

# HOLMES Highlights

A NEWSLETTER  
OF THE HOLMES  
JUNIOR HIGH  
SCHOOL PTA

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## Upcoming Events

- 3/1 7<sup>th</sup> grade STAR Writing (core)  
3/10 Secondary Articulation (12:30pm dismissal)  
3/11 Hombro to Hombro fieldtrip  
3/14 Site Council Meeting (4-6pm Holmes library)  
3/24 PTA Meeting (7-9pm Holmes library)  
3/25 End of Quarter 3  
3/25 International Day  
3/25 9<sup>th</sup> grade dance at Harper  
3/28 Positive School Climate Committee Meeting (3:45pm in the large conference room)  
3/31 Open House (6:30-7:30pm)  
4/4-8 **NO SCHOOL** - Holiday Spring Break  
4/11 Site Council Meeting (4-6pm Holmes library)  
4/20, 21 US History STAR testing  
4/22 Leadership Day #2  
4/25 Positive School Climate Committee Meeting (3:45pm in the large conference room)  
4/25, 26 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> grade Science STAR testing  
4/27-29 STAR testing  
4/28 PTA Meeting (7-9pm Holmes library)  
4/29 Mid-Quarter 4 Progress Report Quarter 4  
5/30 **NO SCHOOL** – Holiday Memorial Day  
6/9 Last Day of School

## A Message from the Principal, Derek Brothers

### March News and Updates

I would like you to invite you to our Open House on Thursday, March 31. Visitors will view student projects, listen to the music of the Holmes Band, purchase books at the Book Fair and watch students participate in activities in the gym. If you visit our Science Labs, Library, Computer Labs, Gym Complex, Home Economics Room and Industrial Arts Facilities, you will see what our wonderful students are accomplishing.

### STAR Testing:

Seventh graders throughout the state will be writing an essay for the STAR writing assessment on March 1, and then our whole school will be gearing up for the state standards tests later in the spring. Between April 18 and May 6 students will be taking the nationally-normed California Standards Tests in English/language arts, math, U.S. history and science. As all schools in the state will be testing during this testing window, at this time we are uncertain when the testing company will have the results returned to us. Although the state uses this testing for accountability purposes and general achievement information, our school staff finds the individual and group information very valuable. It tells us where relative strengths and weaknesses are in our instructional programs and when we are hitting those targets. For example, Holmes' science scores have risen steadily over the years. This data tells us that our instructional methods are sound.

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## A Message from Your PTA President, Christina Dicker

### Consider Being a PTA Volunteer Next School Year

As spring approaches, it's time to start looking ahead to the next school year. Your PTA is beginning the process of filling positions for 2011-12. At the March 24 meeting, officer candidates will be nominated. If you haven't yet had the opportunity to volunteer, now is the time! Please email me if you are interested in volunteering with our fabulous PTA. There are many positions, both officer and committee, waiting to be filled!

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## Principal's Message

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The test results are also one of the measures we use when considering individual student's placement in certain classes. The following are a few suggestions to help prepare your student for the testing:

- Please do not schedule appointments or trips during this time. Students not testing during class testing times will be testing in a mixed-class setting during makeup times. Research has found that students do their best testing in their own classroom with their own teacher.
- Try to get into a routine that includes early bedtime, breakfast and arriving to school on time. Students arriving late when a class is testing will not be allowed into the classroom until that section of testing is complete.
- Encourage your student to do his/her best and to use the opportunity to practice test-taking skills, which are increasingly important as students look forward to passing the high school exit exam and applying for college, trade schools, or employment.

It's become increasingly clear that our schools will be facing challenging times in the months ahead. Our district is experiencing declining student enrollment. Together, these factors could reduce our school district budget next year by as much as \$6 million.

This significant decrease in funding will, inevitably, impact services, programs, and staffing for our schools. As parents, teachers, staff members, and administrators, our job is to make sure that our educational mission remains our top priority. As a community, we must keep our focus on our students and their welfare.

Times like these cause us to pull together. I ask your patience and understanding as we navigate through the difficult days ahead. To the fullest extent our resources permit, we will place first the welfare of the students we serve.

Thank you for supporting and motivating your children to make the most of their learning experiences here at Holmes!

