



ENDEAVOR EXPLORERS

Personalized Learning
Public Charter School

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NEWSLETTER

September 2022



MARK YOUR CALENDAR Important Dates

SEPTEMBER

- Sept. 2 • LP 1 Attendance due
- Sept. 5 • Labor Day: School Closed
- Sept. 6 • TK-8 Enrichment Classes Begin
- Sept. 7 • TK-8 Library Visit
- Sept. 8 • WSCS Board Mtg.
- Sept. 14 • TK-8 Park Day
- Sept. 21 • TK-8 Park Day
- Sept. 22 • Catalina Informational Meeting
- Sept. 23 • Picture Day
- Sept. 28 • TK-8 Library Day
- Sept. 29 • Steam Fair informational meeting
- Sept. 30 • LP 2 Attendance due

OCTOBER

- Oct. 7 • 8th Grade \$50 deposit due (Catalina trip)
- Oct. 17-21 • Fall Break: No School
- Oct 28 • LP 3 Attendance due

“Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire.”

-William Butler Yeats, 20th Century Irish Author



PUBLIC NOTICE WSCS BOARD MEETING

September 8 at 2:00 p.m.

This meeting will be by teleconference pursuant to Executive Orders N-25-20 and N-29-20.

Dear families of last year's third grade class,

Please see a hard copy draft of the book your child will be receiving this coming spring! I have left it in the east lobby for your perusal.

Know that because of the war in Ukraine, our illustrator there (who lives in Odessa), was stalled in completing the work. We are still hopeful that each child will get a completed and colorized hard copy this spring! (don't forget to save their rough drafts completed in class for later use!)

Thank you for your patience!

-Sandra Hammond



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STEAM FAIR

Informational Meeting

Join us for an informational meeting regarding Endeavor's 3rd annual STEAM Fair!

Learn how you can share your passion for Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and/or Math with others!
This is open to all TK-12 Endeavor students!

WHEN: Thursday, September 29th at 2:00

WHERE: via Zoom (link to follow in ParentSquare)

For more information contact Christine Chugg at cchugg@wscsfamily.org
or Nancy Turner at nturner@wscsfamily.org



COMING SOON...

Endeavor Charter Talks Podcast

ENDEAVOR CHARTER SCHOOL



ONLINE ONLY

Scholastic Book Club is available for all Endeavor Charter School families!

Current Order Deadline: September 16th

Find books for less than \$2.00!

- Type in “book” in the search bar at the top of the page
- A filter will appear on the left-hand side bar
- Click the drop-down menu for “Price” and click the box with \$1 to \$2
- All books less than \$2.00 will appear!

Shipping Info:

- Free shipping to our school (direct to home shipping is no longer offered by Scholastic)

How to Order:

- Go to: clubs.scholastic.com
- Click on CONNECT TO TEACHER >
- Enter 5-Digit Class Code: RDYRJ
- You should now see TEACHER’S NAME: Nancy Turner and NAME OF SCHOOL: ENDEAVOR CHARTER SCHOOL
- Click CREATE AN ACCOUNT
- Type in your information and click CONTINUE
- You are now linked to Endeavor Charter School and you can start shopping!

If you have questions, contact Nancy Turner at nturner@wscsfamily.org or #248-0471 extension 217.

“As the largest children’s book publisher in the world, Scholastic is entrusted with the promotion of literacy through books for millions of kids of all ages and reading levels. Our mission is built on helping children learn to read and love to read.”

Scholastic Mission Statement

Visit
FRESNO FAIR
free of charge!

WHEN:

October 6, 7, 13 & 14

WHERE:

Fresno County Fairgrounds

How:

Simply fill out an application online and input your information as a “homeschool family” and you will be sent tickets for your family:

<https://www.fresnofair.com/f/22>

There are fun educational resources (including a downloadable fair education packet, activity sheets, and curriculum) available using the following link:

<https://www.fresnofair.com/p/education/fair-education1>

ADDITIONAL DETAILS:

Parking is FREE in the Butler parking lot. You will receive chaperone tickets based on the number of students/children you are bringing.

Chaperone Ticket Info:

Preschool (3-5 years)

1 chaperone to every 2 students

4th - 8th Grade:

1 chaperone to every 4 students

K - 3rd Grade

1 chaperone to every 4 students

Special Needs:

1 chaperone per student

Note: For each additional chaperone, there will be tickets available for \$5 and can be purchased at the Fair Education ticket booths on Butler Avenue.

FEATURED FAMILY

...will return in October

RESOURCE SHOWCASE



by Sandra Hammond

Attention Families of 3rd-12th Graders!

