



City Neighbors Hamilton

WEEKLY SALMON PAGES

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JANUARY 23, 2017

The Week Ahead

| Monday 1/23 | Tuesday 1/24 | Wednesday 1/25 | Thursday 1/26 | Friday 1/27 | Saturday 1/28 |
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| | 2nd Grade to Oakcrest 1:15-2:45 | Enrollment Open House 6:30 PM | Tea With Obi 8:30 - 9 AM Conference Room | SCHOOL CLOSED Staff Professional Development | |

Enrollment 2017-18

- **Intent to Return** Intent to Return forms went home with students in grades K-7 two weeks ago. Thanks to everyone who has returned theirs! This form asks you to let us know if you intend for your child to return to CNH in 2017-18 and is due back to the office by **Monday, January 30**. Please complete one form per student. Blank copies are located in the front lobby.
- **2017-18 Sibling Enrollment** We are currently accepting enrollment applications for 2017-18. If you wish to enroll a sibling of a current student for 2017-18, you **MUST** complete and submit an enrollment application. If the sibling has a different last name than the current CNH student, please note the current student's name on the application. Applications can be downloaded from our website: www.cityneighborshamilton.org or you can pick up a hard copy in the office during regular school hours. Sibling applications are due by **January 30 (next Monday)**. Siblings of current students will not be entered into the lottery, however we **MUST** receive an application by the deadline in order to consider him/her for enrollment. Current students do not need to reapply but we must receive an Intent to Return form from them (see above).
- **Open House Volunteers** If you would like to be an Open House volunteer, please go to this link: <https://goo.gl/forms/BZPyaa3RqDmYhaiU2>. Remaining Open Houses are scheduled for January 25 at 6:30 PM, February 2 at 9 AM, and February 8 at 6:30 PM. Thank you!

CNH Climate Survey: Let Your Voice be Heard! Baltimore City Public Schools wants to know how you feel about your child's school. Please take a few minutes to tell them what you think by completing this anonymous survey. You can take the survey online! The parent survey is now mobile device compatible! www.k12insight.com/SchoolSurveyParent/SY1617.

If you prefer something more low-tech, a paper copy of the survey will be sent home with students. Just complete the form and drop in the mail in the prepaid postage envelope. Your opinion is important! In order to get a more complete picture, students and staff will be submitting surveys designed for them.

If you have survey questions, please contact Survey Coordinator, Clara Walter, at cwalter@cityneighborshamilton.org Thank you for your time and participation!

Looking Ahead

- **Monday, 1/30**
Deadline for Sibling Enrollment Applications for 2017-18
Intent to Return Forms Deadline from current families
- **Thursday, 2/2**
Enrollment Open House
9 AM
- **Wednesday, 2/8**
Enrollment Open House
6:30 PM
- **Saturday, 2/11**
DIY Bake Sale
1 - 4 PM
(see attachment)
- **Tuesday, 2/14**
Board Meeting
6:30 PM
- **Thursday, 2/16**
Enrollment Lottery
1 PM
- **Friday, 2/17**
SCHOOL CLOSED
Staff Professional Development
- **Monday, 2/20**
SCHOOL CLOSED
Presidents Day
- **Friday, 3/10**
Report Cards Mailed
- **Tuesday, 3/14**
Board Meeting
6:30 PM

Advocates Needed for the BEC Legislative Preview Night As many of you know, City Neighbors is a founding member and current participant in the Baltimore Education Coalition, a coalition of organizations in Baltimore committed to great public education.

We are looking for 5-10 folks who will join us on BEC's big event, the Legislative Preview Night, which is tentatively scheduled for **January 31** from 5:30-8:30 PM (location to be announced). The Legislative Preview is where BEC will present information on what is happening at the State level that will affect our schools. We will discuss the work we will need to engage in with our Maryland lawmakers throughout the session to win on important issues. This event is part of a combined effort to build a strong and persistent voice in Annapolis during the legislative season.

If you are interested and able to attend, please contact Mike Chalupa, Academic Director, at mchalupa@cityneighbors.org.

Traffic Committee Update from Obi Last week, I met with a small group of parents to discuss possible solutions for the traffic and safety concerns that arise during pick-up and drop off. We are deeply committed to ensuring that these busy times of day continue to reflect our values as part of the City Neighbors community. In the coming weeks, we'll be sharing schematics for an expanded crosswalk and proposed drop-off lane, as well as details regarding what to expect for folks who continue to obstruct the crosswalk. In the meantime, school police will be present more consistently. Owners of unattended and/or vehicles impeding traffic flow may receive a parking citation of \$250. We certainly don't want that to happen to any member of our community. Thank you in advance for your continued efforts to ensure that all CNH community members are safe at the beginning and end of the day. We'll be meeting next on February 3 from 11-12; please join us if you are able to do so. Please review the following procedures for arrival and dismissal:

ARRIVAL: 7:45 Breakfast Club, 8:00 Front Doors Open, 8:15 Our school day begins

Please note that any student arriving before 7:45 AM will not be supervised by CNH staff. CNH will not be responsible for student safety before 7:45.

Students may be dropped off in an orderly fashion by driving "The Loop" surrounding the school and dropping them off at the outdoor stage. Students should exit vehicles on the sidewalk side of the street--never in the middle of the street. Children and adults must obey the directions of the crossing guard at all times. If you must park on Sefton or adjacent streets, be sure to park legally without blocking driveways, crosswalks, or fire hydrants. There is no parking allowed on the east side of Sefton Avenue (the side closest to the school).

DISMISSAL: 3:15-3:30 or 1:00-1:15 on Thursdays and all other early dismissal days. Students in K-5 are dismissed on the front lawn (near the stage) and students in grades 6-8 are dismissed from the Sefton Avenue entrance.

A Message from Our Music Teacher It has been a pleasure working with all the students here at City Neighbors Hamilton this year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your support for our Winter Arts Festival and for your expressions of appreciation and congratulations for a very successful program.

Today, I am sending this communication out specifically to parents and guardians of students from **grades 3 through 8**. Very soon, we will begin a new project involving the use of the **soprano recorder**, a woodwind instrument. Students who already own a recorder are encouraged to start bringing them to school (they can remain at school in the music room). In the coming weeks, I will place an order for all those who need or would like to purchase a new one. The **cost for a new recorder is \$5**.

Please complete and submit the attached form and have your child **return it to Mr. Washington** on their regular music day by **Thursday, February 9**.

Please feel free to email me with any questions or concerns you have at cwashington@cityneighborshamilton.org. Thank you for your support!

~Mr. Washington~