~ Derek Brothers

## FROM YOUR PTA PRESIDENT

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I'm sure you've noticed PTAs tend to operate more quietly at the junior high level than they do at the elementary school level. Be assured, junior high PTAs are still a vital part of school. To prove my point, here are some of our budget details: This year the Holmes PTA is budgeted to raise over \$31,000. Of that \$31,000, under \$1000 is spent on administrative expenses and \$1500 goes to pay our dues to the State PTA organization. That leaves \$28,500 available for the benefit of the Holmes students and families. Annually, Holmes PTA uses the money raised to support Holmes programs such as: library books and materials, WEB, Safe School Ambassadors, International Day, staff education, parent education, campus beautification, Red Ribbon Week, Toy Shop, Pi Week, and science supplies for dissection and meal worm projects.

PTA also helps teachers with individual requests for program support. This year, the PE, Home Ec/Health and Computer Science departments purchased new equipment. The Art department purchased new art supplies. The Social Studies department registered for the National Geography Bee and the Math department registered for the Math Counts competition. Additionally, PTA is supporting class-wide field trips at all grade levels, relating to social studies (7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade) or PE (9<sup>th</sup> grade) curriculum, and is also funding a motivational speaker for the entire student body.

PTA is happy to provide "hospitality". We treat the Holmes staff to a wonderful lunch three times a year and we help with events like Career Day and school registration. PTA also serves the Holmes families through listserv announcements, the monthly newsletter, the PTA website, and coordination of escrip and Nugget scrip cards – all of which are maintained by PTA volunteers.

PTA volunteers are the backbone of a strong PTA. With your participation, we can continue to help the Holmes teachers provide the best education possible for our children. I hope next year you will become a PTA volunteer!

~ Christina Dicker  
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(530) 753-7347

## Counselors' Corner

### "College: Making it Happen!"

College: Making it Happen! College information day at Sacramento State will be held on Saturday, March 19, from 8:30-noon. This program is intended for 6<sup>th</sup> through 10<sup>th</sup> grade students and their parents and will convey the importance of early planning for college through motivational sessions, practical hands-on workshops, career exploration, campus tours, and informational sessions on preparing academically and financially for college. Local colleges and universities will be represented. The program is free and open to the public but pre-registration is required. Registration and more information are available at: [www.csus.edu/cmih](http://www.csus.edu/cmih) or at 916-278-5610.

### Parent Project

Trease Petersen, Davis Police Dep't., and Jennifer McNeil, DJUSD Prevention and Crisis Manager, will teach Parent Project, a parent education course designed for parents of teenagers with challenging behavior, beginning Tuesday, March 1. The class runs for 10 weeks, from 6-9 p.m. Tuition is \$50. To register, call Trease Petersen at 747-5432.

### Holmes Open House

All Holmes families are invited to this year's Open House on Thursday, March 31 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Classrooms will showcase student work.

### Programming events and dates for the 2011-12 school year

This will be the second year that Holmes students will be selecting their courses online through the Zangle portal, StudentConnect. If your child does not have his/her password and PIN to access StudentConnect, they are available from the counseling secretary before or after school or at lunch. More information and detailed instructions will be distributed during the classroom presentations to students.

Below are some of the upcoming events and dates for planning for the 2011-12 school year. Please refer to the postcard sent to Holmes families mid-February for more details:

#### Incoming 8<sup>th</sup> grade

3/17 Holmes incoming 8<sup>th</sup> grade parent information meeting, MPR, 7:00-8:30pm  
 3/15-3/18 Holmes classroom presentations  
 4/1 Hardcopy of course requests due to English teacher and selections made in StudentConnect

8<sup>th</sup> grade DaVinci Junior High School  
 ([www.davincijuniorhigh.net](http://www.davincijuniorhigh.net) for more information)  
 3/4 DaVinci JHS presentations to students in PE classes  
 3/14,15 DaVinci JHS parent information meetings at Emerson JHS, room C-10, 7:00-8:30pm  
 3/21,22 Student preview days  
 3/25 DaVinci JHS applications due by 5:00pm  
 3/26,27 DaVinci JHS notification of acceptance

#### Incoming 9<sup>th</sup> grade

3/22 Holmes incoming 9<sup>th</sup> grade parent information meeting, MPR, 7:00-8:30pm  
 Parents unfamiliar with high school graduation requirements and college preparation are invited to attend an information meeting before the general meeting, from 6:00-6:45pm  
 3/22-24 Classroom presentations  
 4/1 Hardcopy of course requests due to English teacher and selections made in StudentConnect

#### 9<sup>th</sup> grade DaVinci JHS

Note: The DaVinci JHS 2011-12 9<sup>th</sup> grade class has very few openings. Please contact DaVinci JHS if you would like more information.