It is vitally important that students learn the keyboard to help with writing skills. Increasing typing speed will help relieve stress when asked to write using Chromebooks, and most importantly, help ideas flow. There are other free resources to help learn the keyboard, but this one uses a race track theme to add a challenge!

See Nitrotype at:



CLICK HERE
for Nitrotype Homepage

THE BREAKROOM

Staff Feature

BY SANDRA HAMMOND

Meet one of our new teachers, Michelle Garrett!

Title/Role

Advising Teacher for TK-8 and 6th grade enrichment class teacher.

Family Make-Up

My husband Jason and I have been married for 25 years. We have a 20 year-old son, Michael, and a 15 year-old daughter Lauren. We also have our dog, Max, and a tortoise, Rocky.

What is your background/education?

I taught 23 years as a 6th grade classroom teacher.

What does a typical workday for you look like?

A typical work day is calling and meeting with families to help in their learning adventure.

What is the most challenging part of your position?

The most challenging part of the position, for a new teacher, is not being in the classroom daily and learning all

of the administrative “stuff”.

What do you like best about your career choice?

A brand new experience.

What is the first career goal you remember having as a young person?

My first career goal was wanting to work with a family-like community as a teacher.

Did you follow any part of that original goal?

Yes. Working at St. Anthony’s School. I met some of my dearest friends.

Do you have any other interests/pursuits?

I love to read and go to the beach with my family!



(Photo: Michelle featured here with her family.)

ELEMENTARY

Every Wednesday

(following the TK-8 Enrichment Schedule)

Beginning the week of Enrichment classes, we will be organizing field trips, park days or visits to a county library. Parents/Guardians are required to chaperone their children and provide transportation for all Park Days and Library Visits. More information to come on subsequent field trips!

Scheduled for September:

Please click the dates below for permission slip access

1. Wed. 9-7-2022	Woodward Park Library - Fresno 10:00-12:00
2. Wed. 9-14-2022	Oso De Oro Park - Fresno 10:00-12:00
3. Wed. 9-21-2022	Oso De Oro Park - Fresno 10:00-12:00
4. Wed. 9-28-2022	Woodward Park Library - Fresno 10:00-12:00

Attention Parents/Guardians of 8th Graders! | Informational Meeting Coming Soon!

Join us for the 2023

Catalina Island Marine Institute Trip

Initial Meeting!

When: September 22 at 2:00pm

Where: via Zoom (link to follow in ParentSquare)

For more information contact Nancy Turner at
nturner@wscsfamily.org

Catalina Island Marine Institute aka CIMI at
Cherry Cove on March 13-15, 2023

NOTE: This trip is open only to enrolled 8th grade students

\$50 Deposit due October 7

HIGH SCHOOL



COUNSELOR'S CORNER

with Greg Hill

Welcome to the 2022-23 school year! I hope everyone had a great summer!

Important Announcements

All High School Students - "Counseling Connection"

I am hosting a weekly "College & Career Counseling Connection" for students. It is an informational meeting for high school students **every Thursday morning from 10AM-10:15AM via Zoom**. See "College/Career Counselor Connection" post on ParentSquare (sent August 15) with information about the topics and Zoom link. The topics will include College/Career and postgraduate information. Here are the topics for the month of September:

- 9/1 - Understanding the 5 year plan part 2
- 9/8 - Seniors - Post Graduate Planning part 1
- 9/15 - Seniors - Post Graduate Planning part 2
- 9/22 - Understanding the PSAT and SAT/ACT tests
- 9/29 - Understanding Financial Aid and the FAFSA

College Application Information:

California State University & University of California applications open on October 1st! They are both due on November 30. Apply online.

CSU: www2.calstate.edu

UC: www.ucop.edu/pathways

Private University: Deadline varies

Local Community College Applications:

Seniors interested in attending one of our local community colleges should apply with priority registration through the "Registration To Go" Program:

SCCCD (Fresno City, Oakhurst Center, Madera Center, Clovis Community, Reedley College)

Local Community College "Registration To Go" steps

1. Application: October
2. Online Orientation: November
3. Counseling / Advising with Student Educational Plan: Feb/March
4. Registration for classes: April if above steps are completed

FAFSA AND MONEY MATTERS

All seniors planning on attending any college or a career technical school:

The FAFSA application opens October 1st.

www.fafsa.ed.gov

Please email me at gill@wscsfamily.org if you have any questions about anything!

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Brook Hirata	204	TK-8 Advising Teacher/HS Biology/HS Earth Science
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Diane Vaccaro	206	TK-8 Advising Teacher/9-12 Leadership/HS T.A.
Grace Reeve	201	9-12 Advising Teacher/HS Biology/HS Chemistry
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