



BROOKS SCHOOL

PARENT NEWSLETTER

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Brooks School sent 20 students to the 18th annual Boston Invitational Model United Nations Conference. The delegates (a few shown above) spent Feb. 8-10 at the Marriott-Copley participating in a simulation of the United Nations for high school students, hosted by Boston University.

Thank You, Parents!

We can't thank our parents enough for treating us all to wonderful sweets and raffles this past year during the Ghostly Goodies, Nutcracker Sweets, and Treats for Your Sweets events. Your hard work and dedication are so greatly appreciated! A special thank you to the chairs of these programs: Jenn Quinn P'20, P'21 and Joan Ziady P'18, P'20, P'22.

Parents Needed: Community Appreciation Lunch

On March 25, before the students return from Spring Break, parents treat every employee at Brooks to a special luncheon including a fabulous raffle! Parent volunteers handle every aspect of the event, from set-up to cooking, serving and clean up, as well as raffle donations. This is YOUR chance to say thank you to the teachers, coaches, advisors, custodians, business office, nurses and librarians: each person who plays a role in your child's Brooks experience.

Please sign up [here](#) to bring a dish and/or to volunteer your time. Curious about raffle donations? They run the gamut: sporting event tickets, restaurant gift certificates, themed gift baskets, AMEX gift cards, golf outings,

experiences... anything and everything is accepted and greatly appreciated! Even if you don't live around the corner, you can still help -- just ask us how. Contact Parents Committee volunteers [Sheila Serrao](#) P'15, P'20 and [Jeannie Sullivan](#) P'22 with any questions or if you have an item to donate. Thank you!

Get Your Tickets for "Hairspray!"

"Hairspray," winner of eight Tony Awards, including Best Musical, is a family-friendly production, piled bouffant-high with laughter, romance and deliriously tuneful songs. It's 1962 in Baltimore, and the lovable plus-size teen, Tracy Turnblad, has only one desire -- to dance on the popular "Corny Collins Show." When her dream comes true, Tracy is transformed from social outcast to sudden star. She must use her newfound power to dethrone the reigning Teen Queen, win the affections of heartthrob, Link Larkin, and integrate a TV network... all without denting her 'do!

"Hairspray" will be on stage in Brooks' Center for the Arts Feb. 21-23 at 7:30 pm. There is a high demand for tickets. Please email or call Registrar [Lisa Saunders](#) to get your tickets, available on a first come, first served basis: (978) 725-6255. Please note, the majority of students will attend the Thursday and Friday performances so there is greater ticket availability on Saturday.

Re-Enrollment for Current Students

The re-enrollment process for returning students has begun in coordination with the Business Office and PowerSchool. Emails have been sent from the Business Office with the link to your student's re-enrollment account. Completed agreements and deposits are due by March 1. If you have questions, or need assistance with this process, contact Student Accounts' [Marie Ranfos](#): (978) 725-6322 or Controller [Jo-Ann Almaraz](#): (978) 725-6321.

Blood Drive Sign-Ups

The spring blood drive will be held Feb. 18 from 2-7 p.m. Students are able to sign up in the dining hall during lunch hours. If you would like to sign up too, please click [here](#). Thank you!

Want to Join Bobbin Farm's CSA?

Interested in Community Sponsored Agriculture? Our campus farm has some openings in its CSA share -- parents are welcome to sign up! For more information, please click [here](#).

Student Activities This Weekend

Click [here](#) to see all the activities, including a Valentine's dance and a trip to the Boston Museum of Fine Arts.

The P.A.C.: Parents' Academic Corner



The Learning Center works with students to develop curiosity in the classroom. Naturally, when students find an increased interest in a subject, motivation follows and students find themselves more engaged in the learning process. Encouraging students to preview topics, do their homework and ask questions in class contributes to greater academic success. Learn more about how to stimulate a student's curiosity in the Edutopia article, "[Curiosity: The Force Within a Hungry Mind](#)."

Upcoming Events

- Feb. 18: Florida Alumni and Parent Reception, 6-8 p.m.
- Feb 21-23: Winter Musical: "Hairspray," 7:30 p.m.
- Feb. 25: San Francisco Alumni and Parent Reception, 6-8 p.m.
- Feb. 27: Los Angeles Alumni and Parent Reception, 6-8 p.m.
- March 9-10: Brooks Gives Back multi-city volunteer event
- March 11: Seoul Parent and Prospective Family Reception, 6-8 p.m.
- March 13: Hong Kong Parent and Prospective Family Reception, 6-8 p.m.
- March 25: Community Appreciation Lunch, 11:30 a.m.
- April 9: Washington, D.C. Alumni and Parent Reception, 6:30 p.m.

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