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UPDATE



THE OFFICIAL BUZZ FROM BOOKER T.

March, 2009

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Attention All Parents!

Have you been searching for the perfect area to get “plugged-in”
at Booker T. Washington High School?

Do you have skills in the following areas:
leadership, record keeping, bookkeeping, organization?

Do you simply want to help?

Good News!!

The BTW PTSA will soon organize the nominating committee to search for persons interested in holding an office in the PTSA during the 2009-2010 school year. If you have an interest in serving on the committee or in becoming an officer, please contact me at shaysmallmd@gmail.com or leave a note for me in the PTSA mailbox in the front office at the school.

Remember – Good deeds can only be done by those who participate in them!

Sharon Smallwood
PTSA President

PTSA President's Letter

SAVE THE DATE – MARCH 9, 2009!!

The next PTSA meeting will be on Monday, March 9, 2009 at 7pm. Dr. Keith Ballard, Superintendent of Tulsa Public Schools will be the guest speaker. We will hear Dr. Ballard's views on magnet schools in Tulsa and the impact that they will have on education in our area. Please join us!

Also, our nominating committee is looking for a few good volunteers. This is your opportunity to make a difference at BTW by becoming involved in the PTSA at the officer level. Even if you are not interested in an elected position but would like to work on one of the committees, please email Tracye Love at musbluv@hotmail.com.

As always, feel free to contact me with any issues related to the BTW PTSA.

Sharon Smallwood
shaysmallmd@gmail.com

*******Parent Volunteer Hours Reminder*******

Please email parent volunteer hours to Sharon Smallwood at shaysmallmd@gmail.com by the 15th of each month or give your name and hours to the front office staff to include in the Volunteer Hours binder that is kept in the office. We have now added a column on the PTSA meeting attendance sheet for you to record hours from the previous month. Please utilize whichever method is most feasible for you.

PTSA Officers and Committee Chairs 2007-2008:

President	Sharon Smallwood
1 st VP Programs	Tracy L. Love
2nd VP Fundraising	Lana Gotcher
Secretary	Becca Roe
Treasurer	Francine Fisk
Council Delegate	Barbie Paige
Principal's Advisory Council	Annette Owens and Pam Hillis
Directory	Nancy Stutsman and Kathy Keeling
Hospitality	Ivana O'Brian, Jen Hanning and Kelli Tomlinson
Legislation	Laurie Koller
Co-Membership	Margaret Love and Shonta Frazier
Newsletter	Misty L. Roden
Parent and Family Life	Anthony and Pam Smith
Parliamentarian	Casey Koch
Bylaws	Tracy L. Love and Laurie Koller
ACE	Claudia Brierre
Project Graduation	Barbie Paige
Project Graduation Assistant	Casey Koch
Public Relations	Open
Reflections	Mary Perisho
Teacher Appreciation	Kelli Tomlison
Vespers	Lana Gotcher and Sr. Parent Committee
Volunteers – Record Keeping	Sharon Smallwood
Volunteers – Recruitment	Anne Bevilacqua
Senior Class Coordinator	Lana Gotcher and Open
Junior Class Coordinator	Tracy L. Love and Annette Owens
Sophomore Class Coordinator	Tracy Shears
Freshman Class Coordinator	Leslie Hullman, Marla Jackson and Hope Randle

Hornet Update

Deadline for the April issue:

March 15th

We will try to have the Hornet newsletter available on the school website by the 1st of each month. Please respect the posted deadline. Any articles submitted after the deadline may not be included in that month's issue.

Place articles in the PTSA box in the Main Office or email:



hornetbuzz@yahoo.com

{Extra copies of the current month's newsletter are always available in the BTW main office}

**PTSA
Memberships**

BTW PTSA NEEDS YOU

If you're interested in holding office /chairing a committee please contact

Tracye L. Love

**BTW PTSA Nominating Committee
Chairperson (918) 810-6852 or at
musbluv@hotmail.com**

**Elections are Monday April 13, 2009
at 7pm**

**All paid PTSA members please be
present to vote**

This is for the 2009-2010 School Year

From the Counselors' Office:

Spring is around the corner which means we are closing in on the end of one school year and working on schedules for the next school year. Enrollment packets have been handed to the students and by the time this reaches publication the juniors to be seniors will already have enrolled in classes for next year. The remaining enrollment dates are as follows:

March 4 and 5 – sophomores to be juniors

March 11 and 12 – freshmen to be sophomores

To enroll at the assigned time, students must have completed packets with appropriate signatures from teachers and parents. If the student enrolls in an Advanced Placement class there is an additional signature required giving notification that both the student and parent recognize that this is a college level class and schedules cannot be changed. We do appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

Seniors – If you are applying to TCC, be sure you complete all information before the April deadline. Hopefully all students have completed the FAFSA or are in the process of doing so.

