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# IB Bulldogs Blast

Greetings Tubman Community,

I'd like to thank each member of our community for reaching out to me after my daughter Josie's car accident. I would like to share that Josie is on the road to recovery, and has recently been transferred to a rehabilitation center. Please continue to keep her in your well-wishes and thoughts.

Thank you for your attendance support during our virtual Curriculum Nights last week. If you were not able to attend, please know that your child's teacher will be sharing all pertinent information. Also, we have a variety of parent engagement activities listed under the important updates, please join us at an upcoming event.

We will be resuming our normal entry and dismissal procedures beginning tomorrow. Thank you for being patient with us during construction. As a reminder, please be considerate of our neighbors when dropping off and picking up. We are asking that you please do not double park.

Warm regards,

Kimberly

#### **Student Vaccinations and Health**

We have already launched the collection of copies of vaccination cards for 7th & 8th graders eligible for vaccination. In the case of a CPS issued quarantine, 7th and 8th graders that have proof of vaccination, and are asymptomatic, will be allowed to continue coming to school in person.

Students' physical and immunization records are required by schools to ensure a healthy and safe environment for all our students. They are due by October 15, 2021. The physical and immunization requirements are as follows:

- Physicals (Required for Pre-K, Kindergarten and 6th Grade)
- Immunizations

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- -DTap, Polio, MMR, Hepatitis B, Chickenpox, HIB and Pneumococcal (Required for Pre-K and Kindergarten)
- -Tdap and Meningococcal (Required for 6th Grade)

We appreciate all your efforts to maintain the health of the Tubman community. If anyone needs help obtaining health insurance for their child please call the Healthy CPS Hotline at 773-553-KIDS (5437) for assistance. Child-health-exam-form For any questions, please contact the school nurse, Carol Reilly, at CReilly1@cps.edu.

#### From the CPS Office of Student Health and Wellness:

In December of 2020, the <u>CPS Sexual Health Education Policy</u> was updated to include a requirement that schools make condoms available to students in grades 5-12. Our school will be making condoms available to students in the Counselor office. The Chicago Department of Public Health provides condoms at no cost in an effort to address high rates of sexually transmitted infections (STIs) and unintended pregnancies among young people in Chicago.

Condom availability beginning in 5th grade is developmentally appropriate and aligned with the CPS Scope and Sequence of Sexual Health Education. Condoms are available for students as well as the broader school community, including staff, parents, guardians and other community members to access as needed. Research has shown that having condoms available at schools does <u>not</u> increase sexual activity among students. It increases condom use and decreases rates of STIs among those who are already sexually active.

Please feel free to contact the Office of Student Health and Wellness at 773.553.KIDS (5437) or oshw@cps.edu if you have any questions or concerns.





Beginning in October, **IB Inquiry Adventures** will go home in Tuesday Folders at the start of each month to provide families with an opportunity to engage with the IB Learner Profile Attributes of being Caring, Open-Minded, a Thinker, an Inquirer, Knowledgeable, Principled, Balanced, a Communicator, Reflective, and a Risk-Taker. We encourage families to take an active role in promoting the IB Learner Profile Attributes by selecting an adventure from the form and reporting back to school about the experience. We look forward to seeing all the ways our community engages in the attributes of being an IB Learner at Tubman Elementary! Look for the first IB Inquiry Adventure in your October 5th Tuesday Folder!

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## **Important Dates and Upcoming Events**

- September 15 October 15 is Hispanic Heritage Month
- September 28: Friends of Tubman Fall Festival Meeting @ 9:00 a.m.
- September 29: Friends of Tubman Meeting @ 6:00 p.m.
- October 1: Principal's Conversation @ 9:00 a.m. [Click here to sign up]
- October 1: 1st-8th Student Progress Reports Go Home
- October 6: High School Information Session for Parents [Virtual] @ 9:00am
- October 6: LSC Meeting @ 6:00 p.m.
- October 8: 15th Annual Tubman Fun Run
- October 11: Indigenous Peoples' Day NO SCHOOL

## Friends of Tubman (FOT)

Donating Is Open for Fun Run '21!

Our official Fun Run Kick Off on September 29 is less than a week away! Leading up to the Celebration Event Day, Friday, October, 8, students will be able to get donations from anywhere in the world for every lap they run on the day of the 15th Annual Tubman Fun Run. In order to help maintain safe distance, we will not be marking laps on the day of the run so every student will be marked as having completed 35, which is a great goal! This program is designed to help teach students about goal setting, completing challenges and helping our school community.

You can get a head start on celebrating those laps because giving is open on mybooster.com. Simply register your student and start sharing their pledge page! And mark your calendars for the Kick Off next Wednesday, September 29 and the 15th Annual Fun Run on Friday, October 8!

Thank you for your continued support of Tubman Elementary students and staff!

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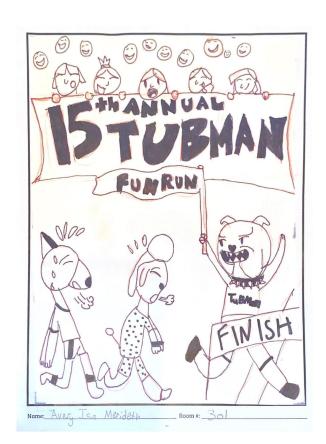
### **T-Shirt Contest Winner**

Thank you to all the students who submitted their amazing designs for our Tubman Fun Run T-shirt contest! We loved seeing the kids get into the spirit! Submissions were narrowed down to six finalists and students chose the final design in class. The winner of this year's T-shirt design is: **Avery Isa Merideth** in fifth grade room 301. Congrats, Avery!

#### **Finalists:**

Ori Raviv Gilden in Room 301 Liliana L. in Room 210 Gabriel Hernandez in Room 210 Aris is Room 204 Avery Hernandez in Room 205

Thank you to our Sponsors!
FOT is so grateful for the support of this year's Fun Run supporters and we're proud to showcase them on the 15th Annual Fun Run banner, which also features artwork by one of our students, 7th grader Georgia Pooler! Our events, like the Fun Run, would not be possible without the support of these community members who are committed to seeing our school thrive as much as we are!



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