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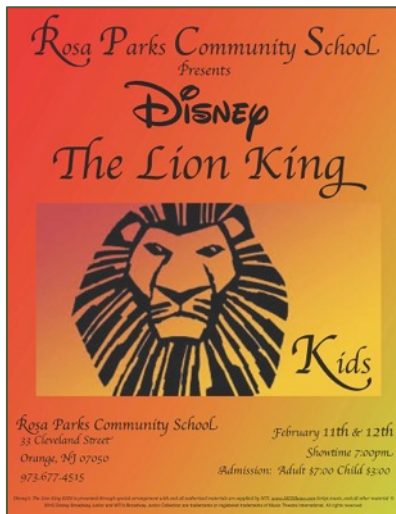
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- ✓ Parent Conference - Grades 8-12, February 11, 1:15 - 4:00 p.m.
- ✓ RPCS Presents Disney Lion King, February 11& 12, 7:00 p.m. at Central Auditorium

## Rosa Parks Community School Presents - Disney Lion King Kids



Rosa Parks Community School will present Disney, *The Lion King Kids*, on Thursday, February 11 and Friday, February 12 at 7:00 p.m., at the school's Central Auditorium. The presentation is the result of an award Rosa Parks Community School received through the New Jersey Performing Arts Center (NJPAC) to bring the *Disney Musicals in Schools* program to Greater Newark. RPCS was one of five public elementary schools selected by the Arts Center to participate in an afterschool outreach initiative, developed by Disney Theatrical Group, to create ongoing theater programs in elementary schools. NJPAC received a \$100,000 grant from Disney to provide this program.

The program involved a 17-week musical theater residency whereby NJPAC and Disney Theatrical Group provided teaching artists to conduct after-school sessions at no cost to the school. The award included performance rights, educational support materials and guidance to develop staff and students in an effort to create a sustainable theater program.

In addition to the scheduled performance at RPCS, NJPAC will host a *Student Share Celebration*, on February 8, 2016, during the school day, where each school will have the opportunity to perform a selection from its show, on NJPAC's world-class Prudential Hall stage, for an audience of fellow students, family members and friends.

See flyer below for details.

Contact Information:  
Orange Board of

## College and Career Day at Heywood Avenue School

*Submitted by Ms. Faith Alcantara, Principal, Heywood Avenue School*

Heywood Avenue School hosted a *College and Career Day* on January 29. Mrs. Radalia Dixon, interim School Social Worker, coordinated the annual event, now in its tenth year. A number of presenters spent the morning visiting classrooms in grades K - 7 representing various career fields including: Medicine, Chemical Engineering, Surveying, Law Enforcement, Public Safety, Public Relations - Entertainment, Ministry and Motivational Speaking. Fixed presentations were staged in the school gymnasium and students received information from Berkeley College, the Wight Foundation and the Essex County Crime Scene Unit.

The Orange Fire Department brought its new fire truck and students in grades K - 2 went on board, one at a time, to see the equipment available for their use.



Students from Kean University visited classrooms in grades K - 7 and offered encouragement and valuable information on the benefits of attending college. Kean University has participated in this yearly event since its inception, thanks to Mr. Alex Louis, Assistant Director of Greek Life, in the Office of Student Life and Leadership Development. The event concluded with an all school assembly in the auditorium, featuring the Heywood Drumline and Heywood Wildcat Cheerleaders. The assembly opened with "school spirit and pride" followed by a brief step show from the members of Phi Beta Sigma, Iota Phi Theta and Gamma Psi Epsilon.



**Pictured (above and left): College and Career Day at Heywood Avenue School.**

During the week of January 25, students at all grade levels engaged in "college and career awareness" homework, by discussing with their parents what "career" they would like to pursue, as well as finding out more about their parents' careers.



Also during the week, displays of staff college degrees, college graduation pictures, Greek

paraphernalia and other college memorabilia were in the main hallway for students and visitors to view.



Additionally, in library classes for the month, students in grades 5 - 7 completed a "career cluster interest inventory," using a resource from Iseek.org, which helped them to ascertain what careers they may be interested in. After which they explored college majors that corresponded to their career matches and researched three universities (one HBCU, one in-state and one out-of-state college option) where they could possibly attend for their selected major. Students in grades 5 - 7, developed their first resume, highlighting their current activities, community service and courses of interest.

