



# Leland H.S.

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## Tuesday Night Lights

Come out tonight, Tuesday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, and watch our girls' field hockey team play their night game under the lights at the Pat Tillman Stadium. JV begins at 5:30 and Varsity begins at 7:00.

## PSAT

The PSAT will be given to all juniors and some sophomores this Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>. The test will start at 7:58 (1st period) and end at 11:02 (4th period). They will go to their 4th period after taking the PSAT. Students will take the PSAT in the mini-gym, ITC, K-4 & cafeteria. Rosters and test locations have been posted in 11th grade US History classes, English classes, and in front of the main office. This is a regular scheduled day for freshmen, sophomores and seniors.

PSAT results will be distributed to students in their social science class in late December. Revolution Test Prep will offer an informational meeting about understanding the PSAT results to students and parents in early January.

If you have any questions, please contact **Daryk Tenorio**, Assistant Principal of Guidance.

## LelandDriversEd.com Notification

The Leland Booster Club has decided not to use DriversEd.com as a fundraiser for Charger athletic programs. Please note: Leland High School is not affiliated with this company. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused you.

## Congratulations Mrs. Meg Maclise Walsh!

Mrs. Walsh was chosen from hundreds of submissions to participate in the Jones New York Macy's Education Fashion Show this Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. at Macy's Valley Fair.

The show kicks off Shop for Education Week, October 17th through October 24th, where proceeds will be donated to Jones New York In The Classroom, a non-profit organization supporting teachers and children's education. Please call 1-800-786-2665 to RSVP and support our very own star! See [attached flyer](#) for more details.

## Upcoming Events

### OCTOBER

13<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30/7:00  
Tuesday Night Lights  
Girl's Field Hockey  
Pat Tillman Stadium

14<sup>th</sup>  
PSAT  
LHS  
(regular start time)

Oct. 21<sup>st</sup> @ 7:00 pm  
Debut Choir Concert  
Cafeteria

Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 7:00 pm  
Debut Orchestra & Band  
Concert  
Cafeteria

## Go Chargers! Kudos to:

**The Charger Account staff** for receiving the Gold Medal Certificate from Columbia Scholastic Press Association. Congratulations Charger Account and Mrs. Taylor!

**Leland Quixilver Robotics Team** for success at last Saturday's CalGames 2009 competition. The team came away a BIG winner and was recognized in several categories: Blade Entrepreneurial Award for their Business Plan and the BAE Systems Design Award. Congratulations Quixilver Robotics Team and Mrs. Arrington!

**Leland Speech and Debate Team** ranked #1 in the nation by the National Forensic league. This is the second year in a row we were ranked #1. Congratulations Speech and Debate and Mrs. Brasher!

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## Leland Blood Drive

Our first blood drive of the year will be on Tuesday, October 20<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the school library. Students must have parent permission to donate blood.

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## Denim 2 Diamonds 2010

### Mark Your Calendars!

Denim 2 Diamonds 2010: Friday, March 19<sup>th</sup>. More information will be coming soon!

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## H1N1 Update

Health officials are expecting a very bad flu season this year, with both H1N1 and seasonal flu directives from our Public Health Officer.

To receive current information about H1N1, please refer to the San Jose Unified School District website ([www.sjUSD.org](http://www.sjUSD.org)) or the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website (<http://www.cdc.gov/H1N1FLU/>). The district website is updated on a regular basis, and both sites provide helpful information available to parents.

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## Minimum Day - Wednesday, November 25<sup>th</sup>

There will be a district wide minimum day on Wednesday, November 25<sup>th</sup> to begin the Thanksgiving Holiday. Please refer to the [attachment](#) for revised bell schedule.

## Need Community Service Hours?

- **Christmas in the Park Community Service Opportunity:** In October and November, volunteers are needed to help with the painting and cleaning of displays at the Christmas in the Park Workshop on Senter Road. On November 21, rain or shine, volunteers will decorate the displays in the Plaza de Cesar Chavez Park in downtown San Jose. All participants under 18yrs. must have a Minor Volunteer Service Agreement signed by a parent or guardian. You must bring this form to the first workshop you attend. The form is available at [www.christmasinthepark.com](http://www.christmasinthepark.com) All volunteers should wear clothing appropriate for painting and cleaning displays. **SHORTS AND/OR OPENED TOED SHOES ARE NOT ALLOWED.** Space is limited and **reservations are required** to volunteer. To reserve a date, call (408) 995-NOEL, mailbox #10. Leave your name and phone number to receive a return call confirming your reservation. Speak slowly, loudly, and clearly **stating your name and phone number two times.**

Oct. 17	CITP Workshop	9 a.m. – noon
Oct. 24	CITP Workshop	9 a.m. – noon
Oct. 31	CITP Workshop	9 a.m. – noon
Nov. 7	CITP Workshop	9 a.m. – noon
Nov. 21	Plaza de Cesar Chavez	9 a.m. – noon
Dec. 6	Holiday Parade	9 a.m. – noon (For info call 408-793-4192 or <a href="http://sjholidayparade.com">sjholidayparade.com</a> )

- The Football Program has Community Service hours available for the students! If you can work in the snack shack or sell football merchandise during the JV or Varsity Football games, please contact Dody Gemette at [lgemette@comcast.net](mailto:lgemette@comcast.net), Text or Call 408-476-6054. The Football Program could really use the help this year and we love having the students in the shack with us!!! Bring your Community Service sign off sheet with you and we'll sign it that day!!
- Volunteer Center of Silicon Valley: For volunteer opportunities, go to [www.vcsv.us](http://www.vcsv.us) to find an opportunity that fits well with your interests. Be sure to ask if the organization is a NON-PROFIT organization.

