Highlights for November 13-19, 2012
First Thanksgivings & Turning Down the ‘Haterade’

The Junior ROTC Academic team from Lowell High earned second place in the national 2011-12 JROTC Leadership Symposium and Academic Bowl competition. The team competed against thousands of teams from around the world to advance to the championship, which consisted of fast-paced rounds of qualifying levels in which teams were tested on their knowledge of English, math, and science using SAT-type questions. The SF Board of Education will be commending the team on its success.

When: Tuesday, November 13 / 6:15 p.m.
Where: SF Board of Education regular meeting / 555 Franklin St.

Newly-emigrated elementary school students will dress up and join a Thanksgiving dinner table to feast on turkey, mashed potatoes, vegetables, cranberry sauce, and pumpkin pie. Afterward they’ll sing “This Land Is Your Land,” “Mr. Turkey,” and “Let There Be Peace on Earth.” Students at Mission Education Center (MEC) are recent immigrants who speak Spanish; families have the option to enroll students in the MEC for a year before beginning at a regular school. The event is sponsored by the Geneva-Mission Lion's Club.

When: Friday, November 16 / 12:30 – 1:30 p.m.
Where: Mission Education Center / 1670 Noe St.

The Peer Resources’ 29th annual Youth Are Resources conference is a day-long celebration of SFUSD youth leaders. This year the day will feature Peer Resources alumni and youth-led educational workshops including “Stop Sippin’ on the Haterade,” which explores both internal and intra-oppression; “What’s in Your Buns?” to discuss justice through food and nutrition; and “Don’t Stand By, Be an Ally,” to talk about bullying. The conference leaders come from 14 middle and high schools across the district, and over 500 students are expected to attend. Peer Resources is supported by the San Francisco Education Fund and SFUSD to create positive change in schools and communities through the leadership of young people who support, train, and advocate for their peers.

When: Friday, November 16 / 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Where: Fort Mason / Golden Gate Room

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