"It is important to plant the seed of seeking a higher education, beyond high school, now, so that students begin to understand that all they accomplish from their elementary years leads to how they will perform in their middle and high school years. Everything they do now will prepare them for what is to come in their future,"  
Principal Alcantara



**Pictured (above and left): College and Career Day at Heywood Avenue School.**

## January Board of Education Meeting

Oakwood Avenue Community School (OACS) hosted the January Board of Education Meeting on January 12, with Principal Robert Pettit presenting the Board with OACS T-shirts before the session opened. After the flag salute and school pledge, led by students Christopher Fernandez, Mayc Watts and Kwadir Clarke, Principal Pettit, introduced a presentations by



Rachael Bland, Community School Coordinator and Elaine Carter, Parent Liaison, **(pictured left)** who summarized the

Community School model and the focus of OACS: student enrichment and academic success, community partnership and family engagement, citing examples of each. They also gave an overview of the OACS's Pediatric Clinic and the services offered to OACS students and school aged sibling, including vision, dental, nutrition and mental health counseling. Following their presentation, Sonic Explorations, an afterschool program for grades K-3, inspired by the El Sistema music program, entertained the audience with a choral and violin performance.

The school then gave a heartwarming tribute to commemorate Ms. Jean Fields, paraprofessional and office assistant, who recently passed away. She was honored for her 45 years of service.



The OACS Cheerleaders **(pictured above)** closed the school's presentation with the school song, asking all to sing along. Mr. Pettit thanked the audience for their attention and staff, parents and students for their contributions. The Board members also observed a moment of silence in honor of Ms. Fields and presented her family with a resolution in her memory.



**Pictured: Sonic Explorations.**



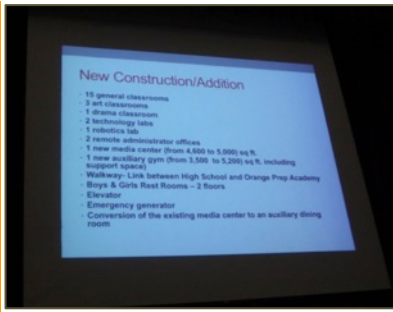
**Pictured: OACS Presentation Slide.**



**Pictured: Mr. Pettit pays tribute to Ms. Fields.**



**Pictured: Board President Cristina Mateo, Superintendent of Schools Ronald Lee, and Principal Robert Pettit, presents Resolution to the family of Ms. Fields.**



Mr. Adekunle James, Business Administrator and Board Secretary, also gave a presentation to the Board titled *Orange High School Addition & Renovation NJSDA & NJDOE Project*. He detailed plans for new construction, additions and renovations, including new classrooms, a walkway between the high school and Orange Preparatory Academy, an elevator and new rest rooms.

**Student of the Month:**

Superintendent Ronald C. Lee and Board of Education President, Ms. Cristina Mateo, presented students with certificates for being selected Student of the Month (SOTM). On a monthly basis, students are recognized for exemplary behavior, academics and citizenship by their school. The students honored were:

Student	School
Khatiana Constant	Orange High School
Ahijah Broomes	Career and Innovation Academy of Orange
Naomi Louis	Orange Preparatory Academy
Angelina Dhanwa	Cleveland Street School
Chasity Benson	Rosa Parks Community School
Deicka Jean-Charles	Park Avenue School
Jared Goodman	Heywood Avenue School
Lissette Quiroz	Forest Street School
Ada Garcia	Oakwood Avenue Community School
Ludwika Torres	Lincoln Avenue School



**Pictured (left to right with Board President Mateo and Superintendent Lee): OHS SOTM with Co-Principal Jason Belton; OPA SOTM with Co-Principal Aretha Malloy and family.**



**Pictured (left to right with Board President Mateo and Superintendent Lee): Cleveland Street SOTM with Principal Dr. Cayce Cummins and parent; RPCS SOTM with Principal Debra Joseph-Charles and family; Park Avenue SOTM with Principal Dr. Myron Hckett and parent.**



**Pictured (left to right with Board President Mateo and Superintendent Lee): Forest Street SOTM with Principal Yancisca Cooke and family; Heywood Avenue SOTM with Principal Faith Alcantara and family; Lincoln Street SOTM with Principal Denise White and family.**

**Parent of the Month**



**Pictured: Ms. Taveras and family with Principal Pettit, Board President Mateo and Superintendent Lee showing off their OACS T-shirts.**

Each month a parent from the host school is recognized for their contributions to the school and community. The Parent of the Month for Oakwood Avenue Community School is Ms. Angela Taveras. Ms. Taveras is an active member of PTO and is always ready to support any school event. When the OACS Pediatric Clinic opened, she was the first parent to sign up. She is a fierce advocate for her daughter and does whatever it takes as a parent to make sure that her daughter receives what she needs. In addition, she extends this compassion and dedication to all students and families in the community. Ms. Taveras goes out of her way to help other parents, and advocates for their

concerns. Although Spanish is not her first language, she routinely offers her help with translating, and rallying other parents. She is an upbeat presence and a true Oakwood eagle.

