-46th, Nikki Foreman-52nd, Michelle Heinrich-58th, Erica Montelongo-62nd, Ana Ramirez-86th, Sinead Bascon-99th, Victoria Lawal-100th, and Tara Laamoumi-107th. The 7th grade finishers include Blake Sandeen-13th, Lizzy Gray-15th, Lily Gross-30th, Hailey Cassidy-49th, and Kellie Dinh-62nd.

**BOYS' 8TH GRADE CC CAPTURE TEAM
 CHAMPIONSHIP!**

This past Saturday, the Lanier Boys Cross Country team competed in the Houston Christian High School Cross Country Meet at Houston Christian High School.

The Lanier 8th grade boys won the team championship in the 8th grade division. The 8th grade boys had 5 medalists: Louis Thomas (5th), Alex Riley (7th), Sam Spence (15th), Ryan Taylor (16th), and Patrick Linton (19th). Other top performers were: Elliot Gross (23rd), Zach Oretsky (46th), Joe Gordon (55th), Timot Kellermayer (58th), Won Chung (60th) and Bradley Edrington (65th). Danny Foelber (76th), Andrew Ling (79th), Jack Chadbourne (85th), Jack McInerny (91st), Kevin Gwen (93rd), Michael Newton (94th), Kieran Vanderslice (106th), Gregory Ross (110th), Walter Pugil

(112rd), Josh Hernandez (115th) Wesley Medina (118th), and Aaron Neskari (136th).

**BOYS' 7TH GRADE CC SPRINTS TO SECOND
 PLACE!**

The Lanier 7th grade boys finished 2nd in the 7th grade division. The 7th grade boys had 4 medalists: Juan Vides (16th), Jesse Folk (17th), Dylan Berens (18th), and Alex Chan (19th). Other top performers were: Luke Shoebottom (32nd), Patrick Willis (44th), Alfred Cervantes (47th), Matt Hwang (57th), Neil Luo (56th), Tim Hajovsky (57th), Connor Burwell (67th), Carlo Caflich (73rd), Liam Shaw (87th), Griffin Perkins (92nd), Scoop Oldrin (102nd), Sebastian Valero (106th), and James Guo (113th). Shiv Patel (137th), Zean Liao (138th), Nirmal Patel (141st), and Nathan Weldon (150th).

BOYS' BASKETBALL TRYOUTS

It's almost time again for another exciting season of basketball. The tryouts for boys' basketball will be on **October 27th and 28th** for the 7th grade team.

The 8th grade team will have tryouts on **October 29th and 30th**. All paperwork is due the day before tryouts begin. Late paperwork will affect participation at tryouts. Please see Coach Sifuentes or Coach Kunz if you have any questions.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL TRYOUTS

Tryouts will be **October 20-23**. Any 7th or 8th grade girl interested must have paperwork in to Coach Cabell as soon as possible. Contact Coach Cabell at acabell@houstonisd.org. More specific information about tryouts to come!

SWIM TEAM TRYOUTS

8 th grade girls	Tuesday, October 20	3:35-5:15
7 th grade girls	Tuesday, October 27	3:35-5:15
8 th grade boys	Monday, Nov. 2	3:35-5:15
7 th grade boys	Monday, Nov.2	3:34-5:15

PTO ANNOUNCEMENTS

A FESTIVE FIESTA THANK YOU!

Thank you to all who attended the Parent/ Staff Fiesta at the Cadillac Bar and supported the PTO. More news on the Mini-Auction and teacher door prize winners next week!

CTE NEEDS YOU!!!

Have you visited the PTO's great new on-line store at www.lanierpto.org? If not, do it today!! The Commitment to Excellence (CTE) campaign is in full swing, but we still haven't heard from many of you. Remember, every donation you make to CTE goes directly to help Lanier students and teachers in the classrooms. Your donation will be recognized in the Purple Page, and all donations over \$250 will be recognized in the Student Directory, if made before

September 25, 2009. SO, take five minutes, go on-line and support Lanier! For questions or comments, please contact CTE co-chairs, Melissa Padden at melissa.padden@gmail.com or Carleta Sandeen at carletas@aol.com. Your support makes a difference, so commit to Lanier Middle School, and commit to excellence!

