



## HARMONY SCHOOL OF FINE ART AND TECHNOLOGY

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**Wednesday Mail  
November 2nd, 2011**

Hello Parents and Students,

For this week's Wednesday Mail, we have the following news:

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**HSArt's Tasty Treat Fundraiser:** Please help support the Harmony School of Fine Arts and Technology by ordering one or more items from USA Fundraisers. A flyer with additional information including an order form will be sent home with students on Tuesday, November 1st.

The fundraiser will start on Tuesday, November 1st and end on Tuesday, November 15th. All money is pre-collected at the time the order is placed. Please make checks payable to HSArt. Products will be delivered 3-4 weeks after order has been placed with USA fundraisers.

If you have any questions, please contact the school at 832-433-7001 or email Mrs. Baca at [mbaca@harmonytx.org](mailto:mbaca@harmonytx.org). Thank you for your support!

**Parent Teacher Conference / Early Dismissal Day: November 10th:** Our Parent-Teacher Conference Day is scheduled for Thursday, November 10th from 2PM - 5PM.

To prepare for the conferences; we will have early dismissal for that day. All Magnet Art classes and extra-curricular activities will be canceled. Zenith services will be provided.

\*Kinder - 3rd Grade Students will be dismissed at 12:45PM.

\* 4th - 8th Grade Students will be dismissed at 1:00PM.

Note: If you have students that are siblings in grades K- 8th, please come at 1PM to pick them up.

To avoid a waiting period, please contact your child's teachers to set up a meeting time with them. Due to time constraints, conference times will be limited to 10 minutes for K-3rd Teachers and 5 minutes for 4th-8th Grade Teachers. If you need a longer conference time, please contact the teacher to set up a conference at a different date and time. Thank you for your support.

**HSArt's Fall Food Drive:** We will kick off our Fall Food Drive on November 7th. Please turn in can goods and any other non-perishable food items to your child's homeroom teacher. The food drive will run from Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup> – November 18<sup>th</sup>. All donations will be dropped off at the local food banks. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



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**Class Picture and Fall Portrait Retakes with Lifetouch:** Lifetouch will be at our school on Wednesday, November 9th for Class Pictures and retakes of the Fall Portraits.

\*Class Picture: The students will take a class picture with their class and teacher(s). The cost of class picture is \$10 each. An order form will be sent home with students on Friday, November 2nd.

\* Retake Picture: This is for students who either have missed the Fall picture day or they are unsatisfied with their portraits. Old portraits MUST be returned for retakes.

### **REMINDERS**

**A Visit from Council Member Jarvis Johnson:** You are cordially invited to join us for a presentation in honor of Council Member Jarvis Johnson on Thursday, November 3rd, 2011 at 10:30 A.M. in the cafeteria. Council Member Johnson will be speaking to our CLRP group about "College Readiness".

R.S.V.P: Kindly Respond by October 28th, 2011  
To Ms. Alanis at [lalanis@harmonytx.org](mailto:lalanis@harmonytx.org)

**ReadiStep Testing:** 8th Grade Students will take the Readistep assessment on Monday, November 7th (during school hours). This assessment will identify skills that your child is in need of developing, and is intended to "identify students who are ready for more challenging coursework". This assessment is "vertically aligned with the PSAT/NMSQT and SAT" and will help students prepare for taking future college-entrance assessments. If you have any questions, please email Mary Averill ([maverill@harmonytx.org](mailto:maverill@harmonytx.org)).

**HSART Guest Speaker Series...Part 4: Council Member Jolanda Jones:** You are cordially invited to join us for a presentation in honor of Council Member Jolanda "Jo" Jones on Monday, November 7th, 2011 at 10:00AM.

Council Member Jones is our Houston City Council At-Large Position 5. She is also Chair of the Housing and Development and the International Business Initiatives Committees as well as a member of several other Council Committees.

Please R.S.V.P by November 2nd, 2011 to Ms. Alanis at [lalanis@harmonytx.org](mailto:lalanis@harmonytx.org).

**Veteran's Day Speaker: Reporter Art Rascon:** Emmy award winning Reporter Art Rascon from ABC-13 News will be a guest speaker at our Veteran's Day event! He will assist us in honoring the brave men and women who have served or are currently serving in our military.

Mr. Rascon has covered such major events as wars and conflicts in Iraq, the Balkans, the Middle East, Central America, and the Caribbean. Mr. Rascon has reported from more than 50 countries, five continents, and nearly every state in the Union. He has been nominated for 25 Emmys and has won 19.

Parents are cordially invited to this event; please RSVP to Ms. Alanis at [lalanis@harmonytx.org](mailto:lalanis@harmonytx.org).