

# LOWELL HIGH SCHOOL

WEEKLY STUDENT/PARENT BULLETIN #9

OCT. 19-OCT. 23, 2009

DATE		SCHEDULE	ACTIVITY
Monday	Oct. 19	B-code	Golf(girls)vsWashington@Lincoln Park-3:30pm
Tuesday	Oct. 20	C-code	Golf (girls Level A)@ Lincoln Park-3:30pm/Cross Country@GGPark-3:30pm/ Soccer(boys)vsBurton@Burton-3:45pm
Wednesday	Oct. 21	B-code	Tennis(girls)PLAYOFFS@GGPark-3:30p Volleyball(frosh/soph&Varsity)vsBurton@Lowell-3:45&5:10pm
Thursday	Oct. 22	C-code	Soccer(boys)vslSA@Franklin-3:45pm
Friday	Oct. 23	Neutral	Football(frosh/soph)vsMarshall@Lowell-3pm/Tennis(girls)semifinal@GGPark-3:30 Volleyball(frosh/soph&Varsity)vsMarshall@Lowell-3:45&5:10pm
Saturday	Oct. 24	No School	Football(V)vsMarshall@Burton-11:00am Senior Boat Dance

**Lowell Hotline: California Youth Crisis Line, 24/7: 1.800.843-5200 (live person at all times)**  
**Wellness Center, Monday-Friday, 8:30-4:30pm: 242-2575 (leave message if no answer)**

**SCHOOLLOOP:** To use the SchoolLoop, parents should have their children's HO#, first and last name ready. Visit <http://lhs-sfusd-ca.schoolloop.com/>. Under Login line, click on <Register>. It will show you the language options (English, Spanish, and Chinese) and a link for <Parent Registration>. Click the link, the next page will ask you for your first and last name, phone # and email address, and some information about your child. The information you fill in MUST match the official records on file with SFUSD and will be verified by the school administration before access is granted. A memo from our Principal and a form for you to complete and sign will be available online next Monday. Read the memo and send in your completed form to school. The approval process will be first come, first serve. (M.Yi)

**FRESHMEN taking the ninth-grade honors test on Tuesday, 10/20,** should check their room assignments which are posted on the wall outside Room 135. (S.Arber)

## ATTENDANCE POLICY:

It is expected that Lowell students will attend school regularly. It has been our experience that more than five days of absence for any reason in an eighteen-week semester results in poor grades.

**Re-admit Slip** – if a student is absent, the parent/guardian should call the Attendance Office (Ms. Chu) at 759-2730 ext. 3167. The student's legal name and Registry number should be given. When the student returns to school, s/he must bring a note signed by the parent/guardian in order to obtain a "Re-admit" slip. They are issued daily at the following times and locations:

7:15 to 7:30 – Room 131, Attendance Office

8:00 to 9:20 – Room 131, Attendance

7:35 to 8:00 – Room 104, Ms. Schmidt

9:40-10:00 – Room 104, Ms. Schmidt

A student must secure the signatures from all his/her teachers AND return the Re-admit slip to Dean Cordoba (Rm127) within THREE DAYS of the absence.

**Permit-To-Leave (PTL for Appts)**-if a student needs to leave early during the day due to a Dr/DDS appointment/Other(not illness), s/he needs to bring a signed parent note to Rm 104 or Rm 131 in order to request a "Permit-To-Leave (PTL). PTLs for appointments are issued daily between 7:35 and 9:20am.

The PTL (white copy) issued to the student must be signed by the parent/guardian and returned to Rm 131 – Attendance Office or Rm 104 – Ms. Schmidt for a Re-admit slip the following morning.

**Permit-To-Leave (PTL for illness)**-if a student becomes ill during the day, s/he should go to see Nurse Rainey (Rm 129), Ms. Schmidt (Rm 104) or the Attendance Office (Rm 131) anytime during the day. The parent/guardian will be notified and a PTL (white copy) will be issued to the student. The student must have the parent sign the PTL and attach a note regarding the illness. The student must obtain a Re-admit Slip in Rm 131 or Rm104 upon returning to school.