Juniors – The next ACT test date is April 4 and February 27th was the last date to submit an application without paying the late fee. There is also a June testing date. All juniors should have taken an ACT or SAT test before the completion of this year. Check the college list for schools that are still visiting this spring.

End of Instruction exams will be given in April so students are taking practice tests in the various subject areas in preparation for this. All students must complete the tests in order to receive a diploma and freshmen must pass Algebra I and English II as well as 2 of the remaining 5 tests (English III, Geometry, Algebra II, US History, Biology) to graduate.

As we enter March remember to continue to encourage your student to work hard and keep up the good grades in order to end this year successfully. Your counselors are always available so feel free to contact us. As we cooperate and communicate with each other, it is the student who benefits.

Adrian McNeil	Freshman Counselor	925-1017	mcneiad@tulaschools.org
Melissa Best	10 – 12 A – F	925-1014	bestme@tulaschools.org
Elizabeth Enochs	10 – 12 G – O	925-1018	enochel@tulaschools.org
Lynn Stockley	10 – 12 P – Z	925-1016	stockly@tulaschools.org

Check the school website for events and sports calendars & all the breaking news at BTW!

www.tulaschools.org/schools/washington

For important and up-to-date college info, visit the Seniors Website:
www.tulaschools.org/schools/washington/Academics/assalone/Seniors/Index.htm

Flight Night is the awesome all night party that follows graduation. While it is sponsored by the PTSA, it is funded, organized and implemented by parents of the class members. This year the event will be at BTW on Monday, May 18, beginning soon after graduation, approx. 10:30 PM. It ends May 19 at 5:00 AM. It is a lock in and no one is allowed to leave the event. The exception is that with prior approval by the Flight Night Chair (Barbie Paige at bepaige@hotmail.com), a student may leave early if he or she has an AP or IB exam the next day. In this case, the parent will need to pick up the student.

This event costs in excess of \$10,000 to host. WE NEED ALL PARENTS AND GUARDIANS TO HELP DEFRAY THE COSTS BY DONATING \$35 PER STUDENT. This donation amount has not gone up in at least 8 years, while the costs for the party have increased greatly. Please help us by sending \$35 for your student to Casey Koch at 7330 E. 66 Ct. 74133. Checks should be made out to BTW PTSA. A few scholarships are available. Contact Casey Koch for more information at caseyk@cox.net

IN ADDITION, EVERY STUDENT NEEDS A PERMISSION SLIP SIGNED BY A PARENT OR GUARDIAN. They are available in the Flight Night box in the office (just above the PTSA box) or through our yahoo group if you are a member. Return them to the box in the office or mail to Casey Koch.



Booker T. Night at Johnnie's Charcoal Broiler
Third Tuesday of every month
5001 South Harvard
8104 South Sheridan

Johnnie's donates a percentage of the money spent by any BTW family, student or friend to the PTSA.

Take a break from cooking and meet friends at Johnnie's, have a study group meet there, or tell all your friends to support BTW on the 3rd Tuesday of each month.

Booker T. Washington PTSA Meeting Schedule
2008-2009



March 9, 2009
April 13, 2009 (Election of Officers)
May 11, 2009

All meetings begin at 7 pm at BTW unless otherwise noted.

Please plan to attend.

All meetings are the 2nd Monday of each month unless otherwise noted.

Summer Study Programs

Information about summer study programs is beginning to arrive in the Counselors' office. This information is time-sensitive; many of the programs have application deadlines within the next few months. Stop by the Counselors' office on the 3rd floor to check out the opportunities.

The following information about summer programs is currently available:

Oxbridge Academic Programs: Students can look at the booklets in the office and go on the website at www.oxbridgeprograms.com.

