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Board Cover Memorandum

To Measure G1 Districtwide Teacher Retention and Middle School Improvement Act

Oversight Commission

From Middle School Network

Meeting Date April 9, 2024

Subject Ascend Elementary (K-8) 2024-25 Measure G1 Application

Ask of the Commission

Approve the Ascend Elementary (K-8) 2024-25 Measure G1 Application

Discussion Middle School Network is open to questions from the commission regarding the

Ascend Elementary (K-8) 2024-25 Measure G1 Application.

Fiscal Impact The recommended amount is **\$86,780**. It's coming from resource 9332 - Measure

G1.

Attachment(s) Grant application attached.



2024-2025 Measure G1 Application

Due: March 14, 2024

Allocations are provisional subject to Board approval

School Information & Student Data

School	Ascend Academy	School Address	3709 E 12th Street Oakland, CA 94601
Contact	Shraddha Soparawala	Contact Email	ssoparawala@efcps.net
Principal	Shraddha Soparawala	Principal Email	ssoparawala@efcps.net
School Phone	510-879-3140	Total Number of Students	485
Recommended Grant Amount ¹	<mark>\$86,780</mark>	2022-23 CALPADS ² Enrollment Figure (grades 6-8 Oakland residents only)	158
		2023-24 LCFF ³ Enrollment	146

	Student Demographics (%)			Measure G1 Team	
English Learners	52%	Asian/Pacific Islander	2%	Name	Position
LCFF	88%	Latinx	94%	Shraddha Soparawala	Co- Principal
SPED	2%	Black or African-American	2%	Lisa Shugart	Co- Prinicpal
		White	1%	Jenni Plascencia	Family Engagment Coordinator

¹ Allocation of funds will be based on the prior year 20-day count for 6-8 enrollment multiplied by the LCFF % and total funds collected from tax revenue.

² The California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System (CALPADS) collects various about students, including school enrollment. Each fall, around early October, all schools in California submit enrollment figures into the CALPADS system which becomes the official count for that school for that year.

³ Under the Local Control Funding Formula, the following categories of students receive additional funding: English learners, students in foster care, students eligible for the free- and reduced-lunch program.

	Indigenous or Native American	<1%	Edgar Romero	Dean of Culture
	Multiracial	1%		

Chronic Absence (Include raw number and percent)					
	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25 Goal	
	raw number (%)	raw number (%)	raw number (%)	raw number (%)	
Student Population Overall	22.22%	26.21%	24.2%	4%	
Asian/Pacific Islander	11.11%	15.38%		N/A*	
Latinx	21.23%	25.65%	22.1%	4%	
Black or African-American	61.54%	50%	86.7%	11%	
White	0%	0%	0	N/A*	
Indigenous or Native American	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A*	
English Learners	19.94%	22.09%	20.1%	4%	
Students w/ IEPs	33.33%	37.5%	37.5%	4%	
Free/ Reduced Lunch Students	21.32%	27.93%	22.1%	N/A*	

Metrics

(all data points are required)

Electives (Include raw number and percent)					
Metric	Area	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25 Goal
		raw number (%)	raw number (%)	raw number (%)	raw number (%)
Number of students	Art	168 - 100%	168 - 100%	168 - 100%	168 - 100%
Number of students taking elective	Language	9%	25- 15%	25 - 15%	25 - 15%
courses.	Music	168 - 100%	168 - 100%	168 - 100%	168 - 100%
Number of students	Art	~ 30 - 20%	~ 30 - 20%	~ 30 - 20%	~ 30 - 20%
Number of students participating in non-course	Language	~ 30 - 20%	~ 30 - 20%	~ 30 - 20%	~ 30 - 20%

experiences (e.g. after-school	Music	~ 30 - 20%	~ 30 - 20%	~ 30 - 20%	~ 30 - 20%
program)					

Positive & Safe Culture (Include raw number and percent)						
Metric	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25 Goal		
	(%) 54.4	(%) 56	(%) Results not yet it for 23-24	(%)70		
Average Daily Attendance Date of Figure:						
Asian/Pacific Islander	Demographic information is not supplied with school climate survey results, as the survey is entirely anonymous.					
Latinx						
Black or African-American	We will have d year.	We will have demographic info for students for the first time in the 24' school year.				
White						
Indigenous or Native American						
English Learners						
Students w/ IEPs						
Free/ Reduced Lunch						