**Tardy to School/Cutting Classes:** Any loss of school time has the same effect – a loss of educational opportunity. The Dean will assign penalties. Thank you for your cooperation. (J. Tse)

**TSUNAMI SAMOAN RELIEF.** Thanks to the whole Lowell community for their monetary (\$683.42), clothing, food and book donations. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Special thanks to Mr. Fisher and Ms. Ow's classes for all their kindness and donations. (Lofi)

**GARDEN SUPPLIES NEEDED.** Mr. Strother's class in room T-23 is starting a garden project and we need supplies. If anybody has gloves, shovels, rakes, clippers, soil, or any other garden implements, please bring them to room T-23. Thank you. (Strother)

**SENIOR BOAT DANCE.** Tickets are now available for the Senior Boat Dance on Oct. 24. Buy your tickets at the student activities office (next to the beanery) from 10am – 4pm each day. Guest forms are due Thursday, Oct. 22. Last day to purchase tickets is Friday Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>. (T.Lee)

**YEARBOOK NEWS.** Don't forget to pre-order your copy of the 2010 Lowell Yearbook for \$100. The "Halloween Sale" ends Friday, October 30. After that, the price will go up to \$105. To pre-order your copy, take \$100 in cash or check to Ms. Nickels in Room 5. Make your check out to Lowell High School, and write your name and reg number on the memo line. If you would like to pre-order a Special Package (plastic cover, autograph sheets and name plate), please add \$5 to your order. (Nickels)

**CONDOMS and sexual health** information are available from Nurse Rainey on Wednesday afternoons, 1-3 PM, in room 129. Find out about local teen clinics, too. Drop-in visits okay.

**COLLEGE VISITS/Note:** The VICCI has moved to the end of the hall, Room 116. Seniors and juniors are welcome to sign up to attend these college visits in the VICCI. Many college representatives have come a long way to meet with you. Please be courteous and be sure to attend these visits once you have signed up. (M.Choi)

Oct. 19	8:30am	Ithaca, New York	Oct. 22	11:30am	University of Calif-Davis (Auditorium)
	9:45am	Darmouth College	Oct. 23	9:45am	Santa Clara University
	12:30pm	Union College		10:30am	University of British Columbia
	1:15pm	Boise State University		10:30am	University of Toronto
Oct. 20	9:45am	Syracuse University, New York		11:15am	Emory University
Oct. 21	1:30pm	University of California-Berkeley		12:45pm	Oberlin, OH

#### **VICCI CENTER:**

**Congratulations to 9 National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists** (Cassandra Crider, Kelvin Fok, Alvin Ho, Anita Lee, Joey Lee, Diana Liu, Jessica Noss, Owen Whitmore and Thurston Zhu) who are among 16,000 in the nation to participate in the program for further consideration. Lowell also wants to congratulate the 59 students (!!) who have been named Commended Students in the 2010 National Merit Scholarship Program. They are among only 34,000 in the country! All juniors who participate in the PSAT have a chance at receiving this recognition and a chance to compete for scholarship award. Juniors - sign up for the upcoming PSAT test date of 10/14! (H. Hogan)  
**Princeton University** will be having an evening informational program Wednesday, October 28 at the Center for the Performing Arts located at El Cerrito High School, 540 Ashbury Avenue, El Cerrito, CA 94530 from 7-8:30 pm. [www.princeton.edu/pr/admissions/u/ep](http://www.princeton.edu/pr/admissions/u/ep). 609-258-3060

**Loyola Marymount University** is having Open House Sunday, October 25, 2009 11-4:30. RSVP [www.lmu.edu/openhouse](http://www.lmu.edu/openhouse).

**Field Trip to Saint Mary's and Santa Clara on October 27th.** If you are interested, please email Angie at [angie@pactinc.org](mailto:angie@pactinc.org).

