

# The Joy School Update

## February 2010

Dear Parents,

Where did January go? Maybe I'll figure that out before March hits.

Your Principals,

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### **Important Dates for Spring**

- February 8-12 Goal Setting Conferences
- February 15 President's Day- No School
- February 18 TJS Luncheon
- March 15-19 Spring Break

### **The TJS Annual Luncheon**

The Joy School Annual Luncheon is right around the corner. This once-a-year event is a perfect opportunity to hear first-hand from a nationally recognized guest speaker gathered among families, friends and educators. If you are interested in purchasing tickets or a table, please contact Deborah Kirkland at 713-523-0660 ext 239 or [dkirkland@thejoyschool.org](mailto:dkirkland@thejoyschool.org). We hope to see you there!

## **THE JOY SCHOOL ANNUAL LUNCHEON**

Featuring noted speaker, author and consultant

**Mr. Pete Hinojosa**

Presenting

### *Getting Your Best Results for Life*

Mr. Pete Hinojosa is an Advanced Certified Human Behavior Consultant and President of Quest Leadership Dynamics. Over the last fifteen years, Mr. Hinojosa has provided expertise in community development, leadership and character, parent and professional development training, and has given keynote presentations on a state, regional and national level.

**Thursday, February 18, 2010**

11:15 a.m. • *Luncheon seating promptly at 11:45 a.m.*

River Oaks Country Club

Following the luncheon, Mr. Hinojosa will lead an interactive seminar:

***Communicating with Influence***

1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**Luncheon Co-Chairs: Lynn McCarley & Kim Moody**

### **Stanford Testing**

All Stanford results have been mailed home. If you have not received your copy please email or call me. If you have any questions regarding the results please do not hesitate to give us a call.

### **Mid-Year Goal Setting Conferences**

The week of February 8-12 is reserved for mid-year goal setting conferences for teachers and parents. Please use this time to check in with your child's teachers regarding their current progress and goals. There is not a set schedule, and you are not required to schedule a conference. However, we do provide this opportunity for an additional check-in with your child's teachers if needed.

### **Mainstreaming**

**If you are considering mainstreaming for your child next school year, please make sure you are discussing this with your child's teacher as soon as possible. If you have not already had an appointment with Lara Leigh or Laura Rodriguez regarding this, please do so asap. Many schools have deadlines of mid-January for their applications.**

### **Summer School at TJS**

Registration is now open for TJS Summer School. Please consult with your child's teacher as to the appropriateness of this program for your child before registering. As you may know, our summer school is open to TJS students, however we generally encourage our TJS kids to participate in other non-school related activities over the summer when possible and appropriate.

<http://www.thejoyschool.org/services/summerschool.htm>

### **COATS/JACKETS**

It is still cold out there! All students should come to school WITH a coat EVERYDAY! Please make sure your child's coat/jacket is labeled with their first and last name.

### **Thank You**

Thank you to the parents of Mrs. Flowers and Ms. Kate's classes for stocking the kitchen with goodies for the staff.