Metric	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25 Goal	
	raw number (%)	raw number (%)	raw number (%)	raw number (%)	
Suspended Students Date of Figure: 3/11/24					
All students	3.13% (18 incidents)	1.4% (14 incidents)	2.8% 8 students (16 incidents)	1.0% 3 students	
Asian/Pacific Islander	0% (0) incidents)	0% (0) incidents)	0	N/A*	
Latinx	3.35% (18 incidents)	1.08% (12 incidents)	7 students (13 incidents)	3 students 1%	
Black or African-American	0% (0) incidents)	10% (2 incidents)	1 student (3 incidents)	0%	

White	0% (0) incidents)	0% (0) incidents)	0	N/A*
Indigenous or Native American	N/A	N/A	0	N/A*
English Learners	2.65% (10 incidents)	0.59% (2 incidents)	0	0.5%
Students w/ IEPs	4.92% (5 0	3.57% (9)	1 student (3 incidents)	2.4%
Free/ Reduced Lunch	2.6% (12 incidents)	1.64% (14 incidents)	7 students (15 incidents)	

Student Retention from 5th Grade to 6th Grade				
Metric	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25 Goal
6th Grade Enrollment	88.89% (48/54)	82.69% (43/52	90% (47/52)	90% (47/52)

Community and Staff Engagement

Community Engagement Meeting(s)		
Community Group	Date	
Family leadership council	3/13/24	

Staff Engagement Meeting(s)					
Staff Group Date					
Staff Advisory council	3/11/24				
Grade level meetings	3/9/24				

Music (Rubric)	2022-23	2023-24
Access and Equitable Opportunity	N/A	N/A
Instructional Program	N/A	N/A
Staffing	N/A	N/A
Facilities	N/A	N/A
Equipment and Materials	N/A	N/A
Teacher Professional Learning	N/A	N/A
World Language (Rubric)	2022-23	2023-24
Content and Course Offerings	N/A	N/A
Communication	N/A	N/A
Real world learning and Global competence	N/A	N/A
Art (Visual Arts, Theater, and Dance)	2022-23	2023-24
Access and Equitable Opportunity	N/A	N/A
Instructional Program	N/A	N/A
Staffing	N/A	N/A
Facilities	N/A	N/A
Equipment and Materials	N/A	N/A
Teacher Professional Learning	N/A	N/A

Proposed Expenditures

Guidelines

- 1. In the following sections, please discuss your team's plan to address the goals of G1:
 - a. Increase access to courses in arts, music, and world languages in grades 6-8.
 - b. Improve student retention during the transition from elementary to middle school.
 - c. Create a more positive and safe middle school learning environment.
- 2. Please explain how you plan to use the Measure G1 funds to meet the goals, as measured in the METRICS section of this proposal.
- 3. Add additional lines as needed.
- 4. The total of all items should equal the amount listed in "Recommended Grant Amount" on page 1

5. Expenditures must supplement, not supplant expenditures made from other funding sources. In other words, Measure G1 funds must be used for new expenditures, expenditures already funded from Measure G1, expenditures previously paid for by a funding source that has ended, or to pay for an expenditure that would have been cut, were it not for Measure G1 funds.

Summary of 2023-24 Approved Expenditures

All Actual Expenditures	Budget Amount		
Safe & Positive Culture			
Resource .80 FTE of a position (the middle school portion) at ASCEND that focuses on school culture and student support services	\$92,724.72		
Budget Total	\$92,724.72		

Summary of 2024-25 Proposed Expenditures

	All Proposed Expenditures (from sections below)	Budget Amount
Resource .80 FTE of a position (the middle school portion) at ASCEND that focuses on school culture and student support services - PBIS, MTSS, trauma-informed practice, RJ. This is a continued expenditure funded by Measure G-1.		\$86,780
	Budget Total (must add up to Recommended Grant Amount)	<mark>\$86,780.00</mark>

Proposed Expenditures By Focus Area

Proposed Expenditures for Positive & Safe Culture				
Description of Proposed Expenditures	Which metric will this investment impact - suspensions or average daily attendance?	Budget Amount		
Resource .80 FTE of a position (the middle school portion) at ASCEND that focuses on school culture and student support services - PBIS, MTSS, trauma-informed practice, RJ. This is a continued expenditure funded by Measure G-1.	Chronic Absenteeism, positive, safe school culture (demonstrated through SCAI survey and referral data)	\$86,780		



We are an elected team of decision-makers and representatives for ASCEND.