Vanderbilt Summer Academy – 2 sessions aimed at gifted students who qualify for TIP (Duke Talent Identification Program). pty.peabody@vanderbilt.edu

Vanderbilt Summer Academy, July 5 - 25 – For students 16 by July 5, 2009 – How to Apply for Med School 101 and How to Apply for Law School 101. Applications are due March 13 and are available at www.pty.vanderbilt.edu.

Student Leaders in Service at Birmingham-Southern College, June 14 – 19. Students must be current juniors with a 2.25 GPS and a 21 ACT or 980 SAT. Deadline for application is April 1.

Camp Hollywood – Rising 10 – 12th graders, July 12 – July 24 at Point Park University in Pittsburgh, PA. See www.pointpark.edu or call 412-392-4784.

Carnegie Mellon – A summer of Exploration – June 27 to August 7, 2009. Students must be born between August 7, 1990 and June 27, 1993 and have completed the sophomore year. Summer Pre-College Programs are available in:

Advanced Placement/ Early Action
Pre-college Fine Arts – Architecture, Art, Design, Drama, Music
National High School Game Academy

PROM DEADLINES!!!

1. Regular BTW Student Registration by **March 13th**
2. Late BTW Student Registration begins **March 23rd**
3. Last day for BTW Students to Register is **April 10th**
4. Guest Registration starts **March 23rd**
5. Guest Registration is **\$35**

The Junior class is...

selling class of 2010 t-shirts for \$10
and hoodies for \$25.

Contact Ms. Haughey at
haughel@tulsaschools.org for more specifics!!!

ANNUAL ASBESTOS NOTICE

**TO ALL EMPLOYEES, PARENTS,
VISITORS, AND ANY INTERESTED
PERSON:**

Regarding ASBESTOS-CONTAINING MATERIALS in ALL buildings OWNED, LEASED/RENTED or USED by TULSA PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Date of this notice is: **August 14, 2008**

ALL TULSA PUBLIC SCHOOL BUILDINGS have been inspected for asbestos-containing materials in accordance with E.P.A. mandates on or before October 12, 1989, by licensed and accredited inspectors.

Results of inspections, samples and subsequent analysis are available for your review in the ASBESTOS MANAGEMENT PLAN on file in this building and Tulsa Public Schools' Maintenance Center, 1555 N. 77th E. Avenue, Tulsa, Oklahoma

Contact person: Connie Pounds
Maintenance Center
1555 N. 77th E. Ave.
Tulsa, OK 74115
Phone: 833-8019

Need to email a BTW teacher or Staff member?

The TPS email address is comprised of the **first 5 letters** of the person's last name (or less, if the name is shorter than 5 letters) plus the **first 2 letters** of the person's first name and **@tulsaschools.org**. – if the person has a common name a 2 may need to be added at the end of their name.

(For example Micheal D. Johnson email address is: johnsmi5@tulsaschools.org)

or

(For example Jennifer Brown's email address is: brownje2@tulsaschools.org)

For a complete list of emails – check out the BTW website: www.tulsaschools.org/schools/washington



BTW Office Numbers

Main Office: 925-1000
Attendance: 925-1005
Registrar: 925-1019
Counselors: 925-1022
Cafeteria: 925-1030
Nurse: 925-1033

BTW Class of 2011

The BTW Class of 2011 (current **sophomores**) has formed a Yahoo group (**BTW-2011**) to use for purposes of **communicating to parents** about class news, events, deadlines, college info (later), etc. We will be able to send emails out to class parents that are specific to our class. This group will be used for the next 2 1/2 years to communicate to families who have students in this class. We also have the ability to post permanent files and information on the Yahoo site itself so that those who join the Yahoo group can access information at their convenience. This will be handy later on when we want to post college scholarship info and other senior-related activities. Currently, about 140 email addresses have been entered into this database. If yours has been entered, you will have received an email inviting you to join the group. If you do not respond, you may still receive the emails but you will not be able to access the information posted on the Yahoo group website itself.

If you have not received an email inviting you to join, we probably don't have your email address. If you want to be a part of this email group, please email Julia Leifeste at jleifeste@earthlink.net and you will be sent an email invitation to join the group.