#### Incoming 10<sup>th</sup> grade:

3/7 DHS counselor presentations to students during English class  
 3/28 Course requests due to DHS counselors during English class  
 10<sup>th</sup> grade DaVinci High School  
 (<http://www.davincihigh.net/> for more information)  
 3/3 DVHS parent presentations, DVHS room 18, 7-8:30pm  
 3/4 DVHS presentations to students in 9<sup>th</sup> grade PE classes  
 3/7,8 DVHS student preview days  
 3/10 WWI Museum Night at DVHS, 6:30-8:30pm  
 3/25 DVHS applications due by 5:00pm  
 3/26,27 Notification of acceptance  
 3/28 Course requests due to DaVinci counselor during English class

~ **Ashley Nelson & Joanna Littell**  
 Counselors

## Spring is Here, Almost!

After completing a very successful dance unit in January, the Physical Education Department swings into Spring Semester with an eye toward more outdoor activities. As you know, however, we are still experiencing very cold mornings and some days the wind has added to the tough outdoor environment. Please be sure your student has blue, black, or gray sweats to combat the cold weather. We have new (\$15 each) and used (\$5) hooded sweatshirts and sweatpants for sale or you can use your own, unmarked (minus advertising) sweats.

We are in the middle of our equipment inventory and we would like to ask for donations of specific equipment to allow us to re-allocate our funds to other equipment needs. If you have any gently-used sports equipment that you would like to donate to our program, we would appreciate it greatly. We especially need any baseball gloves, tennis racquets, tennis balls, badminton racquets, birdies, balls of any kind, and feminine products for the girl's locker room. If you have a donation, please drop it off at the main office with a label saying "For PE". Thanks!

Our track unit for all Holmes students begins soon. If there is anyone with a roto-tiller that we can borrow to ready our long jump pit, we would appreciate it. Please email our department chair, Paul Rooney ([prooney@djUSD.net](mailto:prooney@djUSD.net)) to arrange a drop-off and pick-up. Our track looks to be in better shape than last year when it was almost covered with weeds from all the rain.

Finally, talk to your student about locking their belongings in their PE locker more carefully. We have had several students lose their clothes because they failed to lock their lockers. Unfortunately, this puts a financial burden on families to replace the lost uniforms. Remember, an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

Thank you to our athletic director and lunch-time intramurals coordinator, Heather Wade. Her efforts make a real difference every day for the students at Holmes!

~ **Paul Rooney**  
PE Dept. Chair

## Un-Fundraiser Goal Met!

Thank you for helping our Un-Fundraiser reach its goal!

With all of your help we have reached our Un-Fundraiser goal for this year! Last month we were \$1000 short of reaching our goal, but with several family's generosity we were able to achieve it this month. Added to the generous giving of over 100 families who donated in the fall of 2010, the Holmes PTA can now fully sponsor the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade Renaissance and Civil War Reenactment Days, the 9<sup>th</sup> grade all-day off-site hike, and pay for a motivational speaker who was also scheduled for this spring. Thank you to the following families who helped to push us up over the top of our Un-Fundraising goal: Amesbury, Beck, Bertain, Folks, Greve, Hirst, Johnson, Kelly, Lindeman, Martin, Muir, Plude, Woodard. Thank you also to the several anonymous donations of cash that were also received.

Thanks again for your wonderful support that will touch the lives of every student at Holmes.

~ **Shelley Bronzan**  
Holmes PTA  
Un-Fundraiser Coordinator

## Happy Chinese New Year!

Room P4 has been a fun place to spend lunchtime together for Chinese Culture Club members on Wednesdays. Translation of English names to Chinese characters on a bookmark is available at each club meeting, so stop by and visit! CCC has regularly been participating in holiday crafts, card games, mahjong and calligraphy. We made posters and signs to advertise the club and celebrate Chinese New Year. The two after-school activities that we did this year were assisting and interacting with the Chinese exchange youth group in January. The clubbers were translators and peer helpers. It was a great opportunity for them to practice and learn Chinese from native speakers. The youth group leader expressed their appreciation to all clubbers during a farewell party.

