

Oakland Unified School District

Office of the Board of Education

Student Directors' Report

September 22, 2010

ACC Middle School:

The ACC Middle School Student Leadership Retreat took place on September 21st, in Hunter Hall, from 9am to 2pm. The ACC Governing Board led workshops ACC's Mission and Vision, Introduction to Leadership, and Democratic Representation via Issue Identification Projects. Middle School delegates submitted the following Back to School Reports.

ACC Middle School Announcement:

The next ACC Middle School meeting will take place on October 19th, from 9am to noon, at the Family and Community Office.

ACC High School:

Our first ACC High School General Meeting and Orientation for Delegates took place on September 16th, at Hunter Hall, from 12pm to 3pm. Fifty two students attended from eight schools: Oakland Tech, Rudsdale, Oakland High, MetWest, Street Academy, Mandela, Life Academy, and Skyline. Student leaders from community based organizations also attended: Oakland Kids First, BayPEACE, AIWA, and EBAYC. Students gained knowledge and background on ACC structure, mission, vision, and campaigns. We were successful identifying this year's active delegates that will carry forward ACC campaign projects at their school sites. We also completed the process for nominations for ACC Treasurer and the 2nd Student Director. We will have elections for these positions at our next meeting. Student Delegates submitted the following Back to School Report for their site:

- **Oakland High:** Students are very happy with repairs in the bathrooms, repainted lockers and doors, and overall aesthetic improvements in the cafeteria, theatre, and floors. They are looking forward to their Club Fair, Class Meetings, and Delegate Assembly. Students want to address the following concerns, that they believe are due to budget cuts: less time allowed for student club activities, uncertainty of Cyber High access for all students, Cantonese language class being cut, classes being over packed, AP classes being filled and not accepting more students, new rule with class schedules where students can only take 6 not 7 classes, and music programs being cut. Students who need to take more classes to graduate cannot take classes because there is no room. Student leaders plan to meet with School Site Council to see if they can help address these concerns.
- **Skyline:** Students are celebrating better teachers in their new academy structure, seminar period, and their freshman house and sophomore academies. They are looking forward to Homecoming, Winter Ball, Blood Drive, Titanpalooza, and their computer/electronic recycling drive. They have concerns with scheduling issues again this year, and with counselors not being available for all students to fix their schedules. They have concerns

with how budget cuts are affecting their site with textbook shortages and less school activities.

- **MetWest**: Students said they needed help with the following problems: bathroom stalls not working, geometry books were stolen so some students need this book for class, and how to get science and history classes. They are wondering if the budget cuts are to blame for this issue. They also want to work on getting a cafeteria or better food delivered for lunch.
- **Oakland Tech**: Students are celebrating more AP and Honors classes, more student involvement, and more diversity. They are looking forward to Club Day, and Homecoming. They would like to work on improving bathrooms, lunch food, and getting more lockers. They also believe budget cuts are affecting them because they have over crowded classes, not enough books, less teachers (teachers who left have not been replaced), and have one less security guard. They would like to work with ACC to build a website that allows us to communicate school site issues and be able to resolve them online or at least help us fix issues faster.

Our next All City Council High School Meeting will take place Oct. 21st at Oakland Tech, from 1pm to 3pm.