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## Leland's API: Way to Go!

Based on California Standards Tests of 2008/2009, Leland's API score went up 20 points to 869! In addition, our CAHSEE pass rate was 95%, our graduation rate went up to 98.7% and our overall AP exam pass rate was 89%. These scores are fantastic and some of the highest in the state! Congratulations students, parents, and staff! Go Chargers!

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## Career Center News

Please view the [attached newsletter](#) for information from the Career Center.

## Homework Center

We are very happy to announce that we will be able to fund and open up our Homework Center starting Tuesday, Sept. 8. Here are the following hours:

Mondays & Wednesdays: 1:45-4:00  
Tuesdays: 1:52-4:00  
Thursdays: 2:45-4:00

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## Healthy Start Newsletter

Please download and peruse the attached September newsletter from Healthy Start (available in [English](#) and [Spanish](#)).

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## A Message from San Jose State University

Welcome to the new academic year! There are several items that we need to share with you regarding fall 2010:

San Jose State University will be impacted for the 2010-2011 academic year. For more specific information about how this might affect an individual applicant, please visit <http://info.sjsu.edu>.

**\*\*All frosh applicants will be required to submit SAT (critical reading and math) or ACT Composite scores from a test taken no later than the November test date.\*\***

SJSU's application period for Fall 2010 will open on October 1, 2009 and will close on November 30, 2009. Please encourage your students to apply early. There will be no exceptions to the November 30, 2009 deadline.

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## Parent Education Classes

Please see the following attachments of the different programs that the Office of Parent Education is currently sponsoring. The presentations and classes vary on sessions, depending on the curriculum, and the needs of the parents throughout the district.

### [Parent Education Scheduled Events](#)

["Parent Project" Flyer](#)

[List of Parenting Programs](#)

[Middle & High School Orientation Classes for Spanish speaking Parents](#)

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## Junior College Courses Taken on Leland Campus

In order to streamline and clarify the enrollment and credit process for our students, Leland and our partner junior colleges have started a new process for the 2009-2010 school year.

Students who wish to take the following courses at Leland this year:

- **American Sign Language (San Jose City College)**
- **Differential Equations/Inter Calc (San Jose City College)**
- **Intro to Business/Business Law (West Valley)**

Students **MUST** register for these classes through the Junior College enrollment application process. This includes obtaining the application form and R-40 form from the Admissions Office or their website. The forms then

need a Leland approval signature before they go back to the Junior College for processing. The JCs may require the students to take an assessment, so it is best to do this soon so there is time to schedule it.

**After the course is completed, students who want the grade and credits for this course on the student's high school transcript, must bring the JC report card or transcript in to the Leland Registrar, Karen Johnson, to have the credit and grade applied to the high school transcript. Contact Dorothy Kennedy, AP Instruction, if you have questions @ 535-6290 x299**

If you have already enrolled in one of these classes, look for signs posted around the office for start dates and room numbers.

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## Open Source - free online tutorials

Below is a site that has free Middle and High School online tutorials. Many are animated tutorials that can be used as enrichment, support or as an augmentation to lessons taught in class.

<http://www.montereyinstitute.org/nroc/nrocdemos.html>

NROC course content is an Open Educational Resource (OER) and is available at no cost for individual use here at our website. If your organization would like to integrate NROC content into your institutional curriculum, please contact us for information about NROC Network membership at [info@montereyinstitute.org](mailto:info@montereyinstitute.org).

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## Pandemic H1N1

### **An update on Pandemic H1N1 (the new term for Swine Flu):**

- Pandemic H1N1 is currently a relatively mild form of the flu, presenting with fever, congestion, cough, runny nose and sometimes vomiting. Unlike seasonal flu, H1N1 the worst infections seem to be amongst the 5-24 year old age group. Pregnant women are at higher risk and should contact their doctor if they become symptomatic.
- Santa Clara County has experienced a high number of Pandemic H1N1 cases over the summer, which is very unusual for influenza.
- The Public Health Department is currently not anticipating school closures due to Pandemic H1N1. Decisions to close schools will be made on a case-by-case basis by the Public Health Officer.
- Staff and students at San Jose Unified School District (SJUSD) elementary through high schools who are ill with flu-like symptoms may not return to work until they are fever free (without medication) and without productive cough or sore throat for a minimum of 24 hours. This is a change from last year.
- The best prevention strategies for the flu remain to be hand-washing and covering coughs.
- H1N1 vaccines will not be available until late October- at the earliest. The CDC will prioritize who should get the vaccine. Currently, children 6 months to 18 years are a priority.
- The CDC is recommending everyone get a season flu shot. While this will not protect against H1N1, it will help keep the number of flu illnesses down overall and protect people for getting the seasonal flu- keeping them stronger to combat H1N1.

## Community Service Hours

### **Reminder – Important Information:**

Students are required to complete 40 hours of community service. We recommend that students complete 10 per year. Juniors and Seniors will need to be up-to-date with their Community Service hours to attend their respective formal dances.

### **Please remember the following for community service requirements:**

- Must be done through a NON-PROFIT organization; the organization must have a 501C3 tax ID number to prove their non-profit status
- Service must not be affiliated with any religious teachings. This includes setting up for church services, Sunday School, helping out in the nursery during a church service, vacation bible schools, bible studies, etc. PLEASE see Miss Kim if you have any questions regarding the approval of community service completed through a church or religious organization
- No more than 8 hours per day may be rewarded
- Service completed through week-long camps during the school year may only be rewarded 20 hours maximum for the entire week
- Service must be completed outside of the regular school day

Please be sure to read the back of the Community Service Time Sheet available in Miss Kim's office and the school bank.