We work together to keep a pulse on our community, define challenges, design solutions

and plan for a future that is anchored in our vision.

SECOND ADVISORY BYLAWS

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3/11	☐ Nick Borelli☐ Diana Diaz	Kara Escobedo Diana Jauregui	☐ Gen Pugliese☐ Morgan Staples	☐ Genesis Rodriguez☐ Others Present:		
NORMS	 Recognize identity and positionality Intent vs impact Equity of voice, amplifying certain voices as needed (including students) Transparency to broader community Listening with a curious mindset 					
ROLES	Facilitators: Sopar Timesmither: Nick Borelli Visual/ Digital Note catcher: Jordan Culture Keeper: All of us					
LEARNING TARGETS I can exercise leadership by lifting up and supporting to address concerns from my grade band team I can learn about and vote on how G1 funding should be allocated for the upcoming school year I can share information upcoming budget cuts with my constituents so that they can make informed votes on class sizes						

TIME	WHAT & HOW
End @ 4:07 Check in 7min Sopar	1. Grab Snacks + Drinks <3 2. Check in question: Pop open your text messages, share your most used emoji! SS: A B B A B A B A B A B A B A B A B A B
4:10 Review Agenda 3min	Look over the AGENDA for today :)
End @ 4:20 Principal Updates 5- 7min	Nora + Jacqui - Thank you notes - Current status If you have questions please check in with Sopar about the position
End @ 4:30 Measure G1 Vote 10 min	Grant Update: (3min) We must document that what engagement we are having with the community over these funds. - Measure G1 - Oakland city parcel tax. In year six of 12-year life. It is important that we use these funds well if we are going to ask taxpayers to fund this again when it expires. - Bonus that teachers get at the end of the year. - 65% - salaries for site staff - 35% - sites to spend on three categories - Positive culture and safety, upper grade enrollment, enrichments, electives Vote for using the funds to pay 0.8 Dean of Culture Role (5min) - This feels like a good use of our school money. - We must hold an official vote to determine if we would like to maintain this position. - Look back on when the changes were made about reporting. - A vote was called it was unanimously in-favor, motion passed
End @ 4:45 Budget + Class Size Vote 15 min	* Note on presenting to constituents: Share information not pref. * It is important that we share our information/data and not OUR personal preference. We want our constituents to make choices based on others preferences. Current Budget Shortfall (1min) - ~ \$275,000 Class Sizes Changes proposed in TK and 4-5th (10min)

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Staffing*	† 21	65	62	57	47	44
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If not increasing class size possible cuts (4min)

- Move to 1 AP generalist (move from 2 to 1)
- Reduce/ not backfill positions that are being vacated by choice
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- Return to 3 preps instead of 4 for lower grades
- Cut supervisory positions that are currently filled

End @ 4:50 Site Planning 5min

EL Midyear Visit

- EL Mid Year Review Overview
- Schedule/ Look fors

We need 3-4 staff for two staff focus groups (non Advisory/ non ILT)

Teachers will be asked about their experience implementing EL inside the classroom this year. Lunch is provided.

Tues 3/19 MS LUNCH	Weds 3/20 8-8:30am	
1. Leah	1.	
2.	2.	
3.	3.	

End @ 5:00

Closing and Appreciations

End @ 4:55 Close out

Process check!

Feedback/ Appreciations:

MS: I am impressed and excited we are ending on time, way to go! I appreciate the data presented with the budget discussion.

NB: Good job sticking to Agenda! Happy to hear the principal news. Curious about the timeline on the G1 grant. Context around the history of ASCEND class sizes would be good. Thanks everyone!

JD: Excellent job saving us a little time Sopar! Everyone had questions and that felt really good. It is really lovely to see everyone collaborating together.

GP:Appreciate us being efficient and staying on time.

PH: I appreciate the clarity and stakeholdership on budget updates. Thank you, Jordan for scribing, Nick for timeliness, and Sopar for facilitating with openness and purpose.

