

Overcomer Newsletter

A letter to the parents of our students

March 2009

GOOD JOB, PARENTS!!

We here at the school are seeing many improvements in the behavior and academic achievement of our students. (I did say improvement; they are not at perfection yet). I must give many parents credit because of their involvement. Parental involvement is the key to improved behavior and academic achievement. On a daily basis, parents are calling requesting appointments to speak with their child's teachers and on occasion myself. This is the number one problem-solving method. Never stop getting involved in your child's life. May I suggest a few helpful tips.

1. Just because you are not hearing negative news about your child, don't assume everything is alright. Give us a call to ensure that everything is okay with your child.
2. I find some parents are a little nervous to speak with the principal or teachers. (Probably some leftover fears from their childhood.) I enjoy meeting the parents of our students. I enjoy being involved in problem-solving meetings that benefit both family and school. Please feel relaxed.
3. I learn a lot from parents when they voice their concerns. When you do so, you are helping us make City Baptist a better school.

- - - Dr. Dave Douglass



PASTORS' SCHOOL

The annual Pastors' School at the First Baptist Church of Hammond will be held the week of March 16—19. Although we are not having school, many junior high and high school students will be scheduled to work for Pastors' School. Any student who is scheduled to work will be picked up and dropped off as usual by the school buses.

Working in Pastors' School is a privilege. Please make sure your child is dressed appropriately each day and understands that he must be on his best behavior as he works.

Any student not chosen to work in Pastors' School may not attend without administrative permission. Failure to comply will result in demerits and the student's removal from the church property.

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Please check out the City Baptist Schools website. It has all the current information. It has the up-to-date school calendar, current events, and lots and lots of great pictures of our students; as well as the many special events we have at school.
Find us at: www.citybaptistschools.com

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday—Thursday
Monday—Friday
Monday
Tuesday
Friday
Saturday

March 16 — March 19
March 16 —March 27
March 30
April 21
April 24
April 25

Pastors' School
School Break
Classes Resume
Walk-a-thon
End of Third Quarter
Alumni Night



**ATTENTION,
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**THE \$55
 GRADUATION
 FEE IS DUE BY
 FRIDAY,
 MARCH 13. IF
 THE FEE IS
 NOT PAID BY
 MARCH 13,
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City Baptist is a vital part of First Baptist Church. March 16 – 19, 2009, is our 46th annual Pastors' School. We are asking students to bring cakes, pies, and cheesecakes to be used as desserts for the many delegates that will come from across America and many foreign countries.

Due to food safety regulations, these desserts must be purchased from a store or bakery. Please keep the desserts in their original packaging. The desserts should be brought on Thursday, March 12, or Friday, March 13. Students should take their desserts to their homeroom classes.

Dessert points are as follows:

Pies – 10 Points
Single Layer Cakes – 15 Points
Fancy Double Layer Cakes – 35 Points
Cheesecakes – 50 Points

The grade school class and the high school class that averages the most dessert points will earn a Banana Split Party on Tuesday, March 31, immediately following our spring break.

Thank you for your support in this endeavor. If you have any questions, please call the school office at 931-4345.

**PLEASE
 NOTE THIS
 CHANGE:**

THE CITY
 BAPTIST
 SCIENCE
 FAIR WILL
 BE HELD
 ON:

**THURSDAY,
 MAY 14.**



IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT FOR ALL PARENTS

There has been a change in the policy which determines when school bills must be paid. Previously, the school bill was due on the first of the month and payable anytime during the month. Students were not allowed to attend classes if the bill was not paid by the last day of the month. **School bills are still due on the first of the month. However,**

beginning in March 2009, the bills must be paid by the 15th of the month, or the student will not be allowed to attend classes. Because March 15 is during Pastors' School (no classes) and our spring break is the following week, the March bill must be paid on the students first day back at school which is March 30.

If you have a question about your child's school bill, please do not hesitate to call Mrs. Shepherd at the business office (219) 322-5056 (Ext. 135) or Mrs. Bartley at