CTE TE NECESITA !!

¿Ha visitado la nueva tienda en línea del PTO en www.lanierpto.org? Si no, hágalo hoy mismo!! La campaña del Compromiso con la Excelencia (CTE) está en plena marcha pero todavía no hemos oído de muchos de ustedes. Recuerde que cada donación que haga al CTE ayudará directamente a los estudiantes y profesores de Lanier en los salones de clase. Su donación será reconocida en la Página Morada y todas las donaciones de más de \$ 250 serán reconocidas en el Directorio Estudiantil, siempre y cuando sean hechas antes del 25 de septiembre del 2009. Así que, tómese cinco minutos, vaya en línea y apoye a Lanier! Para preguntas o comentarios, póngase en contacto con las copresidentes del CTE, Melissa Padden a melissa.padden@gmail.com o Carleta Sandeen a carletas@aol.com. Su apoyo hace la diferencia, así que comprométase con Lanier y comprométase a la excelencia!

EAT PIZZA—EARN MONEY FOR LANIER PTO!

In addition to getting your Kroger and Randall's grocery cards linked to Lanier, now you can help raise money by eating pizza! If you visit Gugliani's (formerly Collinas) in Rice Village or in Meyerland on the **FIRST WEDNESDAY** of every month, 10 percent of your bill will be rebated back to Lanier. All you have to do is tell your server you are from Lanier! This promotion begins Oct. 7.

DO YOU HAVE A PTO QUESTION?

Simply go to www.lanierpto.org and click on the "Contact Us" button on the bottom left of the page or email asklanierpto@gmail.com.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank You to the MANY Volunteers Who Helped Process Orders for The Cherrydale Fundraiser!

Processing orders for the Cherrydale Fundraiser is a huge task that Ms. Arledge and other faculty at Lanier undertake each year. As with any monumental undertaking at a public school, it requires many volunteers. A **HUGE THANKS** goes out to the following folks who graciously volunteered their time to help with processing these Cherrydale orders: **Mary Julia Macune, Alice Wu, Catherine Wintz, Pamela Laflin, Karen St. Denis, Michelle Black, Carleta Sandeen, Sheri Brudner, Natalie Baker, Pascale Sharpe, Kelley Gilmer, Laurie Geston, Jennifer St.Clair, Janet Jong, Kathryn Motard, Kristin Helfand, and Bria Duncan.** Watch your Purple Page for new opportunities to volunteer as a chaperone for the events held in conjunction with the Cherrydale Fundraiser SOON!!!

-Shannon Allen
Cherrydale Fundraiser Coordinator

PARENT DYSLEXIA AWARENESS DAY

In celebration of National Dyslexia Awareness Month, parents & teachers are invited to attend HISD's Parent Dyslexia Awareness Day.

Theme: "Parents Are Our Partners" -- Creating a College-Bound Culture Together

Hosted by: Dyslexia Program Support Services, Office of Special Populations

Date & Time: October 10, 2009, 8:30 AM - 2:00PM

Location: Hattie Mae White Education Service Center
4400 W. 18th Street, Houston, Texas 77092

Presenters:

Brenda Taylor, State Dyslexia Consultant

James 'Jim' Carter, President, Houston IDA

A. Nell Williams, Dyslexia Program Support Services

For more information contact the Office of Special Population, s A. Nell Williams, Dyslexia Program Support Services at 713-556-6906.

GRADE SPEED/ IB OVERVIEW WORKSHOPS NEXT WEEK!

GradeSpeed Workshops will be held October 5 at 6:00, October 8 at 2:00 and October 15 at 6:00 on the library on the 3rd floor.

GradeSpeed is the gradebook software that HISD will begin using districtwide in the 2009–2010 school year.

GradeSpeed is a grading system that was introduced in 1989 by Campusware, a company that supports schools and districts around the country. Built on Microsoft's .NET framework, GradeSpeed is used in more than 450 school districts in Texas, including those in Dallas and Austin. Chicago Public Schools implemented it this school year. The software is also used by the Department of Defense Educational Activity.

GradeSpeed will give students and parents access to daily grades, daily attendance, and homework assignments and can notify parents via e-mails or text messages when their child is absent or his or her grades drop below a specific level.