~ **Mei Yan Lin**  
Chinese Culture Club Coordinator

## SEXting...now that I've got your attention

In 2005, the term "sexting" was first published in a British newspaper, *The Daily Telegraph*. Since 2005, there has been a proliferation of sexting scandals that has included celebrities such as football star Brett Favre, golfer Tiger Woods, teen idols Vanessa Hudgens and Hilary Duff. There have also been scandals involving high school and junior high school students. Consequences have included the humiliation that Tiger Woods experienced to the suicide of eighteen year old Jessica Logan. While the sending and receiving of sexts caused Tiger Woods serious problems with regard to his marriage and corporate sponsors, his sexting activity was not deemed illegal as it took place between consenting adults. For adolescents, however, the creation and distribution of sexually explicit photographs is considered child pornography in most states.

The National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy (2009) conducted a survey of over a 1000 adolescents and concluded that the use of cell phones and computers to send and receive sexually explicit photos and to send and receive sexually suggestive messages is a phenomenon that is becoming more prevalent and troublesome in our country. This study found that 20% of all teens (ages 13-19) created and distributed nude or suggestive photos of themselves and 39% of all teens have transmitted sexually suggestive messages. Teens who live in Davis are sexting.

Problems further arise as many sexts are eventually shared with others than the intended recipient. In the case of Jessica Logan, Jessica created a nude photo of herself and texted it to her boyfriend. When Jessica and her boyfriend broke up, he distributed the photograph to other girls in their school via text messaging. Jessica was humiliated, harassed by classmates, and became so despondent that she killed herself. Other potential recipients can include friends, family, teachers and future employers. College admission committee members are now looking

up applicants on websites such as MySpace and Facebook to gather information on students; this information can negatively affect an applicant's admissions chances. As such, pictures posted to cell phones and forwarded to these social networks may result in damaging consequences to adolescents on many fronts.

Why adolescents sext is quite disturbing: Many send images to be flirtatious and some send them as a joke phones (The National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy, 2009). Some teenagers and young adults exhibit low self-esteem and are seeking attention from a hopeful admirer, a potential boyfriend or even a stranger on the Internet. Coercion is becoming more and more problematic in "sextortion" cases. Sextortion is a form of blackmail when one party threatens harm to another unless they send explicit photos or have sex with them.

Unfortunately, many teens and young adults are unaware of the potential legal harm and emotional consequences if caught creating, possessing or forwarding/distributing sexts. This is especially true of teenagers who often do not think before they act. Emotional consequences include anxiety, depression, low self esteem, and sometimes suicide. Legal consequences are relatively new and as cell phone technology is becoming more affordable, this sexting phenomenon is becoming more prevalent. For intervention and educational reasons, more parents, educators and health professionals need to understand sexting so they can inform adolescents of the possible dangers to help prevent the negative psychological and physical consequences which can ensue. The bottom line...please talk with your teens about sexting and its ramifications!

~ Summary of PTA presentation by guest speaker **Danielle Bier**, grad student and Davis parent



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# Davis School Arts Foundation

Funding and celebrating art education in the Davis public schools since 1981

## The Davis School Arts Foundation needs you.

The DSAF is a nonprofit organization whose volunteer members work to support arts education in the Davis public schools. We can't do it without your help. The DSAF is a **matching funds** organization. Every dollar of the first \$18,000 raised is matched by the DJUSD and is magically doubled. But we can't work our magic without that initial \$18,000. **At a minimum, we need 400 DJUSD families to donate \$50 a year to keep the arts available to all students. Each year the DSAF funds:**

- Grants for innovative visual and performing arts projects in Kindergarten through 12th grade classrooms;
- Awards \$2,000 annually to each elementary school for site specific art needs;
- Support the Migrant School Art program, Instrument Lending Program, instrument and choral programs K-12,
- Secondary School Drama Programs
- Artists in Residence Programs K-12

Last year, through donations, events, district and other private matching grants, the DSAF generated \$54,000 for arts programs district wide. Our membership is down substantially this year and **we can't do it again without your help.** Any level of support would be welcome, and, of course immediately doubled. If you can, be one of those four hundred by using the form below to make your tax deductible contribution today.

Sincerely,

Colleen Connolly

President, Davis School Arts Foundation

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\*Membership can be mailed to: **DSAF P.O. Box 4203 Davis, CA 95617** or can be submitted to any DJUSD school office.