**SJSU College of Engineering Open House**, Saturday, October 31, 2009. Go to [www.engr.sjsu.edu](http://www.engr.sjsu.edu) for more information. (Hogan)

**Reflections Program:** The 2009-2010 Reflections program is "BEAUTY IS..." Due date is late November, to be announced. Submit Art work in the following areas: Dance Choreography, Film Production, Literature, Musical Composition, Photography, 2-D Visual Art. Info and forms at the VICCI CENTER or email Reflections Chair Mary Fitzgerald at [FITZMARY@COMCAST.NET](mailto:FITZMARY@COMCAST.NET)

#### **PTSA**

**School Night Faculty and Staff Dinner:** A big thanks to the wonderful Lowell family members who supported the **Back to School Night Faculty and Staff Dinner:** Nancy Ahn, Beth Alberts, Sally Blumenfield, Ana Cerqueira, Elizabeth Crane, Sue Degener, Linda Dallin, Rhodora Fiorello, Gabriel Firth, Chris Fitzpatrick, Catherine Frankel, Joanne Frediani, Yuko Fruth, Uta Grieshammer, Debbie Gee-Wong, Lisa Haller, Trudy Hamm, Jolene Lee-Wong, Donna Levitt, Belle Ling, Carol Louie, Pat Louie, Maria Mendoza, Chris Mills, Marilyn Oshiro, Laura Patterson, Lisa Pollard, Benjamin Pollock, Renee Prescott, Pamela Robinson, Ellen Rothmann, Rosanna Russell, Meredith Serra, Debi Skaggs, Brigitte Smyth, Paul Sussman, Rosina Tong, Rita Toy, Cynthia Tsuchimoto, Rebecca Wightman, Jackie Wise, Helen Yee, and Melanie Young. I apologize if I overlooked anyone, so please contact me promptly so I can acknowledge you. We have another event coming up - Lowell 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Night on October 29<sup>th</sup>. We provide dinner for those faculty and staff members who participate in 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Night. It is usually a smaller event so I will likely not need as many volunteers. And since you were so generous for the Back to School Night, I am not asking for monetary donations. However if you still want to participate in setting up, serving dinner, clean-up, or providing a dish, please contact me through e-mail or phone. Thanks again for your generous and ongoing support. (Jamie Lewin – PTSA Hospitality)

#### **SPORTS**

**6<sup>th</sup> Annual Faculty vs. Students Basketball Game, Friday December 4<sup>th</sup> at 3:45 in the gym.** If you would like to play for the student team, please sign up at Mr. Ambrose's desk in the math dept. (Rm 344). In the last 5 years, this event has raised over **\$10,000** for cancer research!!! (M. Ambrose)

**SWIM TEAM!!!** Mandatory meeting for all interested students on October 29<sup>th</sup> at 3:30pm in Rm 220. (J.Yang)

**LOWELL ATHLETICS:** Don't forget to check the website, [lowellathletics.com](http://lowellathletics.com) for all the scores and updates and pictures of your favorite teams! (R. Ray)

#### **THEATRE**

**Lowell's production of "As You Like It" will be holding a love poem contest!** All students who wish to participate should write a love poem no longer than 14 lines, and turn it into Room 110 by Oct. 25, 2009. Winners will have their poems featured in the show! (And get free tickets). (T.Bookwalter)

#### **INTERESTED?**

**Interested in Engineering?** Meet a Civil Engineer who will speak about his work and careers in engineering. Slideshow and video.

When: Tuesday, October 27<sup>th</sup> - 4:15 PM to 5PM and Wednesday October 28<sup>th</sup> 4PM to 4:45PM. Where: Room S106

How: Sign up on door of S106 and come to the workshop!