Trustee Dianne Johnson noted that, with gradebooks accessible online and parents alerted when their children don't turn in homework or aren't in school, "I don't think students and parents realize how much their lives will change. The sky's the limit on really changing things with this."

For more information on GradeSpeed, go to www.houstonisd.org, and click on the Parent Student Connection link. There is a PowerPoint orientation you can watch.

YEARBOOK ORDERS

Parents,

Yearbook Order Forms were handed out in GSG on Thursday or Friday. You can use these forms to order your child's Yearbook if you want to pay by check or

cash. However, if you would rather order online you can do that by going to:

www.jostensyearbooks.com

Special pricing is going on until December 31st. If you order your Yearbook by December 31st you will only pay \$35.00. The price goes up on January 1, 2010. Beat the price increase, order before January 1st and save some money. (10/2)

8th GRADE DEDICATIONS

If you are the parent of an 8th grader you have a special way to show how proud you are of them and their accomplishments. Have a Dedication Ad placed in the Yearbook in honor of your 8th grade child. We have a limited amount of space set aside for Dedication Ads and have completely filled that space each year for the past four years. Forms were sent home a couple of weeks ago with information regarding the Dedication Ads. These are completed and ordered online. Ad sizes run from 1/8, 1/4, 1/2, to full page ads. They are completed on a first come first served basis. Once we sell out, more ads cannot be placed in the Yearbook. Go to the following website:

www.JostensAdService.com

There you will pick out the size of the ad you want, pick your layout, type in your own thoughts to be added and download your pictures. Once you are satisfied with the look of your ad you will pay online using your credit card. You will receive an electronic receipt confirming your order. The deadline for ordering Dedication Ads is January 22, 2010 or until we sell out. Be sure and get your order in for you child's Dedication Ad before we sell out. (10/2)

Gary Keese
Yearbook Advisor

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.
- **All articles are subject to approval by Ms. Smith.**
- All submissions are due by **5:00 on TUESDAY** (Yes, this is a new deadline!), but **EARLIER is BETTER!!** Later submissions must have principal approval.
- If your submission needs to be translated, It must be submitted **Tuesday**.
- Please create a Word Document for all submissions.

UNIFORM STORE HOURS

Room 130

Mondays	7:30-8:30 a.m.
Thursdays	11:45-1:45 p.m.
Lunes	7: 30-8:30 a.m.
Jueves	11: 45-1:45 p.m.

SNACK SHACK
Room 130—Every day after school!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

PURPLE PAGE EDITOR NEEDED ASAP!!!

Do you like to write and compose? Do you want to know firsthand what's going on at your child's school? Would you like to volunteer at Lanier, but feel you don't have time for daytime meetings at school? If you answered yes to these questions, then you might want to learn more about being the Purple Page editor!

Lanier's current Purple Page editor, Lee Ann Grimes, has been offered a terrific opportunity that goes hand in hand with her area of study and her master's thesis. And while Lee Ann is disappointed to leave her editorship behind, she is excited about her new position with IRRE.

We are looking for a person who loves to write and is a stickler about the English language to gather and edit articles for the Purple Page. Please contact Dee Dee Guzman at dguzman@gwps.biz for more information.

MAGNET WEEK

Magnet Week is **November 16th – 20th** at 1:00 p.m. each day. Volunteers are needed to help lead the tours. Short training sessions are available October 27th – 29th at 8:15 a.m. For more information, please contact Sheri Brudner at sheribrudner1@gmail.com or (832) 722-6282.

Also needed are **6th, 7th and 8th graders** from Poe, West University, River Oaks, and St. George Elementary Schools who are interested in sharing their excitement about Lanier M.S. with current students of their former elementary schools. Students please contact Brenda Pedersen at BPederse@houstonisd.org or stop by her office.

LOOKING FOR A WAY TO HELP LANIER? VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!

- To co-chair VIPS with Mary Julia Macune
- To help with Lanier Gear
- To chair Arts Lanier a la Carte in May
- To chair the 6th Grade Meet and Greet May 1

For more information, please contact Mary Julia Macune at MJMacune@yahoo.com.

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