## Library News

### Reading is Fun!

Read Across America will once again take place the first week of March. As you probably know, Read Across America is the nation's largest literacy celebration that takes place each year around Dr. Seuss's birthday, March 2. The Holmes library has some fabulous activities planned to spread the joy of reading! Events will take place every day that week. Some of the highlights include:

- Wednesday, March 2: Come to the library at lunchtime (12:30 sharp) for a book and magazine swap for students, staff and parents. Bring in your old magazines and books to swap with someone. Parents--please check in with the office when you come. Note: adult and student books and magazines will be on different tables.
- Thursday, March 3: Read-a-thon after school in the library. Come and read a book for library "credit" towards a book fine OR towards the next Scholastic Book Fairs. Students will be "paid" \$8.00 an hour (max of one hour).
- Friday, March 4: This is the last day to turn in your Read Across America/Dr. Seuss bookmark contest forms. See the library or the library website for an entry form. Prizes will be given to the top three entries (a Dr. Seuss hat and credit for the next book fair!)

### UC Davis Tutoring

Please come take advantage of the FREE UCD tutors available in the library every day after school (except Fridays) and before school Wednesdays (from 8:30 on).

### Special Thanks

The library wants to give a special thanks to the PTA for its generous monetary donations this year. Thanks to the PTA we have many new books and a speedy, reliable server. Thank you, parents!

### Still needed...

We are still in need of a gently-used love seat or recliner for our expanding reading area. Please contact the library if you have something to donate.

~ **Amy Labson**  
Librarian

## DavisPARENTSDO

*Working with your child's coaches and other mentors to discourage substance use*

One of the biggest deterrents to a child using substances is involvement in meaningful activities that are rewarding and help provide stimulation and structure. Many students, however, justify using alcohol and drugs to relax as long as they manage their responsibilities. So you may be surprised at the number of athletes who drink and smoke before, during or after their sport season.

Did you know that the Davis Joint Unified School District has a specific policy proscribing action by coaches with respect to athletes using? The policy can be found at <http://www.djUSD.net/district/docs/sports-forms/sports-forms>. Many coaches may not even be aware of this policy, and you can help support them in their efforts by bringing it to their attention, or asking if you can help communicate any information to other parents.

Coaches, as with other mentors, have a major influence on our kids – they are one reason we encourage kids to participate and spend as much time as they do doing sports. No coach wants to lose an athlete because of a rule violation, especially when that kid's behavior may be a sign of distress and sports may be the only thing holding them together. Coaches can do a lot short of kicking a kid off the team for substance use by just sharing their feelings and making their expectations clear: that substance use by teens is never okay. As one Davis coach recently said at a parent meeting, "You

are an athlete before during and after practice, and before during and after the season. You represent your team, your sport and your fellow athletes. There is no time it is OK to use substances."

Davis Parents Do supports the district to implement the policy and to follow the lead of coaches who have creative solutions to intervening in appropriate ways with the athletes that care about their opinions. As a parent, you can ask your children's coaches how they deal with substance use, on or off season, and how they communicate their position to their athletes. And, be sure to offer them support when they do take the risk of helping a kid out by intervening.

**Discussion Topic with Your Teen:** Ask your teens if they know what their team's policy is with respect to using substances and whether they think it is enforced. If not, ask them why they think it isn't, and what the consequences would be if it were. Ask them whether they think it's important to the team for the coach to enforce the policy, or for themselves personally. Finally, if you think your teens feel safe enough, ask them if they feel any pressure to use with their fellow athletes in any environment. Problem-solve together on how to handle the pressure if they are approached, or if they see another athlete using.

Our new athletic director Dennis Foster may be able to answer additional questions at [dfoster@djUSD.net](mailto:dfoster@djUSD.net).

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## Volunteer Opportunities for 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents

DHS is currently trying to fill some vital PTA board and committee positions for next year. Specifically, DHS is very much in need a person for the class of 2014 listserv. If you are a parent of an incoming 10th grader who might be interested in helping with the DHS PTA next year, please contact **Carolee Gregg**, DHS VP in charge of communications, at [clbgregg@aol.com](mailto:clbgregg@aol.com) or **Christina Dicker** at [cbd321@yahoo.com](mailto:cbd321@yahoo.com).