Family Leadership Council Agenda 3/15

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NORMS:

- Attend all meetings
- Respect Opinions
- Transmit information and maintain communication with families and staff
- Do 1 walkthrough a year
- Generate ideas and solutions

Purpose of FLO is to lead, support and serve our school by: Building the capacity of each other, aking our vision and aspirations come to life, Modeling TEAM

Check In	- Wow, Pow, Chow
Input on Curriculum	 Lots of kids do not know the definitions of words or synonyms of words or they don't understand a question because of vocabulary. Vocabulary is a need. Tests are heavy comprehension. A curriculum that teaches kids how to read. Kids need to know how to read and are focused on reading. Education is like medicine we have to keep up on the times so our kids can access the future. Schools have a big influx of newcomers. How are we setting them up with the basics. Adults can be reluctant to change like we are charter so we could make our own decisions, but if there is a system that is working, why not make that change. Reading and writing go hand in hand Homework: HW is beneficial for the children, maybe annoying for parents, but it helps the teacher see how students are practicing. Wonder about differentiating for HW based on the student and the family need

G1 Measure

Grant Update:

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Vote for using the funds to pay 0.8 Dean of Culture Role (5min)

-Advisory Reps voted unanimously to approve on 3/11

- FLC Reps votes unanimously to approve 3/13

Budget Cuts

Current Budget Shortfall (1min)

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Close

Family Leadership Council 3/13 Sign-In

Nombre de Padre	Nombre de Estudiante	Numero de Telefono
GAJARO CASTILLO	LESTY SOFIN JOSSO	510 677 5177
Maleni Sanchez	Estaban Sauchez	570-220-3061
Perla Benitez	Sammy Alvarado Evelyn Benitez	(510) 606-0532
Varonica Onzo	Amaya Onzo	(S10)463-7944
Rogelio Doza	Arraya Ovocco	(310) 463-7262
Ivon Reyes	Ivonnéescalante Michelle Escalante	(510)480-8140
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يترجم / Welcome! / Bienvenido / يترجم Family Townhall / Reunión de Padres / اجتماع الأسرة

Who's here? ¿Quiénes están?

In the chat, what grade level is your child in?

En el chat, ¿en qué grado está su hijo/a?

في الدردشة، ما هو مستوى الصف الدراسي لطفلك؟





جدول أعمال / Agenda / جدول أعمال

- Welcome
- Culture
- Staffing Updates
- Academics
- Winter Sports
- Panther Student Activities
- College & Career
- Measure G1
- Looking Ahead
- Questions & Answers
- Closing

- Bienvenido
- Cultura
- Personal
- Académica
- Deportes de invierno
- Actividades estudiantiles
- Universidad y Carrera
- Beca G1
- Mirando hacia el futuro
- Preguntas y respuestas
- Cierre

- مرحبأ
- ثقافة
- تحدیثات التوظیف
 - الأكاديميين
- الرياضات الشتوية
- الأنشطة الطلابية النمر
 - الكلية والوظيفة
 - أتطلع قدما
 - أسئلة و أجوبة
 - إغلاق



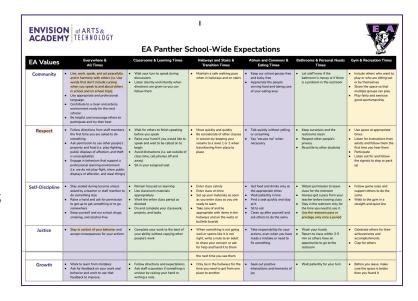
Culture at EA

(Thomas - Principal)



EA Panther School-Wide Expectations

- Based in our Values of Community,
 Respect, Discipline, Justice & Growth
- Expectations for Different Spaces & Times
 - Everywhere & All Times
 - Classrooms & Learning Times
 - Hallways and Stairs & Transition Times
 - Atrium & Eating Times
 - Restrooms & Personal Needs Times
 - Gym & Recreation Times





EA Panther Store







Values Valores



Share: Your name, your child's name and which EA value your child lives at home. How do they live it?

Comparta: Su nombre, el nombre de su hijo y en qué valor EA vive su hijo en casa. ¿Cómo lo viven?

