

THE CHOICE Weekly News



January 14,
2009

Toga, Toga: The skirts in Mr. Waldman's language arts classes were a huge success and now we need someone to be on *toga cleaning duty*. If you are able to help out by washing the sheets used in the plays, please contact Seth Waldman.



level, two integrated signatures, one math, and one language arts signature. *Please speak with your child about their progress to avoid surprises on conference day.*

Mid Year Conferences: Coming up on *Thursday and Friday January 29th and 30th*. Students are expected to attend both of



their electives each morning and arrange transportation away from school until their conference time slot. If you have questions about the time and date for your child's conference, please contact the co-op teacher. Students are expected to have their portfolio, explain it thoroughly, and be open to feedback from parents and teachers.

Girls Group: There is a wonderful opportunity *for girls from any grade in CHOICE to join a Girl's Group*. This will be a chance to meet in a small group with the counselor and discuss issues that effect middle level students. If you think your daughter would benefit, please contact Patty Patterson.



Open Enrollment: Our final visitation day was Tuesday and all open enrollment events went well!! Thanks to the countless parents for all of their work to organize and support the efforts of the CHOICE Program. A special thank you to Mary Volz and Leah Kahn for continuing to take the lead and make sure everything runs smoothly. On that note, Mary will be "graduating" from CHOICE this year and *we need a parent volunteer to be in charge of organizing the essential follow up phone calls*. If you are interested in this opportunity for next year, please contact Emily Rundell.

Open Enrollment Deadline: This *Friday January 16th is the final day to turn in open enrollment forms* to the district. This is true for all levels: elementary, middle, and high school.

Portfolio Progress:

The due date for math and language arts signatures is today Wed. Jan 14.



CHOICE Students will be presenting their portfolio progress at mid year conferences. They should have half of the portfolio requirements met. This includes: personal section has 3 – 5 completed sections, goals progress has been documented, community involvement hours have been logged and signed for half the total amount depending on grade

Good on ya mate:

Welcome David Koch (pronounced Cook)!! The CHOICE Team is so happy to be working with this wonderful teacher from Australia. He has a great sense of humor, lots of new expressions we are trying to learn, and an insightful outlook on the middle school student. Please join us in making him feel welcome!



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Important Dates:

Jan 14 Signatures Due

Jan 16 Open Enrollment Due

Jan 29-30 Conferences



In this week's folder:

CHOICE progress reports
Elective progress grades
School report card