

**Words of Hope**  
**Tuesday, January 17, 2012**

**HOPE SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE**  
**JANUARY 31, 2012 – 7:00 PM**

Take a moment and think about something that you LOVE about Hope Lutheran School (hopefully you don't have to think too hard!) ☺ What do you really appreciate about our school? Is it the teachers, the curriculum, the classrooms? Is it our technology program, our athletics, or our after school events? For me personally as a parent, the one thing that I appreciate the most about our school is the closeness that our students have with each other and their teachers. When my four boys came back to Hope last year after three years at another school, I was a little worried about how they would fit in, or how they would make friends. After the first week of school last year, it seemed like we had never been away. Now that is something I really appreciate! With the "family" culture at Hope, the boys felt that closeness again right away, which I am grateful for.

So, what do you LOVE about our school? Please share that with someone that you know, such as a neighbor, a friend, or a family member, and invite them to join us for our open house coming up on **Tuesday night, January 31, from 7:00-8:30 PM**. We will meet in the sanctuary for a bit and then tour classrooms and visit with teachers. Besides sharing the blessing of a small Christian school with rigorous academics, all families who refer another family that enroll at our school are eligible for a \$100 referral bonus! So think about it today: what do you LOVE?

Kristen Okabayashi, Principal

**Upcoming School Calendar Events**

Tues. 1/17: Enrollment now Open to the Community  
Wed. 1/18: 8:40 AM Chapel Service by our 8<sup>th</sup> grade class  
Thu. 1/19: Deadline for Lunch Orders  
Wed. – Fri, 1/18, 1/19 & 1/20: Grades 7/8 Semester 1 Finals  
Fri. 1/20: Quarter 2/Semester 1 Ends / Hearing & Vision Screening  
Mon. 1/23: No School – Semester Break / ESC & Sand Dollar Club Open with pre-registration

**RESCHEDULED - PTH General Assembly Meeting for February 8th, 2012.**

Due to the forecast of unusually heavy snowfall, the PTH Board is rescheduling tomorrow's PTH General Assembly meeting to ensure the safety of our Hope families. The potluck PTH Meeting will be rescheduled for Wednesday, February 8th starting at 6pm. Please mark your calendars now with this important change. We look forward to updating our families on several key items and sharing some time with each other on February the 8th. Enjoy the special time of our potential wintry event.  
Chad Zinda, PTH President (on behalf of the board).

**Re-Enrollment Reminder**

Re-enrollment materials are now due! Please call Mrs. Wallace at 206-935-8500 if you misplaced your forms or if you have any questions regarding this process. Enrollment is now open to the community.

## **LEST INFORMATION**

**Great news** regarding our athletic events this year: we have been placed in the single A bracket for competitions. While the LEST final schedules have not been published yet and probably won't be finalized for another two weeks, we just found out that our basketball teams will probably play their first games Thursday morning February 16, which is earlier than usual. Our boys are scheduled for 9:45 AM, and our girls are scheduled to play at 11:00 AM, both in the big Concordia University gym. This will most likely NOT change, so be sure to plan your trip accordingly. There are many families going down to Portland Wednesday after school, so if your child needs a ride and a place to stay, please check with other families or your child's coach. The other LEST events will occur on the same days as last year; if you have questions about events before the final schedule comes out, please let us know in the office.

Also, be sure to book your room at the Oxford Suites if you haven't already, as our room block has now been released to the public. We have heard that Oxford Suites is out of double queen rooms and they are now booking guests in single king suites with a sofa bed. Go Eagles!

## **THE ART OF MARRIAGE**

Friday, February 3, 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. and Saturday, February 4,  
10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The Art of Marriage is an exciting video conference that provides couples with the tools and inspiration to strengthen their marriage. The cost is \$48.00 per couple. Snacks will be provided as well as lunch on Saturday.

Registration forms are available in the school office.

## **Open House and School Tours for Seattle Lutheran High School**

The staff and faculty of Seattle Lutheran High School invite you to join us for an **Open House on Tuesday, January 31, from 6:30-8:00pm**. At Seattle Lutheran High School our high academic standards and competitive sports programs are balanced with character education and spiritual growth. In a day and age where schools measure their success by standardized measures on tests, we define success through Confidence, Hope, Integrity, and Passion, the cornerstones of a Seattle Lutheran High School education. For more information call Rachel Bigliardi at 206-937-7722 Ext. 18 or visit our website at [seattlelutheran.org](http://seattlelutheran.org).

Tuesday tours for prospective students are being conducted through the months of January and February. Contact Rachel Bigliardi at [rbigliardi@seattlelutheran.org](mailto:rbigliardi@seattlelutheran.org) or 206-937-7722 Ext. 18 to schedule a visit.

## **PIP Opportunity**

We need help distributing our open house flyers to local merchants around the West Seattle and surrounding communities. If you can help with this please call Mrs. Wallace at 206-935-8500.

## **Christmas Musical DVD's Available**

We still have DVD's available from our 1 -5 grade Christmas Musical. Don't miss your opportunity to capture your child's performance on tape to watch for years to come!

They are \$5.00 (cash only please) while supplies last.