

T.S. King Middle School
Arts & Technology Magnet

Cultural Picnic Potluck

Tuesday, October 4th

5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

King Amphitheater

All Arts & Technology Magnet families - students and parents - are invited to attend this back-to-school annual event celebrating both the diversity of our magnet community and the start of another academic year. Come meet other magnet families and teachers and learn how you can become more involved in your child's education and school.

If possible, we ask that you bring a cultural food or drink to share that is meaningful to your family. Also, bring a blanket and/or lawn chairs for added comfort.

Please bring the following based on the first letter of your child's last name:

- A-F Salad or Appetizer
- G-K Desserts, Fruit, Drinks
- L-Z Main Dish

Feel free to call the magnet office with any questions at
(323) 644-6755.

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September 19, 2011

Dear Art and Technology Magnet Families:

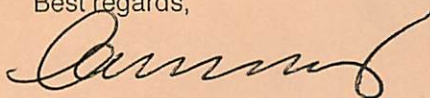
Welcome to the 2011-12 school year! Thomas Starr King Middle School has been abuzz with the activity and excitement that accompanies the start of a new academic year. I hope that the first days of school have gone smoothly. We look forward to our students' many outstanding achievements throughout the year.

Here are several important dates to mark on your family calendar:

- **"College Starts at King" Mondays:** Every Monday, members of the King community are encouraged to wear a college t-shirt or sweatshirt featuring a college of their choice instead of their regular uniform. Show King spirit on Mondays by participating in this school-wide activity.
- **1st Friends of King Meeting - Tuesday, September 20, 8:00 - 9:00 am, Parent Center:** Attend the first meeting of the year for Friends of King, our parent fundraising organization. Come find out what you can do to support Thomas Starr King Middle School.
- **Back to School Night - Thursday, September 22, 5:00 - 7:00 pm:** Meet your child's teachers at this important event and learn about class expectations, homework and grading policies, and more. Your child should take you to her/his homeroom class at 5:00 pm, where you will begin the classroom visitations. You will then proceed "period by period" to the corresponding classrooms. We look forward to seeing you at this important event.
- **Minimum Day - Friday, September 23, Dismissal at 12:29 pm:** There will be early magnet buses on all minimum days. Contact the magnet office directly if you have any questions about minimum day bus transportation.
- **Unassigned Day - Thursday, September 29:** School is closed.
- **Coffee with the Principal - Tuesday, October 4, 8:30 - 9:30 am, Student Cafeteria:** All parents are invited to a discussion with our principal, Dr. Murphy, about the latest happenings at T.S. King Middle School over a hot cup of coffee. Plan on attending future events every 1st Tuesday of the month.
- **Magnet Potluck & 1st Magnet Parent Meeting - Tuesday, October 4, 5:30 - 7:00 pm in the King Amphitheater:** All magnet families are invited to attend our annual potluck. Come learn about the various ways in which you can become involved in your child's school. Subsequent magnet parent meetings will take place on the 3rd Tuesday of every month from 5:30 - 6:30 pm in the King Library. See the attached flyer on the reverse side for more details.

If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to call the magnet office between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. at (323) 644-6754.

Best regards,



Carlos A. Hernandez
Magnet Coordinator



Approved: Kristen K. Murphy, Ed.D.