شارك: اسمك واسم طفلك وقيمة EA التي يعيشها طفلك في المنزل. كيف يعيشونها؟



Q2 Academics

(Mr. Hoffman - Vice Principal)

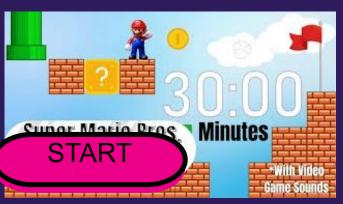


Spotlight on: High School Projects!

Featuring Ms. Stefani (Digital Media Art 1 and 2) and Mr. Brenneman (Chemistry and Physics)







Work Time:

Movement: In Seat

Volume: Level 2

Participation: Individual

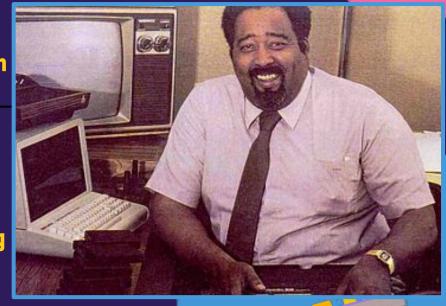
Time: 30 Minutes





Who Was Jerry Lawson?

Jerry Lawson pioneered home video gaming in the 1970s by helping create the Fairchild Channel F, the first home video game system with interchangeable games. A New York native, Lawson is one of the few African American engineers who worked in computing at the dawn of the video game era.



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Student Work















Student Work

Description: This is Stalker. This creature is a natural hunter. It's difficult to research this one since anyone who comes into contact with this creature usually never comes out alive, that's if they come out at all. Most of our knowledge about Stalker comes from one person who was able to escape the woods Stalker resides in, and from this individual we've been able to learn how dangerous Stalker actually is. Stalker is described as being pitch black with large glowing white eyes and very tall. Stalker's form of hunting is pretty self-explanitory; once Stalker has set its sights on a creature, it will stalk that creature for as long as it wants until it's ready to attack. Stalker's ability to be completely silent in any circumstance is horiffyingly incredible. One researcher reported seeing Stalker in a full sprint run through a pile of leaves, the researcher was equipped with a military grade hand held sound amplifier and reported zero spikes of any kind on the recording. Of course we only know this because we found his equipment and notes scattered on the forest floor next to a puddle of blood. From what know we can infer that no animal is too big for Stalker: we once found a mangle of mutilated body parts and innards of what we now know was a bear, but the corpes had no hope of being identified visually. Stalker is the overlord of these woods, and at the time of writing this all requests to research them will be denied until a more sustanible way of research is found; we can't spare anymore equipment nor researchers if they don't come back.



Skills:

Moves fast

Very quiet

Blends in with the dark

Knows its way around the woods

Will hear the things you do

Description: This is 'REDACTED'. To be honest we have no idea what this thing is. We've tried to figure it out, but we only have one picture of this thing that a horrified scientist quickly snapped before running deeper into woods in the completely wrong direction of the extraction vehicle (sorry Greg) that we used to make this crude illustration of it. Just like the Scrawin: "REDACTED" is a giant ass. All it does is take our stuff and hide it somewhere else in the woods, it doesn't really do anything else, at least that we know of. 'REDACTED' is known among the researchers who have looked into it as "the worlds biggest inconvenience". A truely annoying creature.

Skills:

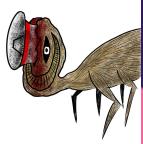
Steals and relocates your bike pieces to random places

Description: This is the Scrawln. A some sort of animal... or is it an insect? Nobody definitively knows the origins of this wretched mangle of organisms for most don't make it out of the woods this thing calls home. The people who have come into contact with Scrawln and made it out of the woods have decribed its face as 'vaguely familiar'. We tried to identify the face of the Scrawln one time; we could never catch it, but with the megaphone protruding from the base of its cranium, it's fairly safe to say that the face is a bit too warped for an identification, so we gave up. We don't know much about the Scrawln since there is only one in existence that we know of, but we do know one thing and that's: it's a huge ass. The only thing we know the Scrawln does is it mimics the cries of animals (albeit in its own distorted way) to attract nearby predators to the position of the animal its mimicing. The Scrawln is a literal freak of nature and us in the scientific community all hate this thing. A truely horrible creature.