(N.Nager)

**Take a Peer Resources elective class** in the Spring semester, get 3 college credits, and help your peers! Please see Adee in T14 B for more information. (A.Horn)

**WHAT'S THE BEST JOB IN AMERICA?** According to Money Magazine it's Software Engineering. It offers the best combination of high salaries, room for creativity, strong job growth and cutting-edge projects like designing a new video game or programming a military laser. Consider taking Computer Programming 1 next semester. It's a fun course and open to all students grades 9 – 12. This is an intro course for anyone who is interested in learning how to create Java software and manage a website, and no previous computer experience is required. For more info contact Mr. Simon in room 334 or online at <http://mrsimon.net> (A.Simon)

**Want a fun and educational elective class? Enroll in CVE Marketing Class Spring 2010** – Learn computer skills for office clerical jobs. Learn selling and marketing skills for sales customer jobs. Learn how to get a job. Receive job placement assistance (optional). Earn 5 credits for the class and up to 10 credits for your job (optional). Class offered mods 4-5 or 9-10 or Tuesday 3:30 to 6:30PM, or Wednesday 3:30 to 6:30PM. Working students encouraged to enroll. Students seeking employment encouraged to enroll. Students seeking job skill training encouraged to enroll. Sign up on your course selection form in Reg, or see your counselor or see Mr. Nager in room S106 mods-Reg, 6,7,8,11,12,13. (N.Nager)

**SBC IS HOLDING A PUMPKIN CARVING CONTEST!** If you think you can carve, submit a jack-o-lantern by Tuesday 10/27 @ the SAO. Prizes awarded. Grandprize free WinterBall ticket! Pick up guidelines from the SBC govt board by the counseling office. Jack-O-Lanterns will be donated to the UCSF Children's Hospital! (Tony Lee)

**Juniors/Seniors** – come to open gym during mods 8-10 on Tuesdays/Thursdays to play badminton or to the weight room to workout! Athletic attire required. (T-Ray)

**SNACKS!** Come to Peer Resources in T14 B on Thursdays from 3:30 - 5:00pm for games and snacks. Play fun games and eat healthy snacks to de-stress and make new friends!!! (A.Horn)

**Myriad:** Submit art and writing to the Myriad! Email [lowellmyriad@yahoo.com](mailto:lowellmyriad@yahoo.com) with your submissions, or drop them in the the boxes in the English Department office or the library. Include your name, reg and email. (N.Henares)

**CSF Drop-In Tutoring is Available!** Would you like help with your Spanish homework? Need extra guidance in composing an English essay? Sign up for a one-on-one CSF Tutor by going to [Lowellcsf.webs.com](http://Lowellcsf.webs.com) and fill out the form under the tab "Tutees". Drop-in tutoring is also available everyday from CSF members who have skills and experience in the courses you are taking. Stop by Monday-Fridays in T-14B during mods 9/10; Room 217A during mods 19/20; or the library during mods 11/12 or from 3:30-4:30pm. (N.Okada)

**Tired of your old, boring wardrobe?** Get a new, glamorous outfit at the **Gardening Club's Recycled Clothing Exchange**. Save the date for the week of November 10<sup>th</sup>. Don't throw your clothes away, donate them! Drop off your clothes in one of our handy donation boxes at the library, or the main office (under the counter). Donate at the catwalk and receive a coupon good towards your future purchase at Gardening Club's Recycled Clothing Exchange Extravaganza any day from now to November 5<sup>th</sup> mods 8-18! What you hate could be another person's glamorous ball gown. Look good and save the earth! Everything accepted except for socks, shoes, and underwear. (K.Melvin)

## **CLUBS**

**Korean Club.** We're having a very interesting club meeting this week! Com to Korean Club after school on Monday @ room 238! (A.Cho)

**Mathletes.** Come to the next Mathletes meeting on Tuesday, October 20<sup>th</sup> in Room 338 at 3:40pm. It's never too late to join! (T.Chan)

**Recycling Club.** Fridays @ 3:35pm, Room 134. Become a member and recycle with us! (C. Innis)

**Library closed? Come to H.A.T. club!** Wednesdays (Rm 70) and Thursdays (Rm134). For more information, visit

[www.ourHATtime.weebly.com](http://www.ourHATtime.weebly.com).

(B.Benkovich)

**FOUND:** Metallic Pink girl's wallet, ladies ring, and scientific calculator. Must be able to describe. Please come to room 104 to claim.

(Ms. Schmidt)