## Saveagallon Contest Update

We're more than halfway through the school year and elementary students are logging a lot more days than they did in December, while junior high students have dropped off. If you haven't logged recently, you can still catch up on karma points. Check out the prizes on [www.saveagallon.org/Davis\\_School\\_Contest](http://www.saveagallon.org/Davis_School_Contest). As of 1/31/2011 here's how the Saveagallon race looked districtwide:

School Team, most days logged: North Davis, 446 days

Elementary Classroom Team, most days logged: North Davis - Mrs. Yackzan, 77

Secondary Classroom Team, most days logged: Emerson - Nayar, 111

Total number of miles logged this month districtwide: 4,891 miles

Total Number of gallons saved this month district-wide: 272 gallons

Total Tons of CO2 saved this month district-wide: 3 tons

For their January efforts, the following students won prizes. Christopher S. and Maya S bike glow safety lights and username SMar won a Ken's Bike and Ski Snowboard rental gift certificate. Three students with the most number of days logged during the month of March will win a bike computer donated by Freewheeler Bikes (keep track of your miles on the computer), a labor certificate to B&L Bike Shop, or a Bike Glow safety light. And remember the basic contest rule: If the miles logged would normally have been in your family car, you can count them; if the car wouldn't have been started, they don't count. they don't count.

Questions about the contest? Contact [crystal2waters@yahoo.com](mailto:crystal2waters@yahoo.com)

Questions about the Saveagallon website? Contact: [info@saveagallon.org](mailto:info@saveagallon.org)

## Band Notes

Holmes Concert Bands to play at DHS on Wednesday, March 16! Please come and hear all three grades of Holmes' concert bands perform their Spring Formal Concert on Wednesday, March 16 starting at 7:00 p.m. at Davis High School's glorious Performing Arts Center. In addition to the rousing numbers, conducted and emceed by the wildly popular Mr. Clyde Quick, there will be a bake sale to help support the music program. Musicians to arrive at 6:30, showtime at 7:00. So come listen, clap, socialize, and enjoy! Oh, and eat dessert!

Holmes Concert Bands to participate in festival at DHS on Saturday, March 26! Don't miss the chance to hear your Holmes' concert band musicians play in their annual Adjudicated Festival, held all day on Saturday, March 26 at the Davis High School's Performing Arts Center. Our kids will be both players and judges for the festival, so come out and support a day of fine music-making! (Check the Holmes listserv closer to the festival date for specific play times for each concert band.)

## Easy as Pi

Know what is one month from today? Yes, it will be Pi Day soon! The Holmes math department sponsors three events to celebrate this wildly irrational number. On Monday, March 14, we will have prizes and points for those who memorize and recite 25 digits or more of pi. We'll also have Math Idol, with talent prizes for daily Pi trivia contest. See your math teacher for more details and start reciting 3.14159.....

## Important T-Dap Information

In response to the resurgence of pertussis and the rising epidemic of the disease in Southern California over the last year, the California Legislature passed a statute to require a T-Dap (pertussis) booster for all children *entering* grades 7 through 12 in the Fall of 2011. Before school opening next fall, the school district must have documentation of this shot for all these children before we can seat them in class. Parents/guardians might want to use the winter break to take care of this important task. Please send the documentation to your school site office as soon as possible. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

~ DJUSD Student Service Announcement

## Yearbooks Available Online

Order your book online at [www.jostens.com](http://www.jostens.com). Sorry, we will no longer be accepting orders at school. Online is the only way to pre-purchase a yearbook through April. Currently we have less than 70 books left for the 2010-2011 school year. Spring price is now \$40. Any remaining books will be sold in June for \$45 on a first-come-first-served basis on the day of distribution. We have sold out the last three years, so to avoid missing out on the yearbook, we advise you pre-order.

~ **Deanna Leveque**  
Art Dept. Coordinator  
Yearbook Advisor

## SCRIP CARD TOTALS ADD UP

Spring is in the air - time to dust off those scrip cards and start shopping!

When you use your scrip cards at Nugget, Safeway, or SaveMart, up to 4 percent of your receipts are donated to Holmes PTA. When you use your Jamba Juice card, they will donate 10 percent! The totals really do add up and make a difference for our students; please remember to use them every time you shop! Contact Julia Grim [glen\\_julia\\_julian@sbcglobal.net](mailto:glen_julia_julian@sbcglobal.net) or 530-753-8932 (eves) if you need new or replacement cards. Thank you!

~ **Julia Grim**  
Scrip Coordinator

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