Skills:

Alerts the main monster to your exact posistion.

All around jerk.















Physics and Bridge Building!



Academic Announcements

- Our next round of interim assessments will be February 26-March 1
 - Please support your students to be well-rested, on time, and having had breakfast if possible!
 - High school's testing schedule is very compacted, so all grades will have off campus lunch that week unless there are behavior concerns with any individual student



Academic Announcements

Testing season approaches

- Please keep an eye out for information about:
 - ELPAC summative assessments
 - CAASPP (for grades 6-8 and 11)
 - Physical Fitness Test (for grades 7 and 9, March 6-7)
 - AP tests (for many 11th and 12th graders)
 - CAST (for grade 12)



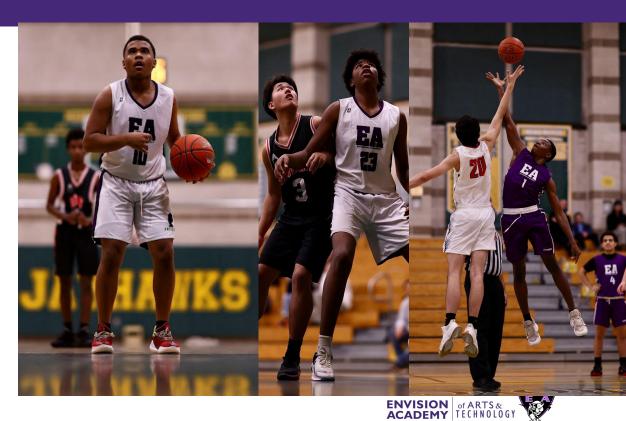
Panther Sports

(Coach Jon - Athletic Director)



Panther Sports Update

- School League
- Spring/Summer Development
- Spring/Summer Tournaments
- End of Summer Tournament bonding trip



Panther Student Activities

(Ms. S - Dean of Students)



Celebrating Black History Month

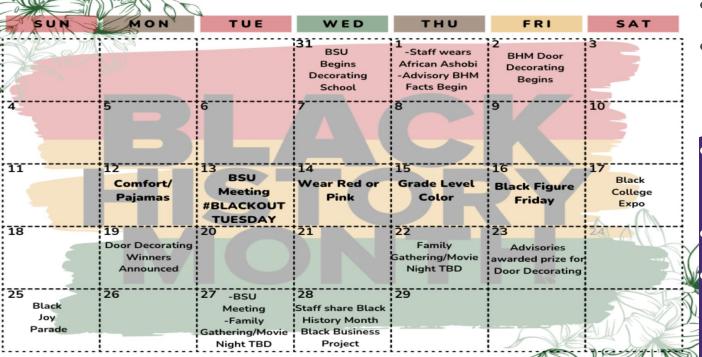


Continuing are work in Anti-Racist and Pro-Black Framework



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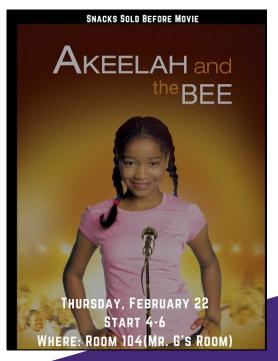


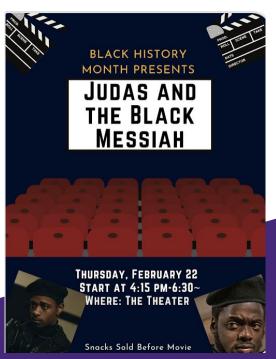
- BHM Advisory Facts
- Door decorating competition

- BH Community Meeting Feb 21 or 28th Assembly
- Feb 22 BHM Movie Night
- Feb 27 Black Family Gathering Meal Night



Celebrating Black History Month





February 15, 1851

What happened:

Shadrach Minkins was born in Norfolk Virginia in 1814 to parents who were enslaved, so was himself enslaved from birth. He freed himself in 1850 and against dangerous conditions arrived in Boston, Massachusetts where he got a job as a waiter at a coffee house.

More info

Later that year, Congress enacted the Fugitive Slave Act, which made it legal for federal agents to arrest and re-enslave people who had escaped to free states.

On February 15, 1851 US Marshals disguised themselves as customers at the coffee house where Minkins worked and arrested him.

