# HSArts Community Newsletter - Oct 6

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# FROM THE ADMINISTRATION

#### **Important Dates**

Oct 3-7 Spirit Week

Oct 14 "The Con" play

performance

Oct 22 Open House

#### School Mural

HSArts students are designing a school mural for the east wall. The community of students and teachers have voted on 4 beautiful designs by the students with the theme being the only two seasons in San Francisco, Spring and Fall. High school students finished selecting colors and the middle school students will begin working on the wall on Wednesday. Let's see what they can accomplish!

# Remarks from our Head of School



Greetings everyone!

October 3-7 is the HSArts Spirit week! HSArts spirit is about Respect, Responsibility, Honesty, Kindness, Empathy and Tolerance; HSArts spirit is about contributing positively to our society; HSArts spirit is about achieving excellence in Academics, Arts and everything that we do. Go Phoenix!

- Dr. Sherry Zhang Head of School San Francisco High School of the Arts



\*Photo courtesy of Ms. Annabel, via Instagram Story



\*Photo courtesy of Mr. Brian, please excuse his photography skills

# **ACADEMICS**

### Featured Academic Class of the Week

Mr. Ray Chen, Math and Science Teacher



Starting this school year, our innovative Integrated Science curriculum aims to incorporate computer science and data science into our core scientific subjects, such as physical science, biology, and physics. Students are learning these subjects while using computers to build models, simulate results, and analyze the resulting data. For example, our "Integrated Science - Bio Focus" class is working on reproducing current Australia's rabbit crisis using JavaScript. Students code this real world problem of "breed like rabbits" by randomly simulating 3-4 liters per year and 1-12 babies per litter per doe rabbit. Another coding project my math students are working on is using repetition to tell if a number is prime. The manual process of telling prime is tedious but JavaScript only needs 8 lines to take input and give output, true/false of prime. Students not only build up their coding skills but also get the important sense that their future careers may benefit from computer science and data science.

### **ARTS**

#### Featured Arts Class of the Week

Ms. Dana Crigler, Ballet Teacher



HSArts middle and high school students are not only trained in classical ballet techniques (Vaganova and Chaccetti), but also learn about musicality, artistry, dance history, and are exposed to different genres of dance (Contemporary, Jazz, etc.). All students have the opportunity to perform classical ballet works from

different ballets along with original works choreographed by teachers. For students that have identified they would like to dance in college or perform with professional companies, dance teachers also provide career planning and development to assist students in their goals.



### Musical Theatre Fall Showcase

HSArts' Musical Theatre program is excited to invite you to our Fall Showcase! This night of performance will feature a one-act performance of a new play, The Con by Tracy Wells, and vocal selections from Singin' in the Rain and Aquarius. The Con features an ensemble cast of characters attending a comic book convention. All is not as it seems as the audience discovers a devious plot to steal an expensive comic book is revealed right before our eyes! Please join us Friday, October 14th at 6 PM! We hope to see many of you there! Please RSVP via this <u>link</u>.



## **ADMISSIONS**

### **Admissions News**

Student ambassadors did a great job greeting the visitors and sharing their experiences with prospective families last week during the first open house. HSArts continues to offer private campus tours during the admissions season and our next open house will be on Saturday, October 22, 3pm-5pm.

If you know a student who can benefit from attending our school, please invite the family to contact us for a private tour, events, and school information. Thank you!

### STUDENT LIFE



### Spirit Week underway

So far this week, we had wonderful purples and golds on Monday, extremely comfy outfits Tuesday, and sudden twins dressing in sync on Wednesday. Today, students show off their elegant style in lovely dresses and formal suits. The students also created beautiful design proposals for our school mural and squeezed in a club fair on the side. We're loving everyone's SPIRIT this week. Hope everyone, students and staff, are enjoying it. Let's keep it up!



### Vending Made Easy

Introducing our all new vending machine! Purchase many of your favorite snacks and drinks\* directly from this easy-to-use, cash-only deliverer of deliciousness. Coins (including dollar coins) welcome!







\*Note: Smaller snack items (Welch's, Oreos) and glass bottled items (Jarritos) and some others will still be sold by the front desk.

If you have any snack requests, please direct them to Student Life Coordinator, Mr. Brian.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### Coming soon!

Oct 3-7 Spirit Week

Oct 14 "The Con" play performance

Oct 22 Open House

Nov 15 Submission Deadline for HSArts Fall 2022 Art Competition

Dec 16 Winter Wonders Recital and Art Exhibition

Communication is essential and we strive to connect with our students, parents, and families throughout the school year. We will continue reaching out to you with this weekly newsletter. We also encourage you to visit our website and follow our social pages including Facebook and Instagram for announcements, information, and celebrations.