**Preschool Registration Fair**

The Orange Public School District's, Early Childhood Education program provides a full day preschool education for all three and four year old residents of Orange, free of charge. The district will be hosting a *Registration Fair* on Saturday, February 27, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Montclair Child Development Center, located at 261 William Street in Orange. The center is one of six licensed community childcare programs, along with Head Start, that the district collaborates with to provide preschool services. Additionally, the district has six in-district preschool facilities.

**Orange School District  
Registration Fair**

**FREE  
PRESCHOOL**

**On-Site  
Registration**  
Please bring required documentation

Saturday, February 27, 2016  
10:00am to 2:00pm  
Montclair Child Development Center  
261 William Street  
Orange, NJ 07050  
**\*\*SNOW DATE: SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 2016\*\***

**Requirements:**

- 3 or 4 years old by 10/1/16
- Must be resident of Orange Township
  - Original Birth Certificate
  - Child's Immunization Record
- Current Lease or Mortgage Statement
- 2 Proof of Residency (PSE&G bill, telephone or cable bill)
  - Picture ID

At the Registration Fair, staff will be on hand to give an overview of the Early Childhood program, which is dedicated to providing a high quality education to all of its students. On-site registration will be completed for parents who bring the required documentation. The requirements are as follows:

- 3 or 4 years old by 10/01/16
- Must be resident of Orange Township
- Original Birth Certificate
- Child's Immunization Record
- Current Lease or Mortgage Statement
- 2 Additional Proofs of Residency (i.e. PSE&G bill, telephone or cable bill, NO CELL PHONE BILLS ACCEPTED)
- Picture ID of the Parent

See flyer below for details.

## FYI

### Orange Adult School Open House



An Open House has been scheduled for Orange community members interested in the Orange Adult School, on February 11, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

For more information, contact Mr. Barry Devone, Rosa Parks Community School Site Coordinator, at 973-677-4000, ext. 1019. See flyer below.

### Orange Preparatory Academy Community Room Grand Opening - Time Change!



Orange Preparatory Academy will have its Community Room Grand Opening on Tuesday, February 9. The opening is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. The room will be presented to parents and community partners. The event will also honor Ms. Julia Poirier for her generous donations to the Community Room, in memory of her late brother, Marc Poirier. Light refreshments will be served.

### 2016-2017 Preschool Registration Dates for March



The Orange Early Childhood Department has scheduled preschool registration, for the 2016 - 2017 school year, on March 14, 15, 16 and 17. Please see the flyers below for registration requirements and times. For more information, call 973-677-4500, ext. 1904 or 1918.

*See below for more current events!*

# February 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> 	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Parent Conference PreK-7 6:00-8:00 <sup>PM</sup>	<b>9</b> PreK-7 12:30 Dismissal Parent Conference 1:15-4:00 <sup>PM</sup> <b>Monthly Board of Education Meeting, 7:30<sup>PM</sup> at OPA</b>	<b>10</b> Grades 8-12 12:30 Dismissal Parent Conference 1:15-4:00 <sup>PM</sup> <b>OECC Lobby Art Show 6:00<sup>PM</sup> Board Office</b>	<b>11</b> Parent Conference Grades 8-12 6:00-8:00 <sup>PM</sup>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> 	<b>15</b>  Winter Recess District Closed	<b>16</b>  Winter Recess District Closed	<b>17</b> Winter Recess District Closed	<b>18</b>  Winter Recess District Closed	<b>19</b> Winter Recess District Closed	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>					



**Business...Finance...ESL...Technology**  
**Negocios...Finanzas...ESL...Tecnología**

Take classes in Orange at  
**Orange Adult School**

Tomar clases en la  
**Escuela de Adultos en Orange**

Obtenga más información en nuestra asamblea

**Febrero 11, 6pm**

Junto a Rosa Parks en la escuela de la Comunidad  
Iglesia de Primer Unitarian Universalist, 35 Cleveland St Orange, NJ 07050

Para preguntas, póngase en contacto con Barry Devone, coordinador del sitio en Rosa Parks  
Escuela Comunitaria (973)677-4000 ext. 1019

Learn more at our open house

**February 11th, 6pm**

Next Door to Rosa Parks Community School at  
First Unitarian Universalist Church, 35 Cleveland St Orange, NJ 07050

For questions, contact Barry Devone, Site Coordinator at Rosa Parks Community School  
(973)677-4000 ext. 1019

Rosa Parks Community School  
Presents

Disney  
The Lion King



Rosa Parks Community School  
33 Cleveland Street  
Orange, NJ 07050  
973.677.4515

February 11th & 12th

Showtime 7:00pm

Admission: Adult \$7:00 Child \$3:00

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# ORANGE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS EARLY CHILDHOOD DEPARTMENT