He was taken to a hearing at the Boston Federal Courthouse. <u>Black abolitionists learned about Minkins and broke into the courthouse and rescued him.</u> After the rescue, Minkins fled to Canada with other African Americans. The group created the first Black community in Montreal. Minkins died in 1875 a free man.



Reflection Question

- What does this make you think/wonder?
- 2. How does this show up in or connect to our world today?



More events...



Upcoming Events Feb 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	To the second	1	7	1	2	3
4	5 Cupid Floats Sales	6	7	8 Cupid Floats Sales	9 No SCHOOL	10
Spirit Week	- Last Day to Buy candy grams -PJ Day	-Wear All Black	-MG Activity Day -Wear Red/Pink	-Wear your grade color	-HS Dance; 6-8pm -Wear green/yellow/red	Spirit Week
18	NO SCHOOL	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29		

What's Happening..

The Princess Project San Francisco

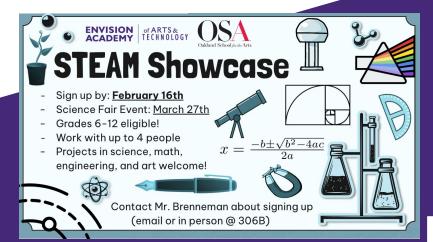


Do you need a FREE prom dress?

If so, scan the QR code to sign up for a date and head to San Francisco











Panthers In Action..







ACADEMY TECHNOLOGY





BHM - Door Decoration.









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College & Career

(Kevin - College Counselor & Michael Viera - College & Career Advisor)



College Acceptances

12th graders have already been accepted to the following universities:

- SF State
- CSU East Bay
- Sacramento State
- Chico State
- Fresno State
- Sonoma State
- Cal Poly Humboldt
- CSU Los Angeles
- CSU Northridge
- CSU Dominguez Hills
- UC Berkeley!!!











Many more still to come!



WOW - World of

- "WOW" = World of Work
- 11th Grade Internships: March 4th to 8th
- So far, more than half have found internships in places such as the following:
 - Law office
 - Animal shelter
 - Public Health Department
 - Boxing gym
 - Community and youth organizations
 - More



Measure G1 (Mr. K.)



Measure G1 - Agenda

- What is it?
- What can we do with it?
- What the potential value?
- What are our ideas and suggestions?



Measure G1 Grant

Oakland Voters approved a Parcel Tax

- Support increased Arts, Music &
 World Languages in Middle Grades
- Increase a Safe Middle Grades
 Environment





Measure G1 - Our Ideas & Suggestions









	After school band	Volunteer in the community through the arts	better food
	After school Choral	Train HS students to be mentors for the MGs in the arts	cultural dances
	After school Theater	Digital Arts w/ Gamings from an artistic perspective	Family & student art & music
Mental Health - Counseling		Kidpower (safety)	
	Opportunities to experience and become familiar with emotions	Breathe For Change (SEL & Trauma Informed)	ENVISION of ARTS & ACADEMY TECHNOLOGY

Measure G1 - Our Ideas & Suggestions











Looking Ahead (Mr. K.)



Feb to Apr



- Black History Month February
- Interim Assessments #3 Feb 26 to Mar 1
- Women's History Month March
- WOW Internships (11th) March 4-8
- PE Testing March 6 & 7
- Pi (3.14) Day March 13
- No School (Teacher PD) March 14 & 15
- Panther Family Townhall March 21
- Last Day Quarter 3 March 21
- No School (Envision PD) March 22
- First Day Quarter 4 March 25
- Spring Break (No School) Mar 29 Apr 5



Rebuilding the EA Family & School Connection

(Deja' Hayley - Family & Community Engagement Coordinator)



Family Referral Program

(Deja')

What is the family referral program?

For each student that you refer to EA that applies for the 2024-25 school year, you will receive a \$50 gift card to either Safeway or Target.

How do I refer a family?

- Bring them onsite to apply in person.
- Email Deja' (hdeja@envisionacademy.org)
- Call Deja' (510) 372-0076 ext 3053

Key Takeaways:

- There is no limit on the amount of gift cards you can receive.
- All student(s) you refer must submit an application by deadline February 16!





Q & A (Mr. K.)