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## **PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR 2016 - 2017**

### REQUIREMENTS:

- 3 years old by 10/01/16                      4 years old by 10/01/16
  - Must be resident of Orange Township
    - Original Birth Certificate
    - Child's Immunization record
    - Current lease or Mortgage Statement
- 2 Proofs of Residency (PSE&G bill, telephone or cable bill,
  - No cellphone bills, please
  - Picture ID

**If you are living with a friend or relative, you must be included in their lease agreement. Notarized letters stating you rent a room/apartment/house will not be accepted.**

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***DATES: MARCH 2016 14<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>***

***TIME- 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.***

***Last sign in: 5:00 pm.***

***MARCH 2016 15<sup>th</sup>***

***TIME 10:00 a.m. – 2:00p.m.***

***Last sign in: 1:00 p.m.***

**PLACE: ORANGE EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER**

**397 PARK AVE, ORANGE, NJ 07050**

**973- 677-4500 ext. 1904 or 1918**

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***IF YOU ARE CONCERNED YOUR PRESCHOOL CHILD IS DEVELOPING OR LEARNING DIFFERENTLY, YOU CAN CALL THE DISTRICT TO REQUEST AN EVALUATION FOR PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION AND RELATED SERVICES.***



# ESCUELAS PUBLICAS DE ORANGE DEPARTAMENTO DE EDUCACION PREESCOLAR

## REGISTRACIÓN PREESCOLAR 2016-2017

### REQUISITOS:

- 3 AÑOS ANTES DE 10/01/16
- 4 AÑOS ANTES DE 10/01/16
- DEBE SER RESIDENTE DEL MUNICIPIO DE ORANGE
- PARTIDA DE NACIMIENTO ORIGINAL
- EXPEDIENTE DE INMUNIZACIONES DEL NIÑO/NIÑA
- DECLARACIÓN ACTUAL DEL ARRIENDO O DE LA HIPOTECA
- Identificación de fotos
- **2 Pruebas de Residencia (recibo de PSE&G, teléfono o recibo del cable, NO CELLPHONE!) deben ser actual.**
- **SI USTED ESTA VIVIENDO CON UN FAMILIAR O AMIGO TIENE QUE ESTAR INSCRITO EN EL CONTRATO DE ARRENDAMIENTO. NO SE ACEPTARA CARTAS NOTARIZADA.**

### **REGISTRACIÓN:**

**MARZO 14, 16, y 17 2016 3:00 pm. – 6:00 pm.**

**Tiene que firmar ANTES de las 5:00pm**

**MARZO 15, 2016 10:00 am. – 2:00 pm.**

**Tiene que firmar ANTES de las 1:00pm**

**LUGAR: ORANGE EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER  
397 PARK AVE, ORANGE, NJ 07050  
(973) 677-4500 ext 1904, 1918**

**SI USTED ESTA PREOCUPADO POR QUE SU HIJO/HIJA ESTA DESARROLLANDO ALGUN PROBLEMA DE APRENDISAJE O APRENDIENDO DIFERENTE FAVOR DE CONTACTAR AL DEPARTAMENTO DE SERVICIOS ESPECIALES EN EL DISRITO.**

# Orange School District Registration Fair



**Saturday, February 27, 2016**

**10:00am to 2:00pm**

**Montclair Child Development Center**

**261 William Street**

**Orange, NJ 07050**

**\*\*SNOW DATE: SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 2016 \*\***

## **Requirements:**

- **3 or 4 years old by 10/1/16**
- **Must be resident of Orange Township**
  - **Original Birth Certificate**
  - **Child's Immunization Record**
- **Current Lease or Mortgage Statement**
- **2 Proof of Residency (PSE&G bill, telephone or cable bill)**
  - **Picture ID**

# Escuelas Publicas de Orange Feria de Registración Preescolar

PREESCOLAR  
GRATUITO



Para registrar  
a su hijo/a

Por favor de traer la  
documentación  
requerida

Sabado 27 de Febrero  
10:00am to 2:00pm  
Montclair Child Development Center  
261 William Street  
Orange, NJ 07050

**\*\*EN CASO DE INCLEMENCIAS DEL TIEMPO, LA  
FERIA SE LLEVARA ACABO EL 5 DE MARZO \*\***

**Requisitos:**

- 3 años antes de 10/1/16
- Debe ser residente del municipio de Orange
  - Partida de nacimiento original
- Expediente de inmunizaciones del niño/niña
- Declaración actual del arriendo o de la hipoteca
  - Identificación de fotos
- 2 pruebas de residencia (recibo de PSE&G, teléfono o recibo del cable,  
NO CELLPHONE! Deben ser actual.